

ST. AMBROSE CHURCH

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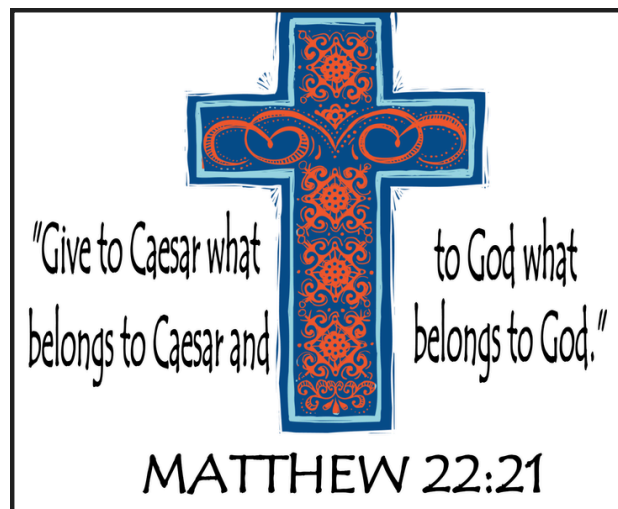
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Scripture Insights

Roman coins carried an image of the emperor and inscriptions dedicated to Roman gods. Many Jews considered these coins blasphemous and tried to avoid their use. Roman taxes, however, had to be paid in Roman coins, and the penalties for evasion included the selling of whole families into debt slavery. Thus, even pious Jews had to compromise with their conscience to protect their families from such a fate.

The use of Roman coins also had subtler corrosive effects. Imperial governors paid collaborators with Roman coins. As the Roman Empire assimilated Israel's economy, foreign landowners and employers moved in and paid wages in Roman coins. Coins were also propaganda. As people spent them, they subconsciously associated images of Roman gods and emperors with necessary goods like food, rent, and clothing. Even as they piously thanked God for their daily bread, they had to acknowledge that the meal was on the table because of coins bearing the emperor's face and prayers to foreign gods.

Israel had a long tradition of seeing past the pretensions and religious claims of foreign rulers. This Sunday's first reading and psalm both address Jesus' ancestors who lived under foreign rule. In each case, the Scriptures reminded God's people to look beyond appearances and recognize that all power and all material possessions are gifts from God for the benefit of humanity. These might come through foreigners, but they originate in heaven, and those who thank God for them and use them as God intends practice justice and righteousness.

Jesus drew on this tradition. He does not forbid the use of Roman coins. He simply counsels his listeners to be at least as attentive to "what belongs to God" as to "what belongs to Caesar."

"Give the Lord glory and honor." ~Psalm 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10

First Reading: Isaiah 45: 1, 4-6
Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 96: 1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10
Second Reading: First Thessalonians 1: 1-5b
Alleluia: Philippians 2: 15d, 16a
Gospel: Matthew 22: 15-21

MASS TIMES

Sundays: 10:00 a.m. (Livestream) & 5:00 p.m.

Monday-Friday: 6:00 p.m.

ADORATION

Tuesdays: 6:30 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays: 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. or by appointment



THE HOLY SACRAMENTS

Baptisms: By Appointment

Marriage: Arrangements 6 months in advance

Anointing of the Sick & Funeral:
Call the Parish Office

OCIA

Thursdays: Starts with mass at 6:00 p.m. followed by the class until 7:30 p.m.

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DID YOU KNOW?

What is child physical abuse?
 Child physical abuse is an act, failure to act, or a situation that leads to a child's harm. This includes any non-accidental action that physically harms a child, by a parent or a person responsible for the child (babysitter, daycare worker, school employee, etc.)
 Physical abuse can be seen in marks or injuries on a child's body, including welts, bite marks, burns, broken bones, unexplained bruises, and others. For more information, visit
<https://preventchildabuse.org/what-we-do/child-physical-abuse-prevention/>.



RESPECT LIFE MONTH

WE ARE COLLECTING:

ESSENTIAL ITEMS FOR BABIES, TODDLERS, AND FAMILIES IN NEED. YOUR GENEROSITY HELPS PROVIDE COMFORT, DIGNITY, AND ESSENTIAL CARE TO FAMILIES IN OUR COMMUNITY.

Diapers — All Sizes

Baby Care: Wipes, lotion, baby wash & shampoo, rash cream, soap, changing pads

Feeding: Bottles, bottle brushes, bibs, sippy cups, baby spoons & food containers

Clothing & Blankets: New baby clothing, onesies, socks, baby blankets & receiving blankets

Other Needs: Diaper bags, pacifiers, washcloths, hooded towels & toddler hygiene items

Donations benefit:

St. Anne's Family Services

Scan QR code for Online giving to Diaper Drive



Honor the memory of a beloved family member or friend with a beautiful leaf on the Memorial Tree in our chapel.

How to Order Your Memorial Leaf

- Pick up a Memorial Tree Leaf Order Form from the table in the vestibule.
- Complete the form and include your donation.
- Submit the completed form and donation to the parish office.

Minimum Donation: \$150

For more information, please contact the parish office at 323-656-4433.

PRAY FOR YOUR PARISH FINANCES

"Give to the Most High as He has given to you, generously, according to your means. For the Lord is one who always repays and he will give back sevenfold." (Sirach: 35)

October 11, 2026

Offertory.....\$1,037.00

Online.....\$2,616.00

Total.....\$3,653.00

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PlannedGiving@LA-Archdiocese.org
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GLOBAL ROSARY FOR PEACE

Every single Catholic on Earth is Being called to pray the Rosary for World Peace
 October 22, 2026

In response to Pope Leo XIV's call to pray for peace, Holy Cross Family Ministries invites you to participate in a Virtual Global Rosary for Peace on Thursday, October 22, 2026.

Join families and communities around the world in prayer, uniting our hearts in a shared commitment to peace.

Register and learn more: PrayForPeace.org

Visit the website to register for the virtual Rosary and explore the global map, featuring families and communities publicly committing to pray for peace.

"I invite you to pray the Rosary every day for peace in the world."

POPE LEO XIV

Lord Jesus, Divine Physician, bless him with a smooth recovery, renewed strength, and the comfort of Your loving presence. Protect him from complications, ease his suffering, and grant wisdom to all who participate in his care.

Holy Spirit, fill our Holy Father with hope and perseverance. May he feel the prayers and love of the faithful throughout the world, sustaining him in body, mind, and spirit.

Through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Health of the Sick, may Pope Leo XIV be wrapped in her maternal care and strengthened by the healing grace of Your Son.

Heavenly Father, we place our Holy Father in Your loving hands, trusting in Your mercy and divine providence. May Your healing power restore him to health and grant him many more years of faithful service to Your Church.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. AMEN

