

## **ST. PETER THE FISHERMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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### **PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL**

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

Richly blessed in numbers, talents and resources, we the people of St. Peter the Fisherman Roman Catholic Church, are commissioned by Christ, inspired by His teaching, motivated by love and called by our very Baptism to be the living sign of God's loving presence in the community of the Twin Lakes area.

### **MASS SCHEDULE**

#### **Sunday Masses**

Saturday: 4:00 PM  
Sunday: 8:00 AM, & 11:00 AM

**OFFICE HOURS: Monday – Friday, 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM** (Closed on Holy Days of Obligation and National Holidays).

### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Monday, thru Saturday 7:15 AM  
Wednesday and Friday: 5:15 PM

**HOLY DAYS** – as announced

### **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Preparation class for parents and godparents is required. Please contact the church office for dates and time of Baptisms and other information pertaining to this Sacrament.

### **SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION**

Half an hour before each Mass, and by appointment.

### **SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

Preparation for marriage must begin at least six months before anticipated date of wedding. Please contact the church office to set up an appointment to talk with a priest.

### **NEW PARISHIONERS**

Please register at the church office during office hours.

### **PASTOR**

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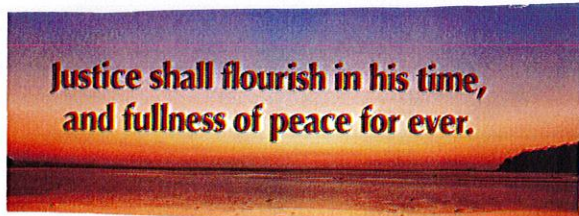
### **Ministries**

Adoration: Angela DeGroote 421-0426  
OCIA: Fr. Norbert or Mary Jo 425-2832  
Pastor's Advisory Board: 425-2832  
Clothing Room: Kathi Clark 870-809-9080  
Mon. – Fri. 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM  
St. Vincent De Paul Society 424-0926  
Thursdays 10:00 – Noon  
Daughters of Mary: Lynne Weaver 870-404-1252  
Knights of Columbus: Dana Brown 512-983-7878  
Knights: 4<sup>th</sup> Degree  
Lay Dominicans: Mrs. Kathi Richey, OP 940-390-6683  
Health Care Ministry: Denise Malloy 321-4163  
Walking With Purpose: Amy Caster 870-421-6351

*We welcome all visitors to St. Peter the Fisherman Catholic Church and thank you for celebrating with us the liturgy of the Holy Eucharist. We wish you the most enjoyable stay in our beautiful area and pray for your safety when you travel back home.*



**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
DECEMBER 6/7, 2025**



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Collection for Nov. 29/30.....\$11,781.00

**PARISHIONERS WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY RECENTLY** We commended to God all the souls of our faithfully departed. May they all rest in eternal peace. Please remember their families in your hearts and prayers.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION OF THE LORD** We are so blessed we can visit Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration. For more information or to sign up for your personal hour contact Angela at 421-0426  
**Sunday: 2:00 AM, Mondays: 1:00 PM**  
**Fridays: 1:00 AM**

**COLLECTION FOR THE RETIRED RELIGIOUS ON DECEMBER 6/7, 2025**  
A lifetime of service deserves care in return. Donations to the Retirement Fund for Religious provides housing, medical assistance and essential support for thousands of aging religious. Please consider giving next week.

**MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS**  
The Honorariums and Memorials are due for the Christmas bulletin on December 8, 2025. Envelopes for the Honorariums (Living loved ones) and Memorials (deceased loved ones) are available in the vestibule and your envelope packets. Please fill them out legibly and thoroughly' return them in the collection basket. The proceeds will help decorate the church for Christmas. Thank you!

**BUNCO** – December 16 at 1:30 PM, call Sally.  
**PRAYER LINE** 870- 404-2039

**OPLATI KI** (Christmas Wafer) is available, in the church office. Please give a donation of \$1.50. Thank you

**PLEASE HELP US CLEAN THE CHURCH**  
Please assist us in cleaning the church Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 9:00 AM. Thank you

**HEALTH CARE MINISTRY** to meet Thursday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM in DeClerk hall.

**PENANCE SERVICE:** December 14<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 – 5:30 PM four priests will be here to hear your confession. Please join us and remember to take advantage of the Masses before Christmas during the week. Father will not be hearing confessions at the Christmas Masses.

**ATTENTION: EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS, LECTORS AND ALTAR SERVERS** The December Ministry Schedule is in the Information Room, ready for you to pick up. Thank you so much for serving, God bless you all!!

**THANK YOU!!** This parish is full of caring people. I would like to thank David Kelly, who helped me take off the plastic covers on the 2025 Breaking Bread Books, so they could be used on the new books. He has always been so kind to me. Thank you to Patrick Jean for getting numerous people to put the covers on the new books. I thank all of them, too many to name but you know who you are. On Thanksgiving day after the Mass, all the parishioners pitched in to pick up the old Breaking Bread books and put the new books in where they should go. I could not believe how quickly it was done, I bet it wasn't 15 minutes. Thank you! You are all so awesome and I am blessed to volunteer in such a loving parish. You all saved me so much time. Carin Vostatek

**FROM THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
Council 7353 is pleased to recognize Floyd and Cindy Lang as our November Family of the Month!! The Langs are an exceptionally close family who faithfully attend Mass together, pray together, and participate actively in parish life. They offer consistent and meaningful service to our parish community. Their continued involvement in parish activities such as the Chili Cook-Off, Cookie Walk, Parish Picnic, Welcome Retreat, funeral meals, and Adoration – reflects their dedication to our parish and to living out their Catholic Faith. The Langs Family's ongoing commitment and exemplary service make them truly deserving of this recognition. Please join us in congratulating Floyd and Cindy Lang, our Family of the month for November.

**THANK YOU!!** To all the Cookie Walk bakers, helpers, and shoppers for all of their efforts to once again make this event such a success! We are truly blessed at St. Peter's to have such a loving, caring family! May our Lord bless each one of you for your generosity in always remembering those in need!



## **MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday, December 8 The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

*Gn 3:9-15, 20/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38*

7:00 AM +For Brothers and Sisters

by Dominican Sister

Noon +Jim and Brad DePriest by Friend

6:00 PM +Mary and Joseph by Family

**Tuesday, December 9 St. Juan Diego Cuauhtiatotzin**

*Is 40:1-11/Mt 18:12-14*

7:15 AM +All Deceased Dominicans

by Lay Dominicans of Immaculate Conception Group

**Wednesday, December 10 Our Lady of Loreto**

*Is 40:25-31/Mt 11:28-30*

7:15 AM +Inge Marler by Friend

5:15 PM St. Peter's Purgatorial Society

**Thursday, December 11 St. Damasus**

*Is 41:13-20/Mt 11:28-30*

7:15 AM For the Holy Souls in Purgatory

by Schroeckenthaler Family

**Friday, December 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe**

5:15 PM Special Intention of Mary Jo by Friend

8:00 PM Fr. Norbert and +Carmen Mandujano

by Lucy Christensen

**Saturday, December 13 St. Lucy**

*Zec 2:14-17*

7:15 AM Special Intention of Ben Farmer by Dixie

4:00 PM +Mary Ornelas and Mickey Dzieken

By Sarah Vasquez & Ron Dzieken

**Sunday, December 14 Second Sunday Advent**

*Is 35:1-6a, 10/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11*

8:00 AM +For the People of St. Peter's

11:00 AM St. Lucy by Rose

## **PLEASE KEEP ALL THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR HEARTS AND PRAYERS**

Paul Oswald, Amy, Bill K. Stapleton, Mick, Tia, Colleen, Clay Kennedy, Jeff Torphy, Joey, David, Pam Pellicane, Joan and Carl Torres, Claudette Hough, Fraser, Ruben Pasillas, Kevin Kennedy, Kaleb, Tina Urban, Mary Eckert, Trish, Tom and Patricia Kelley, Joey H., Tom Handby, Regina Niggemann, Ginny Cox, Clare Joanne Fulton, Dc. Bob Crawford, Schill Family, Victoria Malichi, Mike, Jack Insinga, Amy Spiegle, David Sullivan, Mark, Toni, Jeff Harry, Aspen, John, Ed and Jean Moranz, Kathleen Szpicky, Louie Dreder, Sandy, Blair, Ida, Baby Emerson, Mary Ann Hoyne, Betty Lindsey, Parker, Sam Ferrara, Lois Runkle, Mary Ann Balwierczak, Stephanie Kratovil, Clark Knight, Beau Dicks, Terry and Kathy Mason, Bob, Carol and Larry Rice, Fred Browning, Ellen and Family, Pat Favara, Ron Dziekan, Sarah, Carol Kennedy, Kristin Meinholz, Jim, Kaleb, Jacob, Jerry Carter and Brandi, Theresa, Hannah, Alex Till, Kennedy, Debra Burley, David Totten, Ron Briggs, Kristina Hale, Samantha Washam, Linda, Alice Mason, Don Dotson, Judie Kubal, Paul Pablo – Garay, David Russell, Joey, Terry, Nick Kennedy, Paul and Barbara Lachel, Jeff Gastron, Savino Mandujano, Anne Middleton, John and Andy Willette, Jack Clarke, Lisa, Kaitlin. Nathan, Aria and Ivy Barbeau, Chris and Carly Webb, Leo, Bonnie, Bill Holstine, Jim Allen, Ella, Bond Family, Ellen Moran, Marty Kowalkowski, Kevin, George Ferrara, Sarah Goss, Kathy McAleese, Bill and Deb Brewer, Carolyn, Kenneth, Sarah, Kole, Patty Shay, Theresa Boekholder, Larry Rice, Kennedy Sheffler.

## **MASS TIMES FOR THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY 7:00 AM, NOON AND 6:00 PM.**

This is a Holy Day of Obligation. Church offices closed.

## **ST. PETER'S KITCHEN ON THURSDAYS**

Please join us for free lunch and fellowship from 12:30 to 1:30 PM in DeClerk hall on Thursdays.

## **PARISH ADVISORY COUNCIL**

**NOMINATIONS** Two seats on the Parish Advisory Council are open for the upcoming term. The Nomination Committee is now accepting names from the parish for both positions. Nominations forms are available in the vestibule of the church.

**"God is still writing your story, quit trying to steal the pen." Trust the Author**

## **KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST**

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Christmas poster contest for our young parishioners, grades 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup>. Contact person is Bill Balsbaugh at 559-302-8858. All posters are due **December 10<sup>th</sup>**. There are three age groups: 1<sup>st</sup> through 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup>. There will be three winners in each group. Winners will receive a gift card from Walmart. The theme is Keep Christ in Christmas and should be on the poster. Posterboards and entry forms can be obtained from Bill Balsbaugh or from Mary Jo in the church office.

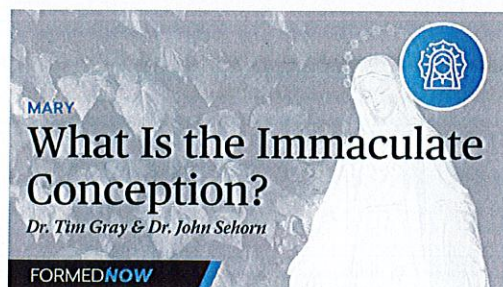
## **CLOTHING ROOM SALE - 50% off CHRISTMAS AND 25% off CHILDREN'S CLOTHING**

25% off coats, vests, hoodies and children's clothing. Come soon for best selection Monday through Friday 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM and Saturdays 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. See you soon!!!!



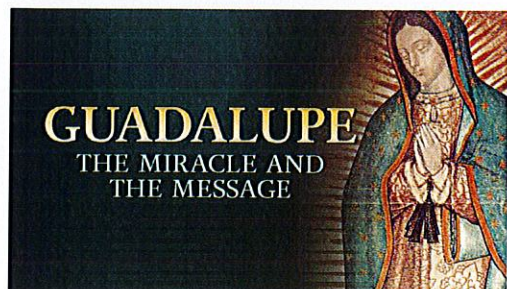
# This Week on Formed

Week of December 07, 2025



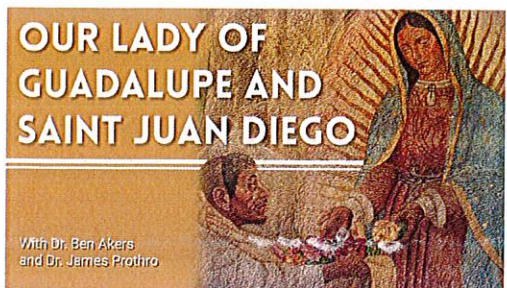
## What Is the Immaculate Conception?

Join Drs Tim Gray and John Sehorn as they examine Mary under her title of the Immaculate Conception. This dogma of the Catholic faith, promulgated in 1854 by Pope Pius IX, speaks of Mary's conception and what it means to the Church.



## Guadalupe: The Miracle and the Message

Enjoy this film narrated by Jim Caviezel that walks us through our Mother's miraculous appearance to Juan Diego, an encounter that has influenced the conversion of millions of people.



## Our Lady of Guadalupe and Saint Juan Diego | Catholic Saints

Dr. Ben Akers sits down with Dr. James Prothro to discuss Mary's apparition to Saint Juan Diego on Tepeyac hill under the title of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

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# OUR LADY OF *Guadalupe*



Live  
Mariachi  
Band  
at 8 p.m  
Mass



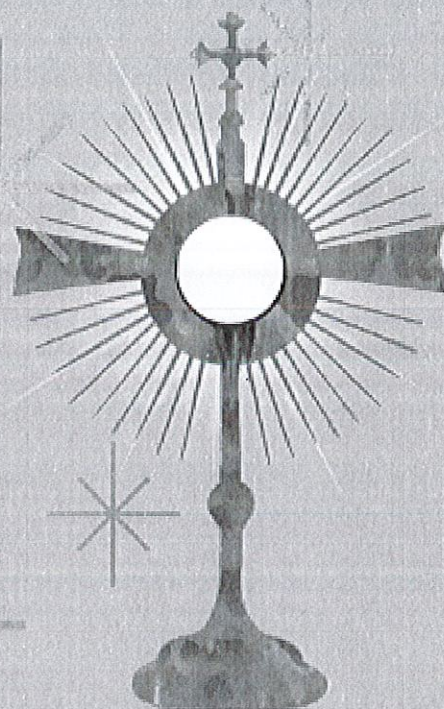
PRAYER SERVICE

**ROSARY : DEC 11TH AT 11:00 P.M. ( SPANISH )**

**SERENADE TO OUR LADY: DEC 11TH AT 12:00 A.M**

**MASS: DEC 12TH AT 8:00 P.M**





*The Women of Walking with Purpose welcome all women to*

## **PEACE IN THE WAITING**

*An evening of Adoration with guided prayer and worship*

**15 DECEMBER 2025**

**5:30 - 7:00 PM**

**ST PETER THE FISHERMAN CHURCH**



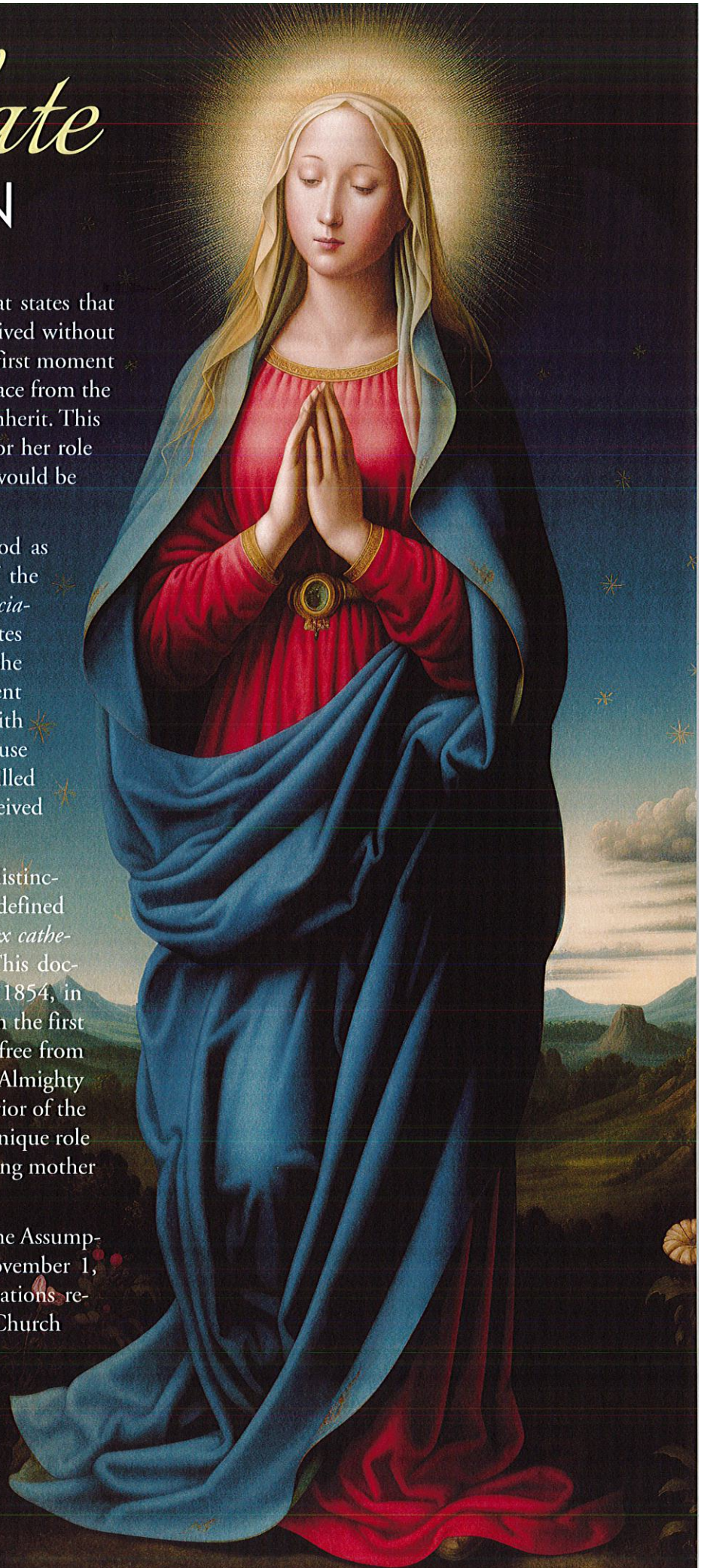
# Immaculate CONCEPTION

The Immaculate Conception is the doctrine that states that the Virgin Mary, the mother of Jesus, was conceived without original sin. This belief holds that from the very first moment of her existence, Mary was preserved by God's grace from the stain of original sin that all other human beings inherit. This special grace was given to Mary in preparation for her role as the mother of Jesus Christ, ensuring that she would be a pure and holy vessel for his birth.

This doctrine has sometimes been misunderstood as the conception of Jesus through the power of the Holy Spirit in the feast we know as the *Annunciation*. Instead, the Immaculate Conception celebrates the special gift of God's grace to Mary because she was to be the mother of Jesus, God's chosen agent to bring about our salvation. We hail Mary in faith and prayer because she is "full of grace" and because "the Lord is with her." In other words, Mary was filled with God's life well before the Messiah was conceived in her womb.

The Immaculate Conception holds the unique distinction of being one of only two dogmas formally defined by the Pope's full teaching authority, known as *ex cathedra*, rather than through ecumenical councils. This doctrine, defined by Pope Pius IX on December 8, 1854, in the papal bull *Ineffabilis Deus*, proclaims that from the first moment of her conception, Mary was preserved free from original sin by a singular grace and privilege of Almighty God, in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, the Savior of the human race. This definition emphasized Mary's unique role and her pure and sinless nature, making her a fitting mother for the Son of God.

The only other dogma defined in this manner is the Assumption of Mary, declared by Pope Pius XII on November 1, 1950, in *Munificentissimus Deus*. These proclamations reflect the deep Marian devotion in the Catholic Church and underscore the Pope's infallibility in defining doctrines of faith and morals. The Immaculate Conception's *ex cathedra* definition exemplifies the Pope's role in guiding Church doctrine and the enduring significance of Marian beliefs.





# The Magnificat

(Lk 1:46-55)

And Mary said:  
My soul proclaims the  
greatness of the Lord,  
my spirit rejoices in God  
my Savior for he has  
looked with favor on  
his lowly servant.  
From this day all genera-  
tions will call me blessed:  
the Almighty has done  
great things for me,  
and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those  
who fear him  
in every generation.  
He has shown the strength  
of his arm, he has scattered  
the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the  
mighty from their thrones,  
and has lifted up  
the lowly.  
He has filled the hungry  
with good things,  
and the rich he has sent  
away empty.

He has come to the help  
of his servant Israel  
for he remembered  
his promise of mercy,  
the promise he made to  
our fathers,  
to Abraham and his  
children forever.



## THE HISTORY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION IN THE CHURCH

The history of the Immaculate Conception doctrine is a fascinating journey through centuries of theological development and devotion within the Catholic Church. Here's an overview of its key historical milestones:

### Early Church

*Early Christian Writings:* The roots of the belief in Mary's sinlessness can be traced back to early Christian writings. Church Fathers like St. Augustine (354-430) acknowledged Mary's exceptional holiness but did not explicitly articulate the doctrine as it is known today.

### Medieval Period

*Debates and Development:* The concept of Mary's Immaculate Conception began to gain traction in the medieval period. Theologians such as St. Anselm (1033-1109) and St. Bernard of Clairvaux (1090-1153) discussed the idea, but there was considerable debate. St. Bernard and others were initially opposed, concerned that it might detract from the universality of Christ's redemptive sacrifice.

*Blessed John Duns Scotus:* In the 13th century, the Franciscan theologian Blessed John Duns Scotus (1266-1308) provided a significant theological foundation for the doctrine. He argued that Mary's preservation from original sin was a unique grace given by God in anticipation of the merits of Jesus Christ's passion and death.

### Renaissance and Pre-Modern Period

*Growing Devotion:* During the Renaissance, devotion to the Immaculate Conception grew, supported by various religious orders, particularly the Franciscans. This period saw an increasing number of theological works and popular devotions focused on Mary's sinlessness.

### Papal Definitions

*Feast and Papal Support:* In 1476, Pope Sixtus IV established a feast day in honor of the Immaculate Conception. Over the centuries, several popes expressed support for the doctrine, contributing to its acceptance within the Church.

*Papal Bull Ineffabilis Deus:* On December 8, 1854, Pope Pius IX formally defined the dogma of the Immaculate Conception in the papal bull *Ineffabilis Deus*. This declaration affirmed that Mary was conceived free from original sin by a singular grace and privilege granted by Almighty God, in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, the Savior of the human race.

### Modern Period

*Continued Devotion:* The proclamation of *Ineffabilis Deus* was widely celebrated within the Catholic Church, and the feast of the Immaculate Conception remains an important liturgical celebration. The doctrine is also deeply tied to Marian apparitions, such as those at Lourdes, where in 1858, the Virgin Mary identified herself to St. Bernadette Soubirous as the Immaculate Conception.

The doctrine of the Immaculate Conception evolved over centuries, influenced by theological debates, papal support, and growing popular devotion. It highlights the unique role of Mary in salvation history and underscores the belief in God's extraordinary grace in preparing her to be the mother of Jesus. Today, it remains a cornerstone of Catholic Marian theology and devotion.



# OUR LADY OF *Guadalupe*

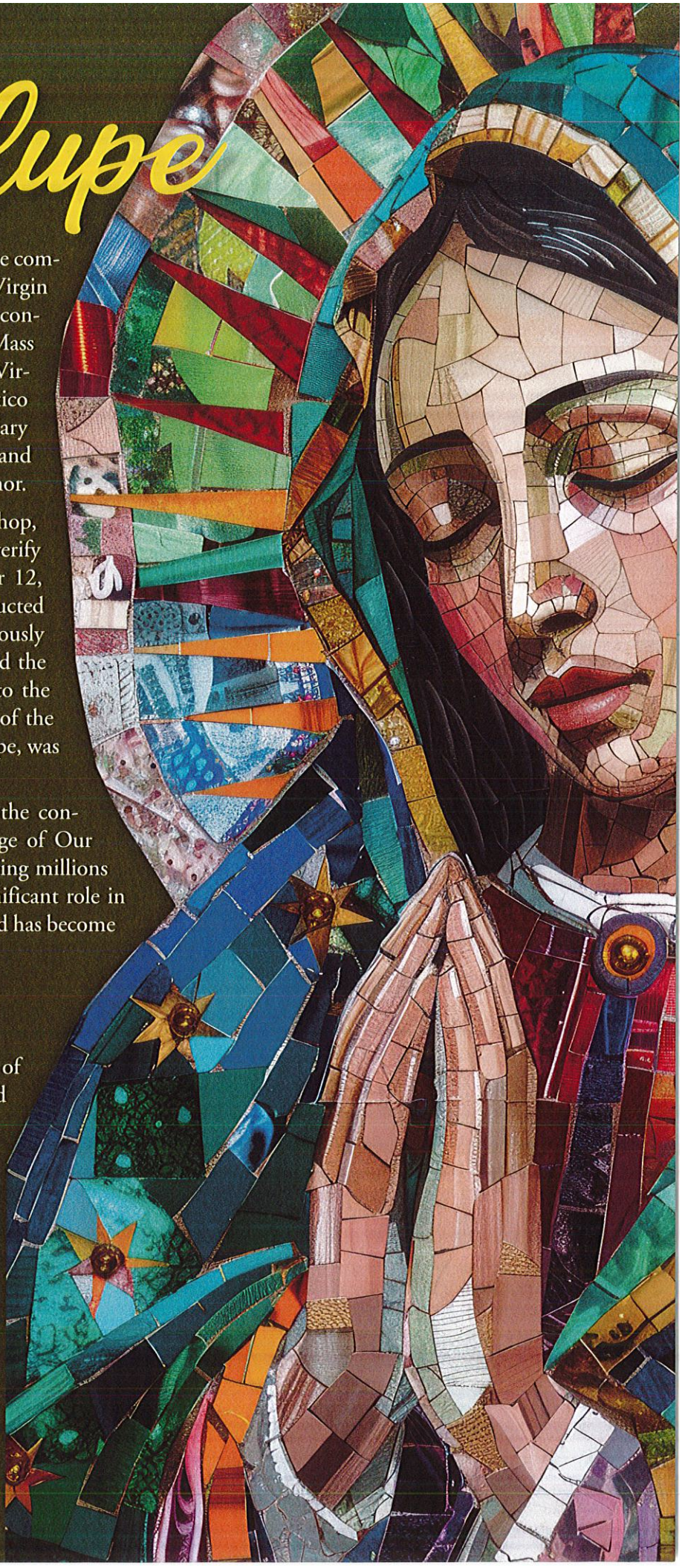
The feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe commemorates the appearance of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Juan Diego in 1531. Diego, a recently converted indigenous man, was walking to attend Mass when he encountered a radiant apparition of the Virgin Mary on the rocky hill of Tepeyac near Mexico City. Speaking in his native *Nahuatl* language, Mary identified herself as the Mother of the true God and asked that a church be built on that site in her honor.

Juan Diego reported the vision to the local bishop, Juan de Zumárraga, who demanded a sign to verify the authenticity of the apparition. On December 12, the Virgin appeared to Juan Diego again and instructed him to gather Castilian roses, which were miraculously blooming on the arid hilltop. Juan Diego collected the flowers in his tilma (cloak) and presented them to the bishop. As the roses fell to the ground, an image of the Virgin Mary, now known as Our Lady of Guadalupe, was imprinted on the fabric of his tilma.

The bishop recognized the miracle and ordered the construction of a church on Tepeyac Hill. The image of Our Lady of Guadalupe remains enshrined there, drawing millions of pilgrims annually. The apparition played a significant role in the evangelization of Mexico and Latin America and has become a powerful symbol of Mexican identity and faith.



Our Lady of Guadalupe is the only appearance of Mary in the Americas that is officially recognized by the Church. In 1945 Pope Pius XII designated her "Patroness of all the Americas" and in 1961 Pope John XXIII invoked her as "Mother of the Americas." This feast also reminds us that our ethnic differences contribute to the wholeness and blessed diversity of the People of God. Hispanic Catholics, including those in the Philippines, are especially devoted to her and joyously celebrate her day with mariachi music, liturgies, dancing, meals, the re-telling of the story and an abundance of roses in December. Her shrine in Mexico City is the second most popular one (after the Vatican) in the Catholic world.





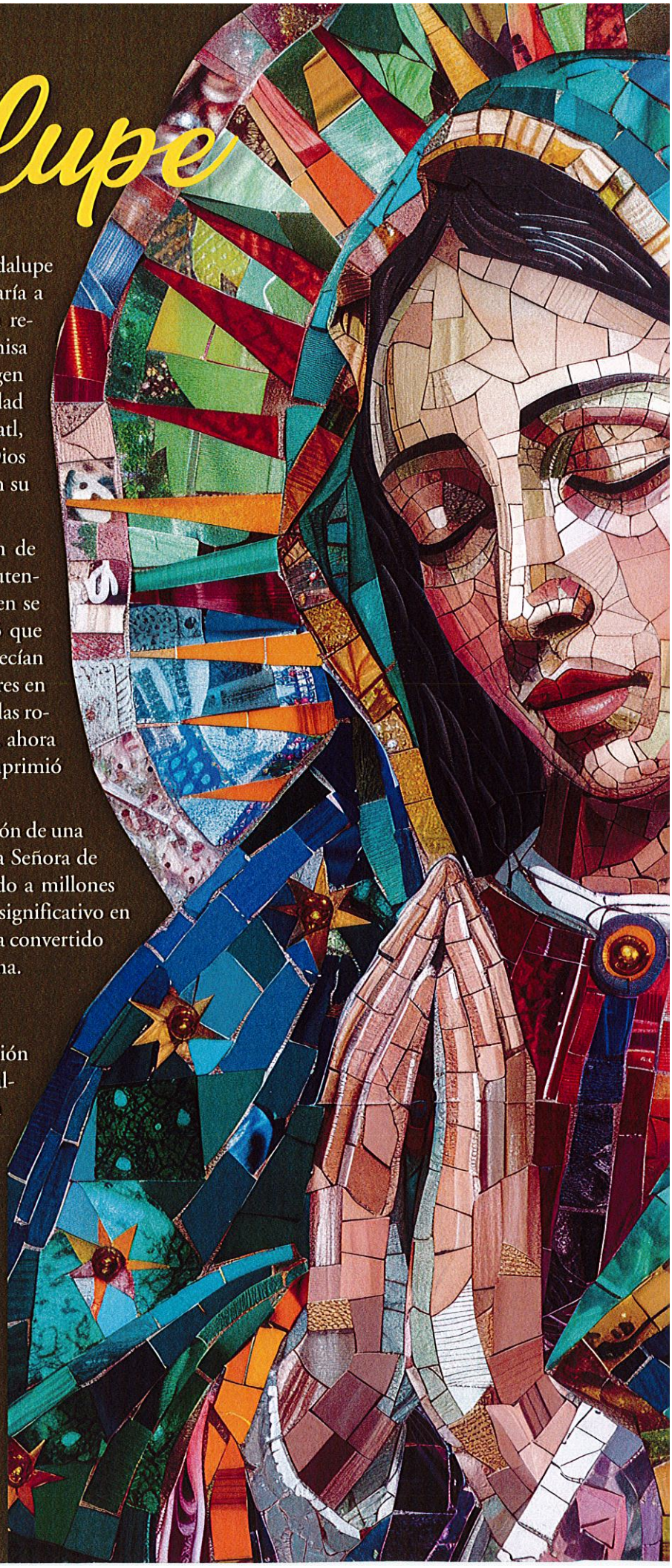
# NUESTRA SEÑORA DE *Guadalupe*

La fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe conmemora la aparición de la Santísima Virgen María a Juan Diego en 1531. Diego, un hombre indígena recientemente convertido, caminaba para asistir a misa cuando encontró una radiante aparición de la Virgen María en el rocoso cerro de Tepeyac cerca de la Ciudad de México. Hablando en su lengua nativa, el náhuatl, María se identificó como la Madre del verdadero Dios y pidió que se construyera una iglesia en ese lugar en su honor.

Juan Diego informó la visión al obispo local, Juan de Zumárraga, quien pidió una señal para verificar la autenticidad de la aparición. El 12 de diciembre, la Virgen se le apareció nuevamente a Juan Diego y le instruyó que recogiera rosas de Castilla, que milagrosamente florecían en la árida cima del cerro. Juan Diego recogió las flores en su tilma (manto) y se las presentó al obispo. Cuando las rosas cayeron al suelo, una imagen de la Virgen María, ahora conocida como Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, se imprimió en la tela de su tilma.

El obispo reconoció el milagro y ordenó la construcción de una iglesia en el cerro de Tepeyac. La imagen de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe permanece allí en su santuario, atrayendo a millones de peregrinos cada año. La aparición jugó un papel significativo en la evangelización de México y América Latina, y se ha convertido en un símbolo poderoso de la identidad y fe mexicana.

Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe es la única aparición de María en las Américas que es reconocida oficialmente por la Iglesia. En 1945, el Papa Pío XII la designó como “Patrona de todas las Américas” y en 1961 el Papa Juan XXIII la invocó como “Madre de las Américas”. Esta fiesta también nos recuerda que nuestras diferencias étnicas contribuyen a la integridad y bendita diversidad del Pueblo de Dios. Los católicos hispanos, incluidos los de Filipinas, le tienen una especial devoción y celebran su día con alegría, música de mariachi, liturgias, danzas, comidas, la narración de la historia y una abundancia de rosas en diciembre. Su santuario en la Ciudad de México es el segundo más popular (después del Vaticano) en el mundo católico.





# The Immaculate Conception

Tomorrow we will be celebrating the Immaculate Conception of Our Blessed Mother. The words "Immaculate Conception" mean that she had no sin on her soul, not even original sin, from the first moment her life began!

Why do you think God saved Mary from all sin? He wanted her to be the perfect mother for His Son Jesus. If you could make your own mother wouldn't you make her perfect too?



Mary is also a model to all people of how to live a good Christian life and to serve God as best we can. We should thank God for giving us such a beautiful example in His holy Mother. We should pray to Mary every day and ask her to help us love her Son Jesus more. Can you say an extra 'Hail Mary' on Our Lady's feast day?

Answer to puzzle on front: He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. Answer to "Peace Among Animals" puzzle: lamb, leopard, calf, bear, lion, baby.

# The Kids' Bulletin

Second Sunday of Advent  
December 7th, 2025

The one who is coming after me is mightier than I.

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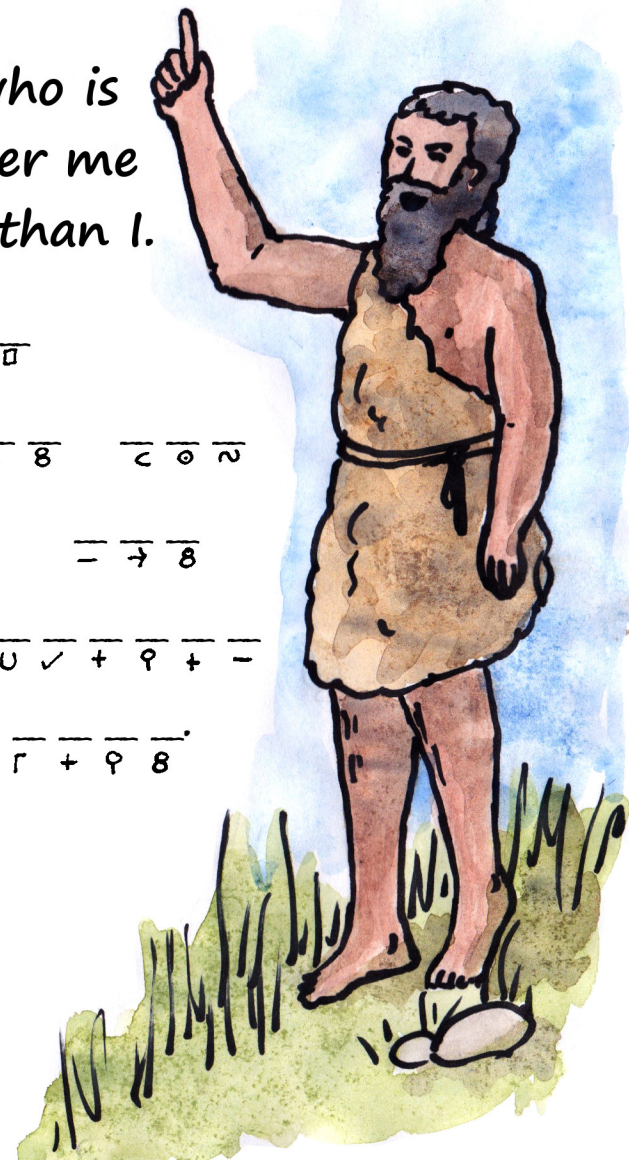
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What did Saint John the Baptist say about the one who was coming after him?  
Use the code to find out!

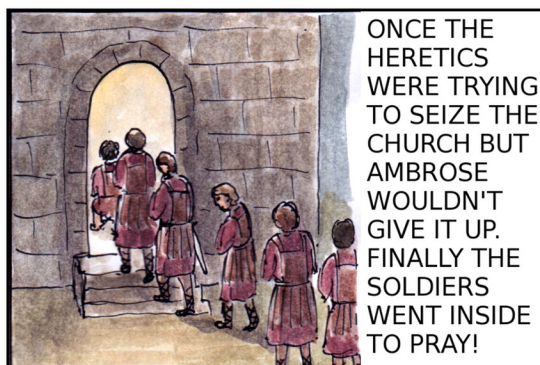
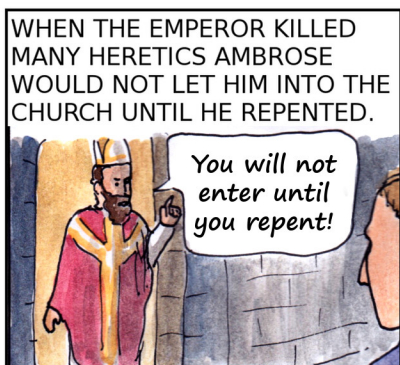
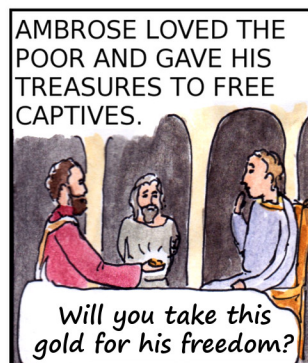
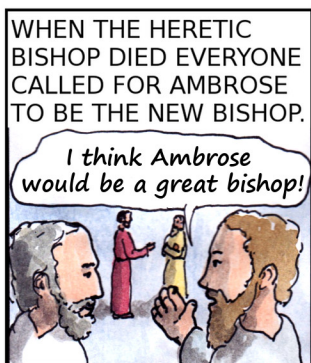
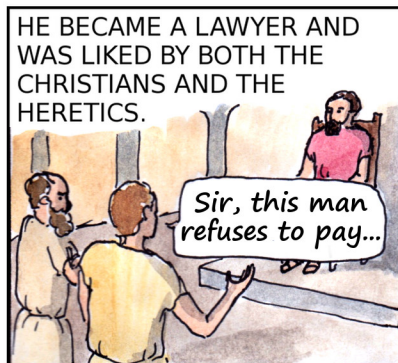
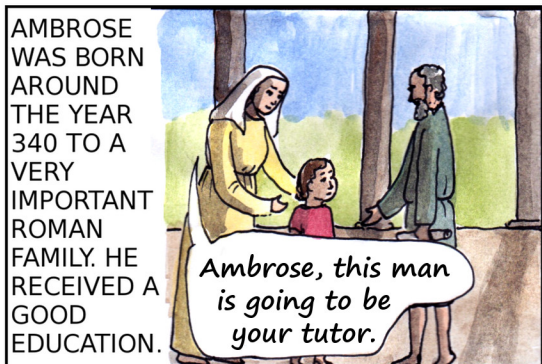
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# SAINT AMBROSE

## DECEMBER 7



SAINT AMBROSE WAS ALSO THE TEACHER OF SAINT AUGUSTINE. HE WAS VERY GOOD AT KEEPING PEOPLE AT PEACE WITH EACH OTHER. HE STOPPED ARMIES FROM ATTACKING, AND KEPT THE CHRISTIANS AND HERETICS FROM FIGHTING AS WELL. WHAT CAN YOU DO TO KEEP PEACE IN YOUR FAMILY AND SCHOOL?

## Peace Among the Animals

*In today's first reading, the prophet describes peace between animals and people in God's kingdom.*

*Can you figure out which animals (or people) go with which?*

*Clue: the pictures might help!*



Then the wolf shall be a guest  
of the \_\_\_\_\_,  
and the \_\_\_\_\_  
shall lie down with the kid;  
the \_\_\_\_\_ and the young lion  
shall browse together,  
with a little child to guide them.  
The cow and the \_\_\_\_\_  
shall be neighbors,  
together their young shall rest;  
the \_\_\_\_\_ shall eat hay like the ox.  
The \_\_\_\_\_ shall play  
by the cobra's den,



baby    leopard  
calf    bear  
lamb    lion