

THE 8TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, MARCH 3, 2019

Sat.	3-2	5:30 p.m.	<i>The 8th Sunday of Ordinary Time</i> (St. Francis) + Lou Spielbusch
Sun.	3-3	8:00 a.m.	<i>The 8th Sunday of Ordinary Time</i> (St. Ambrose) People of the Parish
Sun.	3-3	10:00 a.m.	<i>The 8th Sunday of Ordinary Time</i> (St. Francis) + Delia Seiwert
Mon.	3-4	7:30 a.m.	(St. Francis) + Pat Diskin
Tue.	3-5		NO MASS
Wed.	3-6	5:00 p.m.	(St. Ambrose) + Betty Roberts Ash Wednesday
Wed.	3-6	7:00 p.m.	(St. Francis) People of the Parish Ash Wednesday
Thur.	3-7	8:30 a.m.	(St. Ambrose) + Stacie Beachner
Fri.	3-8	7:30 a.m.	(St. Francis) + Betty Westhoff
Sat.	3-9	7:30 a.m.	(St. Francis) For loved one's return to the faith
Sat.	3-9	5:30 p.m.	<i>The 1st Sunday of Lent</i> (St. Francis) + Frank Oplotnik
Sun.	3-10	8:00 a.m.	<i>The 1st Sunday of Lent</i> (St. Ambrose) People of the Parish
Sun.	3-10	10:00 a.m.	<i>The 1st Sunday of Lent</i> (St. Francis) + Doreen Reida

CONFESSIONS: Sat. 4:30 p.m.—5:20 p.m. at St. Francis & 30 minutes before daily & Sunday Masses

St. Ambrose Church

Extr. Minister of Holy Communion:

Wed. Ed Spielbusch Sun. Donna Bohrer

Lector: Wed. Donna Bohrer Sun. Brian Schoenhofer

Server: Wed. Wayne Shively Sun. Jack McGowen

Gifts: Wed. John & Linda S. Sun. Ken & Sandy S.

Ushers for March: Bill & Nancy Schoenhofer

Stewardship of Treasure

Total Amount Needed

St. Francis	\$4,850.00	\$5,500.17
St. Ambrose	\$1,450.00	\$1,014.00

Please remember your parish in your will.

Prayers are asked for the following: Kathy Westhoff, Justin Venneman, Sue Shively, Pat Moore, Vence Segraves, Sheri Bell, Adrienne Smith, Bailey Shaw, Billy Brown, Adam Westhoff, Stephanie Thompson, Lisa Edwards, Janey Beachner, Bryan Whelan, Ron Lallemand, Donna Little, Mary Ann Dougherty, Janice (Ward) Norris, Jane Anne Beachner, Dalton Noakes, W.W. Holland, Jerry Beachner, Chuck Westhoff, Lu Reeves, Lou Sevart, Josie Oplotnik, Isla Taylor, Charlie Gottlob, Delma Pillot, Nina Madl, Dorothy Petty, Diane Davis, Sandra Schoenhofer, Helen George, Phyllis Coomes, Ralph Gouvion, Barbara Workman, Marge McElroy, Nancy Giefer, Peg Brown, Dorothy VanLeeuwen, Neil Family, Jamie & Dakota Holding Family, Anna Letcher, Joe Gorge, Claudine Westhoff, Jeannie VanLeeuwen, David Lero

If you would like to add someone to the Prayer List, please call the parish office at 449-2224.

St. Francis Church

Lector & Music Leaders:

Wed. Felix Diskin & Adult Choir

Sat. Donna Wood & Jennifer Salazar

Sun. Seth Born & Bob Schoenhofer

Extr. Minister of Holy Communion:

Wed. Jill Coomes & Connie Spielbusch

Sat. Keith Smith

Sun. Marcia Gard & Rodney Noe

Altar Servers:

Wed. Easton, Chase, Chandler

Sat. Regan, Elise, Paige

Sun. Riley, Trey, Adam

Gifts:

Wed. Dan Vitt Family

Sat. M/M Dennis Westhoff

Sun. Mike McCracken Family

Rosary Leaders:

Sat. Elaine VanLeeuwen

Sun. Jean Diskin

Ushers for March:

Sat. Steve Spielbusch, Dennis Duling, Matt O'Hara

Sun. Jamie Bradshaw, Joe Schoenhofer, Charles Schettler

Church Cleaners for March 8th: Rosie Harmon, Debbie Mann, Viola Kennedy

ASH WEDNESDAY is this Wednesday, March 6th. The Mass schedule is: Wednesday 5:00 p.m. at St. Ambrose & 7:00 p.m. at St. Francis.

ST. FRANCIS PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION: This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, all students are expected to attend the Ash Wednesday Mass with their families.

LENTEN FAST AND ABSTINENCE REGULATIONS *Ash Wednesday & Good Friday are days of FASTING* Catholics, from the 18th birthday up to the 59th birthday (the beginning of the 60th year) are obliged to fast, that is, take only one full meal and two lesser meals, with nothing to eat in between meals. Drinking fluids would not be contrary to the practice of fasting.

Ash Wednesday, all Fridays of Lent, including Good Friday, are days of ABSTAINING from meat. All Catholics, beginning with the 14th birthday, are obliged to abstain from eating meat. People who are unable to practice bodily penance, due to pregnancy, illness, or hard physical labor may choose another form of penance or charity. The Church urges that works of penance be linked to works of charity – for example, using the money saved on less expensive meals or giving up snacks to feed the poor.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS the Stations of the Cross will be held at St. Ambrose every Thursday after the 8:30 a.m. Mass and at St. Francis every Friday at 6:00 p.m.

ST. FRANCIS ADULT SPIRIT CHOIR If you would like to share your time and talent, please consider joining the choir for Holy Week Services. Rehearsals begin on Monday, March 11th, 6:30—7:45 p.m.

STEWARDSHIP OUR GIFTS: WHO ARE YOU FOLLOWING? Today's gospel speaks to the importance of discipleship and training. We are called to be "like the teacher," which means living a life of mercy, generosity, and compassion. Jesus tells us not to worry about the splinter in our neighbor's eye, and to work on removing the wooden beam from our own eye. We cannot disciple well when we are spiritually blinded -- a blind guide is a false guide who will lead others into a pit. If we are to be authentic in our discipleship, we must regain our sight, but how? We can pray, go to Mass, study scripture, make a good confession, and recall our baptismal promises. Jesus the teacher wants us to be star pupils! He wants us to help one another! But first, he wants us to recognize our own struggles before we condemn others for theirs.

"GET CONNECTED WITH ST. FRANCIS - ST. AMBROSE — Our joint parishes website "<http://www.stfrancis-stambrose.org>", and its companion Facebook page "@SaintFrancisAmbrose", have been up for a little over two years. During that time the website has seen 98,500 page views. Our Facebook community has grown to 354 followers and is increasing steadily. We try to keep the page active with news, announcements and diocesan information. If you are on Facebook, and have not joined us, doing so will give you automatic notifications of church news. For example: recent announcements of Mass or PSR cancellations, due to inclement weather, will reach your phone or computer when posted. If you do not currently use Facebook, it might be worth your time to open a basic Facebook profile. Then insert a search term for "@SaintFrancisAmbrose", and give us a "Like.""

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION NEWS: TOTUS TUUS SUMMER RELIGION PROGRAM will be held at St. Francis July 21-26. Save the date!! **FIRST COMMUNION** is Sunday, March 31st at the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

INTERESTED IN HOSTING AN EXCHANGE STUDENT? The Local Coordinator for CIEE needs a host family for FRANCO, a boy from Mexico, for the 2019/2020 school year. He is a practicing Catholic who wants to continue going to church while in the United States. He is involved in volunteer work with his Catholic youth group in Mexico and hopes to continue doing the same while living here. He has asked to be placed with a host family from the Midwest who welcomes him as a member of their family and not as a guest. Franco loves playing guitar, music and sports! If you are interested in hosting Franco, or know someone who would be, contact: Penny Zuck Spore, CIEE Local Coordinator, Southeast Kansas – Southwest Missouri – Southwest Oklahoma. Phone 620-778-4264 — email pispore.ciee@gmail.com — website: ciee.org/hostfamilies. (See church website for more info.)