

ST. AMBROSE CATHOLIC CHURCH

DECEMBER 22, 2024

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



PARISH CLERGY

Father Mark Long, Pastor

Deacon Tom Willis
Deacon Mark Hohbein

PARISH STAFF

Sergio Blanco, Maintenance Supervisor
Marji Gonsowski, Director of Religious Education
Celina Venne, Parish Office Manager

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Closed Saturdays, Sundays, Holidays & Holy Days

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Or visit our website at: www.stambroseparishtucson.org

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass

Monday - Saturday
9:00 AM

Saturday Vigil Mass

5:30 PM - (English)

Sunday Masses

8:30 AM & 10:30 AM (English)
12:00 PM (Spanish)

DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR

Every Sunday at 3:00PM

DAILY ROSARY

8:30AM before the daily Mass

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Mondays, Wednesdays & Saturdays after Daily Mass

ST. AMBROSE CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Tanya Dueñas, Principal

Liz Cordova, School Office Manager
Jessica Badilla, Business Manager
Veronica Percy - Compliance Officer

**SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS:
CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS BREAK**

THRU JANUARY 5TH

Phone: 520-882-8678

www.stambrosetucson.org

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS

Offered monthly. Baptisms are held the third Sunday of each month.
You must contact the Parish Office in advance to register.

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)

Saturdays 3:45 - 5:00 PM

WEDDINGS

The couple must meet with the Priest at least six months before the
anticipated date.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration by appointment only,
see inside bulletin for details

CCD - Children ages 7 - 11
Confirmation - Teens 14 - 17
OCIA - Adults 18+



VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT: www.stambroseparishtucson.org

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22

8:30 AM

Stephens Family

10:30 AM

† Frank Soto

12:00 PM

For the People

WEEKDAY MASSES

9:00 am

MONDAY, DECEMBER 23

† Bertha T. Hernandez

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24

9:00 am

† Arturo Morales

CHRISTMAS EVE

6:30 PM

For the People

12:00 MIDNIGHT MASS

For the People

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25

CHRISTMAS DAY

10:30 AM

For the People

12:00 PM

For the People

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26

† Joseph Long

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27

† John Long

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28

† Patricia Harris

5:30 PM

For the People

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29

8:30 AM

† Catherine Long

10:30 AM

Moses Cornia (Intention)

12:00 PM

† Mary Alice Riesgo

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — From Bethlehem-Ephrathah shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel (*Micah 5:1-4a*).

Responsorial Psalm — Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved (*Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19*).

Second Reading — We have been consecrated through the offering of the body of Christ once for all (*Heb 10:5-10*).

Gospel — Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken by the Lord would be fulfilled (*Lk 1:39-45*).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Lk 21:28; Lk 1:57-66

Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2; Lk 1:67-79

Wednesday: **Vigil:** Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25] **Night:** Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14 **Dawn:** Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20 **Day:** Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]

Thursday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22

Friday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Saturday: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 2:13-18

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Ps 128:1-5 or Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lk 2:41-52

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Advent

Monday: Late Advent Weekday

Tuesday: Christmas Eve

Wednesday: The Nativity of the Lord; Christmas Day

Thursday: St. Stephen, the First Martyr

Friday: St. John the Apostle & Evangelist

Saturday: The Holy Innocents

Keep in touch with us via email & text! Mass times, ministry updates & more, delivered to your phone



To sign up, text STATUCSON to 84576

Sign up online at:

stambrosetucson.flocknote.com

(There is no charge for this service, but your carrier message and data rates may apply)

MINISTRIES

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Meet the 2nd Thursday of each month in Room 109 at 7pm

Contact: Brad Clancy at 928-890-7646

Visit our Website at www.kofc1200.org

LEGION OF MARY

Tuesdays at 1 PM in Room 109
President: Lydia Valdez

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

President: Christine Krikliwy
Contact the Parish Office for information.

ENDOW

Next Endow meetings:
TO BE ANNOUNCED

Fridays from 9:30 - 10:45 am Rm 109
Group Facilitator: Michele

Grantham:

michelegrantham@gmail.com

WALKING WITH MOMS IN NEED

THERE WILL BE NO MEETING IN DECEMBER

Contact:

asanguinetti@diocesetucson.org

VOCATIONS MINISTRY

Contact: Marji Gonsowski at mgonsowski@stambrosetucson.org

LITURGY OF THE HOURS WITH DCN. MARK

Wednesday mornings at 6:30 am
WILL RESUME JANUARY 8TH

ROSARY WITH DCN. MARK

Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm
WILL RESUME JANUARY 8TH



STEWARDSHIP
Managing God's Gifts To Us

**December 14 & 15 \$5,161
Dec Maintenance \$1,211
Thank you for your continued support !**

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Christmas Masses



Tuesday, December 24th -

6:30 PM - Christmas Eve - Vigil Mass
12:00 AM Midnight Mass

Wednesday, December 25th -

10:30 AM - Christmas Day - English Mass
12:00 PM - Christmas Day - Spanish Mass

Tuesday, December 31st -

6:30 PM - Solemnity of Mary - Vigil Mass

Wednesday, January 1st -

10:30 AM - Solemnity of Mary - English Mass
12:00 PM - Solemnity of Mary - Spanish Mass

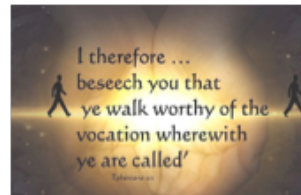
(The Parish Office will be closed Dec 24th & 25th)

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
CHRISTMAS RAFFLE
WINNERS**



1. WOMEN'S BEACH CRUISER BIKE: BOB CLARK
2. GIFT CARD TO GREENTOES DAY SPA, \$100.00 VALUE: RANDAL MUNSON (MHT)
3. GIFT CARD TO LITTLE ANTHONY'S OR \$100.00: LUIS VALDEZ (SH).
4. 750ML WHISKY DECANTER: JOE VILLA
5. GIFT CARD TO THE MOVIES OR \$50.00: JULIAN PALOMINO
6. GIFT CARD TO CENTENNIAL HALL OR \$100.00: JAMES VEGLIA (MHT).
7. GIFT CARD TO FOX THEATRE OR \$100.00: CYNTHIA WEST
8. CHRISTMAS BAG OF TOYS/GAMES FOR KIDS, \$100.00 VALUE: BILL LAHTI (MHT)
9. TWO TICKETS TO A U OF A HOME BASKETBALL GAME: JOSE LUIS SERNA (SH)
10. GIFT CARD TO LOCAL RESTAURANTS OR \$100.00: LUPE ORTEGA
11. 3-BURNER GAS GRILL: JUDY MOONEY
12. WEEKEND IN SEDONA OR \$500.00: PAM BOYER

Vocations Corner



"Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled." (Luke 1:45) Like Mary, you are called to trust in God's plan for your life. If you feel that God is asking you to serve as a priest or religious brother or sister, believe in His promise and follow with courage. Please speak with Fr. Mark or reach out to the Vocation Office at (520) 838-2531 or vocations@diocesetucson.org for guidance in the discernment process. Your St. Ambrose family is praying for you to be open and vigilant in prayer!

"Bienaventurada tú que has creído, porque se cumplirá lo que te fue dicho de parte del Señor" (Lucas 1:45) Al igual que María, estás llamado a confiar en el plan de Dios para tu vida. Si sientes que Dios te pide que sirvas como sacerdote o religioso, cree en su promesa y síguela con valentía. Por favor, hable con el padre Mark o comuníquese con la Oficina de Vocaciones al (520) 838-2531 o vocations@diocesetucson.org para recibir orientación en el proceso de discernimiento. ¡Su familia de St. Ambrose está rezando para que usted esté abierto y vigilante en la oración!

Upcoming Vocation Dates

- * Dec. 28th and 29th- Please stop by the Vocations Ministry Table to sign up to host the Holy Family Vocations Image and to learn more about being a 7 Sister or Fasting Brother.

Próximas fechas de vocación

- * 28 y 29 de diciembre: pase por la Mesa del Ministerio de Vocaciones para inscribirse para albergar la Imagen de Vocaciones de la Sagrada Familia y para aprender más sobre cómo ser una Tma Hermana o un Hermano en Ayuno.

A Christmas Prayer

Lord, bless all of our St. Ambrose families and their loved ones this Christmas with a peace that surpasses all understanding, Joy that is beyond material possessions, Love that knows no boundaries, and Strength that emanates from faith in You.

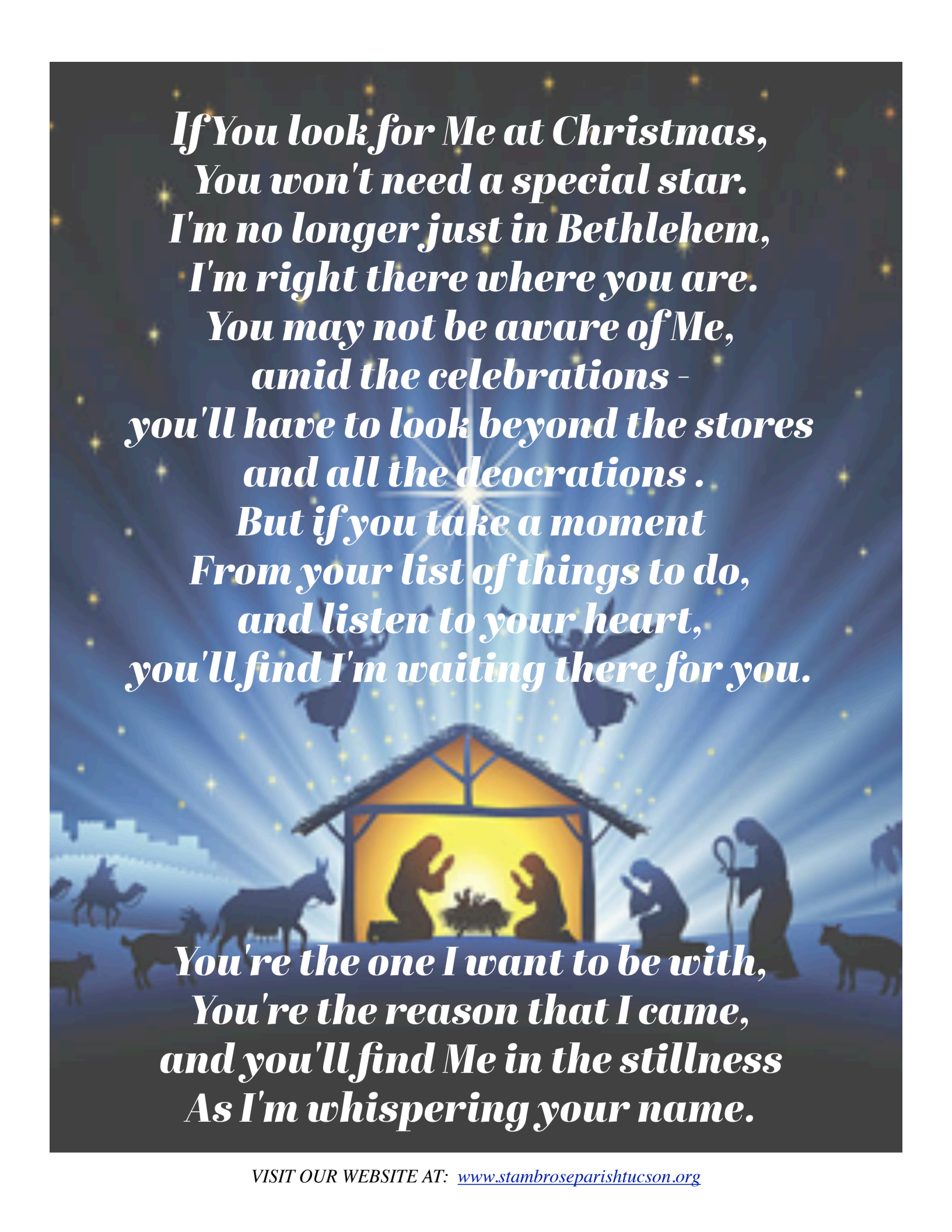
The Vocations Ministry Team prays that each of you has a very blessed, holy and peaceful Christmas!

Looking for the perfect gift for all the priests in your life?

Look no further than the literature rack in the vestibule. There you will find spiritual bouquet forms.

The perks of a spiritual bouquet:

- 1.) Your prayers make an eternal difference
- 2.) Prayers are what all priests need most!
- 3.) You are giving the best two gifts possible-the gift of your time and the gift of your prayers which is double because you give the gift of your time as well.
- 4.) No crowds to battle-one stop shopping

A stylized illustration of a nativity scene. In the center is a wooden manger with a bright yellow light emanating from inside, where the infant Jesus is lying. Mary and Joseph are kneeling in prayer on either side. Above the manger, two angels with large, dark wings are flying. The background is a dark blue night sky with a bright starburst at the top center, from which rays of light radiate downwards. Small, golden stars are scattered throughout the sky. In the foreground, silhouettes of various animals are visible: a camel on the left, a donkey in the center, and a sheep on the right. The overall mood is peaceful and reverent.

*If You look for Me at Christmas,
You won't need a special star.
I'm no longer just in Bethlehem,
I'm right there where you are.
You may not be aware of Me,
amid the celebrations -
you'll have to look beyond the stores
and all the decorations .
But if you take a moment
From your list of things to do,
and listen to your heart,
you'll find I'm waiting there for you.*

*You're the one I want to be with,
You're the reason that I came,
and you'll find Me in the stillness
As I'm whispering your name.*