

BECOME AN ALTAR SERVER

Altar Servers play an important role in enhancing the liturgy of the Mass by assisting the priest and helping create an atmosphere of reverence and worship.

Serving at the altar is a wonderful opportunity to follow Jesus more closely and actively participate in the celebration of the Mass.



Altar Server Prayer

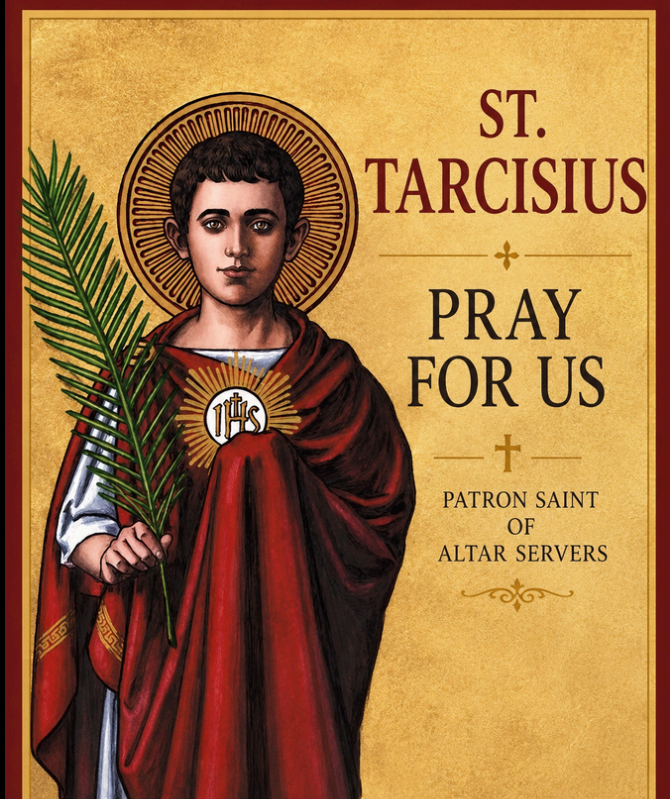
Loving Father, creator of the universe, you call your people to worship, to be with you and one another at Mass.



I thank you for having called me to assist others in their prayer to you. May I be worthy of the trust placed in me and through my example and service bring others closer to you.



I ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, who is Lord forever and ever. **Amen.**



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JOIN THE BEREAVEMENT HOSPITALITY TEAM

This ministry serves us when we face the loss of a loved one. They extend the hospitality of our Church to the family and friends of the deceased by arranging and serving a luncheon following a funeral.





SAINT
ELIZABETH
ANN SETON

For Catholic bereavement ministries and hospitality teams, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton is the patron saint of grief and the bereaved.

PATRONS OF HOSPITALITY & WELCOME



SAINT MARTHA

Patron saint of hospitality, she welcomes us to serve others with love and generosity.



SAINT JULIAN
THE HOSPITALLER

Patron saint of welcoming guests and providing a safe harbor to all who come in need.

Inspired by their example, may we bring comfort, hospitality, and hope to all who are sorrowing.

— SAINTS OF COMPASSION, SERVICE & HOPE —

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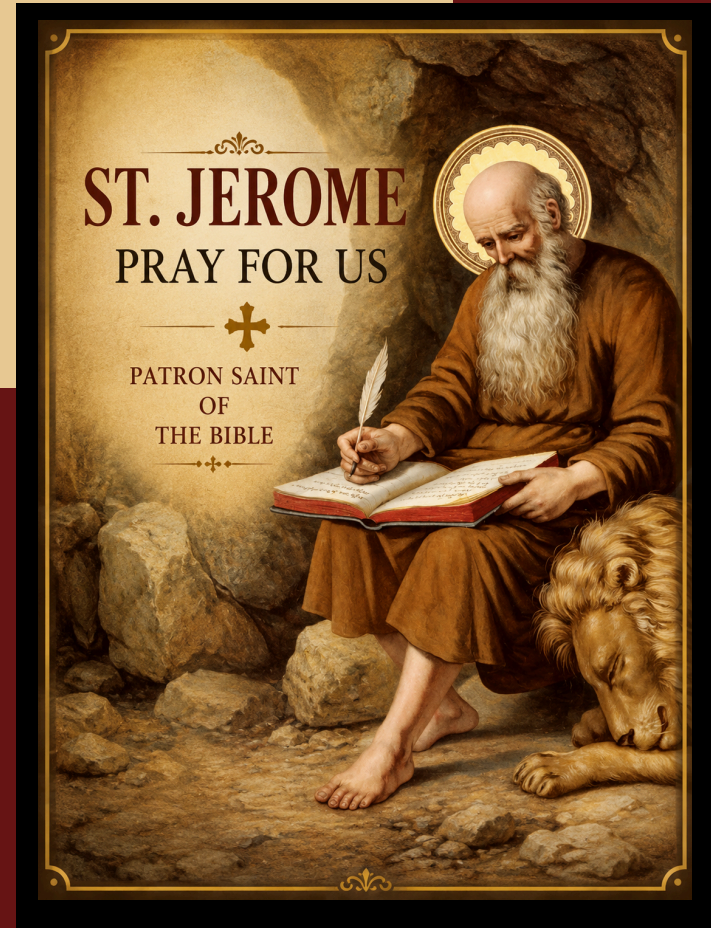
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ALL ARE WELCOME BIBLE STUDY

Studying the Bible helps us:

- *Know Jesus more intimately*
- *Understand our Catholic Faith more deeply*
- *Live more boldly as missionary disciples*



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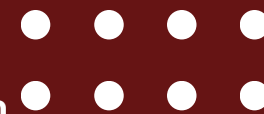
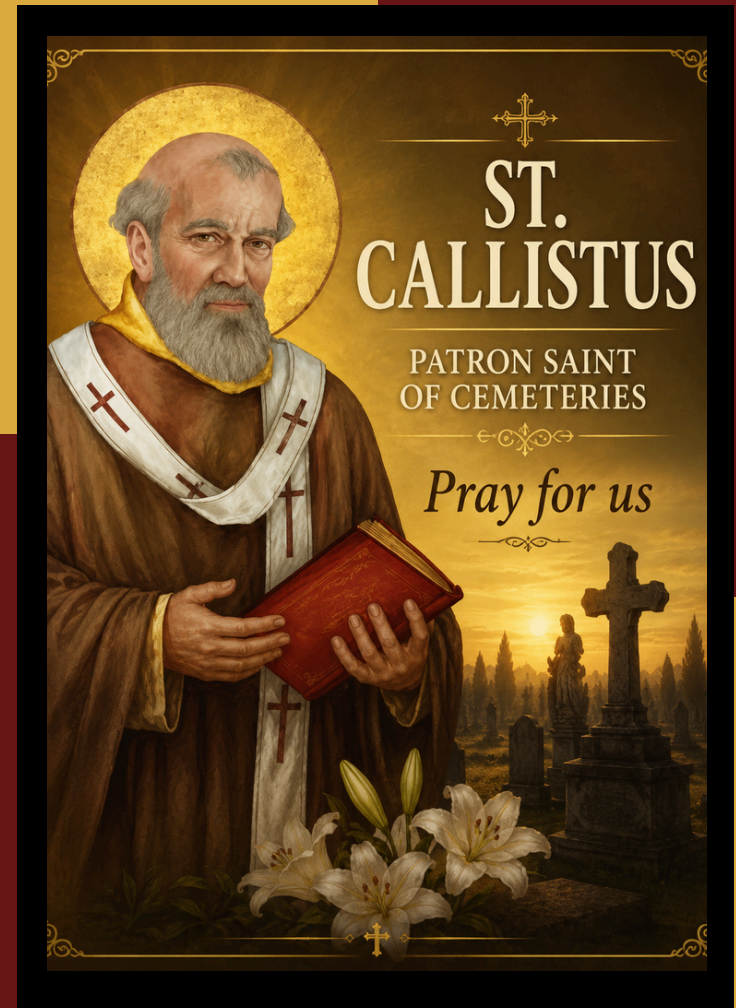


ASSIST WITH CEMETERY MAINTENANCE

This Ministry is responsible for keeping our Cemetery beautiful. Their duties include helping to pull weeds and to pick up debris like artificial flower petals, broken vases, statues, plastic pots, etc.



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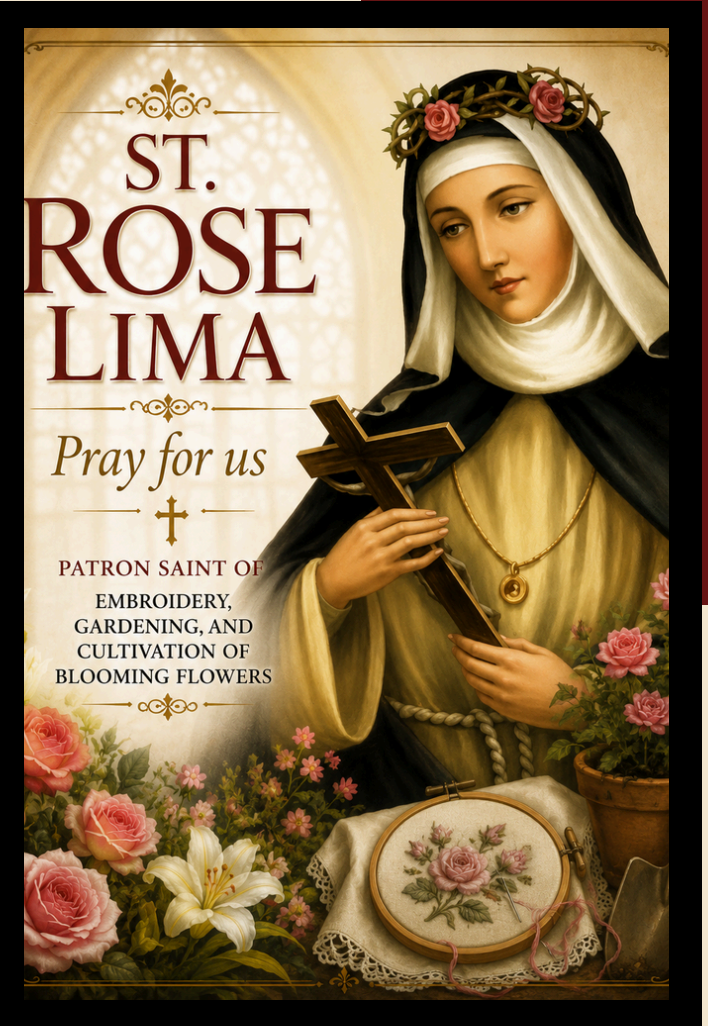
BRING YOUR DECORATING TALENTS
AND JOIN OUR

CHURCH LITURGICAL ENVIRONMENT TEAM

This Ministry is responsible for beautifying the Church with floral arrangements and other appropriate ornamentation. They create a prayerful and an inspirational environment for worship.



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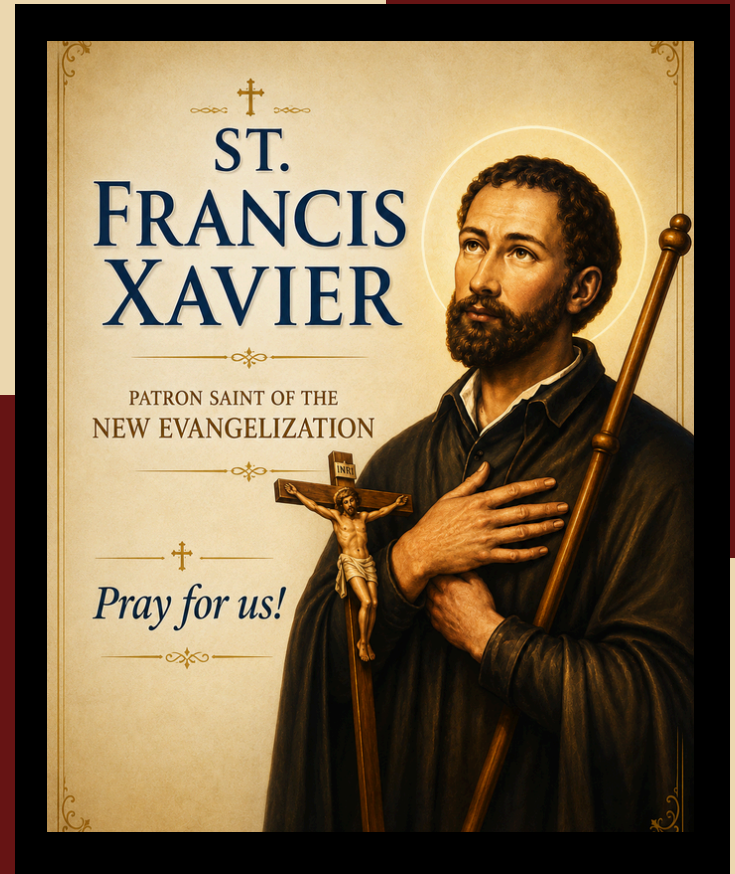
JOIN OUR EVANGELIZATION TEAM

This Ministry is dedicated to proclaiming the fullness of the Catholic Faith to all people, drawing souls into an encounter with the living God through Sacred Scripture, Tradition, and the sacramental life of the Church. Rooted in the Great Commission and animated by the Holy Spirit, we seek to share the transforming truth of the Gospel with clarity, charity, and conviction.



“Each baptized person is an active agent of evangelization, called to bear consistent witness to Christ in accordance with the prophetic gift which the Lord bestows upon his whole church.”

POPE LEO XIV



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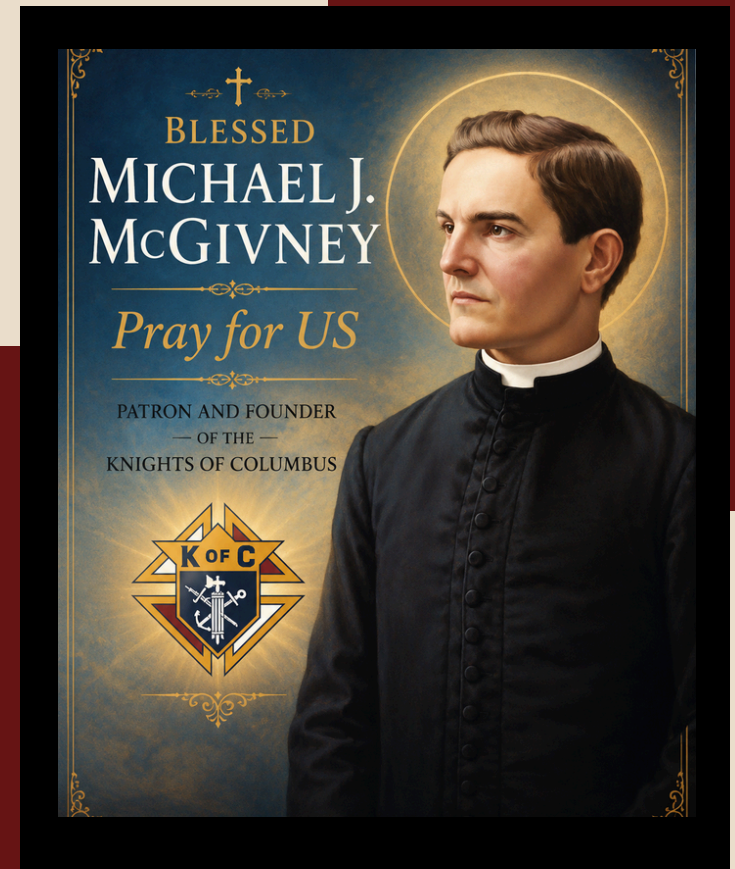
Men of St. Ambrose join the Fr. Stephen Langlade, Council #18358

KNIGHTS OF COLOMBUS

The Knights of Columbus is a network of Catholic men in communities around the world dedicated to doing good in the service of God and our neighbor. They are a brotherhood of men who seek to support their parish, give back to their community, and grow in faith.



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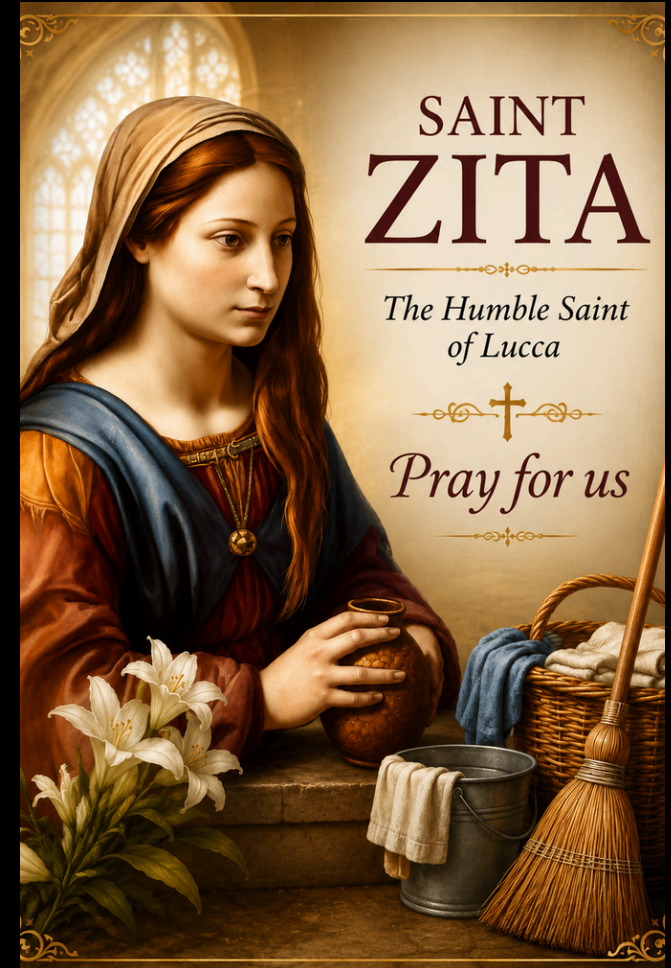


ASSIST WITH CLEANING OUR CHURCH

Often times the simplest of things can bring the greatest of rewards. Cleaning the church is like cleaning your home except you spend time in the tranquil peace of Saint Ambrose. It usually takes about an hour a week and the cleaning can be done according to your schedule.



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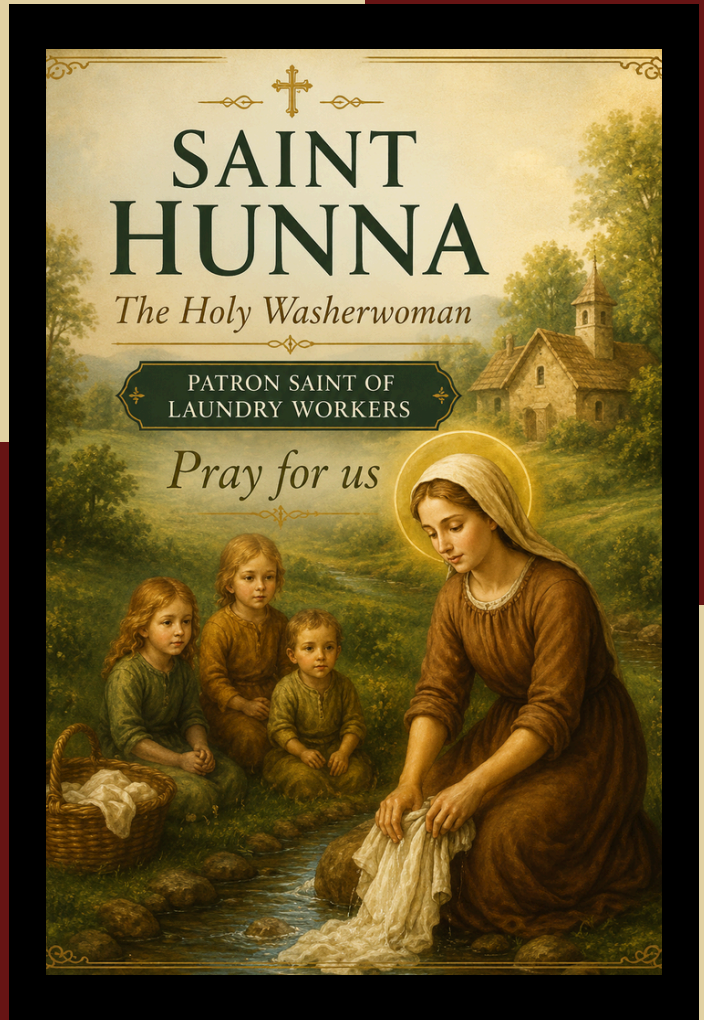


ASSIST WITH LAUNDERING ALTAR LINENS

This Ministry is responsible for washing the altar linens on a weekly basis through a particular procedure as we are washing Precious Blood from them. This is a holy and special ministry. Training will be provided.



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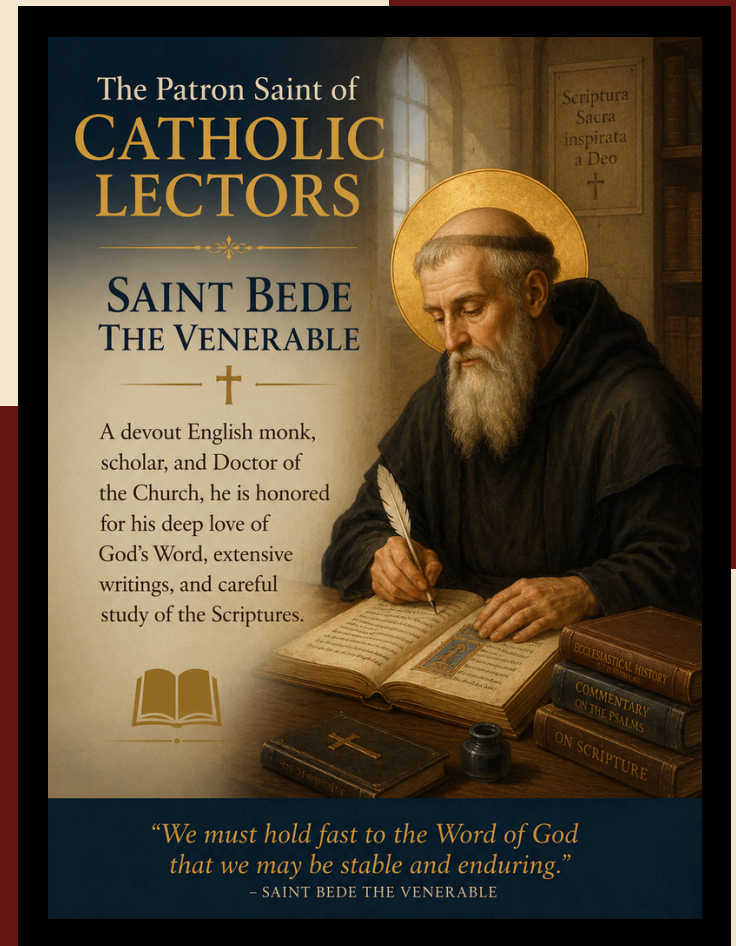
BECOME A LECTOR

A lector in the Catholic Church plays a vital role in the liturgical celebrations by proclaiming the Word of God through readings from the Old and New Testaments. This important ministry is essential for the faithful to hear and reflect on the Word of God during Mass and other sacred Liturgies.



Catholic Lectors

*Proclaiming God's Word.
Nourishing Faith.
Inspiring Hearts.*



The Patron Saint of **CATHOLIC LECTORS**

SAINT BEDE THE VENERABLE

A devout English monk, scholar, and Doctor of the Church, he is honored for his deep love of God's Word, extensive writings, and careful study of the Scriptures.

*"We must hold fast to the Word of God
that we may be stable and enduring."*

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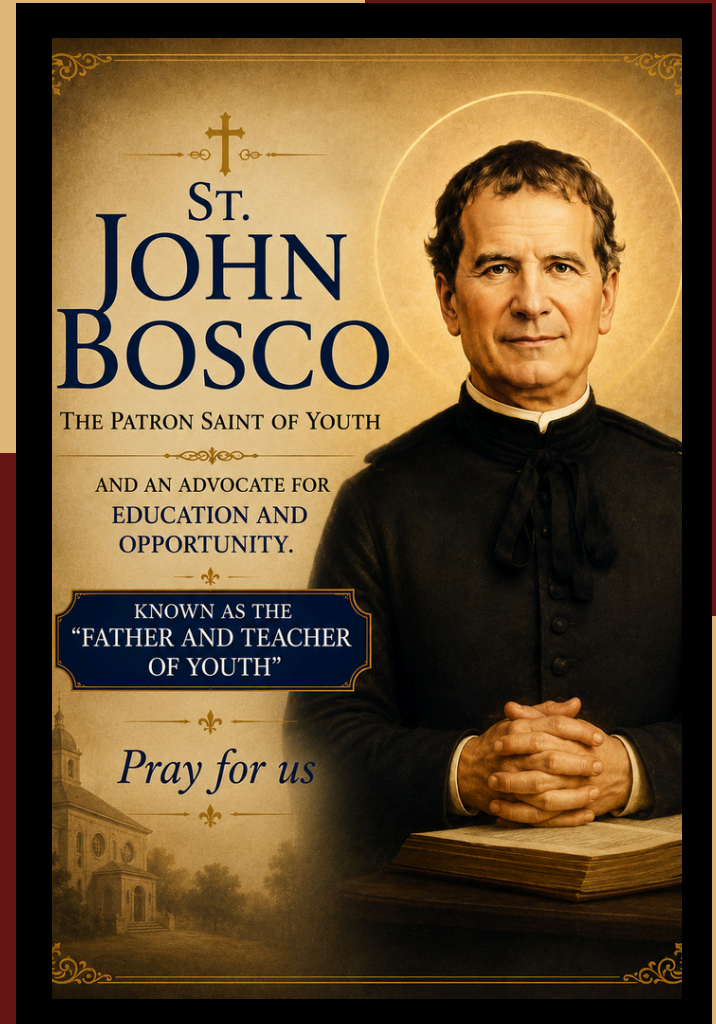


JOIN OUR HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

At St. Ambrose we are committed to fostering our youth in their spiritual growth through teen events and youth Masses.



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JOIN OUR CHOIR

MUSIC MINISTRY

Music enhances our worship by creating a sacred atmosphere that elevates the liturgical experience. The musicians and choir facilitate congregational participation, encouraging the faithful to engage actively in the Mass. If you have a musical gift, consider being a part of our music ministry. We practice before Mass, so participating is convenient and the demand placed upon members is small. We want to hear your voice.



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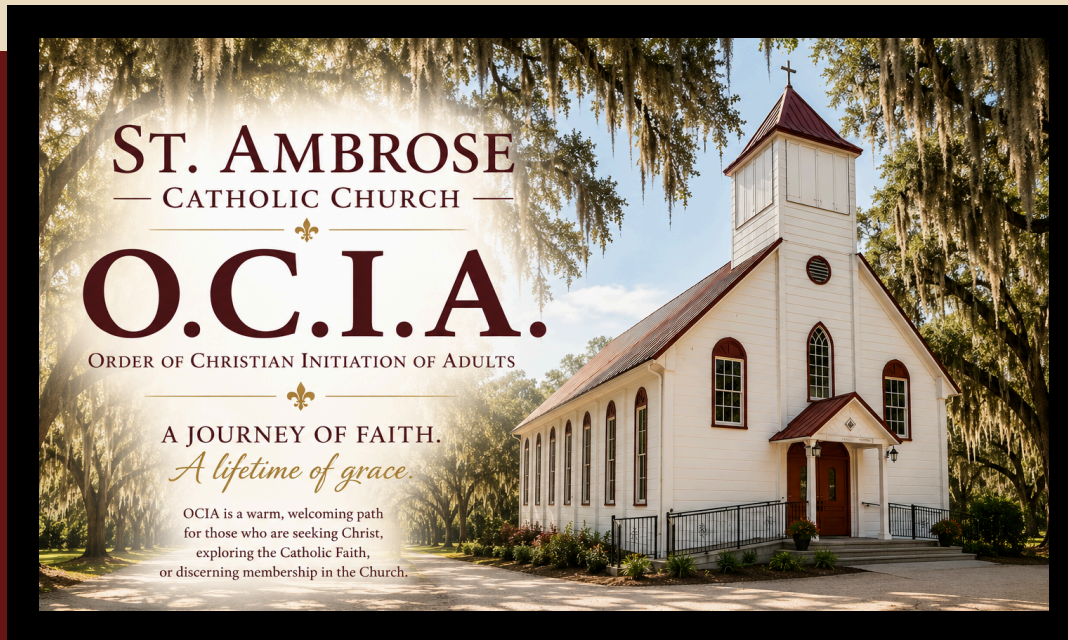
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ASSIST WITH O.C.I.A.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults serves adults who are considering joining the Catholic Church. The group meets weekly with candidates to discuss the Catholic Faith and answer questions regarding the Catholic teachings and traditions.



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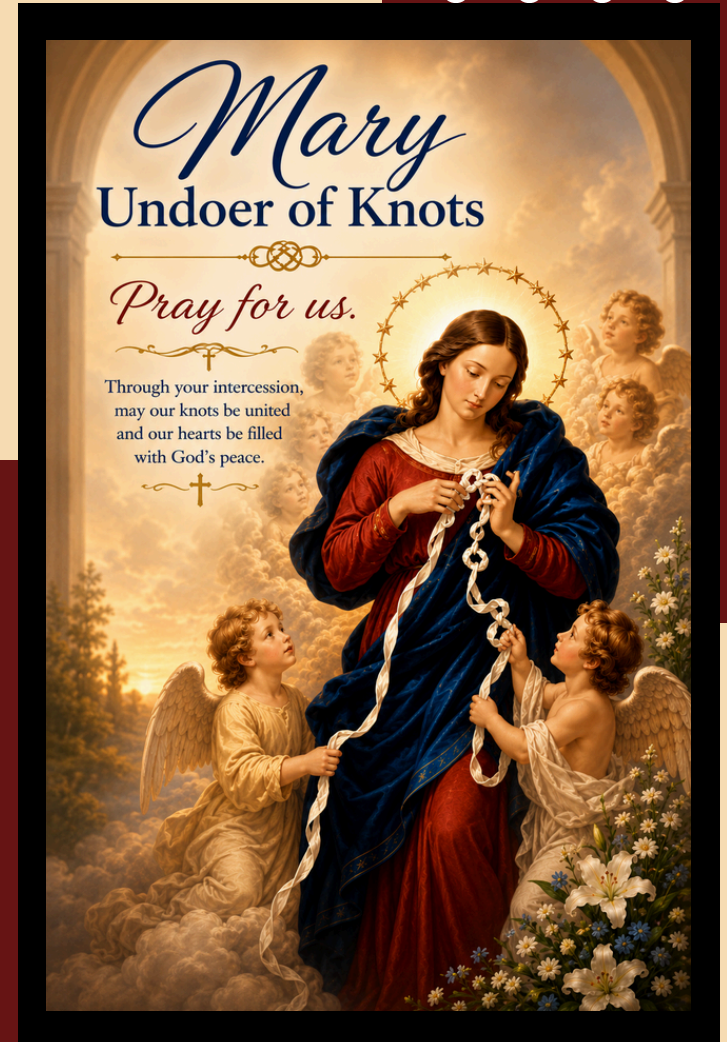


ASSIST WITH PRAYER BLANKETS

The Prayer Blanket ministry is intended to bring peace and comfort to those who are ill. We offer a blanket and a rosary to help them to remember God's love and grace for them as their fingers touch the blanket throughout the day. We hope they keep it as a symbol of God's healing grace.



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BECOME AN USHERS & WELCOME MINISTERS

This Ministry maintains an essential role of service on behalf of the St Ambrose parish community. They assist parishioners with seating and other parishioner needs.

Their welcome and greeting is very often the first encounter for those who come to worship. They represent the sense of community woven into our long parish history.

USHERS

Ushers are
liturgical ministers.

A person's willingness
to serve God in the
capacity as an usher
reflects their commitment
to Christ.



SAINT JULIAN THE HOSPITALER

Also known as Saint
Julian the Poor,
he is celebrated for
dedicating his life to
hospitality, welcoming
weary travelers, and
providing shelter to
the poor and sick.



*St. Julian
Pray for us*

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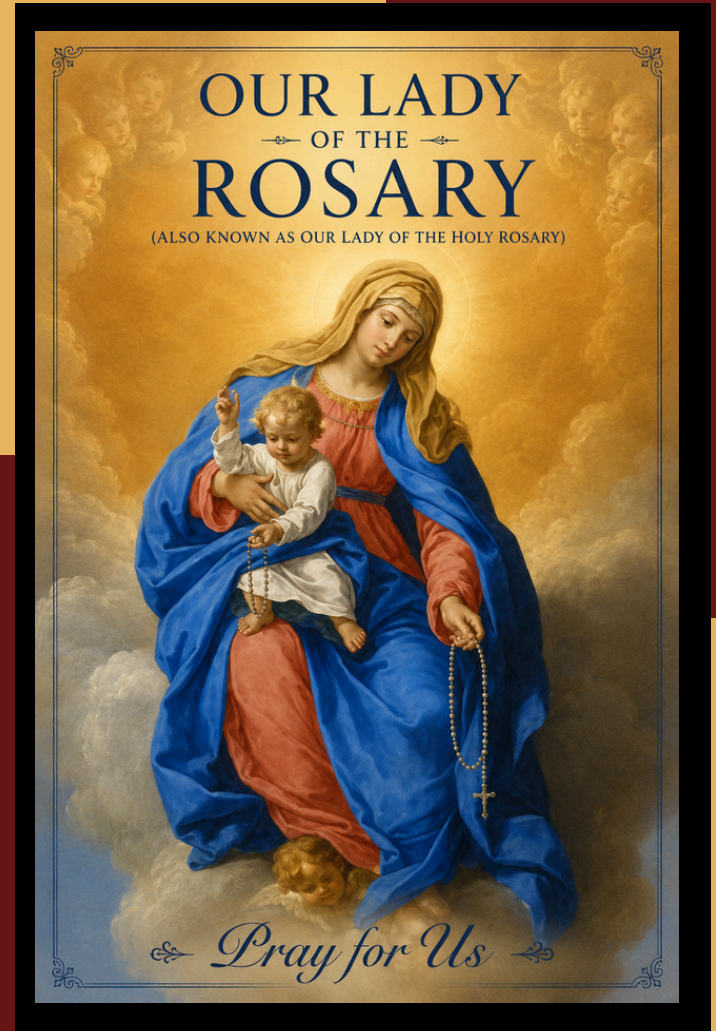


BECOME A ROSARY LEADER

Our Rosary Leaders guide us as we pray the Rosary before each weekend Mass to meditate on the gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ through the intercession of our Beloved Mother Mary.



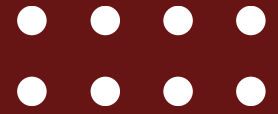
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JOIN US AT OUR WIDOW'S LUNCHEON



The Widow's Luncheon Group of St. Ambrose was formed to bring together the ladies whose husbands are deceased. It gives them the opportunity to share companionship. We pick a restaurant and meet the first Tuesday of every month.



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WHY VOLUNTEER?



TOP 10 BENEFITS OF VOLUNTEERING

Serving Others, Enriching Lives – Including Your Own



Volunteering offers a powerful mix of personal, professional, and health advantages. It provides a profound sense of purpose, combats social isolation, and helps you build a strong local network. Additionally, it serves as an excellent avenue to learn new skills, boost your self-esteem, and enhance your overall well-being.



HERE ARE 10 KEY BENEFITS OF VOLUNTEERING:

1



Increases Happiness and Well-being:

Dedicating your time to a cause you care about promotes a natural sense of accomplishment, which reduces stress and combats feelings of depression or anxiety.

2



Provides a Sense of Purpose:

Helping others gives your life new meaning, offering a highly fulfilling sense of contribution, especially during transitional times in life.

3



Helps You Meet New Friends:

It brings you into contact with people from diverse backgrounds who share similar interests, making it easier to build meaningful relationships and expand your social circle.

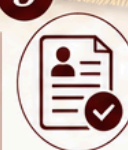
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Teaches Valuable Skills:

Whether it involves event coordination, public speaking, or inventory management, hands-on volunteering builds practical, real-world skills.

5



Boosts Your Resume:

Adding volunteer experience to your resume shows employers your dedication, character, and ability to collaborate effectively in diverse environments.

6



Expands Your Professional Network:

Volunteering connects you with individuals and professionals who can serve as mentors, provide references, and potentially open doors to new career opportunities.

7



Improves Self-Esteem:

Doing work you feel is worthwhile builds self-confidence, helping you feel more fulfilled and capable when tackling future goals.

8



Keeps You Mentally Stimulated:

Remaining engaged in new environments challenges your brain and keeps you mentally active, which can help lower the risk of cognitive decline.

9



Improves Physical Health:

Many volunteer roles involve physical labor or being on your feet, which encourages a more active lifestyle and is linked to lower mortality rates and improved immune function.

10



Strengthens Your Community:

Volunteers fill critical gaps in funding and resources, allowing communities to support youth, maintain public spaces, and help vulnerable populations.



“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace.”

– 1 PETER 4:10



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