

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

For Adults:

How is the Eucharist calling you to bring people together in your neighborhood and Surrounding community?

St. Ambrose Quotes:

Where a man's heart is, here is his treasure also.

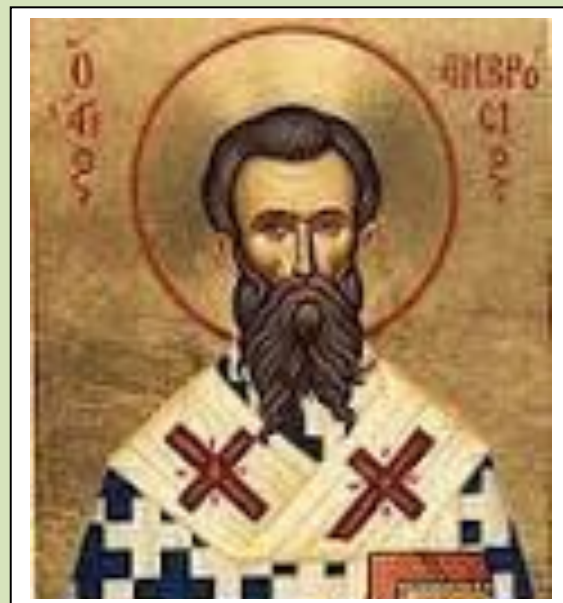
No one is good but God alone. What is good is therefore divine, what is divine is therefore good.

A kindness received should be returned with a freer hand.

It is not enough just to with well; we must also do well.

For Children:

What good thing do you want so much that you would give up something else to get it.



St. Augustine Catholic Church seeks a part-time Faith Formation Coordinator.

The coordinator will be responsible for curriculum selection, creating the annual calendar, recruiting and preparing catechists, parent group content, and seasonal celebrations. The position is 5-10 hours/week, 10 months per year, beginning in September 2014. Pay commensurate with experience and education.

Job Opportunity with the Diocese of Oakland

The Diocese of Oakland is in search of a Controller. The Controller is responsible for planning, directing, and coordinating the financial accounting and reporting activities of diocesan Central Services Administration and several diocesan entities. These activities include budgeting, cost and financial analysis, external and internal auditing, and governmental reporting. Candidate should have familiarity with and commitment to Catholic teachings and principles. Excellent technical skills in finance and accounting, strong experience with information technology as a management tool, and demonstrated ability to work in a large, complex, and multi-entity organization and laterally across functions. Minimum 10 years finance and accounting managerial/supervisory experience. CPA preferred.

This position is full-time and includes health benefits.

Open until filled. Please submit application, resume and letter of intent to: Department of Human Resources
Attn: Gloria Espinoza - email: gespinoza@oakdiocese.org

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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

It was with a great sense of loss that our Parish Community and our neighborhood learned in February of Jim's decision to retire from active ministry as our Director of Music. As they say, "Even if you see it coming, you're never prepared". How true!

Jim has been our Director of Music for 14 years and during those years with us, he has endeavored to use music that is "middle of the road" Catholic standard repertoire, relying heavily on the standard music from OCP and GIA. He has also ventured into classical music, traditional Gregorian chant, Gospel, ethnic and contemporary praise music on occasion. Jim tells us that he believes the body of his music has been pretty standard repertoire, and while that might be true, the fruits of his labor haven been far above and beyond standard. He has always placed assembly participation as his highest priority, following the "full, conscious and active participation" injunction of the documents of the Second Vatican Council. We are grateful to Jim for his years of dedicated service to our Community.

In and through all this, Jim has been an integral part of our Parish. Over years of ministry, he has come across to us as a man of talents, a spiritual leader, a gentle and firm teacher, a powerful listener and a friend. A man of courage that he is, he faces the challenges in his life with dignity and fortitude.

"Some people come into your lives and quickly go. Some stay a while and leave footprints on our hearts, and we are never the same." Jim is certainly one such person. May God bless him for his years of service to our Parish Community.

Prayers, wishes and blessings!

Rev. William Rosario

Parochial Administrator



Weekly Worship Schedule

Saturday Vigil
5:00 p.m.

Sunday Eucharist
8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.

Weekday Eucharist
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
8:30 a.m.

Communion Service
Wednesday 8:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday 4 p.m.

Mission Statement

We are called by Christ to love Him, to follow Him and to bring Him to the world.

Dates to RememberSunday, August 3rd, BaptismsSunday, August 24th St. Augustine's Feast Day**Love Letters**

Jerry Johnson and Elizabeth Durand would like to thank everyone who came to see Love letters. They raised \$316 for the Scanlon Music Fund.

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill:

Juanita Morris, Gail Smith, Mildred Burns, Mary Flynn, Madeleine Shannon, Jerome Jacob, Matilda Maes, Mary Pavao, Lakey Zerihun, Gloria Bautista, Ruth Johnson, Patty Wiesner, Claudia Johnson, Matthew Laubach, Mary Lou Ihrig, Jannet Johnson, Frances Landeza, Carmon Woodyard, Hortense Atkins, and Roseanne Johnson

And those who have died in past year:

Fr. John G. Elliott, Desmond McGirl, Albert Donabedian, Jerome Mitchell, Paul Sagan, Eugene Alan Merlin, Cristóbal Kauffman, Michelle Arnsdorf-Fie Vivian Breen Manka, Fr. Tom Edwards, Rose Camberos, Adella Rose, James Jacob, and Lee Weathersby III

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEKSaturday, July 26th, 2014, 5:00 p.m.**Rawl Harbor (-)**Sunday July 27th, 2014, 8:00 a.m.**Parishioners and Benefactors**Sunday, July 27th, 2014, 10:30 a.m.**Col. John Coady (-)**Sunday, July 27th, 2014, 6:00 p.m.**Stewardship – Weekly Offering**July 20th, 2014: \$ 3,820 (includes EFT)

St. Vincent dePaul Stewardship \$214.71

St. Vincent de Paul Society, Parish Conference:

Accepts Donations of Non-perishable Food, Bottled Water. Leave donations in the SVdP basket in vestibule. Thank you.

Almsgiving Opportunities

Here are opportunities to make Christ more widely known through our financial gifts. Envelopes (with information flyers) are available in the vestibule.

- Bishop's Appeal 2014
- Parish Scanlon Music Fund
- St. Vincent de Paul Society "5th Sunday of the Month" Collection
- Water.org

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Please join members of the Social Justice Ministry

to pray "Rosary for Peace" on the 1st Sundays of the month. Rosary for Peace begins at 9:15 AM, on following days in 2014: August 3, September 7, October 5, November 2, and December 7.

Backpacks and School Supplies needed at SVdP

St. Vincent de Paul Alameda County is planning to distribute **backpacks and school supplies to 200 children** at our Back to School Open House on Saturday, August 23th from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

All backpacks and school supplies are needed by Wednesday, August 6th at the Community Center, 2272 San Pablo Avenue, Oakland.

If you would like to donate financially, contribute supplies or volunteer at the event, please call 510.877.9254 or email mdiegel@svdp-alameda.org for more information and a list of the supplies needed by grade level.

Thank you for helping us insure that our children have the basic supplies to be successful.



Week 3:

Big Investment, Big Payoff

Jesus tells us the Kingdom is like a hidden treasure or a valuable pearl. He challenges us to go "all in" -- the cost is great -- because the payoff is immensely high. God's dream for us is one of joy: joy in our hearts, in the world around us, and at the end of our lives.

If the kingdom of God potentially costs so much, why be part of it?

Well, it does cost a lot, but it also pays off big in many ways. Jesus was not shy about talking about this payoff, although over the centuries his promise of eternal life seems to be the one most remembered. But the kingdom of God is primarily a plan for this world, and as such, it has immediate payoffs here and now.

The first payoff is for Christians themselves. Jesus promised us what every human being is looking for: happiness, acceptance, and community....

[They] receive another thing that all humans crave: a sense of purpose, a mission worthy of their lives. This is no small thing in a world that many believe operates on the basis of the idea that whoever has the most things when he or she dies wins....

Christians also have a sense of relief that the world does not have to be and will not always be the way it is.... We have a plan and we are part of the plan. The good news that Christians preach is not only that God is going to bring about the world as it should be but also that we ourselves are part of that effort. Christians fully believe that we are part of the solution, even as we confess that we are also part of the problem....

There is another entity that gets a big payoff from the kingdom of God, and that's the world itself. The world needs a plan if it is not going to self-destruct....The kingdom of God is a plan for the world as it should be and comes equipped with a group of people committed to help bring it about. This is indeed good news and a big payoff.

Gregory F. Augustine Pierce, *The World as It Should Be*



There is no such thing as low-cost Christianity. Following Jesus means swimming against the tide, renouncing evil and selfishness.

Pope Francis
@pontifex

**Learn More on the Website:****The Cost of the Kingdom**

Despite God's overflowing grace, really seeking the Kingdom is going to cost us. Delve a little deeper into this apparent paradox.

Joy-Filled Jackpot

Pope Francis' *Joy of the Gospel* teaches how the fruit of the Kingdom brings joy into our hearts, the world around us, and eternal life.

Songs From the Kingdom

Margaret Becker's "My Heaven" paints a picture of the big payoff; Francesca Battistelli's "We Are the Kingdom"; Starfield's rocker "The Kingdom."

Visit: <http://gospel.link/shouldbe3>