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January 21, 2018



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# THIS WEEK | Mark Your Calendars

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

6:00 am - 9:00 pm - Magic Gives Back  
 9:00 am - 9:00 pm Pope Pius XII Training (LCJN)  
 9:45 am - 1:45 pm 10 Minute Teaching (PLCJPII)  
 1:15 pm - 3:30 pm Wedding Fair (PLCMT)  
 1:15 pm - 3:30 pm Couple to Couple Wedding Fair (CC)  
 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm FIAT Nights (HH)  
 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm Men's Renewal Team (LCLK)

## MONDAY, JANUARY 22

9:00 am - 7:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration (CC)  
 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Scripture Study (LCLK)  
 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Grade Level Parent Meeting (LCJN)  
 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Confirmation Parent Meeting (PLCMT)  
 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm Catholic Works of Mercy (LCMT)  
 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Fish Fry Meeting (LCFM)

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 23

9:00 am - 11:00 am Sarah's Circle (LCMK)  
 10:00 am - 11:30 am Eucharistic Bible Study (LCFM)  
 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Music Ministry Angels Choir Rehearsal (C)  
 6:15 pm - 7:00 pm Catechist Gathering FIAT (LCJN)  
 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm ALPHA (PLCMT)  
 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm Boy Scouts #513 (School Rm 207-208)  
 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Overeaters Anonymous (LCMT)  
 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Lay Formation Board (Rectory Dining Room)  
 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Ministry of Praise Prayer Group (CC)  
 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Knights of Columbus 1st Degree (LCFM)  
 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm Safety and Security (C)  
 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm FIAT Core Meeting (LCLK)

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24

9:00 am - 10:00 am SAS+ Yoga (PLCMT)  
 9:00 am - 10:00 am Fr. Bob Teaching Session (PLCMT)  
 9:30 am - 10:00 am Building & Grounds Meeting (PLCJPII)  
 9:30 am - 11:00 am Scripture Study LCLK  
 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Book Club (LCFM)  
 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Marriage Course (HH1-3)  
 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (C)  
 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Scripture Study (LCLK)  
 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm RCIA (LCJN)  
 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm GriefShare Group (LCFM)  
 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Parish Finance Council (PLJPII)

## THURSDAY, JANUARY 25

9:30 am - 11:00 am 33 Days of Morning Glory (LCMK)  
 10:30 am - 12:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry (LCMT)  
 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm First Eucharist Parents Meeting (PLCMT)  
 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Legion of Mary (CC)  
 6:30 pm - 7:45 pm Bell Choir Music Ministry (C)  
 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Grade Level Parent Meeting (PLCMT)  
 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Eucharistic Parent Meeting (LCJN)  
 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Knights of Columbus 4th Degree (LCFM)  
 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Women's Renewal (LCMT)  
 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Men's Fellowship Meeting (LCLK)  
 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm Boy Scouts #513 (HH)

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 26

5:00 pm - 11:00 pm Bingo  
 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm Faithful After 50 (PLCMT)

## SATURDAY, JANUARY 27

9:00 am - 10:30 am First Eucharist Parent Meeting (LCJN)  
 9:00 am - 11:00 am Parish Visitor Meeting (HH)  
 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm VIRTUS Training (PLCMT)  
 5:30 pm - 9:00 pm Winter Carnival (HH)  
 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Knights of Columbus Social (LCFM)

## Mission Possible News

### Upcoming Trips



**Dates:** June 8-15 or June 15-22, 2018

**Location:** Dominican Republic

**Lodging:** Hotel Don Carlos in Higüey, D.R.

**Who Can Go:** Anyone age 15 or older

For more information: <http://www.missionpossible.us>  
 or contact Sarah Krieger at [skrieger@missionpossible.us](mailto:skrieger@missionpossible.us).  
**Registration ends February 12, 2018.**

### CALENDAR KEY

C	Church
CC	Church Chapel
S	School
PLC	Parish Life Center
GYM	Hilkert Hall GYM
HH	Hilkert Hall
LCMT	Lehner Center Matthew
LCMK	Lehner Center, Mark
LCLK	Lehner Center, Luke
LCJN	Lehner Center, John
LCFM	Lehner Center, Fr. McGivney
PLCJPII	Parish Life Center, John Paul II
PLCMT	Parish Life Center, Mother Teresa

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Sun. 9:00 am - 12:00 pm  
 Mon. 8:30 am - 8:30 pm  
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 Thurs. & Fri. 8:30 am - 6:00 pm  
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## We Remember...

### Those Called Home To The Lord

*"Do not be afraid I am with you, I have called you each by name.  
 Come and follow Me, I will bring you home,  
 I love you and you are Mine."*



#### Peter Fischer

*Father of Eric Fischer*

Born into Life: June 6, 1938

Called into Eternal Life: January 13, 2018



#### Elaine Bernaciak

*Cousin of Pat Szlakowski*

Born into Life: October 12, 1947

Called into Eternal Life: January 12, 2018

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let the perpetual light  
 shine upon them. And may the souls of all the faithful departed,  
 through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*



..."Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." Then they abandoned

**their nets and followed him."** This weekend's Gospel continues to remind us that we are all 'called' by God to a fuller and more abundant life in Christ. The Lord calls out to us to give us more blessings and opportunity. The challenge for us is get untangled from the nets that trap, trip and tangle us. **Allow yourself this week some time to 'hear' the call of the Lord.** What are the nets that you need to 'abandon' so you can be free to go, live, love and follow where He leads?

...This weekend we are blessed to **welcome Brother Casey Cole, OFM to our parish.** Brother Casey is a young Franciscan who comes to call each of us to form good 'habits' with the Lord. These good habits call us to let go of some 'nets' and take on some new ways – the ways of Christ. Brother Casey will be with us, as well as spending some time with the students of Padua Franciscan High School. **Welcome Brother Casey!!**

...This Monday we remember the **Supreme Court decision of Roe vs. Wade.** Many of our teens and Knights made their way to Washington DC to March for Life. **This weekend is a moment for all of us to renew our commitment to protect and promote the dignity of all life from conception until natural death.** May our prayer and actions reflect a culture of life where we see the goodness of each child of God.

...This is also the week of **Prayer for Christian Unity.** It is Christ who calls each of us to a fullness of life. **Let's pray this week that all Christians can come together** as one in the Lord to work to create a more loving and compassionate world for all of God's children.

...Speaking of children....**the students of Saint Ambrose School** are going to start eating a better lunch starting this week.

**Thanks to our friends at Marc's and Dole Foods, we received a grant to obtain a Salad Bar so our students can eat fresh lunches every day.** We are so blessed! The Salad Bar will be dedicated this coming Tuesday.

...Saint Ambrose School and our Littlest Angels Preschool will be hosting an **Open House next Sunday, January 28 from 10 am until 1:30 p.m.** Come and see the amazing things taking place in our school. Everything for every student every day – **Saint Ambrose School.**

...This Sunday our school is hosting **Magic Gives Back.** It's a great show. All are welcome. Tickets are available at the door. Show time is at 1:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

...Today's Gospel offers a powerful invitation – a life changing CALL – to those early followers. As they dropped their nets, everything changed. In that same spirit, **this Lent we are calling each of our members to drop their nets and open their heart to Small Faith Sharing Groups.** They are simply an opportunity to come together, with six or eight of our members, to read some Lenten Scripture and discuss ways that it applies to daily life. You will find this opportunity renewing, refreshing, and in a real way – life changing. It can lead to a stronger walk with the Lord and some deeper friendship with some of our members.

...Here's another CALL....Lent is rapidly approaching and with it comes our wonderful **Lent Fish Fry.** A few of our long time cooks have 'retired'. So we need to 'call' a few of you to help in the kitchen. **If you can help or want to learn more, please contact me at frbob@StAmbrose.us /330.460.7333.** Many hands make for a great Fish Fry.

...**Church safety** is always a concern for us at Saint Ambrose. **This coming Tuesday, Sheriff Miller and his team return to Saint Ambrose to do a refresher course on day-to-day safety around our campus.** If you would like to learn more about how we can help keep everyone safe

on our campus, please join us in the church at 7:00 pm.

...One of the best nights of winter take place next Saturday – **our annual Winter Carnival.** Join us in Hilkert Hall any time from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The Winter Carnival is a perfect family night – games, food, fun. **Special thanks to our Knights of Columbus for their efforts to bring us all together.**

...**Coming this week is the next edition of the Angelus,** our parish newsletter. It is filled with great information about upcoming programs and opportunities for the entire family of God. **Please take some time to read through it.** Let it be one way that God is calling out to you in this new year.

...**Mark your calendars** now for the kick off to Lent, **a special three night mission, with Fr. Mike Denk.** It's a perfect way to 'set the tone' to make this Lent – the best ever for you in your life. Imagine if hundreds and thousands of us used the 40 days to grow closer to the Lord in a real and personal way. **Hold the dates (February 11-13).**

...Believe it or not, the **Little Black Books** are making their way to the bookrack this week.

...And equally shocking is that we are almost at the end of January and with it comes your **2017 tax statements.** They are one more expression of your goodness. May God bless each and every offering and sacrifice you make to the Lord in support of our community.

...**Welcome Brother Casey.** May we all form better habits in the ways of the Lord. **God bless.**

**Have a blessed week!**

# INTENTIONS

Remember in Your Prayers

## Mass Schedule

**Monday, Wednesday and Friday:** 8:15 am and 5:30 pm  
**Tuesday and Thursday:** 8:15 am  
**Saturday:** 8:15 am and 4:30 pm Vigil  
**Sunday:** 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 pm and 5:00 pm

### Sunday, January 21 | 3rd Sunday in Ordinary

**7:30** † John Chalfa (Cheryl Gazso)  
**9:00** Saint Ambrose Members  
**10:30** † Kenny Kukarola (Mom & Dad)  
**12:00** † Ludwig & Ljubica Roman (The Karla Family)  
**5:00** † Jonathan Godoy (Gil & Elisa Aromas Family)

### Monday, January 22

**8:15** † Sr. Mary Ann Senia, HM (Patrice Downs)  
**5:30** † John E. Bukovsky (Pat & Joan Berigan)

### Tuesday, January 23

**8:15** † Connor Patton (Terry & Eva Bindernagel)

### Wednesday, January 24 | St. Francis de Sales

**8:15** † Dawn Edward (Family)  
**5:30** † Janet Marchisio (Husband)

### Thursday, January 25 | The Conversion of St. Paul

**8:15** † Irene Morgan (Nolan Family)

### Friday, January 26 | Sts. Timothy & Titus

**8:15** † Erma Kastelnick (John & Darlene DeAngelis)  
**5:30** † Janet Marchisio (Husband)

### Saturday, January 27

**8:15** † Elizabeth Valle (Christina Guk)  
**4:30** † Deacon John Miklosovic (Wife)

### Sunday, January 28 | 4th Sunday in Ordinary

**7:30** † Mary and Walter Harenda (Family)  
**9:00** † Dick Smalley (St. Ambrose Women's Guild)  
**10:30** Saint Ambrose Members  
**12:00** † Richard Kemski (Donna Wolfe)  
**5:00** † Jack Hamley (Jean & John Carr)

## Readings for the Week

[www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)

Mon 2 SM 5:1-7, 10; MK 3:22-30  
 Tues 2 SM 6:12B-15, 17-19; MK 3:31-35  
 Wed 2 SM 7:4-17; MK 4:1-20  
 Thurs ACTS 22:3-16, 19:1-7; MK 16:15-18  
 Fri 2 TM 1:1-8; MK 4:26-34  
 Sat 2 SM 12:1-7A, 10-17; MK 4:35-41  
 Sun DT 18:15-20; MK 1:21-28

## Pray for Our Sick

<i>Richard Baronak, Sr.</i>	<i>Tom Gorman</i>	<i>Mary Ognibene</i>
<i>Jessica Bossone</i>	<i>LeeAnn Hippler</i>	<i>Tom Raczka</i>
<i>Robert Bossone</i>	<i>Betty Ann Hodan</i>	<i>Linda Riegelmayr</i>
<i>Erna Brewster</i>	<i>Alice Kalka</i>	<i>Joseph Rodriguez</i>
<i>Vicki Carley</i>	<i>John Paul Kelly</i>	<i>Dan Sipan</i>
<i>Mary Jane Chester</i>	<i>Joe Kobie</i>	<i>Geraldine Smith</i>
<i>Libby Chodkiewicz</i>	<i>Betty Kovelan</i>	<i>Cheryl Sneed</i>
<i>Carol Destro</i>	<i>Donna Madar</i>	<i>Anthony Weiland</i>
<i>Theresa Gill</i>	<i>Ann McGill</i>	<i>Dawn Vangieson</i>

## Those Battling Cancer

Please Pray for Them and Their Families



<i>Marie Hein</i>	<i>Carol Sabo</i>
<i>John Paul Kelly</i>	<i>Jerry Sipan</i>
<i>Barbara Kulbaga</i>	<i>Angelo Stavole</i>
<i>Helen Mancuso</i>	<i>Rick Zevchik</i>

If you would like your loved one's name on the prayer list, call Connie at 330.225.9236 or email [NEnglish@StAmbrose.us](mailto:NEnglish@StAmbrose.us). **We publish the names of our sick in the bulletin for 3 weeks.** For a complete list of names, visit [www.StAmbrose.us/PrayerList](http://www.StAmbrose.us/PrayerList).

## Small Faith Sharing Groups

### Featuring Pray 40 Days

We are blessed with an incredibly large parish with over 15,000 members and 5,000 families. In communities this large it may be difficult to not feel lost in the shuffle. At Saint Ambrose we pride ourselves on



making sure YOU are given the care and attention you need. One of the many ways we accomplish this is through Small Faith Sharing Groups in homes. Last Lent we had 200 parishioners in 30 Small Faith Sharing Groups. **This year our groups**

**will focus on Fr. Michael Denk's Lent Mission; Pray 40 Days. The Mission will be on February, 11-13 with groups starting after that on numerous dates and times.** Our group leaders are already preparing for the groups as they go through Pray 40 Days as an Advent Study. *If you would like to lead a group this Lent, please contact Jane Baldwin at 330.460.7381 or [jbaldwin@stambrose.us](mailto:jbaldwin@stambrose.us).*

## Lenten Mission

**Save the Dates: February 11-13, 2018**

Are you ready to grow in your prayer life? To experience God like never before? Pray 40 Days and change your life forever. We are excited to welcome Fr. Michael Denk to Saint Ambrose for our Lenten Parish Mission.

**Stay tuned for more details.**

# WORLD Marriage CELEBRATION

February 10 – 6:00-10:00 pm  
\$35.00 per Couple

*Mass followed by dinner and dancing! A dinner of beef tips with noodles, pork chops, au gratin potatoes, green beans, salad, bakery and a variety of beverages including beer & wine will be served.*

*One ticket per couple-available at the front office. Please make check payable to Saint Ambrose no later than February 2, 2018. Contact Helen Sheridan at 330.460.7322 or HSheridan@StAmbrose.us to request a gluten-free meal or babysitting needs for children 2 and up.*



## A LENTEN PARISH MISSION PRAY 40 DAYS

WITH FR. MICHAEL J. DENK

### February 11-13, 2018

All evenings begin at 6:45 pm in Hilkert Hall Gym, with a reception immediately following.

#### **Your Golden Ticket for Lent**

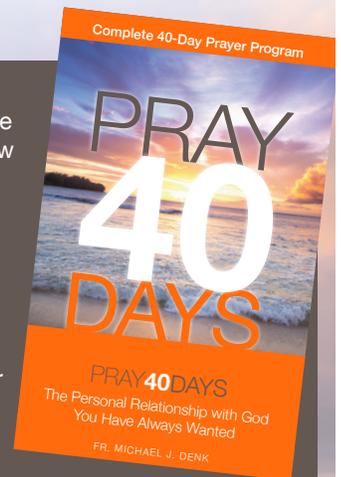
**Guided Meditation & Contemplative Prayer**  
Sunday, February 11

**Just Call God's Name, He Will Be There**  
**Lectio Divina & Praying with Senses**  
Monday, February 12

**God is the Sunshine on My Shoulders**  
**Scripture Relaxation & Pray like a Pirate**  
Tuesday, February 13

### The Personal Relationship with God You Have Always Wanted

Father Michael Denk has been ordained as a priest for the Diocese of Cleveland for ten years. He grew up in Parma, Ohio and has a lot of family and friends in the area and at Saint Ambrose Parish. He is well-known as a dynamic speaker, a good spirit and a great storyteller! Come and see him play the ukulele!! Join Father Mike and our parish community for a great start to Lent. Learn more about Prodigal Father at [www.TheProdigalFather.org](http://www.TheProdigalFather.org).



Complimentary Child Care Available with Advance RSVP by February 5 to the Parish Office at 330.460.7300 or email [TBernardone@StAmbrose.us](mailto:TBernardone@StAmbrose.us)

SPECIAL THANKS TO:  
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
SUMMER FESTIVAL TEAM  
SAINT AMBROSE PSR



SAINT AMBROSE  
**winter carnival**  
SHAKE OFF THE WINTER BLUES!

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2018**

**5:30 PM - 8:30 PM in HILKERT HALL**

- ☆ 25¢ GAMES AND KIDS PRIZES
- ☆ ACTIVITIES AND GAMES FOR ALL AGES
- ☆ FOOD AND YOUR FAVORITE CARNIVAL SNACKS!
- ☆ FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY
- ☆ BRING YOUR KIDS AND GRANDKIDS FOR ANOTHER GREAT FAMILY NIGHT AT SAINT AMBROSE!



**YES...I would like to help at this year's Winter Carnival!**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**EMAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NUMBER OF HELPERS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**VOLUNTEER SHIFTS:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Set-up 1:00-4:00pm \_\_\_\_\_ Event Help 5:00-7:30pm \_\_\_\_\_ Event Help/Clean-up 7:00-9:30pm

Please return to the school office, attn: Helen Lanzarotta  
For more information, HLanzarotta@StAmbrose.us or 330.460.7343.

## Children and Teen Envelopes

### Our Young People's Incredible Gifts

Every week, our young people contribute to Saint Ambrose—not only through monetary gifts, but through their actions. Here are some of the ways our kids have been like Christ in our community (66 envelopes returned).

*"I helped my Grandpa with physical therapy"*

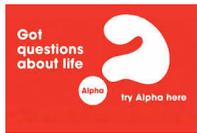
*"I helped my friend make a cat couch"*

*"I took care of my little brother."*



## What is Alpha?

### Starting Tuesday, January 16



Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the Christian faith, typically run over several weeks. Each talk looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation. Alpha is run all

around the globe and everyone is welcome. The new Alpha Film Series is emotive, engaging and epic in scale and scope. It has been repackaged for today's audience. Nicky Gumbel and two new presenters, Toby Flint and Gemma Hunt, walk through the basics of the Christian faith in a way that everyone can relate to. Saint Ambrose will be offering a Tuesday evening session beginning January 16 at 6:30 p.m.

**Come together for a home-cooked meal and try it out.**

For information, contact Jane Baldwin at 330.460.7381 or JBaldwin@StAmbrose.us

### Week of January 7

Sunday Collection	Jan. 14, 2018	July 1, 2017 - Jan. 14, 2018	July 1, 2016 - Jan. 15, 2017
Sunday Collection	\$22,767	\$978,998	\$997,171
Amount Needed	\$(33,500)	\$(971,500)	
Over / (Under)	\$10,733	\$7,498	
Building Fund	\$448	\$1,033	
ACH Collection	\$3,245 (weekly); \$0 (monthly)		
Children's Envelopes	\$89; 94 Collected		
Vision 20/20	Week of Jan 1, 2018	Week of Jan. 8, 2018	
Pledge Payments	\$699	\$375	
Total Payments	\$3,038,529	\$3,038,904	

We appreciate your support in the New Year and all it allows our community to do!

*"Beloved, all that is harsh and difficult I want for myself, and all that is gentle and sweet for thee."*

-St. John of The Cross



## Searching Scripture with Fr. Adam

### Exploration of the Gospels



Fr. Adam continues to offer an exploration of Sunday Gospels. Each month we will look ahead to the reading of the upcoming weeks and **discuss together the meaning of the Gospel and what message the Scriptures have for us today.** Join us

on the evening of the first Tuesday of each month or the morning of the following Saturday.

## Saint Ambrose Bingo

### The Friendliest Game in Town



As a thank you to all of our players for helping make 2017 such a successful bingo year, we will be holding a raffle every Friday in until the February 9 for a big screen TV, which will be awarded the first in February. Every player will be afforded one chance for each night they play in until then.

**Come all 4 weeks and have 4 chances to win!**

So be sure to join us for a fun-filled evening of bingo with over **\$6,200 in total possible prizes.** In addition to huge payouts and fun door-prizes, don't miss out on your chance to win our weekly **Progressive game with a maximum payout of \$10,000.**

**The doors open at 5:00 p.m. and the Early Bird games start at 7:00 p.m. We hope to see you this Friday.**

## Parenting Pointers

### Success and Mistakes



"You are not your children! Your success as a parent does not depend on their success. Resist the urge to take credit for your child's successes, lest you also take the blame for their mistakes."

## Marriage Moments

### Making Time



Ways to Turn Your Beloved Off: Let Your Kids Pre-empt your Beloved. Our children are important and take a lot of care but sometimes, we unnecessarily

put our kids before our spouse. Babysitters can be a gift from God. If you aren't a parent, substitute "work" for "kids."

## 2017 Tax Statements

### Will Be Mailed On January 31, 2018

Allowing time for the US Mail, if you do not receive a tax statement by Tuesday, February 6 and would like one, please contact the parish office at [Office@StAmbrose.us](mailto:Office@StAmbrose.us).



## Active Military

Please continue to pray for all the men and women serving our country, for their families who miss them dearly and for their safe return home. If you have someone to add, please contact Michele Sumner: [MSumner@StAmbrose.us](mailto:MSumner@StAmbrose.us)



### Pray for Those Serving and Their Families

SPC	Niko Bernardone	Army
MAJ	David M. Elliott	Marine Corps
LTJG	Travis Elliott	Navy
LT	Serena Gerfy	Navy
PO	Rob Hartman	Navy
MAJ	Brad Klusmann	Marine Corps
MAJ	Jared Klusmann	Marine Corps
CPL	Nicholas Levitsky	Marine Corps
SPC	William Mortensen	Army
PVT	Christian Nowak	Marine Corps
SSGT	Matthew Pyzik	Air Force
SPC	Bradly Renfro	Army
BG	Stephen Sklenka	Marine Corps
SGT	Ryan Sumner	Army
2NDLT	Zachary Taylor	Marine Corps
CW2	John A. Tevis	Army

## Veteran's Prayer Service & Luncheon

### Monday, February 19



Are you a veteran or a current service member? Please plan on joining us on Monday, February 19 at noon for a prayer service and lunch as we honor those who have served or currently

serve. For additional information contact Michele Sumner at [MSumner@StAmbrose.us](mailto:MSumner@StAmbrose.us) or Jane Baldwin at [JBaldwin@StAmbrose.us](mailto:JBaldwin@StAmbrose.us). Please share this information to those individuals who have served our great nation.

## Community Outreach

### What a great way to end the year!

Our group of volunteers did amazing work again this month at one of our parishioner's home. The initial request was to paint a bathroom, but because of our volunteer's willingness to always give more, much more work was done including removing carpeting. **Our parish is so very blessed by our Community Outreach volunteers, who month after month, dedicate their time and energy to being the hands of the Lord.** They go above and beyond what is asked of them.

This month, our volunteers were Bob and Donna Howski, Paulette Holtzmann, Jim Sutter, Sharon Moody, Patti Scalfano, Diane Graham, Mike Bravchok and Mike Adams. God Bless our Community Outreach team.



## Care Calls

### Let us Know of Anyone That Could Use a Call



Care Calls reach out to those that may be alone or feeling lonely. Our volunteers will be reaching out a couple times

per month to say hello and to let them know we care about them and are praying for them. Do you know someone who can use a call? We are looking to bring some extra joy, compassion and God's love into someone's life, if you know someone who could use this, please let us know and we will add them to our call list. Please contact Lisa at [LHomady@stambrose.us](mailto:LHomady@stambrose.us) or Helen Sheridan at [hsheridan@stambrose.us](mailto:hsheridan@stambrose.us) if you have someone to add to our list.

## Faithful After Fifty



### Upcoming Events

In your 50's or 60's? **Join the Faithful After 50 Club!** No meetings or dues, just great activities.

**January 28 (Sun.): 3:00 pm | Miss Pell is Missing**

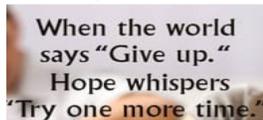


*Workshop Players | 44820 Middle Ridge Road | Amherst*  
**Join us for this fun-filled comedy.** Will they ever find Miss Pell? They certainly hope not due to her tyrannical nature, but **sometimes things turn out differently than expected-surprises are in store for the audience.** Contact Dianne Hoag at [dhoag0308@gmail.com](mailto:dhoag0308@gmail.com) or 330.273.5152.

For more information contact Scott or Betty Ann Hodan at [scott@hodanassoc.com](mailto:scott@hodanassoc.com) or 440.336.2199.

## Retrouvaille Weekend

January 19-21



### A Lifeline for Troubled Marriages.

Has your marriage become unloving or uncaring – your relationship cold and distant? Thinking about a separation or divorce? Are you already separated/divorced but both of you want to try again? Then the Retrouvaille program may help. RETROUVAILLE (rediscovery), which is supported by the Catholic diocese of Cleveland, but open to couples of all faiths, consists of a weekend experience for couples and six follow up sessions. A registration fee of \$150 is required to confirm your reservation. For more information concerning the program, or to register, please call Marce or Liz Gliha at 440.357.6580 or 1.800.470.2230, or go online to [www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org).

## Saint Ambrose School Open House



Please join us on Sunday, January 28 from 10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Meet faculty and staff, tour the school and see all the exciting things happening at Saint Ambrose School

and Littlest Angels Preschool. **Priority Enrollment for parish families for Saint Ambrose School and Littlest Angels Preschool begins next Wednesday, January 17.** Enrollment packets will be available at the PLC and school office for pickup beginning January 17. Forms will also be available for download from the school website: [www.SaintAmbroseSchool.us](http://www.SaintAmbroseSchool.us). Please contact the Institutional Advancement Office with any questions or to set up a personal tour at 330-460-7318.

## World Marriage Celebration

### Dinner and Dancing



**Join us February 10, 2018 from 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm for live music and dancing! There will be a delicious dinner of**

beef tips with noodles, breaded pork chops, au gratin potatoes, green beans, salad, bakery, coffee, soft drinks, beer and wine all for \$35.00 per couple. Babysitting provided for children age 2 & up.

Contact Helen Sheridan at 330.460.7322 no later than February 2, 2018. Checks can be made payable to Saint Ambrose Church and dropped off at parish office.

## Senior Corner | Let's Get Together



**Yoga All Wednesdays: 9:00 am - 10 am**  
**January 21: Community Meal**

2018 is filled with lots of exciting events and activities. Late last summer a newly formed group of ladies Elaine Terhart, Gloria Praznik and Jackie Walla spoke at our monthly Coffee and Donut social asking for your input. A few examples taking place in 2018 per your input are as follows: more fun activities, off-site trips, senior dinner theater, weekly yoga, picnics, bingo, painting, Spiritual Reflection Event, educational speakers, breakfast and lunch time.

Watch for articles in parish bulletin for weekly events listed under SENIOR CORNER or call Helen Sheridan 330.460.7322/ [hsheridan@ambrose.us](mailto:hsheridan@ambrose.us) or reach out to one of the three ladies mentioned above. We're here for you!

## Special Valentine Social

**February 14 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**



Join our community along with the parish school ambassadors for a few hours of cheerful Valentine's celebration in the Mother Teresa Room. RSVP: Helen Sheridan 330-460-7322 no later than February 8th. Lots of surprises! A lite brunch and beverages are planned for the event.

But they that wait upon the LORD  
 shall renew their strength;  
 they shall mount up with wings as eagles...  
 Isaiah 40:31 (KJV)





## Saint Ambrose Catholic School

### A Note from Mrs. Lisa Cinadr: Let Your Light Shine!

What an exciting week at Saint Ambrose! Enrollment for 2018-2019 has officially begun. The energy has been wonderful with so many new families coming by to drop off their enrollment information for both Saint Ambrose School and Littlest Angels Preschool this week. If you are considering joining us next year please reach out to our Institutional Advancement Office for a personal tour or to ask any questions. Enrollment packets are available for pickup in the Parish Life Center as well as online for easy download at [www.SaintAmbroseSchool.us](http://www.SaintAmbroseSchool.us).

Come and see what we can offer on Sunday, January 28 from 10:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. during our Open House. Contact Breanne Logue at [BLogue@StASchool.us](mailto:BLogue@StASchool.us) or (330)460-7318 for enrollment information including the Jon Peterson Special Needs Scholarship and the EdChoice Expansion Tuition Scholarship.

**May the light and peace of Christ light your way and fill your hearts in 2018.**

-Lisa Cinadr | 330.460.7350 | [LCinadr@StASchool.us](mailto:LCinadr@StASchool.us)

*Everything.*

## Littlest Angels Preschool



### A Note from Mrs. Catherine Mitchell

Winter weather including the ice and snow will be with us for a season. Some of us enjoy this time more than others. As we scrape our car windows and shovel our

driveways, may we all see the beauty and awe in God's winter wonderland! Praise and thanks for cold air, wind, a warm coat and hot chocolate, children's rosy cheeks and big, cozy hugs!

The children are always fascinated with the slippery ice and the sparkling snow! We will be making snowmen and matching mittens. We are focusing on science and math activities to keep us busy indoors. Daily we continue to make the early connections between letter sounds and letters in print which will prepare the children to read. Our learning centers are full of hands on winter fun!

I hope all of you enjoy a warm and cozy winter week!

**"Ice and Snow, Bless the Lord; praise and exalt Him above all forever!" Daniel 3:70**

-Catherine Mitchell  
330.460.7361 | [CMitchell@StASchool.us](mailto:CMitchell@StASchool.us)



## PSR News

### Let Your Light Shine

The following students are recognized for exemplifying the "Fruit of the Holy Spirit" Generosity during the month of November & December.

**Julie Duffala  
Campbell Butler  
Brody Wilson  
Gianna Paul  
Hudson Butler  
Ella Bardwell  
Maddy Hicks**

**McKenna Karol  
Abby Makara  
Claire Aldridge  
Trevor Winkelman  
Drea Chavez  
Sophia Stricklett  
Madison Miler**

### First Eucharist Parent Meeting

One parent is required to attend one of the meetings below. First Eucharist resources will be distributed along with other important information for you and your child as they prepare to receive the Sacrament this spring.

**Thursday, January 25 - 1:00 pm in Mother Teresa Room  
Thursday, January 25 - 7:00 pm in LC John  
Saturday, January 27 - 9:00 am in LC John  
Tuesday, January 30 - 7:00 pm in LC John**

-Janet Majka  
330.460.732 | [JMajka@StAmbrose.us](mailto:JMajka@StAmbrose.us)





## Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

November 5 - 14, 2018

Join Fr. Rob Ramser and fellow Saint Ambrose parishioners on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

Join us for an informational meeting on Sunday, February 25 at 1:30 p.m. in the Mother Teresa Room. You do not have to be signed up to attend.

We will "Journey through the Land of Israel" on a 10-day tour following the footsteps of

**Jesus.** We will pray at the Church of the Annunciation in Nazareth, have our own Silent Night in Bethlehem, walk the Way of the Cross in Jerusalem, pray in the Garden of Gethsemane and much more. The pilgrimage will be from November 5-14, 2018, price is \$3,149.00 per person. Call Fr. Rob at 330.460.7311 for more information.

## 2018 Fish Fry

Volunteers Welcome



Have you volunteered for the Fish Fry in the past? Or have you never volunteered, but looking to get more involved? Join us Monday, January 22 at 7:00 p.m. in the Lehner Center, Fr. McGivney Room.

We'll discuss this year's plans and how we can make 2018 the best Fish Fry yet! Lent begins early this year and we'll need all the help we can get! Please join us. RSVP to: Jake Bihari, JBihari@StAmbrose.us 216.215.5015

## Young Adult Gathering

Meet at the Mission



Attention young adults in their 20s and 30s, we are going to do something different for our young adult gathering in February. Instead of meeting on the first Wednesday of the month, we will be meeting for the Lenten Mission. The

Lenten Mission is February 11-13 at 6:45 with a reception afterwards. If you can't make it all three nights that's okay. I hope you all will be able to come and listen to Father Michael Denk. For questions or more information, please contact Taylah Bernardone at tbernardone@stambrose.us or 330.460.7300.

## Adopt-a-patch

February 18



Adopt-A-Patch is having our first Book Sale on February 18 from 8:15 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. on Donut Sunday! We need your books now. We are accepting gently used

pleasure books (fiction, children, nonfiction, religious, and gardening). Please NO textbooks, telephone books, Readers Digest or Encyclopedias. Book donations will be accepted January 15 - February 15. All proceeds from the Book Sale will help to cover the cost of the **Spring flowers that will be planted this coming year.** Please place your donation in the bins outside of the church. Proceeds to benefit Adopt-A-Patch.

## Silent Auction Baskets

Donations Appreciated



The school auction committee is looking for baskets for the silent auction. If you have any baskets sitting in your house unused that you could donate, please drop them off at the parish office by

Feb. 11. Any baskets left over will be used by the summer festival basket raffle committee.

## Binge on Faith

Formed Pick Of The Week



As the 45th Anniversary of Roe v. Wade approaches, explore "40" on formed.org this week as it explores the most important human rights issue of our time. **What**

**is FORMED?** Formed is a website similar to Netflix that contains Movies, Audio talks, E-books and Studies. The best part is that it will not cost you anything. Visit formed.org, enter the **Parish Access Code: 8H26DG** and your email and enjoy!

## Photography Club

Join us!



Do you have an eye for catching the perfect moment? Do you enjoy taking pictures? Are you looking for a way to be more involved with Saint Ambrose? If so, we would love to have you join our

Photography Club. You can sign up as little or as often as you like to take pictures of events going on here in our vibrant community. Please contact Natalie English if you are interested: nenglish@stambrose.us or 330.460.7334

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## Sacraments

**BAPTISM:** Parents need to attend a Pre-Baptism Class for their first child. Call Kim Nemet at 330.460.7316 to register.

**MARRIAGE:** Congratulations! Please call a priest or deacon at the Parish Office at least six months prior to proposed date to begin your wedding preparations.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (Adult RCIA):** Come and learn more about the Catholic faith. Call the PLC.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Confessions are celebrated Saturdays from 3:30 – 4:00 pm and by appointment.

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP:** Call 330.460.7300 to register. Current members please notify Parish Office if you move.

## Weddings



**Engagements:** Congratulations! Please call a priest or deacon at the Parish Office at least six months prior to proposed date to begin your wedding preparations.

## Baptisms

**Baptism Classes:** Parents need to attend a Pre-Baptism Class for their first child. Call Kim Nemet at 330.460.7316 to register.



**Welcome to the waters...**

**Tanner Carl Boyle**  
**Lincoln Bay Anthony Herman**  
**Antonio Joseph Midea**  
**Luna Gabriella Okress**

## Prayer Requests



**Let Our Parish Community Surround You in Prayer**

Turn in prayer petitions by going to our website at [www.StAmbrose.us/Prayer](http://www.StAmbrose.us/Prayer) or email [KSarazin@StAmbrose.us](mailto:KSarazin@StAmbrose.us).

**Chapel Hours:**

6:00 am-10:00 pm, Monday-Friday  
6:30 am-8:00 pm, Saturday  
6:00 am-7:00 pm, Sunday

## Saint Ambrose Trivia

1. When was the first summer festival?
2. Which Bishop helped establish St. Ambrose?



**Answers:** 1. 2002 2. Archbishop Hoban

### 60TH ANNIVERSARY VISITING PRESIDER SCHEDULE

Watch for the date of the following priests coming to celebrate 10:30 am Mass with the community.

February 18 – Father Dennis McNeil  
March 18 - Fr. Matt Jordan

*We are proud of our teens who attended the Metanoia Retreat this past weekend to strengthen their relationship with God.*

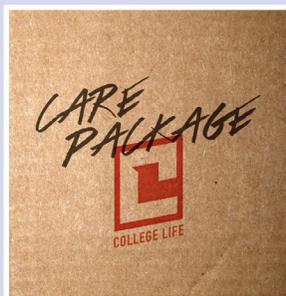


*"The future is in your hearts and in your hands. God is entrusting to you the task, at once difficult and uplifting, of working with Him in the building of the civilization of love."*

- Pope John Paul II

## College Care Packages

Let Them Know Saint Ambrose Cares



If you have a son or daughter in college, please send us their address so we can send them a care package from their Saint

**Ambrose Parish Family!** Interested in helping assemble the care packages? Let Caitlin know at 330.460.7387 or [COneill@StAmbrose.us](mailto:COneill@StAmbrose.us).

## FIAT (Faith In Action Teens)

Help Us Tackle Hunger



"You pray for the hungry then you feed them, that's how prayer works." - Pope Francis

**Help us tackle Hunger!** In Ohio alone, 1,852,870 people (1 in 6) are struggling

with hunger. Our Community Meal and Catholic Works of Mercy teams here at Saint Ambrose do a great job of taking care of our neighbors in need, but they need our support in order to continue their much-needed efforts.

community meal team feeds over 400 people each month. This Thanksgiving we provided meals for 7,250 people throughout the region.

**We need your help to make this possible.** We are looking for donations of the following ingredients to make our Super Bowl snacks to sell during Souper Bowl of Caring. If you're able to contribute, please drop your donations off at the front desk of the Parish Life Center or the Youth Ministry Office.

### Items Needed:

- 8oz packages of cream cheese
- Frank's Hot Sauce
- Blue Cheese Dressing
- Shredded Cheddar Cheese
- 12.5oz cans of premium chunk chicken

Every year during Super Bowl weekend, our grade school students, PSR students, and high school teens team up for our annual Souper Bowl of Caring to raise awareness and funds for hunger in our area. Each year it is inspiring and gratifying to see the outpouring support from the parish community in response to this need. This year the need is no different - the

- Caitlin O'Neill | [COneill@StAmbrose.us](mailto:COneill@StAmbrose.us) | 330.460.7387

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## Junior High News

Peace and Self Control

"For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline." - 2 Timothy 1:7



On January 29 at 6:30 pm in Hillert Hall EDGE NIGHT #4 will focus on both PEACE and SELF-CONTROL. All Junior High students both at the parish and the day school are invited to attend. Please reach out to Jenna LaGuardia if you have any questions.



- Jenna LaGuardia | [JLaGuardia@StAmbrose.us](mailto:JLaGuardia@StAmbrose.us) | 330.460.7323