



Saint Ambrose
CATHOLIC PARISH

JANUARY 13, 2019

National
**LAW ENFORCEMENT
APPRECIATION DAY**

January 9, 2019



We pray for those who serve to protect us!

On Wednesday, January 9 we celebrated National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day. Every week at Saint Ambrose we remember, and lift up to God, all who protect us and faithfully serve our community and country. This weekend we have invited all of those in law enforcement to Mass to offer them a special gift on behalf of our community.

Together We Pray

Loving God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women in law enforcement in our neighborhoods, cities, and on our highways. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; protect their families; strengthen them in their trials; give them the courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ.
- Amen.

Special Intentions

Submitted on our Parish Facebook page:

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|--------------------|----------------|
| Christian Anderson | Dan Molnar |
| Chris Bissonette | Michael Molnar |
| Shane Brunner | Greg Nichols |
| Jack Clair | Dan Patriarco |
| Dave Frattare | David Pinkas |
| Robert Januszewski | Patrick Russo |
| Renee Kane | Brian Sloan |
| Dan Maher | Patrick Sloan |
| Tim Mc Carthy | Ryan Summer |

All members of the Brunswick Police Dept. and surrounding communities.

For information on all upcoming Parish Events please visit our website!

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SPOTLIGHT • Happening this Month

Wedding Fair Luncheon

SUNDAY, JANUARY 27

1:15-3:30 P.M.

SAINT AMBROSE PARISH,
MOTHER TERESA ROOM

MEET NEWLY MARRIED COUPLES AND FUTURE WEDDING COUPLES TO SHARE IDEAS AND EXPERIENCES.

PLEASE RSVP TO HLANZAROTTA@STAMBROSE.US



WE ARE EXCITED ABOUT YOUR WEDDING AND WANT THIS TO BE A BLESSED AND WONDERFUL EXPERIENCE!

OUR TIME TOGETHER WILL OFFER YOU GOOD FOOD, MEANINGFUL CONVERSATION AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET ALL THE PEOPLE THAT WILL HELP MAKE YOUR WEDDING AN AMAZING CELEBRATION OF FAITH, FAMILY, YOUR GREAT LOVE FOR EACH OTHER AND GOD'S GREAT LOVE FOR YOU.

Please join us.

WEDDING TEAM WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS:
LYNN ROGERS, BARB YAUGHER,
MATTHEW FODOR, HELEN LANZAROTTA

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Study the Scriptures in 2019

33 Days of Morning Glory

Starting February 7

We will be offering our next 33 Days to Morning Glory Retreat beginning Thursday, February 7 at 7:00 pm in Lehner Center Mark. This is a 6 week retreat with a Consecration to Jesus, through Mary in preparation for Marian Consecration. This retreat is based on the popular book by Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC, 33 Days to Morning Glory. Gain new insights into Marian Consecration, learn how key saints and blessed lived it out, and discover how you can live it out as well.



Scripture Study with Mark Oldfield

Starting January 14 and 16



Starting on January 14 and 16, our Bible Study Groups will begin studying The Gospel of John.

Available times are either:

Mondays at 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Wednesdays at 9:30 - 11:00 am

We will meet for 12 sessions and the studies are a combination of reading, discussion and video for beginners or the experienced in a small, relaxed group setting. To register please contact Mark Oldfield by calling or texting 440.666.5217 or email at oldfield322@gmail.com



Exodus Bible Study

Starting January 15



The Exodus is the central event of the Old Testament. Its themes of liberation, wilderness, Passover, covenant, and God's dwelling are central for the whole bible. This Bible study will meet **every Tuesday morning at 10:00 a.m. in the Lehner Center beginning January 15.** It will be facilitated by Tim Krolikowski. Contact him by phone 330.273.1120 or email timkrolowkowski2@gmail.com if interested.

Panorama of the Old Testament

Starting January 17

PANORAMA OF THE OLD TESTAMENT



While every character, story, and book of Scripture is significant in itself, stepping back for a broad, panoramic view of the entire Bible helps us to take in and understand God's single, unified plan for human history. This Bible Study will be facilitated by Tim Krolikowski and **will meet the first and third Thursdays of the month at 7:00 pm in the Lehner Center beginning January 17.** Please contact him at 330.273.1120 or email timkrolowkowski2@gmail.com if interested.





...**“Beloved: The grace of God has appeared, saving all and training us to reject godless ways and worldly desires and to live temperately, justly, and devoutly in this**

age, as we await the blessed hope, the appearance of the glory of our great God and savior Jesus Christ” The second reading, on this Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, contains a powerful insight – **we are BELOVED by God.** From the moment of our Baptism, God embraced us and claimed us as His own beloved sons and daughters. In God’s eternal embrace, we find our hope...our strength... our peace...our salvation. We wait every day, in joyful hope, for the coming again of the Lord in glory. **Let’s use this feast to renew our own commitment to live out our Baptism in a way pleasing to the Lord.** As we do so, we will love in the beloved, eternal embrace of God.

...**As we celebrate Jesus’ Baptism, we have invited all who have been baptized over the past year to join us for Mass this weekend.** Together, we will renew the promises of our Baptism and find the grace and strength we need from the Lord as we come together in prayer and worship to our God.

...This weekend also gives me a special opportunity to thank all who are involved in the **Baptism Ministry** for our parish community. Special thanks to **Kim Nemet and Helen Sheridan** for coordinating and scheduling all of our Baptisms. **Thanks to the Baptism Team** who offers such welcome and hospitality for our Baptism celebrations. **Thanks, also, to the wonderful people who make the prayer quilts/blankets** for all of our newly baptized. What a blessing to blanket each new child of God in the warmth and tender love of God!!! Together we work hard to make it comfortable and convenient for each family to welcome their new members into the Family of God. We are so blessed.

...From our own Baptism, each of us has the responsibility to use our gifts and talents to serve the Lord and build up the Body of Christ – the Church. **If you crochet or knit,** can you help make a prayer blanket or two a year? **If you can welcome and help on the Baptism team** an hour a month, we need your help? Please let me know if you can help out a little in welcoming our new members frbob@StAmbrose.us.

...This weekend we also have welcomed all of our **Law Enforcement members** to join us for weekend Mass as we mark **National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day** (January 9). Together let us pray that God will watch

over all who serve to protect us and serve our community. These public servants are a blessing to our local community.

...**Saint Ambrose School and Littlest Angels Preschool is hosting its Annual Open House this Sunday from 10 am until 1:00 pm.** It’s a great moment for all to come and see the great work taking place in our school and preschool. **We are so blessed** with a dedicated administration, faculty and staff who are working to form the hearts and engage the minds of our young people. This is a great year for our school community. In October, Saint Ambrose **Littlest Angels Preschool** was awarded the **Five Star Rating by the State of Ohio Step Up to Quality** accreditation process. In December, **Saint Ambrose School** was given the **P21 designation** with is an affirmation that we are ‘exemplar’ in 21st century learning and practices. These are ‘affirmations’ of our commitment to be ‘everything’ for every student – every day. What matters most is helping each student develop their God-given gifts and talents – to be their best selves – as God has imagined them to be. **Please take some time to visit and see why we are receiving these affirmations from these important accreditation organizations.**

...BTW...the Five Star Rating for **SA Littlest Angels Preschool** comes on the Tenth Anniversary of the Program and on the front door of the Preschool moving to a new home next Fall (across the street from the south parking lot). The wonderful people and great program will expand into better space and offer more programming and services to assist our families and their child(ren). **Please spread the word and invite your family/friends/neighbors to come and learn more about our Littlest Angels Preschool.** For more information, please contact Breanne Logue (blogue@StASchool.us).

...**Elec Simon is coming to Saint Ambrose on Sunday and Monday.** He has a powerful message of respect and anti-bullying. He shares the message in an engaging way. He will be sharing this message with all of our FIAT teens, Confirmation students, PSR Junior High Students and the students of Saint Ambrose School. The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord is a perfect weekend for this message – because every child of God – is wonderful, unique, special, amazing in the eyes of God. It’s a great message to help all of our student members to deepen their own understanding of their goodness and the uniqueness of each classmate, neighbor, and friend. Our prayer is that sharing this with all of our students will help stir conversations at home and school and help us always to be a community of care, respect and compassion for all.

...This coming Saturday all of our **Parish Leaders** are coming together for our annual January meeting to discuss the year ahead, along with the needs and concern they have for their programs and ministries. **Please join me in thanking those who lead and serve our community.** We are blessed by their faithfulness and commitment. Please pray that God will allow us to use this time to share good information and strengthen the bonds of working together for the glory of God and the good of our community.

...God is answering your prayers. We’ve enjoyed some warm January weather.... thanks be to God. As you can see, we are making good progress on the Church. **Soon we will be under roof!!!** By the time you read this, we should be making major progress on the interior work (sanctuary removed and replaced...fire sprinkler system complete.... south entry underway). Thank you for your prayers and continued support to make this possible for our community. Make sure you watch the final video model of the Church: www.StAmbrose.us/vision2020.

...**This coming Saturday Josh Cochrac is coming back to Saint Ambrose to lead an afternoon of reflection for our Good Sam Ministers.** We are blessed with many members who visit the homebound and hospitalized/care facilities in our parish. It’s a meaningful ministry....and **we could always use a few more people** to bring the presence of Christ and Holy Communion to our members. If you can help, contact Fr. Rob (rramser@StAmbrose.us).

...**Our Friday night Bingo game is doing very well.** It’s a great blessing for our parish community. Bingo helped fund the original Church and it’s going to help us a lot as we repair and renew God’s house. **We could always use a few more volunteers** to help the faithful team. A few hours a month would make all the difference and be a GREAT blessing for our parish. **Come and try...just once.** For more information, please connect with Mike Mascio (mmascio@StAmbrose.us).

...Our first **Rec Center Winter Fun Night** last Saturday was a huge success. Please mark your calendars and join us in coming weeks.

...Thank you for all the ways you say ‘yes’ to the Lord, and ‘yes’ to helping, serving, and giving for our parish community. **If all of us find one way to serve at Saint Ambrose, our parish will continue to grow and thrive in the work of the Lord.** God bless you for your goodness.

Go Bless!
[Signature]

MARRIAGE • Great events for your relationship!

New Year, New Couples Enrichment Renew Your Love in the New Year!

Let's be honest, it's often easy to let your marriage go on 'auto pilot.' It's not wrong or bad, it's just not the best way to keep your married love alive and strong. Challenge yourself to do something exciting-new-refreshing this year.

February 23: *Couples Day of Reflection 11:00 am - 3:00 pm*
Great opportunity to for marriage enrichment. Join us along with Father Dan Schlegel in the Mother Teresa Room.
RSVP by February 18.

March 24 & 31: *Living Your Strengths*
Watch for full information in weeks to come or contact Carol Maline 330.460.7336 or Marian mebadaczewski@yahoo.com.

These events are free, fun and enjoyable. Watch for more information in the Bulletin and parish website.

**For Questions or to RSVP,
please contact Helen Sheridan:
330.460.7332 or HSheridan@StAmbrose.us**



Would you like to be part of something that is both fun and meaningful? Members are single, married, divorced and widowed. We plan on offering activities and events that enrich our minds, bodies, souls, and spirits. These events will allow us to get together with others in our parish family on and off campus.

We are looking to restore Faithful after 50 Club! We invite past members to share your experiences and for new members to help us plan your ideas. Contact Helen Sheridan at 330.460.7322 or HSheridan@StAmbrose.us for additional information.



Save The Date February 10

We are excited to bring **Le Puy, France Chorale Children's Choir** to Saint Ambrose. Their main piece is called "Cantique de Jean Racine", in French by Gabriel Faure. It is a sort of ode to Christianity in general. Plan on attending the **12:00 pm Mass for this beautiful performance.**

Marriage Moments

Marriage in the New Year



It's New Year's resolution time. Even if you've already broken some resolutions, recommit to putting your beloved first - in words, in acts of kindness, in attention.

Parenting Pointers

Baptism Stories



January 13 is the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. If your children are old enough, recount with them the story of their Baptism. If you can remember, tell the story of your own baptism and what it has meant to you.

**For a more in-depth explanation,
visit www.susanvogt.net**

A colorful poster for a Friday night event. The text reads "FRIDAY February 15th A fun night out! VALENTINE NEON BINGO". It includes details like "Doors open at 5:00pm! Bingo begins at 7:15pm!", "Ten BINGO Games \$300 & \$400 pots!", "\$1,000 Coverall", "DJ, music, Black lights!", "Minute to Win it Games!", and "Instant!". There are several photos of people at the event and a bingo card with numbers and a star.

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4	18	33	46	62
7	16	★	60	71
9	27	44	51	6



THIS WEEK • Mark Your Calendars

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13

9:00 am - 10:00 am Breaking Open the Word (PLCJPII)
 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Rite of Enrollment (PLCMT)
 10:00 am - 1:00 pm School Open House (School)
 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Baptism Classes (PLCMT)
 5:00 pm - 7:45 pm Confirmation Session (HH)
 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Men's Renewal (LCLK)
 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm Women's Renewal (LCMT)

MONDAY, JANUARY 14

8:00 am - 10:00 am Realtors Breakfast (PLCMT)
 9:00 am - 5:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration (CC)
 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm First Grade Baptism Retreat (PLCMT)
 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Scripture Study (LCLK)
 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm School Advisory Board Meeting (PLCJPII)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15

9:00 am - 11:00 am Sarah's Circle (LCMK)
 10:00 am - 11:30 am Bible Study (LCLK)
 10:00 am - 1:00 pm PSR Banner Meeting (LCMT)
 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm PPC Leadership Meeting (PLCJPII)
 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Angels Choir (CC)
 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Bell Choir (PLCJPII)
 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Ministry of Praise and Prayer (CC)
 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm Boy Scouts (HH)
 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm Knights of Columbus (LCFM)
 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm VIRTUS Training (PLCMT)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16

9:00 am - 10:00 am SAS Yoga (HH)
 9:30 am - 11:00 am Scripture Study (LCLK)
 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Book Club (LCFM)
 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm Cub Scouts (HH)
 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Adult Choir (CC)
 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Griefshare (LCFM)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 17

10:30 am - 12:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry (CC)
 1:30 pm - 2:15 pm Cantor Rehearsal (CC)
 5:00 pm - 10:00 pm Knights of Columbus Assembly (LCFM)
 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Legion of Mary (CC)
 6:30 pm - 8:15 pm PTU Board Meeting (PLCJPII)
 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Stephen Ministry (LCMT)
 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Bible Study (LCMT)
 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm Boy Scouts (HH)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 18

9:00 am - 10:30 am Armor of God (LCFM)
 5:00 pm - 11:00 pm BINGO (HH)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 19

8:15 am - 10:45 am All Parish Leaders Meeting (HH)
 11:00 am - 1:00 pm Good Samaritan Lunch (PLCMT)
 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Germany Pilgrimage Meeting (PLCMT)
 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm Knights of Columbus Social (LCFM)



*The law of the Lord is perfect,
 refreshing the soul. (Psalm 19:7-8)*

CALENDAR KEY

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

Care Calls Ministry

Can you use an occasional friendly phone call? We are here for you and ready to reach out if you find yourself day in and day out wanting to talk to someone or just feel lonely at times. **We are here for you**, and we care! If interested in having a member of our team call you once or twice a month, just to say "Hello." Call Helen Sheridan 330.460.7322 and arrangements will be made.



Senior Corner Enjoying Each Other's Company



"REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS"

Yoga: Every Wednesday from 9:00 am - 10:00 am

- January 15** Off-Site Lunch
12:00 pm at Dairy Queen
- January 20** Community Meal
1:00-2:00pm at Saint Ambrose

**For Questions or to RSVP,
 please contact Helen Sheridan:
 330.460.7332 or HSheridan@StAmbrose.us**

EDUCATION NEWS • Our School and PSR Program

Saint Ambrose Catholic School



A Note From Lisa Cinadr:
All you peoples, clap your hands; shout to God with joyful cries.

-Psalms 47:2

It's been great to have our school family back together! The joy of reconnecting is heartwarming and just what you'd expect from family members who have been apart. We look forward to a promising second semester: full of challenge and wonder, support and love!

We had a blast at the Brunswick Rec Center on January 5 as Kindergarten-Grade 5 families of our parish enjoyed time swimming, playing basketball and dancing to music from DJ Kris Koch! Our Littlest Angels Preschool families are looking

forward to their Preschool Carnival there on February 5. 6th-8th Grade SAS and PSR families celebrate together on February 23. What a gift we can share together!

Everything! Nowhere else. All are invited to visit us at our Open House on Sunday, January 13 from 10:00am-1:00 pm and see for yourself what Littlest Angels Preschool and Saint Ambrose School can offer your family!



- Lisa Cinadr
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SAINT AMBROSE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE

Preschool-Grade 8

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13, 2019
10:00 am - 1:00 pm

RISE UP
take courage and do it!

SAINT AMBROSE CATHOLIC SCHOOL AND LITTLEST ANGELS PRESCHOOL

PSR News

Class Reminder:

No Class January 16, 19 & 21

RCIC

Session # 4 will be held on the following dates:

January 23 at 6:30 pm in the School.

January 24 at 1:00 pm & 7:00 pm in the Mother Teresa Room.

January 26 at 9:00 am in the Lehner Center

January 29 at 7:00 pm in the Lehner Center.

Rise Up, Take Courage and Do It

We recognize these students for the month of November and December for continually exemplifying Patience in the classroom. They are amazing role models for all of our students and continue to grow in their leadership skills.

Liam Valichnac
Landon Caleris
Connor Benjamin
Matthew Monroe
Gianna Paul
Christopher Dick
Camie Satow
Ella Vidas
Gabby Cora Hailey Kollar
Natalie Verlinden
Drea Chavez

Bella Watts
Anna Gurtsak
Leighton Miller
Matilda Ventry
Mikaela Menszyk
Sienna Berthold
Alysia Guciardo
Lucy Till
Reese Turner
Adin Evert
Ashley Blanc

Littlest Angels Preschool

A Note from Catherine Mitchell:

As the Christmas season comes to a close and we begin the season of winter, we look to Jesus to be our light in these sometimes cold, dark, snowy days.



Our classrooms are wonderful places for learning, growing in our relationship with God, living faith skills and performing acts of kindness. A simple smile, hug, sharing a toy, a phone call to a friend or a listening ear can make a big difference in someone's day!

We try to be a light to others through our actions, words and deeds. May your hearts and homes be full of warmth and Jesus' light this winter and may we share that light with others!

"Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven." Matthew 5:16



Catherine Mitchell
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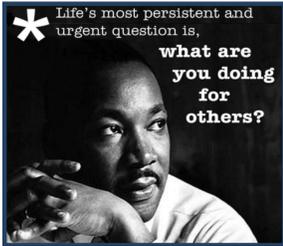
- Janet Majka
330.460.7321 | JMajka@StAmbrose.us



Junior High News

Ablaze MLK Day of Service

Monday, January 21 | 11:00 am - 2:00 pm



Open to ALL 6th, 7th and 8th grade students and friends! Spend your day off school doing something meaningful for others, while spending time with friends! Just bring a Permission Form (will be passed out in all classes)

Here is what we will do:

Games

Activities

Make Spicy Pretzels for Souper Bowl of Caring

Lunch

Reflection and Prayer

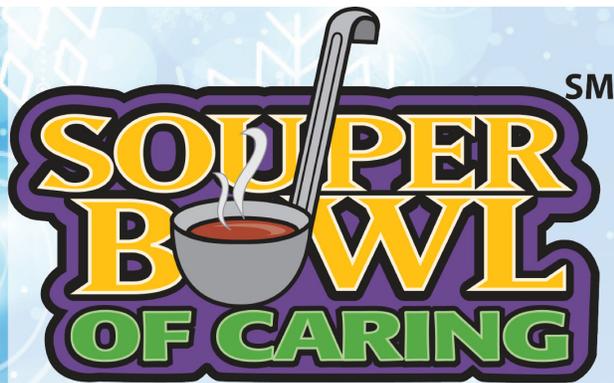
Service Project



CLOW

Invite Jesus Into Your Heart

"Children will learn about the three wise men who followed the star to Jesus. We too must seek to find and follow Jesus and offer him the gifts of our love and faith" Please encourage your child join the CLOW leader at Mass.



Souper Bowl of Caring

Let the Countdown Begin!

Join FIAT, Ablaze and Saint Ambrose School as we team up again to raise money for our monthly community meal program. Come to Saint Ambrose the weekend of February 2-3 after all Masses and help us "Tackle Hunger."

We will have teams at all the doors before and after Masses to collect donations, and of course great Super Bowl food items will be on sale in Hilkert Hall. You don't want to miss this great event!



FEBRUARY 2-3

FREE Tuition!

Raffle Tickets Available Now

The Saint Ambrose Catholic School families are selling raffle tickets for a chance to win free tuition for 2019-2020 school year - Either for SAS, or LAPS OR \$2500 Cash Prize! **Tickets are on SALE NOW until January 25.** If you are interested in purchasing raffle tickets, tickets are \$10 per ticket and it helps support the school's capital improvements which supports building renovations, repairs and improvements, completion of the Air Quality Improvement program and upgrades to include STEAM, Fine Arts and Resource spaces. Please contact Michelle Brousek at MBrousek@StASchool.us if you would like to support our Saint Ambrose Angels and purchase a ticket.

INTENTIONS • Remember in Your Prayers

Mass Schedule & Intentions

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 13 | The Baptism of The Lord

7:30	† Kathleen Yatson (Adams: Erickson Family)	GH
9:00	† Anthony Gill (Family)	GH
10:30	† Mom & Dad Terhart (Family)	RS
12:00	† John Audi (Betty Audi)	RS
5:00	Saint Ambrose Members	RS

Monday, January 14 | First Week in Ordinary Time

8:15 † Kathleen Yatson (Jackie Walla)

5:30 † Jennifer Wirkus (Tim & Janet O'Donnell & Family)

Tuesday, January 15

8:15 † Giuseppe Passalacqua (Mary Ann Passalacqua)

Wednesday, January 16

8:15 † Kathleen Yatson (Carole and Richard)

5:30 † Amy Gillingham (Gillingham Family & Friends)

Thursday, January 17 | St. Anthony

8:15 † Dorothy Puliafico (Fr. Rob Ramser)



Friday, January 18

8:15 † Janet Marchisio (Kevin Marchisio)

5:30 † Edward Kostyack (Family)

Saturday, January 19

8:15 † Robert & Josephine Young (The Family)

4:30 Saint Ambrose Members **RS**

Sunday, January 20 | 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 † Mary Lou Twarog (Jim & Pixie Blake) **RS**

9:00 † Michael A. Ruby (Family) **RS**

10:30 † Kenny Patrick Kukarola (Mom & Dad) **RS**

12:00 † Jack & Anita ShaneyFelt (Family) **RR**

5:00 † Marilyn Evasovic (Husband) **RR**

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Sun. 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Mon. 8:30 am - 8:30 pm

Tues. & Wed. 8:30 am - 8:00 pm

Thurs. & Fri. 8:30 am - 6:00 pm

Sat. 8:30 am - 2:30 pm

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Ladies First Food is Medicine



We start the year on a healthy note as we welcome Lori Bryant, a Nutritional Therapy Practitioner. She takes a holistic approach to health and nutrition, built on the foundation of a nutrient dense,

properly prepared, whole food diet. Lori is passionate about helping people see how the food choices they make directly impact their bodies. Her main goal is to encourage people to become knowledgeable about – and responsible for their own health. Start your year off right on Tuesday, January 29 at 6:45 pm in Hilkert Hall with fellowship, faith and food. *“Let food be thy medicine and let medicine be thy food.”*

March for Life

Washington D.C. Bus Trip on January 17



The Knights of Columbus, Council 4847 present a bus trip to the 2019 March for Life. The bus will leave St. Ambrose Parish on Thursday night, January 17, travelling overnight to arrive in Washington, D.C., on Friday January 18.

Before the Rally and March for Life at the US Capital area, we will attend the Vigil for Life Closing Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception on Friday morning. We will return Friday evening following the March, arriving back at St. Ambrose after midnight on January 19. *A boxed lunch will be included, compliments of Medina County Right to Life.*

Cost: Adults: \$45 / Students: \$30. Contact Marty Shaw for more information or to reserve your seat at 216.533.7737 or mshaw603@gmail.com. You may also book online at KofC4847.org.

Readings for the Week

www.usccb.org

Mon HEB 1:1-6; MK 1:14-20

Tues HEB 2:5-12; MK 1:21-28

Wed HEB 2:14-18; MK 1:29-39

Thurs HEB 3:7-14; MK 1:40-45

Fri HEB 4:1-5, 11; MK 2:1-12

Sat HEB 4:12-16; MK 2:13-17

Sun IS 62:1-5; JN 2:1-11

PRAY FOR OUR SICK • *Lifting One Another*

Pray for Our Sick

<i>Collin Apicella</i>	<i>Lisa Gannon</i>	<i>Donna Madar</i>
<i>Jordon Belaska</i>	<i>Sean Henry</i>	<i>Karen Pencek</i>
<i>Ethan Bradley</i>	<i>Bob Huntley</i>	<i>Sheila Reagan</i>
<i>Brian Daly</i>	<i>Lillian Johnson</i>	<i>Shirley Rehman</i>
<i>Barbara Droll</i>	<i>Ariana Krakora</i>	<i>John Roth</i>
<i>Shannon Fitz</i>	<i>Colette Keenan</i>	<i>Emerson Sholtis</i>
<i>Laverne Frohlich</i>	<i>Jess Lahl</i>	<i>Warren Simmons</i>
<i>Victoria Gabriel</i>	<i>Earl Lauerhahs</i>	<i>Maureen Tesar</i>

If you would like your loved one's name on the prayer list, call Connie at 330.225.9236. **We publish the names of our sick in the bulletin for 3 weeks.** Visit www.StAmbrose.us/PrayerList for the complete list.

Those Battling Cancer

Please Pray for Them and Their Families



<i>Bob Close</i>	<i>Collin Nemet</i>
<i>Alyce Hanlon</i>	<i>Nancy Niemesch</i>
<i>Marie Hein</i>	<i>Paul Rehman</i>
<i>Shannon Hilpon</i>	<i>Carol Sabo</i>
<i>Mark Hogan</i>	<i>Jerry Sipan</i>
<i>John Paul Kelly</i>	<i>Andy Stamper</i>
<i>Bob Klaehn</i>	<i>Angelo Stavole</i>
<i>Dolores Lauerhahs</i>	<i>Joanne Walsh</i>
<i>Terri Leitter</i>	<i>Bob Williams</i>
<i>Helen Mancuso</i>	<i>Chester Yanke</i>
<i>Cindy Montonaro</i>	<i>Rick Zevchik</i>

Active Military



Pray for Those Serving and Their Families:

SSG	Michael Duniec	<i>Air Force</i>
MAJ	David M. Elliott	<i>Marine Corps</i>
LT	Travis Elliott	<i>Navy</i>
LT	Serena Gerfy	<i>Navy</i>
PO	Rob Hartman	<i>Navy</i>
MAJ	Brad Klusmann	<i>Marine Corps</i>
MAJ	Jared Klusmann	<i>Marine Corps</i>
AIT	Mitchell Knirnschild	<i>Navy</i>
CPL	Nicholas Levitsky	<i>Marine Corps</i>
SPC	William Mortensen	<i>Army</i>
LCPL	Christian Nowak	<i>Marine Corps</i>
SSGT	Matthew Pyzik	<i>Air Force</i>
LCPL	Lukas Robison	<i>Marine Corps</i>
BG	Stephen Sklenka	<i>Marine Corps</i>
2ndLT	Zachary Taylor	<i>Marine Corps</i>
CW2	John A. Tevis	<i>Army</i>

Unsung Hero

Nick Castro



Imagine. You are responsible for the maintenance and custodial duties of a parish that includes our school of over 600 students and 50+ staff members. What a daunting task! That's just what Nick does. As the Maintenance Supervisor, Nick helps Mr. D.

and me keep the school running efficiently and cleanly for the best educational environment for our students and staff. That is a big job in itself but Nick makes himself available - and with a graceful smile - in all ways big and small.

Some of our many "small" needs include:

- Taking down and setting up HH4 for weekend events so Littlest Angels Preschool can be ready to open on Monday mornings.
- Weekly walk-throughs to ensure the details of cleanliness and maintenance needs are complete.
- Assisting with fire and safety drills.
- Constant set up of tables and chairs for the plethora of events we host.
- Assistance with clean up after sick children.
- Trash removal.
- Safety: Fire extinguishers, smoke detectors, procedures inspected and updated as needed.
- Responding to the unexpected "asks" such as: "Nick, do we have extra extension cords, Christmas lights, door stops, chairs to be fixed, extra desks, signs to be hung, playground equipment to be put out, safety cones in place, there's an odd fragrance in a classroom, the plug doesn't work ..."

There is a much longer list of the MANY ways Nick and his team take care of us. The faculty and staff of Saint Ambrose School and Littlest Angels Preschool are **deeply GRATEFUL for Nick's care for our Angels and us.** He is a highly valued and so appreciated member of our team. May God bless you, Nick!

- *Lisa Cinadr*



Angels Make a Difference

Unsung Heroes

If you know about an Angel that walks among us here in our community, go to www.stambrose.us/unsunghero and submit your story.

CONTACT US • *Our Staff is here to help!*

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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.

JOURNEY TO EMMAUS:
Come and learn more about the Catholic faith. Call the PLC.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions are celebrated Saturdays from 9:00 am – 9:30 am and by appointment.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: Call 330.460.7300 to register.

Sacraments



BAPTISMS

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We Welcome to the Waters...

Monroe Lorena Ventura

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.

Retrouvaille Weekend

January 25-27



Has your marriage become unloving or uncaring? Has your relationship turned cold or distant? Do you find yourself thinking about a separation or divorce? Are you already separated/divorced

but both of you want to try again? The Retrouvaille program may help. "Retrouvaille," which means rediscovery, is supported by the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland but it is open to couples of all faiths. This program 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.

Chapel Hours

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

JOIN US FOR ADORATION

Bring your prayers to the Lord at our weekly Adoration, beginning at 9:00 am - 5:30 pm every Monday in our chapel.



BINGO SPOTLIGHT • *Come play the friendliest game in town!*



Saint Ambrose Friday Night Bingo **The Friendliest Game In Town**

Don't miss out on your chance to win our **\$10,000** Progressive Jackpot. We're also welcoming in the New Year by giving away over **\$6,000** in guaranteed cash prizes!

In addition to 22 games of bingo and a wide variety of instant tickets, we are reducing the price of our Mystery Game this week to only \$1, and increasing the jackpot to \$200. A great deal for a fun and popular game!

A guaranteed fun evening, free popcorn and coffee, large payouts, fun instant tickets, generous door prizes, and delicious food at a very reasonable price. The doors open at 5:00 pm and the Early Bird games start at 7:00 pm. We hope to see you this Friday at the **"Friendliest Bingo Game in Town"**.

Bingo Volunteers Needed!

Can you offer a Friday night?

Our Friday night Bingo is AWESOME - but we need some hands to help out. Positions include sellers, financial analysts, payout masters, and callers. Whether you are available once a month or every week, we would love to have you join us.

Bingo is a critical source of revenue for our parish, with the funds dedicated to our school and the renovation. The continued growth of this ministry is critical to the future of our parish.

If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Mike Mascio at 330.460.7344 or email him at mmascio@stambrose.us. Thank you for your consideration.



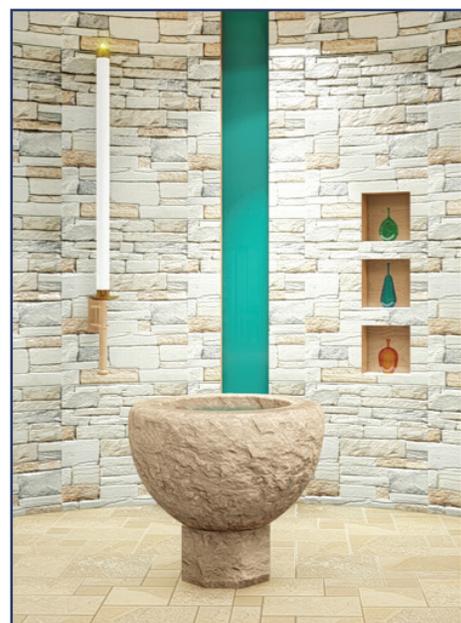
Learning about our Church...

BAPTISMAL FONT:

The Sacrament of Baptism is one's entrance in the Body of Christ, the Family of the Church. Through this sacrament we follow Christ's command to baptize all nations in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:19).

Through either the pouring of water or immersion in it the person is washed clean of original sin and made a dwelling of the Holy Spirit. The placement and designs of the font has changed and adapted over the millennium (many fonts are 8 sided to show the 8th day of Resurrection as the day of re-creation in Christ). Whatever the design this font is a privileged place of encounter with Christ.

Our new baptismal font will be in a place of prominence in the sanctuary and allow for full participation of the assembly in the baptismal rite.



The stone for our baptismal font arrived a few weeks ago to Norbert Koehn's workshop in South Euclid. He is preparing it for delivery to St. Ambrose in a few weeks! The stone is so heavy, it needs additional foundation work, and will be placed before any flooring is installed. Norbert will smooth out the interior of the font and waterproof it. He will do the plumbing connections for it once onsite.

FINANCIAL UPDATES • *We are so grateful for your support!*

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.

- "I performed a ballet dance for my family."*
- "I helped my mom bake for the church."*
- "I cleaned the basement."*



Stephen Ministry

Have you, or has someone you know recently had to adjust to any of these situations: a new job, a new baby, a new boss, a new house, a separation, a grown child moving back home, a seriously ill parent, a death, a best friend who has moved?



Be caring and helpful to those around you who are having to make adjustments in their lives. *You can make a difference and really help by encouraging them to talk to someone.* Also, remember that our Stephen Ministers are trained and available for listening to and helping people as they face changes in their lives.

If you would like more information contact Jane Baldwin at 330.460.7381, JBaldwin@StAmbrose.us or Lisa Homady at 330.460.7315, LHomady@StAmbrose.us.

Help Wanted!



Saint Ambrose is looking for a part time front desk receptionist for the Parish Learning Center to work approximately 15-18 hours per week. This individual would be responsible for answering phones, assisting parishioners, and various duties as needed. A knowledge of Microsoft Office is a plus. If you are interested, please send your resume to Linda Stipes at lstipes@stambrose.us.



Elec Simon

Anti-Bullying Message: January 13-14



We're very excited to have Elec Simon at our parish January 13 and 14! He will be with FIAT Sunday evening, January 13, with SAS during the school day on January 14 and with PSR.

With his big voice, big laugh, big talent and big heart, Elec Wayne is a force in the Canton community. Whether leading drum circles at First Friday; presenting motivational anti-bullying assemblies at schools; or playing high-energy percussion on nightclub stages, this former "Stomp" cast member is gaining attention and making a difference.

Week of January 6

Sunday Collection	January 6, 2019	July 1, 2018 - Jan. 6, 2019	July 1, 2017 - Jan. 7, 2019
Sunday Collection	\$42,277	\$947,891	\$956,551
Amount Needed	\$(33,500)	\$(938,000)	
Over / (Under)	\$8,777	\$9,891	
Building Fund	\$580	\$30,635	
ACH Collection	\$3,277 (weekly); \$15,532 (monthly)		
Children's Envelopes	\$90 with 57 envelopes collected		

We thank you for your generosity during these winter months, we are grateful for all you help our Parish do!

Good Samaritan Ministry

January 19

We are so blessed by our Good Samaritan ministry. We were able to have many of our ministers come together to celebrate the good work that they do—bringing not only the Eucharist to the homebound and those in the hospital, but with every visit, bringing God's love and care to each individual that they see.

We will be having another opportunity for all Good Samaritan ministers to come together for a luncheon on January 19, from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm in the Mother Teresa room. We have the blessing of hearing Josh Cocrach and Joe Ertle as they share ways to minister to others. For all current ministers, and for all those who would like to become a minister or learn more, please join us as we welcome the New Year with some wonderful ways to grow and enhance our Good Samaritan ministry.

For more information, or to RSVP to our luncheon, please contact Lisa at Lhomady@stambrose.us





World Marriage Day

COUPLES WILL GATHER THROUGHOUT THE WORLD
TO CELEBRATE THIS SPECIAL SACRAMENT

February 9, 2019

6:00PM JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL MASS
WITH FATHER DAN SCHLEGEL

APPETIZERS AND REFRESHMENTS
WILL FOLLOW IN THE MOTHER TERESA ROOM

FATHER DAN SCHLEGEL HAS SPENT OVER TWENTY YEARS
HELPING TO CELEBRATE AND STRENGTHEN MARRIED LOVE.
HE WILL SHARE A MESSAGE OF HOPE AND ENCOURAGEMENT
WHILE GIVING EVERY COUPLE OF A FEW GOOD REMINDERS TO
CREATE STRONG AND JOYFUL MARRIAGES.

RSVP

RSVP BY FEBRUARY 4 TO HELEN SHERIDAN
330-460-7322/H.SHERIDAN@STAMBOSE.US



2020 Pilgrimage Switzerland, Germany and Austria



Join Fr. Rob and other St. Ambrose members from **May 25 – June 5, 2020** on a Pilgrimage to **Switzerland, Germany and Austria**, as we experience the Passion Play in Oberammergau, performed once every 10 years. The play takes us

through the final days of Christ's life in a grand style that truly makes it a once in a lifetime experience!

We will also spend time in Upper Bavaria, Munich, Salzburg, Vienna and Prague. There is an optional two day extension to Berlin available. **The cost for the trip is \$5,399 per person in a double room.**

Call Fr. Rob at 330.460.7311 or Jerusalem Tours (888.373.8687) for more information. Due to high demand **only 50 seats available.** Itinerary and Registration forms available at the front desk of the Parish Life Center.

Informational Meeting: Saturday, January 19

Join Fr. Rob in the Mother Teresa room from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm in the Mother Teresa room to learn more about the 2020 Pilgrimage. The owners of Jerusalem Tours will be here to answer any and all questions that you may have.

12 Days of Christmas Thank You!



A HUGE THANK YOU... To all those that helped make our 12 Days of Christmas Ministry a huge success. We can't thank everyone enough for all the joy, care and love that you brought to our 12 Days Ministry recipients! From the generous donations from #WeGiveCatholic, to the numerous volunteers that visited our recipients- THANK YOU! Our parish is truly blessed by ALL OF YOU... we could not make this possible without everyone's generous and selfless hearts! Because of their giving

hearts and joyful spirits, we were able to bring a little bit of extra love and spirit into the lives of 86 families... all for one reason or another, have felt a bit of sadness or hurt this past year. And because of so many of our members, your recipients were filled with many smiles and a great sense of love and care from their Saint Ambrose Parish Family. Thank you for bringing God's love and light into so many families lives!

"You have touched my heart by your thoughtfulness. The daily gifts brought me to tears each day- I so looked forward to my family's visits. I am truly blessed."

"Matthew 25:36- I was sick and you visited me. You all truly live this gospel- thank you so much for cheering me up at this difficult time. The simple knock each and every day really does make one's day a little brighter. Thank you for putting a smile on my face and warming my heart."

"Every day, I looked forward to my family coming to visit. I am so thankful for this ministry... after each visit, I would just close the door and be brought to tears for the kindness that you have shown me."

