



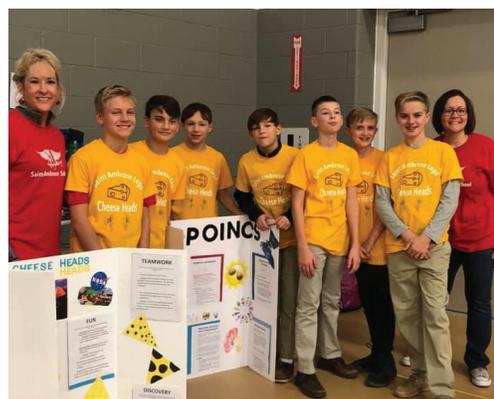
Catholic Education...

Seeks the truth. Enlightens the mind. Ignites the heart.



**Celebrate Catholic
Schools Week 2019**

January 27 -
February 2
#CSW19



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

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SPOTLIGHT • Happening this Month

Saint Ambrose Friday Night Bingo The Friendliest Game In Town



Our Progressive Jackpot last Friday evening was still at **\$10,000**, with just **FIVE** numbers left. In addition to the Progressive jackpot, don't miss out on your chance to win over **\$6,000** in other cash prizes! We also guarantee a minimum payout of **\$1,000** on our Coverall Game, with a chance to win up to **\$2,199** more if you win on our bonus jackpot.

In addition to 22 games of bingo and a wide variety of instant tickets, this Friday all players who **purchase a computer package will receive their usual extra 9-on for free** and a second one for only \$1.

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.

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Divorce Care

Mondays, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm



Are you facing the struggles of divorce or separation? Loneliness? Anger? Betrayal? Depression? Financial cutbacks necessitating huge life changes? Helping kids adjust?

You are not alone! There is help, hope and healing in Christ and Saint Ambrose offers a powerful Christ-centered support group through the Diocesan approved, non-denominational Divorce Care. We offer adults peer support, free materials and the Divorce Care 13 week video series on topics of interest, with expert counselor and pastor input on how to heal most effectively in Christ. You may find yourself in wonderful and surprising places on your journey with Him as you recover. Meetings run continuously on Monday nights which also coincides with Divorce Care for Kids.

Contact Diane Capretta 330.351.5471 for more information on the adult group.

Rick Koenig Memorial Scholarship

The St. Ambrose Athletic Boosters will be awarding two \$1000 scholarships to one 8th grade male athlete and one 8th grade female athlete who will be attending a Catholic high school. The scholarships will be based on the completion of all the paperwork. To read more, visit www.stambrose.us/athleticboosters.

Movie Night

February 7



Please join us for Movie Night on Thursday, February 7 at 6:30 pm in Lehner Center. We will be watching a video from the Vatican: Jubilee & Holy Week in Rome. Bring a snack to share.

Beauty & The Beast The Musical

February 7



Based on the Academy Award-winning animated feature, this classic story tells of a young woman in a provincial town and the Beast, who is a young prince trapped under the spell of an enchantress. If the Beast can learn to love and be loved,

the curse will end and he will be transformed. **Tickets are \$20.00 per person and cover the show and dinner** at the Brunswick High Performing Arts Center.

Reservations can be made with Dawn 330.416.3680. This event is sponsored through the Medina County Office for Older Adults and the Brunswick Recreation Center.



...“Brothers and sisters: As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also is Christ.” The second

reading this weekend is from Saint Paul’s first letter to the Corinthians. Saint Paul continues to reflect on the Body of Christ and how each of us are integral, essential parts of the living body – the Church. As we heard last week (for those who braved the snow), each of us have unique gifts and talents –wonderful and amazing – given to us by the Lord. We all have the call – the mandate – to use our gifts and talents in service to the Lord. Each of us make up the one body of Christ – the Church. **What is a gift and talent that makes you wonderful – extraordinary – amazing – unique?** We all have one - or two - or three. How can we use that gift in service to the Lord and in the building up of the family of God at Saint Ambrose?

...Over the past several weeks, you have been reading and hearing about ways each of us can give, help and share for the good of our community. Even amid the snowstorm last week, four people at Mass signed up to help in feeding the hungry in Akron this week. This past week, two more members signed up to make prayer blankets for children being baptized and for our infirmed members. Two additional members signed up to visit the sick and the homebound. Each of us have ways we can give, help and serve.

...The best example of the week of serving God and neighbor comes from Deacon Gary. Long story short, one of our members was ‘snowed in’. They had a doctor’s appointment on Monday and worried if they were going to be able to get there. Deacon Gary got word of this and was being asked to find someone to help her. Instead of looking around...he looked in the mirror....and... **went himself to shovel her out.** The member wrote in an email, “I will be able to go thanks to his wonderful and unexpected help. I really do need this appointment, so I am most grateful for the kindness and friendship.” **All of us can find a way to serve!**

...Remember Project S.N.O.W. (Serving our Neighbor – it’s Our Way). As we journey through the end of the winter season, please remember to help out your neighbors by calling, shoveling their snow, and offering them the support they need so they know that they are not alone. **Many hands make for a more loving, caring and supportive community.**

...Speaking of snow....it was quite a different experience at Mass with the small crowds. **Many thanks to our maintenance staff** who worked so hard last weekend (and always) to keep the campus open and the sidewalks cleared. **Thanks also to N.E.O.** for making sure our lots were plowed and ready for all who joined us on Sunday - and always. **Special thanks** to all who stopped by this week to drop off their collection envelope from last weekend. **Thanks, too, to all who use Automatic Giving.** It ‘saved the day’ and helps give our parish the consistent support we need. Let’s pray that God will keep all of our members safe during these winter months. Let’s also pray for a mild winter so the roofers can finish the roof of the Church. God bless you one and all!

...We have about 750 families who support our parish through Automatic Giving. It’s safe, discerning, and consistent for you and our parish. With the increase in postage this week, it also saves our parish lots of money. **If you would like to learn more, or sign up for Automatic Giving, please contact Lynn Rogers at 330.460.7335 or lrogers@StAmbrose.us.** You can also find information online at: www.StAmbrose.us/ACH.

...You should have received your **2018 Tax Statement** in the mail this week both for your wonderful support for the Offertory/Tithe for our parish (weekly/monthly collection), along with the Generations of Faith Capital Campaign. **If you did not receive your statement, or need additional information, please contact Linda at lstipes@StAmbrose.us.** Thank you for your support for our parish community. May God bless you for your goodness.

...Speaking of sharing gifts and talents.... **we are in the process of renewing all of our parish groups, organizations and ministries.** As we renew the church building....following the example and guidance of Saint Paul.... inviting and calling forth all of our members to share their gifts and talents is really the most important way we can ‘renew’ the Church. Lisa Homady is working to renew our **Health and Wellness Committee. If you have a background in health care, or fitness/nutrition/training, we need you.** If you can give 8-10 hours over the course of the year, it helps our parish promote healthy, holy living. Some members of the group help plan the Health and Wellness Fair. Others have stirred up Walking Groups, or Family Rec Nights, or Walk to School Day for the students at SAS. Others have helped with blood pressure screenings at our Community Meals. If you are open to learning more, please contact Lisa at lhomady@StAmbrose.us. **Ten hours - over the course of the year - can help keep our parish family fit and alive in Christ.**

...This is National Catholic Schools Week. We are so blessed as a parish community to have a strong and thriving school. Our Little Angels Preschool is caring, compassionate and five-star rated. Our K-8 program is STEAM designated...P21 exemplar...with a principal who just received the Innovation in Education Award by the National Catholic Education Association. **We are so blessed.** The MAP scores show GREAT progress across all the grades. Our School Advisory Board is constantly working to make sure our school is growing, thriving and responding to the needs of our students and families. Come and learn more about Saint Ambrose School and Littlest Angels Preschool by contacting Breanne Logue (blogue@StASchool.us).

...Many thanks to Mrs. Cinadr, Mr. Dzedzicki, Mrs. Mitchell and our entire faculty, staff, and team that work so hard to continue the mission of Christ in Catholic education. BTW....special thanks to Mrs. Newrones and Mrs. Bremmer in our school office. As we all know, they really set the wonderful tone for our school and keep the place going!!!

...Make plans to join us for **World Marriage Day on Saturday, February 9** for a special time of prayer at 6 pm followed by a great reception. It’s open to all....and is free. It’s the perfect Valentine’s gift. Father Dan Schlegel, my classmate and friend, will be with us to offer a great message of hope and renewal for married love. **Invite your family, neighbors and friends to join you** as we ask God’s blessing on your marriage and on all married couples in our community. Help us plan enough food by RSVP’ing to Helen Sheridan at hsheridan@StAmbrose.us.

...This Sunday afternoon we are hosting our annual Wedding Fair for couples preparing for Marriage this year at Saint Ambrose. Please keep our engaged couples in your prayers, along with our Marriage Ministry Team. BTW....with the renovations of the Church....we already started booking weddings for 2020 and 2021!! Praise be God.

...All of us are an integral part of the Body of Christ. **All of us are important and needed to have a Church strong and alive.** Thank you for all you do for our community so we can continue the mission and work of Christ.

Have a blessed week!

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.



2020 Pilgrimage Meeting

Sunday, February 24

The 2020 trip meeting for Switzerland, Germany and Austria has been rescheduled to Sunday February 24 at 1:30 pm in the Mother Teresa room. If you cannot attend or have questions, please contact Fr. Rob at 330.460.7311.

Sacraments

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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.

Congratulations!

Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence & Keri Barty

Married: 1.19.2019

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.

Confession Time Change

Saturdays at 9:00 am

Just a friendly reminder that we have changed the time of Confession to Saturday mornings from 9:00 am - 9:30 am.

We Remember...

THOSE CALLED HOME TO THE LORD

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.



Arlene Reffert

Mother of Bonnie Ursem

Born into Life: July 29, 1924

Called into Eternal Life: January 20, 2019

THIS WEEK • Mark Your Calendars

SUNDAY, JANUARY 27

9:00 am - 10:00 am Breaking Open The Word (PLCJPII)
 12:00 pm - 6:00 pm Knights of Columbus (LC)
 1:15 pm - 3:30 pm Wedding Fair (PLCMT)
 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm FIAT Nights (HH)
 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Men's Renewal (LCLK)
 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm Women's Renewal (LCMT)

MONDAY, JANUARY 28

9:00 am - 5:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration (CC)
 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Divorce Care (LCMK)
 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Divorce Care for Kids (LCJN)
 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Scripture Study (LCLK)
 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Stewardship Committee (PLCJPII)
 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Catholic Works of Mercy (LCMT)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 29

8:00 am - 10:00 am Civic Leaders Breakfast (HH)
 9:00 am - 11:00 am Sarah's Circle (LCMK)
 2:00 pm - 9:00 pm Pastoral Empowerment (PLCMT)
 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Angels Choir (CC)
 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Bell Choir (PLCJPII)
 6:45 pm - 8:30 pm Ladies First (HH)
 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm First Eucharist Parent Meeting (LCJN)
 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Ministry of Praise and Prayer (CC)
 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Knights of Columbus (LCFM)
 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm School Auction Meeting (LCLK)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30

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 Bible Study (LCMT)
 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Adult Choir (CC)
 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Griefshare (LCFM)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 31

10:30 am - 12:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry (CC)
 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Griefshare (LCLK)
 1:30 pm - 2:15 pm Cantor Rehearsal (CC)
 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Legion of Mary (CC)
 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm Holy Land Presentation (PLCMT)
 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Brownie Troop 90667 (LCMT)
 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Stephen Ministry (LCMT)
 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Bible Study (LCLK)
 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Summer Festival Meeting (LCJN)
 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm Boy Scouts (HH)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1

9:00 am - 10:30 am Armor of God (LCFM)
 4:00 pm - 9:00 pm Souper Bowl of Caring Prep (LC)
 5:00 pm - 11:00 pm BINGO (HH)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2

8:00 am - 10:00 pm Souper Bowl of Caring Prep (HH)
 8:45 am - 10:45 am All Parish Leaders Meeting (PLCMT)
 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Depression Support Group (LCMT)

CALENDAR KEY

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| 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 | | |

Senior Corner

Enjoying Each Other's Company



"REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS"

Yoga: Every Wednesday

9:00 am - 10:00 am

February 6 Coffee & Donut Social - 9:00 am

February 7 Beauty & The Beast The Musical
 Tickets: \$20.00
 Dinner at Brunswick High
 Performing Arts Center-
 RSVP Dawn: 330.416.3680

February 13 Valentine's Party - 2:00 pm
 Join us for pizza, salad and refreshments. The School Ambassador's Club will be joining us.

RSVP by February 8.

February 17 Community Meal, 1:00 - 2:00 pm

February 27 Breakfast - 9:00 am Luna's

**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:
"Train the young in the way they should go; even when old, they will not swerve from it." Proverbs 22:6

Saint Ambrose Littlest Angels Preschool and Saint Ambrose School begin the annual national celebration of Catholic

Schools Week in the best way we should and are privileged to do - at Mass together with our parish family this weekend. Watch for upcoming photos of this beloved tradition.

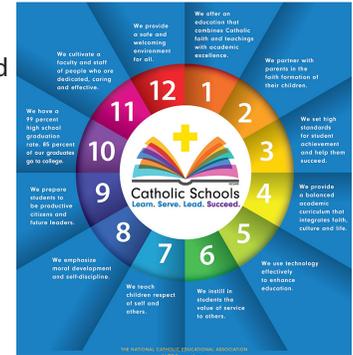
We are grateful to the generations before us who valued Catholic schools so much and sacrificed to ensure their children - and we - have access to education that provides strong Gospel and family values and excellent academics in an innovative, rigorous and caring environment.

You've been reading about the many ways Littlest Angels Preschool and school faculty and staff work hard to provide *Everything for every student every day*. The energy and joyful excellence abound throughout the school buildings.

We pray for you every day and thank you for your prayerful and financial support. We ask you to continue to hold our school family in your prayers. Now more than ever, Littlest Angels Preschool and Saint Ambrose School are relevant and critical as our faculty and staff know each student and give each what he or she needs to grow and succeed.

Enroll now! Spots are limited for the 2019-2020 school year. For more information or to schedule a tour, contact Breanne Logue at 330.460.7318.

a dozen reasons to choose Catholic Schools



- Lisa Cinadr
 330.460.7350 | LCinadr@StaSchool.us

Littlest Angels Preschool

A Note from Catherine Mitchell:

Congratulations to Mrs. Lisa Cinadr as the **NCEA 2019 recipient of the Dr. Karen M. Ristau Innovations Award!**



Mrs. Lisa Cinadr, our Saint Ambrose School principal was selected by the NCEA as the 2019 recipient of the Dr. Karen M. Ristau Innovations Award. It is "presented to an individual, school or program that has furthered the mission of Catholic education through innovative programs or approach." We are so proud of the impact Lisa has had on SAS! Congratulations and thank you Lisa!

New Year! New Beginnings! We are happy and excited about all that 2019 will bring our Littlest Angels Preschool! As we continue to celebrate our ten year anniversary and provide our 5 STAR quality education to our little ones, we look forward to our move to a new, dedicated preschool space! If you are interested in more information, please contact Mrs. Logue blogue@staschool.us or myself at cmitchell@staschool.us and we will be happy to answer your questions. Our applications can be found on our website: www.saintambroseschool.us/preschool/ As we approach Catholic Schools Week, we have a lot to celebrate!

Winter Blessings,

Catherine Mitchell
 330.460.7361 | CMitchell@StaSchool.us



PSR News

February Schedule Reminders:

NO PSR Classes February 13, 16 & 18
 Classes will resume February 20, 23, & 25



RCIC Session

Wednesday, February 5 at 6:30 pm

Family Home School Meetings

Wednesday, February 5 at 7:00 pm in School Library
 Wednesday, February 21 at 7:00 pm in LC John

3rd Grade Palm Burning Workshop

Wednesday, February 27 - 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm
 Monday, March 4 - 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

We are in need of old palms for this workshop. You can drop them off at your next PSR class or the PSR office. Thank you in advance.

Thank you to all of our 3 & 4 grade students and their families who joined us for the "I am the Vine" retreat. The retreat was led by our junior high students who modeled exactly what it means to be living out the faith.



- Janet Majka
 330.460.7321 | JMajka@StAmbrose.us



Junior High News

Mark Your Calendars!



Edge Social

"Bright Lights"

Monday, January 28

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

All junior high students are invited to join us as we kick off the second semester of Edge. Mary and Joseph prepared for the birth of Jesus.



FIAT (Faith In Action Teens)

March For Life

"We need to see each child as a gift to be welcomed, cherished and protected." – Pope Francis

Last week, a bus of Saint Ambrose parishioners ventured to Washington, D.C. to participate in the 46th annual March for Life with thousands of people from across the nation. Even though it was a quick trip, the time, discussion and prayers centered on living out our call to defend the right to life and be a voice for the voiceless. Thank you to



Journey with Jesus

Invite Jesus Into Your Heart

The Gospel message shared this week with our children focuses on Jesus telling his neighbors that he is the One they have been waiting 700 years for and he is going to make good things happen. The children will recognize that Jesus brought the Good News and that God is always faithful to his promises.



SAINT AMBROSE

YOUNG ADULTS

Young married couples - are you looking for ways to grow and strengthen your marriage? There are several events coming up in the next few months. Join us for *World Marriage Day*, *Married Day of Reflection*, or *Living Your Strengths!* For event dates and details, check the back page of the bulletin!

Questions? Contact Catherine:
330.460.7338 | CRainey@StAmbrose.us!

Questions?

- Caitlin O'Neill

COneill@StAmbrose.us | 330.460.7387

Stay Connected

Facebook: StAmbroseFIAT | Twitter: StAmbrose_FIAT

Join FIAT, Ablaze and Saint Ambrose School as we team up again to raise money for our monthly community meal program.

On the weekend of February 2-3 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 the Mother Teresa Room.

FEBRUARY 2-3

Health and Wellness Ministry Needs YOU!

Invite Jesus Into Your Heart



Saint Ambrose has been blessed to have a wonderful team of parishioners that have been committed to bringing health resources to our parish and community. We are looking to **revamp and grow our Health and Wellness ministry** and we need you!! We serve parishioners by organizing informational health talks a couple times per year, hosting our annual health and wellness fair and encouraging everyone to live a healthy and holy life to their fullest God-given potential. If you are interested or have questions, contact **Lisa at Lhomady@StAmbrose.us or 330.460.7315**. If you looking for a way to be involved, with a very minimal time commitment and if health is a priority to you and your family, then this is a wonderful opportunity for you!

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 27 | 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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| 7:30 | Saint Ambrose Members | RS |
| 9:00 | † Eleanor Haboustak (Christy Hoxter) | RS |
| 10:30 | † Richard & Paul Hibler (Wife & Mother) | RS |
| 12:00 | † Kathleen Yatson (Rose Nemeth) | RR |
| 5:00 | † John Sidor (John & Darlene DeAngelis) | RR |

Monday, January 28 | St. Thomas Aquinas

8:15 † Joseph Adams & Kathleen Yatson (Karen Salway)

5:30 † Ann Kostyack (Camille Kostyack)

Tuesday, January 29

8:15 † Janet Marchisio (Kevin Marchisio)



Wednesday, January 30

8:15 † Chester & Margaret Dombrowski
(Kenneth Dombrowski Kenneth, Carol & Sons)

5:30 † Kathleen Yatson (Jan Avery)

Thursday, January 31 | St. Johnn Bosco

8:15 † Janet Marchisio (Kevin Marchisio)

Friday, February 1

8:15 † Janet Marchisio (Kevin Marchisio)

5:30 † Kelly & Jenny Veselsky for Healing (Mr. & Mrs. Guk)

Saturday, February 2 | The Presentation of The Lord

8:15 † Kathleen Yatson (Jan Savage and Daughter)

4:30 † Tony Rumler (Simko Family)

Sunday, February 3 | 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 † Mildred Millett (Family)

9:00 Saint Ambrose Members

10:30 † Paul Schiffrick (Tim Lucek)

12:00 † Donna Blasko (Terri, Steve, and Rick (Family)

5:00 † Mary E. Bukszar (The Bukszar Family)

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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Living With Cancer

February 6



Spend some time with us at our next meeting on Wednesday, February 6 at 7:00 pm in LEHNER CENTER-MATTHEW as we share, support and embrace our friendship with prayer. This group is for cancer survivors, caregivers, family members and **anyone whose life had been touched by cancer and are in need of our prayers and support.**

We meet on the first Wednesday of the month. Come and see if together we can make a difference. For more information, call Miriam at 330.225.9005 or Terri at 216.990.0082.

NEON BINGO!

Tickets On Sale NOW

FRIDAY
February 15th

A fun night out!

Doors open at 5:00pm!
Bingo begins at 7:15pm!

VALENTINE NEON BINGO

Ten BINGO Games
\$300 & \$400 pots!
\$1,000 Coverall!
DJ, music,
Black lights!
Minute to Win it Games!
Instant!

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| 9 | 27 | 44 | 51 | |

Readings for the Week

www.usccb.org

Mon HEB 9:15, 24-28; MK 3:22-30

Tues HEB 10:1-10; MK 3:31-35

Wed HEB 10:11-18; MK 4:1-20

Thurs HEB 10:19-25; MK 4:21-25

Fri HEB 10:32-39; MK 4:26-34

Sat MAL 3:1-4; LK 2:22-40

Sun JER 1:4-5, 17-19; LK 4:21-30

PRAY FOR OUR SICK • *Lifting One Another*

Pray for Our Sick

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| Greg Arimson | Bob Huntley | Karen Pencek |
| Jordon Belaska | Lillian Johnson | Sheila Reagan |
| Josephine Belaska | Ariana Krakora | Shirley Rehman |
| Brian Daly | Colette Keenan | John Roth |
| Shannon Fitz | Jess Lahl | Emerson Sholtis |
| Lisa Gannon | Earl Lauerhahs | Warren Simmons |
| Sean Henry | Donna Madar | Josephine Wojtonek |

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



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

Active Military



Pray for Those Serving and Their Families:

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

Unsung Hero

Baking and Hospitality Ministry



"Use your God-Given Gifts to serve others."

– 1 Peter 4:10

The Baking and Hospitality Ministry can really identify with that scripture. The Baking crew provides delicious treats while the Hospitality team helps with set up, decorating, serving food as well as clean-up for events. No matter if it's baking or setting up for a special event, like the reception for Fr. Bob's 30th Anniversary, the team always make sure it is a success.

This past year we came together to celebrate this amazing ministry. They couldn't believe that the festivities were just to honor them. They kept wanting to help with setup, serving or cleaning up. We almost had to sit on them to prevent them from doing what they normally do at each of our events.

It has been a privilege to work with this wonderful crew for the past year. Whenever I needed help, they were always there. I know that as I leave to go on a new adventure, they are in great hands with Jane Baldwin. Keep using your gifts that God gave you. I'll see you soon. **If anyone wants to sign up for this amazing ministry, please reach out to Jane Baldwin at JBaldwin@StAmbrose.us.**

- *Taylah Bernardone*

We have been so blessed with Talyah's work with this ministry and many others this past year. She has been a great help to so many with calm, bright and cheerful spirit. We wish her luck with her job and look forward to seeing her around campus as a fellow-parishioner.



Angels Make a Difference

Unsung Heros

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

REGISTRATION FORM

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO SAINT
AMBROSE PLC BY FEBRUARY 10, 2019 OR
SIGN UP ONLINE AT STAMBROSE.US

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/St: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Physical/Dietary needs: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Relationship: _____

GENERAL INFORMATION

Welcome is a one and a half day opportunity to get away from the distractions of our busy world, to listen to the spiritual life stories of fellow parishioners, and to create lasting friendships within our community.

There is no lecturing, just heartfelt sharing of things that have helped fellow parishioners ignite their faith. You'll be inspired by these talks and be given a chance to relate to them on your own journey.

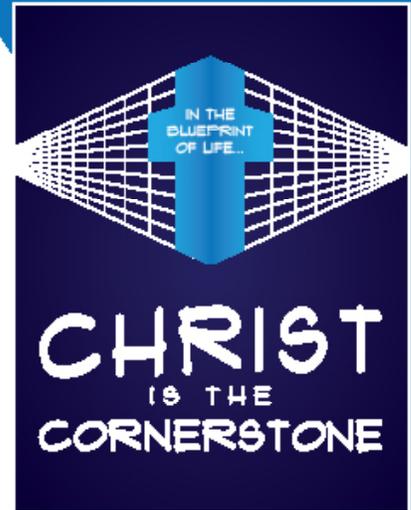
Real world conversation with ties to scripture and the Holy Spirit.

Before you know it, the weekend will be over and your new journey begins. The sharing, the friendships, the trust in faith, all come from this weekend through your own spiritual growth.



SAINT AMBROSE MEN'S WELCOME

MARCH 2-3, 2019



*"THROUGH HIM THE
WHOLE STRUCTURE IS HELD
TOGETHER AND GROWS
INTO A TEMPLE SACRED IN
THE LORD."*

WHAT TO EXPECT

This is an opportunity to hear and discuss how we live as Catholics in a modern complex society.

It is an occasion for individual spiritual growth through prayer and personal reflection. Through sharing with others in the parish, you can learn to grow with the many demands of everyday life.

Welcome is a process designed to bring members of Saint Ambrose together in faith. With a clear focus on the Gospel, this process emphasizes continued growth and day-to-day Christian life.

The weekend is a memorable spiritual experience that can make a lifelong lasting difference.

You probably know someone who has been on renewal, ask them about their experience!

**THE WEEKEND IS FULL OF FUN, FELLOWSHIP
AND A RENEWAL OF YOUR FAITH.**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

WHO?

The Holy Spirit is inviting YOU to join with a small group of men to renew the flames of your faith.

A group of men, many of whom you already know, have grown together in Christ over the past year, to share with you an environment of great fellowship, fun, and faith.

This weekend is open to men over the age of 19. Being a member of Saint Ambrose is not required.

WHY?

The weekend is meant to renew your own faith. However, you will get to know others in the parish and be able to see them at parish activities for many years to come.

Many of members have found that they are more comfortable participating in parish ministries after the weekend. The seeds planted throughout the weekend will provide fruit for the rest of your spiritual life.



COST?

The renewal weekend is given for parishioners by parishioners.

The parish provide all materials, meals and overnight accommodations. (Please bring your own sleeping gear, cots will be provided)

Please accept this gift of the Holy Spirit with this invitation to attend the men's renewal weekend at no cost to you.

Space is limited, so register early!

It will change your life!

QUESTIONS?

Brian Rosenstock
330-221-5524
bd.rosenstock@gmail.com

Ryan Harrington
413-320-3472
ryanh@sales-team.biz

Learning about our Church...

THE ALTAR:

The altar is the table on which the Sacrifice of the Mass is offered. One or more relics of martyrs, or other saints, are commonly set into the altar. In the primitive church and in the catacombs, the altar was usually a niche covered with a slab over the tomb of a martyr. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states plainly that the “Christian altar is the symbol of Christ himself, present in the midst of the assembly of his faithful” (CCC 1382). **Because of this truth the altar is given the most prominent location in a church,** occupying a place which is truly the center toward which the attention of the whole congregation of the faithful naturally turns. This is also why the priest and deacon kiss the altar at the beginning and end of Mass; to reverence Christ the Redeemer whose sacrifice of love set us free for heaven. It is recommended to be made of stone, echoing the scriptures which repeatedly call Christ a rock and cornerstone (see 1 Pt 2:4, 1 Cor 10:4, Eph 2:20). **Our new altar will also follow an ancient custom of the Church of having five carved crosses (one in each corner and one in the center) in the top of the altar to represent the five wounds of Jesus Christ.**



The center toward which the whole congregation of the faithful naturally turns.

SAVE THE DATE!

SAINT AMBROSE SCHOOL
& LITTLEST ANGELS PRESCHOOL

WILD WEST
FULL
STEAM
AHEAD

2019 ANNUAL AUCTION & GALA

MARCH 09, 2019

WANTED

Our Auction and Gala will help to provide a new home and playground for Littlest Angels Preschool and new Fine Arts and STEAM labs for Saint Ambrose School.

To make it a success, we need your help...

1. Bring your families and friends and join us for a fun night out!
2. Make a personal or company donation to be auctioned that night (an experience or basket)!
3. Place an advertisement in our auction program or be a table sponsor!

Questions? Want to help?

Email auktion@staschool.us or call the Parish Office to leave a message for an Auction Committee Member to contact you.

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 protected my brother from bigger kids destroying his art."

"I shared my tooth fairy money."

"I prayed for all the boys and girls who didn't celebrate Christmas with their family."

Help Wanted!



Saint Ambrose is looking for a part time front desk receptionist for the Parish Life 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.

Week of January 20

| Sunday Collection | January 20, 2019 | July 1, 2018 - Jan. 20, 2019 | July 1, 2017 - Jan. 21, 2018 |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Sunday Collection | \$29,332 | \$999,592 | \$1,021,935 |
| Amount Needed | \$(33,500) | \$(1,005,000) | |
| Over / (Under) | \$(4,168) | \$(5,408) | |
| Building Fund | \$215 | \$31,240 | |
| ACH Collection | \$3,253 (weekly); \$19,892 (monthly) | | |
| Children's Envelopes | \$9 with 11 envelopes collected | | |

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

Save The Date

February 10

We are excited to bring **Le Puy-en-Velay French Chorale** 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.**

Generations of Faith Campaign Update



This week the construction team continued installing and taping drywall throughout the church, framed in the area for the Blessed Mary Shrine area, added the choir risers and (last week) the sanctuary

floor was poured. It's exciting to literally see everything take shape! On Thursday, Norbert Koehn brought the stone for the altar, ambo and baptismal font and is preparing to install it this coming week! The electricians have been hard at work pulling all the wire... the fire sprinkler installer has been hard at work putting in all the pipes for the sprinkler system (the whole church will now be sprinkled) and the security technician has been pulling wire and getting ready to install the fire and security systems. Things are moving along! Pray for good weather!

Total Amount Pledged: \$4,559,140.40
Total # of Pledges: 802

Total Deposits
 (week of Jan 14, including Credit Card and ACH): \$11,143.57
Total Pledges Paid to Date: \$1,323,734.73 (thank you!)

Thank you for your continued support and all of your generosity. We are so grateful and truly blessed!

Stephen Ministry

It is hard to find anything that is unconditional. Everything seems to have strings attached to it. Yet God's love is unconditional – we don't have to earn it or achieve anything to receive it. At times however, we can feel quite removed from God's unconditional love. We can feel guilty, undeserving, or downright "unlovable." At those times, Stephen Ministers can help. They are trained to listen and care in a nonjudgmental way, focusing on letting Christ's unconditional love flow through them and into the life of their care receiver.



**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**

If you or someone you know has been **struggling with guilt or feeling unlovable** and would like more information, contact Jane Baldwin at 330.460.7381, JBaldwin@StAmbrose.us or Lisa Homady at 330.460.7315, LHomady@StAmbrose.us.

Catholic Works of Mercy

Donations Needed



Catholic Works of Mercy is in need of the following items: *Pancake Mix, Pancake Syrup and Canned Fruit*. There will be collection bins located at the entrances of Hilker Hall. Thank you and God Bless!

MARRIAGE • Great events for your relationship!



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/HSSHERIDAN@STAMBROSE.US



Refresh Your Marriage this Valentine's Season!

As we head into the romantic month of February, do something different than the typical chocolate and flowers. Together, you can join us at Saint Ambrose for World Marriage Day where we will celebrate marriage with a special Mass and celebration. Join us in the weeks after for the following:

February 23: *Marriage Day of Reflection*
10:00 am - 2:30 pm

Great opportunity 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**

Marriage Moments

Ground Hog Day



Ground Hog Day is coming up on Feb. 2. Remember the movie? Is there any recurring bad memory or habit that you'd like to change in your marriage? Substitute a newer, positive one. Repeat over and over again.

Parenting Pointers

Most important Time



Has the new year already overwhelmed you? Is your To Do list already too long? Does it feel like there just isn't enough time? Remember, "The best minute you spend is the one you invest in people."
-Ken Blanchard

And now abide
faith, hope, love,
these three;
but the greatest of
these is **love.**

1. CORINTHIANS 13:13 NKJV

