



2019 ANNUAL REPORT AND PARISH EVENTS

*We are a Catholic community of faith, centered on
Jesus Christ, who is everything for us!*



Dear members of our parish community,

Today is really no different from every other day for our parish community. This morning, one of our members called seeking some guidance and help for his adult brother who was struggling with some challenges in his life. **He called our parish community trusting that here he could find God's grace and wisdom.** Here he could find the support and care his brother needed.



And this story is really no different from a story I shared a few weeks back at Church. One of our members wanted to help their neighbor who was struggling with some personal problems. They brought their neighbor to Saint Ambrose. **Here we could offer some guidance and connect him with a Stephen Minister who is walking with him offering the care and compassion, support and encouragement of the Lord.**

While many will describe our parish as 'active' (and it is...just look through this Annual Report), others will often describe Saint Ambrose as very friendly and welcoming. **And over and again, our members, and people throughout the community,** look to our parish as a beacon of Christ's care and compassion – light and hope.

This Annual Report focuses on some of the 'care and compassion' ministries of our parish community. So many of our members – and all of us – working together to bring the care and compassion of Christ to others...to our community...to our world.

Thank you for your support for our parish community. **Your support makes it possible for us to do the 'big things'... like renovating our Church!** Even more, it supports all the ministries and efforts of our parish to care for those in need, support strong family values, help our sisters and brothers experience God's healing and peace, and offer inspiring worship and praise to the Lord.

As always, please let me know how I/we can help you and your loved ones (frbob@StAmbrose.us).

Be assured of my prayers and great thanks for your support and all you do for the Lord and our parish community. God bless you abundantly.

Thank you so much!

Father Bob Stec

Our Community
CARES
Concerned. Alert. Responsive. = Everyone. Safe.



PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

- **Catholic Works of Mercy leader Jeff Trush** was selected and honored as the Bronze winner as the Outstanding Senior in our region by Medical Mutual.
- Saint Ambrose met and exceeded its **2018 Catholic Charities Goal**.
- Forty of our staff members were trained to 'coach' **Clifton Strengths**.
- Over 500 members participated in **Lent Faith Sharing Groups**.
- **We spent the year renewing the House of God.** Our Church is beautiful and inspiring because of the goodness of our members. *Together...for the glory of God.*
- In May **Matt Harley** was ordained to the diaconate by Bishop Perez. He celebrated a Mass of Thanksgiving on May 5, the same day as his son's Confirmation.
- **Father Rob Ramser** completed his four year assignment at Saint Ambrose. His farewell celebrations were heartfelt and a strong affirmation of his goodness and the impact of his ministry.
- In June we welcomed **Father Bob Lorkowski** and **Father Jeremy Merzweiler**.
- In June we celebrated the 40th anniversary of the Diaconate Ordination for **Deacon Clem Belter** and the 10th anniversary of **Deacon Gary Tomazic**.



We remember Deacon Clem Belter

In September we gave thanks and praise to God for Deacon Clem Belter and commended him to God's eternal care. We thank God for Clem's faithful service and powerful witness to living the life of faith.

Born into Life: June 7, 1935

Journeyed to Eternal Life: September 7, 2019

Dyan Beder loves & CARES for our community!

As a cantor for our weekend masses, she passionately leads the congregation into songs of worship to glorify our God. Dyan continues to use her talent to provide comfort and support for families as they commend their loved ones to the Lord at funeral masses. She helps lead our PSR students through prayer services and assists them to learn songs for communion reflections. She sings beautifully for our weddings; and women's retreat have had opportunity to listen to her songs of reflections. She recently started a traveling music choir that visits and sings for our parishioners who are ill or homebound.

When she is not singing, Dyan can be found greeting our parishioners and guests at the doors of the Church. Her enthusiasm and outgoing personality is contagious. But her talent doesn't end there...she has assembled and donated beautiful gift baskets that have been used as prizes to many events at Saint Ambrose. She is a member of our Art & Environment team, helping to decorate our Church and campus. In the summer, she uses her voice not for singing, but for making phone calls for the Summer Festival and FEST - for ticket sales and volunteer reminders. Dyan introduces herself as the 'lovely Dyan Beder'... not to be boastful but because she loves her Church, she loves the parishioners, and she loves to give of herself. Thank you Dyan for all the care that you give!

~ by Helen Lanzarotta

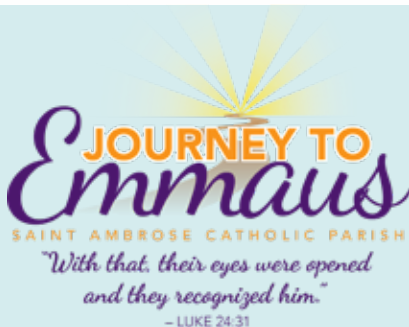


JOURNEY TO EMMAUS

You're invited! Are you or someone you know interested in the Catholic faith?

We would like to invite you to explore the possibilities of becoming a member of the Roman Catholic Church. Our Journey to Emmaus (formerly RCIA) is a wonderful process in which you can learn more about the Church, grow deeper in your faith and draw closer to God and the parish community.

If you are interested in learning more, or you know someone who might be, please contact us for more information! **Caitlin O'Neill** (COneill@StAmbrose.us, 330.460.7387) or **Jane Baldwin** (JBaldwin@StAmbrose.us, 330.460.7381)



We are blessed to have so many wonderful things happening at Saint Ambrose for families and people of every age, walking through every chapter of life. To follow events, or learn more about parish groups and ministries, visit www.StAmbrose.us.

Upcoming Events

OCTOBER 12/13

Blanket Sunday

OCTOBER 19

Halloween Neon Bingo

OCTOBER 20

Healing Service Concert

OCTOBER 21

Outdoor Living Rosary

OCTOBER 26

Ramserfest & Polka Mass

OCTOBER 26

Mental Health First Aid Training

OCTOBER 27

**KofC Halloween Party
& Trunk or Treat**

NOVEMBER 1

**All Saints Masses
Day School Saint Ministry Fair**

NOVEMBER 2

All Souls' Mass

NOVEMBER 9&10

**Women's Guild
Christmas Boutique**

NOVEMBER 10

School Open House

NOVEMBER 11

Veteran's Day

NOVEMBER 17-19

**Fall Mission with Greg Wasinski
& Fr. Dan Schlegel**

NOVEMBER 22-24

Metanoia Retreat

NOVEMBER 23

CYO Night at the Races

NOVEMBER 23/24

Anointing of the Sick

NOVEMBER 28

**Thanksgiving Day Mass 9am
Thanksgiving Community Meal**

NOVEMBER 29

**Turkey Bowl Flag Football
Tournament**

Our Parishioners CARE

Our parish has reached countless members in our community, bringing Christ into the lives of those in need. Two of our ministries, Catholic Works of Mercy and Community Outreach, make a special difference each year.



COMMUNITY MEALS

Our Community Meals ministry has served and delivered 4,300 meals throughout the year to our community friends. **Thanksgiving Community Meal** distributed over 8,200 meals at 22 different locations. During the **Christmas holiday**, 127 families provided groceries and a turkey. **Easter food distribution** received ham and groceries to 90 families, along with 60 Easter baskets to the children of these families.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Each July, our parishioners generously donate school supplies for children who may not be able to afford them for the school year. We were able to distribute school supplies and backpacks to **over 425 students** in Brunswick and St. Rocco's, our sister parish in Cleveland.

KINDNESS PINES

During the weeks leading up to Christmas our parishioners took tags off of the Kindness Pines in our Church and returned countless gifts to share with others. Through your beautiful generosity we provided **Christmas gifts to 123 families**.

BLANKET SUNDAY

Catholic Works of Mercy passed out **350 blankets** on **Blanket Sunday** thanks to all the donations of blankets by our parishioners. Keep it in mind this fall as you sort through your linen closet. **October 12/13 are the collection days this year!**

*"Jesus, help me to
simplify my life
by learning what
you want me to be
— and becoming
that person."*

— St. Thérèse of Lisieux



CATHOLIC WORKS OF MERCY

Our Catholic Works of Mercy food distribution program was formally designated as a Food Pantry by Akron Food Bank.

The Catholic Works of Mercy will be moving into a new home in November of 2019 after construction of a 2,500 sq. ft. Catholic Works of Mercy Outreach Center which comes as a gift to our parish community.



ALPHA VILLAGE

Coming together as a community, we work together to serve our brothers and sisters

in need in a neighborhood in Cleveland. Many teens and family members work together painting, gardening work, mulching, fencing, roofing, and foundation work. It is a blessing to work along side each other.



The next ALPHA Village cleanup day is Saturday, October 19, 2019. Sign up at AlphaVillage.us or contact JBihari@StAmbrose.us.



COMMUNITY DAY OF SERVICE

This past spring we were able to help so many because of YOU and your commitment to the Lord. We had more than 50 projects, some here on campus, at many of our elderly parishioner's homes, and at area agencies in the Brunswick/Medina area. Everyone we helped was appreciative beyond words - the care and love given was truly felt. Yards were beautiful, clean and safe...and most importantly God's love and care was brought into homes and hearts!

12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

For 12 Days leading up to Christmas, our Saint Ambrose Elves delivered a small, thoughtful gift each day to a special person or family who could use some extra cheer.

Because of your giving hearts and joyful spirits, we were able to bring a little bit of extra love and spirit into the lives of 86 families who, for one reason or another, have felt a bit of sadness or hurt this past year. Imagine the joy felt from both the receiver - and the giver - as the true joy of Christmas was spread with care and compassion.



Please contact Lisa at LHomady@StAmbrose.us if you...

- **know someone who would find more joy this Christmas** as a 'recipient' of the 12 Days of Christmas project.
- **would like to be an "elf"!** Help us make or deliver small packages of care and kindness.

"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!"

"I loved having my children with me as 'elves'. Each day they witnessed the impact they could make on someone with love and thoughtfulness. We look forward to delivering gifts as a family each year."

WARMTH PROJECT

Last year we gave out over 3,000 coats, along with hats and gloves, for families in need within the Metrowest Cleveland neighborhoods/schools. What a beautiful way to pass warmth and kindness to others during the cold season.

We will be collecting for The Warmth Project again this year! We especially need children winter jackets (all sizes), along with adult sizes. Please bring them to the Parish Office starting in October through November 15.

Please take a few minutes to clean out your closets!



STEPHEN MINISTRY

In Matthew 18, Jesus promises to be with us.

Saint Ambrose has been so blessed by a new ministry this past year- Stephen Ministry. It is a beautiful ministry that provides care and support for those individuals that are in need of compassion. Perhaps because of the loss of a loved one, a struggling relationship, financial hardships, health issues, or any one of life's other challenges- sometimes when we are faced with these difficulties, it helps to have someone to talk with. Someone to share our feelings with. Someone to just listen, to offer support and prayer and care. This is what Stephen Ministry is all about.

Over the last year, we have trained and commissioned 18 of our members to become Stephen Ministers- they have been trained extensively to walk with others on their journey, whatever that may be. **Our ministers are filled with compassion, love and care, and look forward to offering God's care to those that may need it.** They are loving, empathetic and are wonderful listeners- it is a blessing to each of them to be of support to our community.

If you find yourself, or someone you know, who may be in the need of a Stephen Minister, please contact us. We are here to help and blessed by the role of our Stephen Ministers.

Visit StAmbrose.us/StephenMinistry to learn more.

We are getting ready to train our second class of Stephen Ministers in October.

If you would like an application or more information please contact Lisa Homady at 330.460.7315 LHomady@StAmbrose.us or Carol Maline at 330.460.7336 CMaline@StAmbrose.us.

Applications are also available at the front office.



Christ caring for people through people

STEPHEN MINISTRY

MINISTER TESTIMONIALS

"Because of Stephen Ministry, I have been able to provide Christian caring to someone in need, and in turn, God has blessed me with many Fruits of the Holy Spirit, including patience, joy, peace, and faithfulness"

- DEBBIE SZELENYI

"As a Stephen Minister I have learned so much about my faith and myself. I now truly understand that when you give to others, you receive so much more in return."

- CHRISTINE CRUMP

"Stephen Ministry has opened up the door to the power of feelings and emotions that contribute to who we are and how we look at life. This door has been life affirming and I am so glad I had the chance to walk through it."

- CATHY CLAPPER



THANK YOU COMMUNITY PARTNERS!

LoFaso Real Estate Services

For the past few years, Sam LoFaso of LoFaso Real Estate Services has donated 10% of earned commission from St. Ambrose Parishioners back to the church. This has resulted in tens of thousands of dollars being donated back to St. Ambrose Parish over the past few years...over \$5,000 in the past few months alone. Sam is an active parishioner involved in the school sports programs, Men's Renewal and countless other activities. Sam believes in the Give Back Program because he CARES. He cares about our church, community and our members. Sam knows the funds from the Give Back program go towards all our family events and parish activities. **If you are considering buying or selling you're home, give Sam a call and let him help! 330-220-4780**



We spoke with a client of Sam LoFaso at LoFaso Real Estate Services and asked a few key questions:

Q: In the age of the internet and services like Zillow, RedFin, etc., how important was it having an agent you know and trust?

A: Having a real agent who could cut through the facade of a lot of the "tricks" of the real estate industry was so essential. Sam knows this business inside and out. We could walk through the front door and Sam could tell us things about the house that we would never know from an online listing.

Q: What did you enjoy most about working with Sam?

A: We really loved how Sam was an absolute expert and our advocate through the entire process. When it was discovered that some last minute repairs needed to be completed very quickly to get our house on the market, Sam was immediately on the phone with several Contractors he knew personally and ensured that everything was completed in time. The man works tirelessly!

Q: What would you tell/share with a family starting to look for a home – or thinking about selling their current home?

A: Sam is the best! If you are looking for someone with years of experience that can make the home-buying and selling process painless, who will protect his clients' best interests and be very transparent throughout, then Sam is the agent for you!

Unity Catholic Federal Credit Union

Our friends at Unity Catholic Federal Credit Union (UCFCU) really care about St. Ambrose and our members. Brian McCue, Kelly Reddy and their team are great members of the community and help us do great work for our parish! Located on Pearl Rd., just down the street, you'll not only see UCFCU at our festivals and events, but you'll see them here working with our students and members, providing Financial Education Services. UCFCU cares about our parish and community! They have great tools on their website. If you have any financial needs or questions, feel free to stop in and ask! Unity Catholic Cares!



Please thank our Community Partners by supporting their businesses.
If you are interested in becoming a Saint Ambrose Community Partner, Please reach out to us!
Contact Jake Bihari at JBihari@StAmbrose.us.



SUMMARY FINANCIAL REPORT

SAINT AMBROSE PARISH

FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 and 2019

PARISH RECEIPTS

	PRIOR YEAR 2017-2018	ACTUAL 2018-2019	BUDGET 2019-2020
Offertory Collections	\$1,759,457	\$1,752,260	\$1,761,800
Other Collections	\$2,935	\$2,567	\$3,000.00
Donations & Bequests	\$75,585	\$2,003	\$5,000.00
Net Bingo Proceeds	\$115,133	\$157,962	\$128,750.00
Net Fund Raising Income (1)	\$103,885	\$149,083	\$125,550.00
Income from Parish Programs	\$76,391	\$69,540	\$74,500.00
Unrealized Gain from Investments	\$77,386	\$49,287	-
Net Rental Income	\$1,430	\$1,050	\$1,000.00
Miscellaneous Receipts (2)	\$49,159	\$67,931	\$48,850.00
Capital Campaign Income (3)	\$159,750	\$2,244,736	\$775,000.00
Designated Collections (4)	\$30,130	\$11,558	-
TOTAL PARISH OPERATING RECEIPTS	\$2,451,241	\$4,507,976	\$2,923,450.00

PARISH DISBURSEMENTS:

Clergy	\$110,510	\$105,389	\$124,000
Pastoral and Parish Staff	\$451,506	\$456,516	\$424,550
Maintenance Staff	\$76,504	\$85,674	\$82,500
Payroll Taxes and Benefits	\$145,547	\$137,858	\$134,288
Rectory & Household	\$17,139	\$19,505	\$20,500
General Administrative Expenses (5)	\$153,129	\$196,326	\$199,750
Altar, Sanctuary, & Liturgical (6)	\$65,670	\$82,399	\$67,832
Community Outreach	\$84,815	\$67,770	\$70,500
Religious Education & Evangelization	\$58,209	\$67,653	\$61,100
PSR Instructional	\$22,133	\$20,983	\$24,350
Other Teaching Programs	\$22,786	\$26,839	\$30,100
Youth Ministry (FIAT)	\$27,686	\$20,079	\$21,050
Utilities	\$71,920	\$68,993	\$74,850
Insurance & Property Taxes	\$16,903	\$17,297	\$18,300
Maintenance, Repairs, & Plant Operating	\$92,377	\$94,526	\$95,650
Diocesan Assessments	\$201,504	\$202,002	\$203,000
Designated Collections (4)	\$30,130	\$11,558	\$0
Capital Disbursements (7)	\$213,411	\$5,197,288	\$874,200
Building Fundraising & Support	\$62,551	\$33,297	\$25,000
Investment Fund Adjustment	\$77,386	\$49,287	\$0
Total Parish Disbursements	\$2,001,815	\$6,961,239	\$2,551,520
TOTAL PARISH OPERATING SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	\$449,426	-\$2,453,263	\$371,930
PARISH SUBSIDY TO DAY SCHOOL	-\$377,814	-\$353,520	-\$350,144
NET PROFIT (LOSS)	\$71,612	-\$2,806,783	\$21,786
Amount of cash used for Church Renovation reducing our assets		\$2,826,678	\$371,930
Adjusted net profit less renovation costs		\$19,896	

NOTES:

1. See Event detail for support on page 11.
2. Easter/Christmas Flowers, Votive Lights, Bulletin, Book/Pamphlet Rack, etc
3. Represents campaign pledge payments received, building fund contributions and donations for the Church repair and renovation.
4. Income and Expenses for designated collections offset each other. All income is sent to the Diocese for proper distribution (ie. Propagation of Faith, etc.) Thank you.
5. Includes interest expense on the construction loan.
6. Includes expense of \$23,276 for new church banners, altar clothes, and liturgical supplies for new Church.
7. See Parish Capital Expenditures section for further detail on page 11.

Please note, due to rounding to the nearest dollar, some totals may be off by one dollar.

SUMMARY FINANCIAL REPORT

SAINT AMBROSE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 and 2019

SCHOOL RECEIPTS

	PRIOR YEAR 2017-2018	ACTUAL 2018-2019	BUDGET 2019-2020
Tuition & Fees	\$1,490,229	\$1,466,159	\$1,618,700
Government Assistance (including Mandated Services)	\$196,647	\$199,665	\$200,000
Donations & Bequests	\$69,017	\$72,124	\$5,000
Net Fund Raising	\$790	\$1,055	\$2,000
Pre-School & Latchkey	\$291,000	\$304,769	\$387,810
Other Student Receipts	\$52,346	\$38,943	\$41,250
Other School Income	\$34,266	\$27,000	\$30,000
TOTAL SCHOOL RECEIPTS	\$2,134,294	\$2,109,714	\$2,284,760

SCHOOL DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries, Benefits & Taxes	\$1,667,547	\$1,737,605	\$1,805,635
Instructional	\$99,616	\$47,113	\$95,200
Pre-School & Latchkey	\$197,556	\$208,317	\$316,586
Library	\$1,997	\$908	\$500
Utilities	\$61,751	\$58,478	\$61,200
Maintenance, Repairs & Plant Operating	\$151,694	\$127,230	\$126,750
Insurance & Property Taxes	\$16,903	\$17,458	\$18,500
Student Services	\$87,237	\$85,522	\$66,250
Administration	\$124,642	\$116,708	\$106,200
Capital Improvements (1)	\$103,165	\$63,894	\$38,083
TOTAL SCHOOL DISBURSEMENTS	\$2,512,109	\$2,463,234	\$2,634,904

TOTAL SCHOOL SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	-\$377,814	-\$353,520	-\$350,144
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NOTES:

1. See Page 11 for detail of School Capital Expenditures

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PARISH STATISTICS

As of October 5:

	2018	2019
Number of Households	5503	5663
Number of Parishioners	15812	16409

Parish Stats*

	2018	2019
Baptism	169	125
First Eucharist	168	142
Confirmation	148	131
Marriage	28	31
Students (PSR)**	1082	1079
Students (Day School)**	477	475
Littlest Angels Preschool**	135	133
Number of people using Automatic Giving:	612	645

*FY 7/1/2018 - 6/30/2019

**Enrollment for PSR/Day School is for current year.

SAINT AMBROSE PASTORAL COUNCIL

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we start a new Pastoral Year, we give thanks to the many blessings as we move forward as a parish community. Our Parish community CARES for so many people! We are humbled and grateful for you.

Thank you for all that you do to make Saint Ambrose be the wonderful, inviting, and welcoming parish not only for our parishioners, but our visitors as well.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

PastoralCouncil@StAmbrose.us

Marian Badaczewski
Terri Bartchak
Jane Bast
Lisa Berardinelli
Linda Cebula
Linda Chesnik
Amy Cossette
David Eichman
Kathy Jake

Ed Kilroy
John Koliha
Ray Maskow
Jeff McCrary
Barbara Ortiz
Mary Ann Riess
Janice Romanin
Mario Romanin
Denise Smith

Stanley Socha
Father Bob Stec
Mary Stickney
Mollie Stracensky
Christine Styka
Lyla Wooten
Anita Zaccaro

FINANCE COUNCIL

Together...for the glory of God!

As we brought to a close the fiscal year (June 30, 2019), our parish is a living testament to the pattern and promise of God. You can clearly see, experience and rejoice in the great good we, as a parish community, have done, and continue to do, for the glory of God and the building up of God's Kingdom.

The completion of the Church repair and renovation is just one more expression of the goodness of our members working, giving and sharing together.

There is reason to give thanks to God and rejoice:

- Our parish ended the 'operating budget' in the black (separate from the cost of construction).
- The **Lent Fish Fry, Summer Festival, and BINGO** did very well this year and were a great help and blessing to the support of our community.
- **Those participating in the Capital Campaign have overwhelmingly been faithful to fulfilling their pledge commitments.** There's three more years left in the pledge payment period. A number of members also made pledges to cover the cost of the repair and renovation of the Church.
- Parish Offertory collections remained very solid.

Together we have renovated our Church, and together we are a Church strong and bound together by the love of God. Together we are doing great work for the Lord and good of our community.

As we enter into the new fiscal year:

We have a \$1,000,000 loan with Key Bank to cover the cost of construction.

- **We need your continued support** to address these 'big' obligations, while we continue to do great work each day at Saint Ambrose.
- **Please consider an increase in your offertory** for the parish. Please consider an hour of wages for the Lord in support of our parish community.
- **Also, please consider making use of the Automatic Giving Program.** It is very discerning and safe. It also offers consistent support for our parish while saving envelope and mailing cost. (see form in this annual report).

Thank you for all you do for the Lord and our parish community. It's humbling to see how God takes all of our offerings and blesses our efforts. Together...for the glory of God.

FINANCE MEMBERS

Brian Antonius
David Campbell
Bob Cebula
Tracy Conn
Bob Downs
Jenny Erbs
Robert Erickson
Al Karla
Mike Lanza
Carol Maline
Patrick Meidenbauer
Bryce Rausch
Fr. Bob Stec
Patricia Strazar
Collin Vickers
Tom Welsh

BUSINESS OFFICE

Georgina Cogley
Carol Maline
Lynn Rogers
Lyla Wooten

QUESTIONS? Want to learn more? The Parish Finance Council is always open to answering your questions. Please contact Carol Maline 330.460.7336.



PARISH & SCHOOL ASSETS & LIABILITIES

June 30, 2018 and 2019	PRIOR YEAR 2017-2018	ACTUAL 2018-2019
Assets		
Checking Accounts - Parish & School	\$2,138,000	\$1,479,089
Savings & Investments - Parish	\$2,469,326	\$553,990
Accounts Receivable and Other Assets	\$83,644	\$98,952
Total Assets	\$4,690,971	\$2,132,031
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable & Accrued Expenses	\$493,286	\$561,651
Payable to Diocese of Cleveland (1)	\$37,134	\$75,916
Income Received in Advance (2)	\$390,776	\$395,304
Stipends Payable	\$15,099	\$16,789
Loans Payable (3)		\$994,348
Deferred Restricted Support	\$1,569,090	\$659,933
Total Liabilities	\$2,505,385	\$2,703,941
Fund Balance		
Fund Balance Beginning of Fiscal Year	\$2,036,588	\$2,185,586
Parish (4)	\$449,426	-\$2,453,263
School	-\$377,814	-\$353,520
Net surplus (deficit) for fiscal year	\$71,612	-\$2,806,783
Investment Fund Adjustment	\$77,386	\$49,287
Fund Balance, End of Fiscal Year	\$2,185,586	-\$571,910
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$4,690,971	\$2,132,031

NOTES:

1. Represents accruals for health benefits, pension, unemployment, workers compensation and misc.
2. School Tuition, PSR fees and miscellaneous for next year received in this fiscal year.
3. Construction loan.
4. Amount of cash used for Church renovation increasing our expense

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

Actual for Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2018 and June 30, 2019

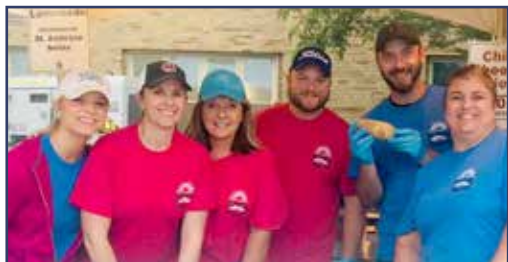
Needed Expenditures for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020

PARISH:	PRIOR YEAR 2017-2018	ACTUAL 2018-2019	BUDGET 2019-2020
Land Improvement (1)	1,666	33,260	-
Bldg Remodel/Improve/Rep	2,647	22,580	22,200
Parking Lot		5,075	24,500
Church Renovation (2)	175,948	5,071,414	807,500
Parish Veh, Eqt, Furniture	2,096	2,750	-
Lehner Center	10,593	-	-
Rectory	1,668	689	-
Music/AV Equipment (3)	1,907	50,370	
Parish Office Furn/Equip	2,081	1,697	
Computers & Equipment	9,860	8,751	20,000
Other	4,944	703	
Parish Total	213,411	5,197,288	874,200
SCHOOL:			
Parking Lot/Land Improvement	1,063	5,645	6,000
Building Renovation	58,722	3,406	20,583
Computers and Related	31,538	46,506	10,000
Other Furniture & Equipment	11,844	8,338	1,500
School Total	103,165	63,894	38,083
TOTAL PARISH & SCHOOL	316,576	5,261,182	912,283

NOTES:

1. Courtyard in front of Hilkert Hall (covered by Fish Fry 2019 income).
2. Church Renovation and Construction. Budget represents balance due.
3. Piano, organ, misc.

Please note, due to rounding to the nearest dollar, some totals may be off by one dollar.



PARISH EVENTS

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019

	2018	2019
Summer Festival	91,371	\$110,741
Bingo	115,133	\$157,962
Fish Fry	27,758	\$38,317
Golf Outing	10,200	Fall Event 2019
TOTAL	244,462	\$307,020

Many thanks to those who lead, work and participate in our parish events.

They contribute greatly to the support of our parish community.

The totals listed are 'after expenses'. Thanks again for all you do in support of our parish community. God bless you.

*"Rejoice in hope,
endure in affliction,
persevere in prayer."*

— Romans 12:12

Save the Dates!

ALL SOULS MASS

Saturday, November 2, 7:00pm

Please join us as we remember all of our loved ones who have been called home to the Lord this past year.

WOMEN'S GUILD CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE

November 9, 9:00am - 6:00pm

November 10, 10:00am - 3:00pm

Find great gifts and beautiful decorations for your home at Christmas. Come see talented crafters in Hilkert Hall.

COMMUNITY MEAL

Thanksgiving Day,

November 28, 11:30am – 1:00pm

Saint Ambrose Parish opens its doors to the community for the 11th annual Thanksgiving Day Community Meal.

Each year, our wonderful members of Saint Ambrose Parish come together on Thanksgiving Day, and the days leading up, to serve meals to members of the community. Saint Ambrose will serve over 6,000 people this Thanksgiving with over 550 volunteers from the parish. Meals will be served at Saint Ambrose in the Mother Teresa Room, as well as at Guidestone Children's Home in Berea, Saint Bernard Parish in Akron and Saint Rocco's Parish in Cleveland.

All are welcome at Saint Ambrose for the delicious meal.

Thanksgiving Day

Thursday, November 28

Mass at 9:00 am

As we celebrate this day of giving thanks, there is no better way to begin than by joining together in prayer and giving thanks to God – the giver of all good gifts. Each family is invited to bring canned food item(s) that can be shared with the hungry in our region. Join us in Hilkert Hall for coffee and donuts following Mass.

Our School CARES



Our school year is off to a strong start and promises to be a new school year of discovery and joyful excellence! We are living in challenging times that also give us great opportunity! We praise God that our students can learn and practice Gospel values and virtues; tools to help them navigate and even change the world. In addition to the critical academics needed for all 21st Century students, our theme this year is a reminder that each of us is a precious child of God!

We must seek and be Jesus Christ to each other.

We must treat each other with respect and kindness.

We must R.E.A.C.H. and challenge ourselves to learn, grow and achieve. R.E.A.C.H. = Resilient, Empowered, Accurate, Creative, Harmonious



As we celebrate 60 years since Saint Ambrose School first opened its doors to the children of our community, we are very grateful for the legacy of faith and academic excellence given by the generations before us. We honor them by continuing to seek Christ and use researched and 21st Century exemplary practices in teaching and learning.

We have grown to serve students from Brunswick, Brunswick Hills and also Medina, Valley City, Strongsville, Hinckley, North Ridgeville, Parma, Cleveland and more.

With our award-winning **STEAM curriculum** and Preschool program and the addition of the following State of Ohio scholarships such as the **Jon Peterson Scholarship** for special needs students, **EdChoice** and **EdChoice Expansion scholarships**, savvy families are seeking Littlest Angels Preschool and Saint Ambrose School.

Our deeply caring and highly qualified faculty and staff stand ready to support all parents as their child(ren)'s primary educators. Core skills in reading, writing, math and other content areas are enriched via STREAM (Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Arts and Math) concepts, best practices and strategies.

We thank God for our parish family and the prayerful and financial support offered by you, in addition to our many community, business, education and civic partners. We pray for you as well.

May the Holy Spirit guide us and keep us focused on Jesus Christ who is Everything for us as we work together on this incredible journey of forming young people into saints!

Grace and Blessings,

Lisa M. Cinadr, Principal

Christopher M. Dziedzicki, Assistant Principal

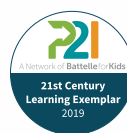
SAINT AMBROSE SCHOOL
LITTLEST ANGELS PRESCHOOL



What's my I.D.? I am a child of God!

**I praise you, because I am
wonderfully made;
wonderful are your works!**

- PSALMS 139:14





LITTLEST ANGELS

What an exciting time for Saint Ambrose Littlest Angels Preschool! Our program is growing in many ways! We have added classes, including a four year old full-day option, more opportunities for enrichment and many new little angels.

We welcome **Mrs. Jeffi, Mrs. Nuti, Mrs. Monroe and Mrs. Seidel** to our already amazing team of **Mrs. Yarmesch, Mrs. Petrigac, Mrs. Nettles and Mrs. Mick**. As we continue our commitment to provide our 5 STAR Step Up To Quality program, we watch the workers across the street as they lay the bricks for Ambrose Crossing, our future home.

We are grateful to all of our LAPS families for the blessing and privilege of teaching their children not only academics but our faith! Thank you to our parish families for your continued support and prayers. We can't wait to see what the future holds for our little angels!

Fall Blessings,
Mrs. Mitchell
Preschool Director



"A" is for attitude. We are showing an attitude like Jesus when we try to be loving, kind and caring. We can try sharing and putting others first. Smiling is a great way to show a positive attitude!

"Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus"
- Philippians 2:5



KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION NIGHT

Thursday, November 21st

Join us to learn more about our Kindergarten program at Saint Ambrose School, meet the Kindergarten faculty, and learn about the admissions process. Kindergarten teachers, administration and admissions teams will be on hand to help answer your questions!

The evening will conclude with a visit to the Kindergarten classrooms. Enrollment begins January 2020, Join us for a fun and informative evening to learn more about our STEAM school where Jesus Christ is EVERYTHING for us!

www.SaintAmbroseSchool.us/admissions

Visit Us!
OPEN HOUSE
NOVEMBER 10, 2019
10:00 am-1:00 pm

JANUARY 12, 2020
10:00 am-1:00 pm

Saint Ambrose School is an exciting place for children to learn and grow in the ways of the Lord.

For more information about school programs or to schedule a tour, please call Breanne Logue at 330.460.7318 or visit our website at:

www.SaintAmbroseSchool.us



PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Some of the exciting things happening in our PSR program.

It was a year filled with many opportunities to help our students grow closer to the Lord.

Parish School of Religion

Our Parish School of Religion has some wonderful programs and events planned to help all of our students develop a deeper relationship with our Lord and to grow in the Catholic faith.

Blest Are We Resources

New to the program this year are our new resources from **RCL Benzinger**. Each grade level book allows our Catechists to teach utilizing many different tools and teaching methods. Each student has access to a grade level ebook to use at home with the hope that families will take some time each week to review what their child is learning.

"I am a Child of God" Theme

Throughout the year we will focus on how God has created each of us in His likeness. We will challenge students to find their own unique gifts and talents. Students will be recognized throughout the year for sharing those gifts with others.

Liturgical Ministries

Last year our PSR program commissioned over **25 new students to service as Altar Servers, Ushers, Greeters and Lectors**. We will continually work to grow our students in ways to serve at the table of the Lord.

Junior High PSR

Live Free is the theme for 2019-2020 centered on the Ten Commandments and how to live a life free of sin which offers all of us a path of life to walk with the Lord.

Edge Social Nights

All junior high students are invited to join us for our Edge Social nights. Each night will be filled with faith, fun and food.

SAVE THE DATES:

Monday, October 28 6:30pm-8:00pm

Monday, December 16 6:30pm-8:00pm

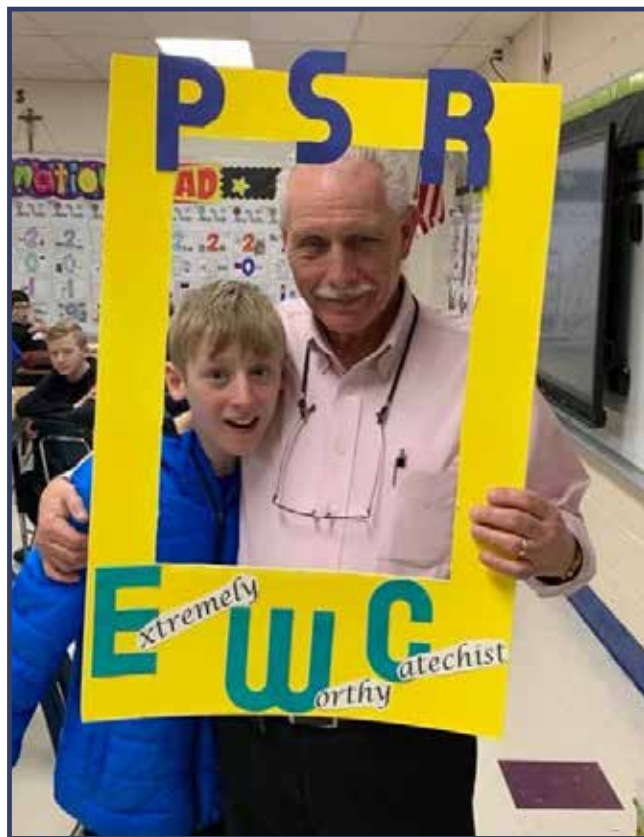
Monday, February 10 6:30pm-8:00pm

Monday, April 27 6:30pm-8:00pm

Embark in the Service of God

We will continue to engage all of our junior high students and those who participated in our faith-filled summer service camp by offering four different opportunities throughout the year to come together and serve. These will be offered in November, January, February and April. Look for information and details to be coming soon.

There's a faith formation program for the children of God of every age. If you have questions or need additional information about how we can help pass on our faith in Jesus Christ to your child(ren) or grandchild(ren), please contact [Janet Majka@StAmbrose.us](mailto:Janet.Majka@StAmbrose.us).



For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

– JEREMIAH 29:11

Our Teens CARE



HELLO FROM YOUTH MINISTRY

The new school year is off to a great start – and there are a lot of great events and opportunities coming up in the next few weeks!

On Saturday, October 12, we will be continuing the Confirmation formation journey with a day-long Confirmation retreat here at the parish. Spots are limited and are quickly filling up – if you'd like to join the fun, make sure you sign up today! **Head to myFIAT.us/forms for the permission form or call the Youth Ministry Office at 330.460.7387.**

All new drivers are invited to come to Mass on Sunday, October 20, 2019 at 10:30am and 5:00pm and receive a special blessing, prayer card and small gift after communion. If you have received your license in the past year, we look forward to congratulating you and sending you forth with our prayers and support!

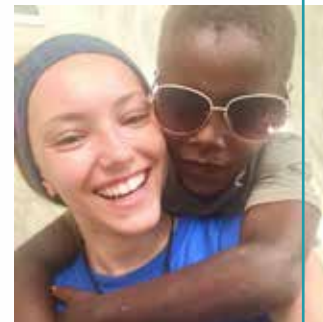
Please keep an eye out – in the bulletin, on our website (www.myFIAT.us), our social media, and around the parish – for many great events and programs coming up, and always feel free to stop by the Youth Ministry Office or call us at 330.460.7387!



Maria and Haley CARE!

Maria and Haley are both Saint Ambrose School graduates and throughout their time at the school and parish, they were always involved in many areas. Both girls are always happy to give back and willing to share their time and talents. Throughout their time in high school, both Maria and Haley became involved in Mission Possible and participated in several mission trips to the Dominican Republic. **After spending some time in the community and seeing the reality of the culture there, Maria and Haley and a group of their peers realized they could make a difference in our mission community by focusing on empowering the young women there.**

They spent a year working to plan and develop the program, and after graduating last Spring, they launched Proposito (Spanish for "purpose") – a program that works to empower the young women in our mission community, provide them with health and wellness, safety, and educational opportunities, and provide mentorship to individuals in the program. Next time you see Maria and Haley, be sure to say hi and ask them about their great efforts!



FIAT NIGHTS

Join us on Sunday evenings for 5pm Mass followed by FIAT from 6-8pm. This is a one-of-a-kind opportunity to gather for great food & friendship to share in discussion and grow in faith. **Check out www.myFIAT.us for details!**

DATES FOR UPCOMING EVENTS :

November 22-24

Metanoia Retreat

December 8

Breakfast with St. Nick and St. Ambrose and friends!

NEW MEMBERS *Thank you for joining our Parish Community!*

A warm welcome goes out to the many families and individuals who have joined our Parish Community over the past year. May you find Saint Ambrose to be a place where you are always welcome!

Christine Ajon
Philip & Sarah Alfano
Kevin & Ami Amburgy
Kaitlyn Andrisin
Edith Aranda
Bonnie Arnold
Joseph & Susan Avcin
John & Janet Baird
Sandy Baraona
Lauren Barbarotta
Justin & Nicole Bender
Janice Benson
Robert & Sylvia Bergmann
Butch & Michele Billick
Edward & Marcia Boreczky
Andrew & Jenna Borelli
Nolan Brandt
Denny & Joyce Broadway
Anthony & Brittany Brown
Jeffrey & Erin Brueckner
Matthew & Jennifer Bystricky
David & Alison Campbell
Ramos Carmen
Mary Carver
Daniel & Suzette Chabe
Herb & Georgiana Churchill
Donna Curtice
Marie DelSignore
George & Susan Derov
Michael Dietrick
Terry DiLeone
Lori Domonkos
Maria Donofrio
Cheryl Drab
Daniel & Dena Durante
Steven & Janet Eckert
Nicole Egnor
Andrew & Mary Eink
Peggy Elston
Paul & Nancy Elwell

Andreana Esposito
Kenneth & Angela Evett
David & Krista Feldhouse
Daniel & Dana Folliett
Jacqueline Frank
Jarred & Kirsten Gable
Carrie Galla
Greg & Megan Geisler
Harold Gibbons
Tricia Gladish
Megan Gonzalez
Dennis & Mary Jo Halenar
Brandon & Kelly Halleen
Robert & Justine Hansen
David & Megan Hebb
William & Cindy Heilman
Kyle & Samantha Hennis
Nick Hoover
Gene & Sue Horschler
Richard & Cynthia Houdek
Aaron & Natalie Hulswitt
Jeffrey & Sherry Jablonowski
Vanessa Jablonowski
David & Brittany Jan
Virginia & Ray Joachim
Kathy Jones
Danielle & Mark Keiper
Elizabeth Kiraly
Kim Kirby
Fanyi & Jozette Kong
Nicholas & Cassidy Kopy
Shawn & Christine Korte
Rosemary Kozar
Michael & Jennifer Kubasak
Russell & Erin Lake
Brittany & Kyle Lanese
Vince & Christina Lang
Sueanne Lassan
Jeffrey & Judith League
Krzysztof & Ewa Lesko

Jeremy & Melissa Levine
Philip & Mary Llorada
Jon & Amy Long
Brian & Kathryn Lorenzo
Fr. Robert Lorkowski
Kristen Lovejoy
Phil & Rekira Luketic
Tony & Michelle Maffia
Spencer Majka
Joelle Malenic
James & Elaine Mandabach
James & Karen Mangan
Michael & Jennifer McFeeture
Mike & Connie Meadows
Jeremy Merzweiler
Adam & Jennifer Mewhinney
Bruce & Karen Meyer
Blanche Michetti
Jere & Traci Mickler
Scott & Heather Miker
Pat Moorman
Kristen Moreland
Beverly Mraz
Nyree Mushangazhiki
Alecia Naso
Charles & Katie Nemet
Patricia Nikodym
Steven O'Malley
David & Angela Osiecki
Aaron & Kristen Osysko
Michael & Liam Paul
Kathy Perez
Cassandra Peters
Anton & Arlene Planicka
Mark & Kathy Polman
John Porcelli
Derrick & Megan Porter
John & Laurie Racco
Jim Rauschenbach
Richard & Casey Rawlings

Diana Rickbrodt
Mike & Katie Ritondaro
Del & Sherrie Ruiz
Kathryn Schmidt
Dawn Schydzik
Roland & Jessica Scott
Marla Shanghaghi
Steven & Maria Sikut
Virginia Snowden
Jason & Karen Soltis
Justin & Melody Starcher
Lucy Starnoni
Irene Stoffko
Don & Thaila Striebing
Stephanie Stubbs
Christopher & Breanne Studor
Bruce & Mary Swol
Sandi Terlop
Robertta Thoryk
Dominic & Judith Trizio
Julie Twardzik-Cerny
Robert & Donna Vealey
Bryan Vedrody
Joseph & Jessica Ventura
Catherine Vild
Ronald & Vivian Vokac
Allen & Kate Voss
Joanne Walsh
Robert & Kaitlin Waltzer
Andrew & Anne Warren
Tyson & Janet Werner
Brice & Julie Westhoven
Michael & Jillian White
Danielle Wrona
Robert & Rebecca Wypasek
Matt & Lynnette Zachlin
Ryan & Melissa Zanzano

July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019

CARING *for our future*

ENDOWMENT GIVING



Gerard Alfano
Ilona Balassy
Fred Beba
Dolores Bush
Tina Davis
James Dovalosky
Gerald Dumann
John Fifer
Richard Genda in memory of
Paul & Hedwig Genda
Rick Giannantonio
Janis Gibbons
Mary & Gregory Gierhart in
memory of Shelia McIntyre
Matthew Gillingham
Richard Hurley

George Kamposek
Patrick Kirchner
Diane Lencioni
Patty Lewis
Tracy Luke
Bernadine Lynch
Rose Machor
Virginia Mehota
Marie Mills
Frank Monaco
Edward Napolitano
David Placko
Norman Porterfield
Dennis Reidy
Mary Ann Riess
Frank & Lynn Rogers

Mike Rozack
Michael Rumler
Steven Sawyer
Donald Schmidt
Dolores Sfero
Eric Solderitsch
Robert Stec
Bruce Swol
Louise & Matthew Tolhurst in
memory of Shelia McIntyre
Emilia Twarowski
Anthony Weiland
Joseph Yaniga
Edward Zurilla



Sacramental CARE

Congratulations on the wonderful blessings happening in your life right now. God is Good! We want to be with you as you joyfully prepare for the milestones of Sacramental preparation.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Visit StAmbrose.us/Baptism for Online Baptism Planner, Online Baptism Certificate Form and Godparent Guidelines. Contact Kim Nemet at 330-460-7316 for more information on the Sacrament of Baptism.

WEDDING PLANNING

Please visit our Wedding Preparations page at StAmbrose.us/Wedding for Wedding Guidelines Booklet, Liturgy Planning Form, Engaged Couples Online Form and Marriage Validation Online Form.

"For the love God has implanted in their hearts, may it always inspire them to be kind in their words, considerate of feeling, and concerned for each other's needs. May God's love be the bond that holds their marriage together."

IN MEMORIAM

Mary Abel	Kathryn Donnelly	Rose Ann Koleski	Ralph Mustacchio	Richard Sikon
Victor Ackim	Marilyn Evasovic	Mary Kompa	Mildred Neely	Michael Smith
Lynn Adams	Laverne Frohlich	Veronica Kossuth	Lois Novak	Leah Sobek
Morgan Amato	Beverly Futo	Charles A. Kossuth	Helen Ober	Sophie Solomon
Patricia A. Barnett	William Gallagher	Betty Kovelan	George Opich	Kathleen Spickler
Betty Bates	Thomas Gannon	Michael Kudla	Donna Penkava	Rose Ann Spiset
David Baytosh	Arlen Garnett	Gene Kulik	Mary Pezzuti	Ruth Sterrett
Janet Lee Bezacqua	Todd Gatt	Patricia Lachan	James Pitonik	John L. Sulitis
Daniel Bolanovsky	Lawrence Gilligan	Elizabeth Lakatos	William Rabatin	Linda Thauvette
Andrew Bosko	Shelly Green	Rose Lever	Frank Ratka, Sr.	Mary Lou Twarog
Sandra J. Bruno	Neil Hall Jr.	Anne Litty	Timothy J. Reed	Ruth M. Van Maele
Michael Bryk	Ruth Heffke	Donna LoPiccolo	Arlene Reffert	Anna Vanselow
Ruth Burns	Shannon Hilton	Betty E. Lusardo	Paul R Rehman Sr	Paul Vekas Sr.
Catherine Canfield	Anita Horejsei	Robert Machor	Joseph A. Rice	Albert Vojtkofsky
Nicetta Cebula	John Patrick Horton	Andrew Macik	Joyceann Rollins	Mary Lou Wagner
Rita Chorzelewski	Nell Imperatore	Charlotte Malek	Ronald Roman	David Weber
Annette Chriszt	Ernest Jablonski	Dan Mason	Chris Ruggiero	Charles F. Williams
Edward Clayo	Gleason Jacobs	Robert Matey	Richard Russ	Robert H. Williams
Diane Collins	Juanita Jenkins	Thomas McGill	Gerald Rutkowski	Madeline Wolf
Tony D'Abramo	Mary Alice Kalka	Sheila McIntyre	Leonard Scheutzow	Rosemary Wolfe
Lawrence Deacon	Dennis Kitko	Rose McNoldy	Paul Schiffrik	Kathleen Yatson
Anthony DeMutis	Rita Kline	Mary Mishaga	Paul Schueller	Kathleen M. Zavesky
Marc Dimos	Paul Knapp	Richard Morris	Lois Schultz	Lisa Zitek
Kacie DiSalvo-Evans	William Kobak	Vincent Moser	Joanne Sigmon	

Please join us on the Feast of All Souls on November 2 as we remember all of our faithful departed. Our Mass of Remembrance begins at 7pm.

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



VISION 20/20

It's hard to believe that two years ago we were in the early planning stages of our 'Generations of Faith, Together for the Glory of God' Campaign that has since raised over \$4.6 million (complete recap below). **It's equally hard to believe that last year at this time we were just breaking ground on the church renovation.** At each phase and step of the way, the love, dedication and care our members have for our parish – and their church – was clear.

The love and CARE our members have for our Church is best seen in our Church Renovation team: Bob Cebula, Tom Serafin and Kevin Yaughter. They spent countless hours working with Marous Brothers, walking through the church, reviewing the work, getting an understanding of what was going where and why – so that we will know for ongoing maintenance. Just about every day throughout the week during construction, Tom Serafin would spend an hour or so walk through and working with all the contractors. Bob Cebula would work through the numbers and finances, processing through change orders and communicating back to Finance Council. Kevin Yaughter attended our weekly meetings, helping ask the hard questions and made sure we stayed on schedule.

GENERATIONS
of Faith
TOGETHER
for the **GLORY OF GOD**

Also, not to be forgotten is the care our members showed when they 'answered the call':

- The day after Christmas we had close to 100 members in the church to help remove the old pews, saving the church \$20,000.
- The team of people it took to get the church 'up and running' for Easter, led by Helen Lanzarotta and Lisa Beckett to decorate and clean.
- Mel Beck, Don Long, Ron Porvasnik and countless others who provided their expertise in the trades to make our Church truly exceptional.

CAMPAIGN RECAP

Total number of Pledges: 818
Total Pledged: \$4,637,451.29
Total Paid to Date: \$2.2 million (approximately)

The love and care our members have was also seen when countless folks 'answered the call' to make sure we were able to get the Stations of the Cross for the Chapel! We have a few stations and several other items that need 'sponsored' so we can complete the Chapel. If you're interested in more information, please contact me – Jake Bihari, 216.215.5015 or JBihari@StAmbrose.us



CONSTRUCTION RECAP:

	BUDGET	ACTUAL	NOTES
General Construction	\$4,740,885	\$4,931,422	Includes the budgeted number for parking lot and landscaping expenses
Liturgical Items	\$287,000	\$305,074	Includes several items not originally budgeted or considered (ie, relic tiles, Trinity symbols above holy water fonts, bell system, Trinity symbol, etc.)
Pews & Chairs	\$322,000	\$341,606	Includes the addition of the credence table, additional chairs and the upgrade to Sapalle wood.
Sound, Technology & Security	\$140,000	\$136,138	Includes complete sound system replacement and upgrade, technology infrastructure, security and controls.
Surveying, Testing & Misc.	\$0	\$88,256	Surveying and testing costs, brick staining and venetian plaster, heated steps and concrete add-ons
	Budget	Actual**	Total change orders:
Total	\$5,489,885	\$5,802,496	\$313,000 or 5.6% of total project

**The summary (above) is a complete recap of Church repair and renovation expenses along with the Chapel renovation (and Chapel art). These expenses span three fiscal years (2018/2019/2020). The summary above is a complete recap of budget/expense. The funds to renovate the Chapel (\$150,000) were raised in 2018 through Fish Fry/Festival/Donations.

AUTOMATIC GIVING:

*"What return can I make to the Lord,
for all of God's goodness to me?"*

- PSALM 116:12

God blesses every sacrifice and offering we make – a thousandfold. As you tithe and make a generous sacrificial offering to God, the Lord will always find a way to thank you and bless you for your goodness.

There are thousands of reasons to support the work of the Lord at Saint Ambrose.

Automatic Giving (ACH) is a safe, convenient and very discerning way for you to consistently support our parish community. It also saves the parish the expense of printing and mailing.

Please consider signing up today.
All the information you need can be found online at: www.StAmbrose.us/ACH.

You may also reach out to Lynn Rogers in the Parish Business Office at 330-460-7335 or email LRogers@StAmbrose.us.

Saint Ambrose Catholic Parish

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Our Community CARES

Concerned. Alert. Responsive. = Everyone. Safe.

Fact: 43.8 million adults experience mental illness in a given year.



1 in 5 adults in America experience a mental illness.



One-half of all chronic mental illness begins by the age of 14; three-quarters by the age of 24.

How we can CARE:

- learn how to ask the right/tough questions
- understand warning signs
- know what to look for among family and friends
- learn how to get help for those we love

Making a real difference:

Our parish has partnered with Southwest General Hospital to bring Mental Health First Aid to Saint Ambrose. Our goal is to train 500 of our members this Fall. We need you to come and learn more.

Please come to the training.



**More than ever before,
we are living through a
mental health crisis.**

So many people are suffering
and struggling, often silently.

**They need help...
mostly...they need**

hope.

Mental Health First Aid Training

**Saturday, October 26th
9:00am to 1:00pm**

**Our Parish theme and
focus for October is "Our
Community CARES".**

Visit StAmbrose.us/CARES for
wonderful examples of ways
we have helped, and how we
can CARE going forward.