

JOYFUL
HOSPITALITY

**SERVING
WITH THE
COMPASSION
OF CHRIST**

INSPIRING
PRAYER &
WORSHIP

**ENGAGING &
EMPOWERING
OTHERS**

**GRATITUDE &
THANKFULNESS**

Welcome!



fall events

September 5

Labor Day Mass 9 am

September 11

The Medina Community Band
and Music Ministry 9/11 Concert

Grandparent's Day Event

September 17

Habitat Wall Build

September 18

Catechetical Sunday

September 23

Angels' Golf & Give

September 24

Grotto Mass & Polkafest

September 26

Ladies Fall Harvest Luncheon

September 29

Feast of the Archangels Rosary
and Prayer Service

October 1-2

Men's Retreat at Loyola

October 8

Autumn Harvest Festival

October 9-11

Parish Mission with
Friar Johnpaul Cafiero

October 13

Ladies Craft Night

October 22

Neon BINGO

October 23

XLT Night

October 29

Community Trick-or-Treat Night

November 1

All Saints Day (Masses at 8:15 am,
12:00 pm, 5:00 pm, and 7:00 pm)

November 2

All Souls Day (Masses at 8:15 am,
12:00 pm, and 7:00 pm)

November 5

Couples Night Out

November 6

School Open House

November 11

KofC Veteran's Day Service

November 12

Cleveland Chamber Choir
Concert

November 12-13

Women's Guild Christmas
Boutique

November 14-16

Parish Mission with
Steve Angrisano

November 19

Athletic Boosters'
Night at the Races

welcome!

...Welcome to this new edition of our Parish Newsletter...Angelus. It is filled with Good News about our parish community.

...Welcome to the new school and pastoral years. As you will see in this newsletter, there is something for every member to use this Fall season to grow closer to the Lord and deepen your life of faith and connections with this community.

...Welcome is a defining charism of our parish community. We welcome one another with joyful hospitality. Let's make an extra effort every time we come to Saint Ambrose, and especially when we gather in prayer, to greet one another, learn each other's names, hold the door for each other, and make sure that everyone feels the welcome of Christ. We want to welcome others as we want Christ to welcome us into Heaven.

...Welcome someone to join you for Mass. Many have been away from Church for two or more years. A simple invitation from you will make all the difference. "Join me for Mass...we can sit together...you'll love the people and the music... and we can go to breakfast afterward. Please join me." Your invitation will be welcomed by the person you are inviting.

...And mostly, let's welcome Christ more deeply into our hearts and homes in these beautiful autumn days. Christ wants to dwell deep in your heart to give you the strength and peace you need each day. Open the door of your heart to Christ. Make your prayer simply, "come Lord, dwell in my heart." And for your family, invite them to welcome Christ into your home and be the center of your family life. Come to Mass together. Pray before meals. Tell your grandchildren stories about the mighty things God has done and is doing in your life. These are real and meaningful ways to welcome Christ in your life, family, home and in our community.

Thank you for all the ways you make our community such a welcoming and caring community of faith. As we open the doors of this autumn season and new pastoral year, may God bless you, your family and our parish family.

As always, please let me know what I/we can do to help and assist you and your loved ones.

God bless.



Father Bob Stec

P.S. Please take some time to page through this newsletter. There really is something for everyone. **You can also send this newsletter to your family, neighbors and friends by sharing this link: www.StAmbrose.us/newsletter.**



MAKING MISSION POSSIBLE

Grand Slam Gala

September 10, 2022
Progressive Field, Corner Bar
6-11pm

Register now!



\$5,000

CASH RAFFLE!

\$20 per ticket // 6 tickets for \$100

Raffle Tickets!

Get your tickets online now!

Bee Hive Buzz!

The Campus is Abuzz

Jeffrey Buttitta recently accepted an internship with the Brunswick Police Department! He is currently in his last year at Grand Canyon University studying Criminal Justice and will be joining the Police Academy in 2023. His ultimate dream is to become a homicide detective.



Leilani K. became the youngest Women's Guild member over the summer. Leilani spent the last year and a half volunteering with the Guild at their luncheons and Christmas Boutique. She says that *"each and every one of the ladies in the Women's Guild have become my friend and being allowed to join the Guild so young is an honor."*

Three of our members competed this summer in the Special Olympics Ohio/USA Games 2022.

- **Seth Greenfelder** competed in the 100-meter dash, 200-meter dash, and the mini javelin throw at the ESPN Sports Complex in Orlando, Florida.
- **Lionel Haga**, a returning competitor to the Ohio Special Olympics brought home two gold and a silver medal for cycling.
- **Dominic Vadini** was one of only four athletes in the state to be chosen to represent Ohio on the Team Ohio Powerlifting at the USA Special Olympic Games. In the middle of training, Dominic also helped the BHS Student Council with their Peace Rally earlier this year.



The campus is abuzz with excitement over the freshly painted playhouse at the playground!!! Did you see the new BRIGHT colors? Special thanks to our member **Rick Levendusky** for freshening up the house for a new school year, we are so blessed!

And, thanks to our community partner, **LoFaso Real Estate Services** for sponsoring the play house. Thinking of buying or selling your home? Reach out to Sam LoFaso with all your questions. sold@samlofaso.com.



9/11 Memorial Concert with Medina Community Band September 11 at 6:00 pm

Remembering the courageous men and women, and victims of 9/11. Join us for a beautiful concert with music and prayer in Hilkert Hall.



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY BUILD WITH FAITH! SATURDAY, SEPT. 17

Please sign up to volunteer for a special job. Open to children ages 5 and up that are volunteering with a parent/adult family member.

SIGN-UP at StAmbrose.us/Habitat

Saint Ambrose Music Ministry presents

POLKAFEST

MASS & DINNER

SATURDAY
September 24, 2022

4:30 pm Mass
5:30 pm Traditional Polish dinner, live Polka music from Tom Mroczka & Band, dancing, raffle baskets, & more!

TICKETS \$25

GET TICKETS ONLINE! StAmbrose.us/Polkafest

welcome

TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY!

A warm welcome goes out to the many families and individuals who have recently joined our parish community. May you find Saint Ambrose to be a place where you are always welcome!

Michael & Brianna Blauman
John & Debby Brzozowski
Steven & Jessica Chada
Joseph & Cynthia Csizmadia
Michael & Sarah Del Busto
Hannah Dennison

Joe & Karen Dolan
Jeremy & Sheri Drnak
Sharon Dudley
Todd & Christina Gaydosch
James & Barbara George
Christopher & Nancy Guinta
Ryan & Sara Harkins
Barbara Hulsmann
Derek & Brandi Jethrow
Linda Kilbane
Victor & Crissy Kleine
Joe & Lisa Kostohryz
Thomas & Kathryn Kralovic, Jr.
Bernadine Krause
Lorraine Laramie
Anne McNelis
Brad & Suzanne Mikolajczyk

Al & Sandra Morrison
Mary Jo Novosel
Mary Catherine Novosel
Brian & Maria Odeal
James O'Donnell & Erica Joziuk
Michael & Michelle Palange
Megan Pollner
Michelle Radvansky
Stephen & Mary Rassi
Luke & Stacey Rundle
Jeremy & Adriana Salmonski
Mike Scully
Diane Semanco
Melanie Shwetz
John Sidor
Matthew & Melissa Smith
Perry & Elizabeth Starcovic
Patricia Steele
Chris & Traci Sustersic
Michael & Teresa Svoboda
Mark & Lisa Wittler
Frank & Laura Woyma

May 9, 2022 – August 3, 2022

Parish Guidebook

2022-2023 Guidebook Now Online!

Visit StAmbrose.us/Directory to read it and find your next ministry.

Have questions or want to share an idea about a new ministry here at Saint Ambrose? We'd love to connect with you so email Rebecca Kaaikaula at RKaaikaula@StAmbrose.us.



Career Mentoring

Considering an Employment Change?

If you are considering an employment change but don't know where to turn for advice, the Saint Ambrose Employment Ministry may be able to help. Email us at st.ambrose.employment.ministry@gmail.com to connect with one of our career mentors.

Art & Environment

Creating an Atmosphere that Invites & Inspires

The Art and Environment ministry creates an atmosphere within our liturgical space, the Church, and campus that invites and inspires the assembly to full and conscious participation in our Mass celebrations.

The primary purpose is to show honor and respect for what occurs during our liturgical celebrations. We are blessed to have a wonderful group of ministers who help with our Art & Environment. As we head into the busiest time of our liturgical year, **many hands will be needed to decorate our campus for the upcoming Fall Harvest, Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas.** You do not have to be 'crafty' or need to know how to decorate to be in this ministry. Other talents that are needed are sewing, watering plants, or keeping our vestibule and entrances clear and clutter-free.

We would love for you to be part of this ministry, contact Helen at HLanzarotta@StAmbrose.us or at 330.460.7343.



serving others

Our community CARES greatly for you!

Catholic Works of Mercy Recap from Some Special Moments!

THE PB&J BRIGADE members never stop in responding to the call to serve the homeless. Since June 1, nearly 30,000 sandwiches were distributed in our lunches for the homeless by our PB&J Brigade. Please join in anytime on Mondays – Thursdays at 4:00 pm to make sandwiches in Hilkert Hall, Room 4.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY was a huge success due to the generosity of our parishioners. We were able to supply Saint Rocco's school with all the needed items they wished for and then some.

OUR COMMUNITY MEAL continues monthly to reach the hungry who enjoy a different meal every month. **Would you or someone you know like to receive a meal?** Please reach out to Bill Zarefoss at 216.287.4552.

OCTOBER WILL BRING "BLANKET SUNDAY". Many of the items being requested are new towels and bed pillows. Thank you for your preparation and generosity!



Lend a Hand ♥
**Many hands make
for light work!**

FOOD SORTING:

Tuesday, September 20

Tuesday, October 18

Tuesday, November 15

4:00 pm, Hilkert Hall



Thank you to EVERYONE who has been keeping the shelves well-stocked for those in need.

Your generosity is hugely appreciated!

Please keep us in mind for our upcoming Mercy Mondays on September 12 and October 3.



SAINT AMBROSE PARISH
FALL 2022 COMMUNITY
SERVICE PROJECT

Raking for JOY!

NOVEMBER 4-6

Choose time slots that fit your schedule!

We need YOU to be a part of our team to help others in our community. Join us as we come together to Serve with the Compassion of Christ.

Spend a couple of hours connecting with others while we serve God as we do His work! It's also a wonderful way for students to earn service hours.

SIGN UP @ STAMBROSE.US/SERVICE!

Contact Gabby Moss with questions at GMoss@StAmbrose.us.



Service Activity

We Made It Even Easier to Serve Others!

This season, we chose an act of service that has a great need this time of year! Together during this weekend, we will joyfully rake leaves for someone who could use a hand.

This family-friendly service project and the time commitment is just a couple of hours, or as many as you'd like, scheduled during service week at your preference.

adult faith formation

We have wonderful opportunities for all men and women to grow in faith!

God doesn't just want your treasure and your talent...what He really wants is your HEART.

Saint Ambrose Spiritual Life Faith Formation offers many opportunities for everyone at any age and at all stages of their faith journey. All God really wants is you and you can find Him at Saint Ambrose. Here are some of the opportunities for you to grow in your relationship with Jesus this fall:

Book Club

Enjoy reading and conversation?

Do you love to read and discuss the themes with others, as well as grow deeper in your faith? Then, Saint Ambrose Book Club is for you! Join us every Wednesday, from 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm September through April in the Lehner Center, Luke room. For more information, please contact Gayle Oboy at GOboy@StAmbrose.us.



Legion of Mary

Pray the Rosary on Thursdays at 6:00 pm

You can become an active Legion of Mary member through a balanced program of prayer and service, advancing the growth of faith, understand and true devotion to Christ and His Blessed Mother.

Our Thursday Rosary is held in the Chapel. A full list of special dates are available at StAmbrose.us/AFF.

Alpha Grow Closer to God

Tuesday, September 20 at 6:30 pm

Alpha is designed to create conversation and is an opportunity for people to safely connect with others to freely explore the Christian faith in a friendly and informal environment. All sessions include a video segment, great discussions, and a delicious meal. Whether you are seeking to grow closer to God or to learn more about Jesus and the Christian way of life, Alpha is for you! Join us starting Tuesday, September 20 at 6:30 pm in the Matthew room of the Lehner Center.

FREE SIGN UP at StAmbrose.us/Alpha



The Choice Wine

7 Steps to a Superabundant Marriage

God doesn't want your marriage to simply survive. He wants it to be superabundant. Indeed, Christ's first public miracle was to bring joy to a young couple when he turned ordinary water into the choicest of wines. The Choice Wine: 7 Steps to a Superabundant Marriage moves well beyond divorce-proofing your marriage to place a happier, healthier, and wealthier future within your grasp.



Join couples for a monthly date night as we journey to a happier, healthier, holier marriage. For more information, please reach out to Gayle Oboy at GOboy@StAmbrose.us.

For information about any of these opportunities, watch the bulletin or contact Diane Heilman at 330.460.7320 / DHeilman@StAmbrose.us or Gayle Oboy at 330.460.7322 / GOboy@StAmbrose.us.

inspiring speakers

FALL PARISH MISSION with FRIAR JOHNPAUL CAFIERO

Sunday, October 9 - Tuesday, October 11

He's back! Don't miss Friar Johnpaul Cafiero speak life to us again. At our Lent Mission that he led, we laughed, we cried, and we learned. What will he have in store for us this time? Save the dates and join us all 3 nights.



MUSIC & STORYTELLING with STEVE ANGRISANO

Sunday, November 13 - Monday, November 14

Steve Angrisano is an internationally recognized Catholic composer, presenter, and passionate music missionary. Always rooted in humility and faithfulness, Steve's highly effective and authentic style of ministry springs from his deep love for Jesus Christ. Check out his website at www.steveangrisano.com. Watch the bulletin for more details!



Faith & Fellowship Groups this Fall

Join an existing group or start a new one!

Looking for an opportunity to get together in faith and fellowship? Learn more about the following groups below. Contact Gayle Oboy at Goboy@StAmbrose.us for any questions.

Looking for resources for your quiet time with God? Look no further. We have wonderful resources at StAmbrose.us/AFF.

Catholicism: Word on Fire

Want to learn more about your Catholic faith? Join Travis Jurgens as he leads "Catholicism: Word on Fire." We meet every 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 pm in the John Paul II room. To register, email Travis at TJurgens@StAmbrose.us.

Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained

Join David and Catherine Gleason, in their home, as they study "Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained." This video series is a systematic presentation of our Catholic faith. It will lead the group through the "big picture" of the Catholic faith with the Creed as the guide. This Faith and Fellowship Group will take place every other Tuesday at 1:30 pm at the Gleason home. To register, please contact Dave at djgleason1@juno.com.

To register for any of these opportunities, please visit StAmbrose.us/Adult-Faith-Formation or scan this QR code. ►



40 Days for Life 365 Campaign

September 28 - November 6

Join us on Saturdays at 10:00 am to carpool to the Bedford Heights Planned Parenthood where we will peacefully present our prayers. Contact Tim Garrity for more information at 216.253.0002 or Timary6445@hotmail.com.



5 Love Languages of Children

Discover how to speak your child's love language in a way that he or she understands.

You know you love your child. But how can you make sure your child knows it? Discover your child's primary language—then speak it—and you will be well on your way to a stronger relationship with your flourishing child. For more information, please reach out to Gayle Oboy at GOboy@StAmbrose.us.

HEALING PRAYER SESSIONS

HOSTED BY OUR LIVING
WORD HEALING PRAYER MINISTRY

Healing Prayer Ministers will be in the church following the Vigil Mass for healing prayer sessions on the following dates:

SEPTEMBER 17
OCTOBER 15
NOVEMBER 19

All are welcome.

ladies faith groups

Walking with Purpose

Women's Bible Study

Over 100 women completed our inaugural year of Walking with Purpose. They enjoyed it so much they kept inviting other women to join them.

After a year in the program the women said:

- My Catholic faith is stronger: **82%**
- My relationship with Christ is stronger: **88%**
- Prayer lives have improved since starting WWP: **83%**
- My appreciation for the sacraments has grown: **83%**
- Would recommend WWP to a friend: **85%**

We invite YOU to experience this kind of improvement in your faith and prayer life and make amazing, authentic connections with other women at the same time, register now for our 2022-2023 Walking with Purpose sessions.

REGISTER NOW! Sessions begin September 20.

- Tuesday mornings, 9:00 am - 10:30 am in Mother Teresa.
- Tuesday evenings, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm in Hilbert Hall.
- Virtual session held on Thursdays, 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm.



Ladies First

Fill your hunger for faith & friendship

Last Tuesday of Each Month, 6:45 pm - 8:30 pm

A chance for women of all ages to gather during the months of September to November, and from January through April.

Topics are chosen by the attendee's suggestions, so the meetings are very relevant and interesting.

On September 27, Saint Ambrose members, Trish Shaw and Marissa Welsh will speak about the Gabriel Project Ministry. Come and we will fill your

hunger for food, friendship, and faith. Please RSVP to mathdenmom@aol.com by September 23.

men's opportunities

Men's Fellowship

A Catholic Man in the World Today

Men's Fellowship is not a Bible study, but discussions that are focused mainly on issues of concern to men in the ordinariness of their everyday lives.

The current series "Catholic Man in the World Today" is firmly rooted in Sacred Scripture and the Catechism of the Catholic Church and are meant to cultivate fun and build friendships within the community.

We learn from one another how to be better husbands, fathers, sons, or single adults.

Contact Deacon Tom Sheridan at TSheridan@StAmbrose.us for information or watch the bulletin for details.

Meets every second and fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Lehner Center Father McGivney room.

Unleash the Power of Your Life

a weekend retreat for men

October 1-2, 2022

Loyola Retreat House
700 Killinger Rd, Clinton, OH 44216

Registration Fee **\$100**
Lodging and meals for the weekend.

More information and registration at StAmbrose.us/MensRetreat

StA monthly men's breakfast



Every second Saturday of the month, 8:30 am in Hilbert Hall
RSVP at StAmbrose.us/Mens-Breakfasts





A Blessed Summer

Amazing Upcoming Events!

We have had a blessed summer, which included two Music Under the Stars concerts. Thank you to vocal soloists **Dyan Beder, Beth and Dave Stec**, and **Haley McCormick** for their beautiful performances! As we continue our free concert series, I look forward to seeing you at the following events!

- Travis Jürgens

Free Concerts Continue!

Mark Your Calendars

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 ‡ Medina Community Band & the Saint Ambrose Music Ministry Adult Choir come together at 6:00 pm outside on the parking lot behind the school (weather permitting). This concert will feature many patriotic selections and Denise Daugherty, soprano. I will also conduct Songs of America.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2 ‡ Join for the annual Catholic Family Day Mass at Progressive Field where Saint Ambrose Adult Choir will sing.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12 ‡ Cleveland Chamber Concert on Gratitude at 6:00 pm. This is an outstanding professional choir! We are excited to welcome them back for a 2nd concert which you won't want to miss.

Friday, December 9 ‡ Saint Ambrose Music Ministry Advent Concert at 7:00 pm.



Haley McCormick Welcoming a new cantor!



Haley McCormick grew up in Broadview Heights, Ohio. Growing up, music played a role in her life through dance, singing, and theatre. She graduated from Highland High School and attended Elon University's prestigious music theatre conservatory where she earned a BFA in Music Theatre and a BA in arts administration.

After graduating from college, she moved to New York City and was assistant director for the off-Broadway show, *No Strings*, with choreographer Deidre Goodwin. Shortly thereafter she began working for Disney Cruise Lines as a main stage performer where she headlined as *Cinderella*, *Cruella Devil*, *Sleeping Beauty*, and understudied for Elsa.

She has performed in musicals throughout the country including Ariel in *Footloose*; Marty in *Grease* and dance captain for *Catch Me If You Can*; Zaneeta in *The Music Man*; Star to Be in *Annie*; and ensemble in *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*... to name a few.

The pandemic shut down the theatre industry and she found herself back home working at Vantage Financial Group in employee benefits. She has continued to keep the arts in her life through teaching dance at Interpretations Dance Academy and Dancexcel and, of course, cantoring at Saint Ambrose.

Haley says that she feels so "blessed to have the opportunity to praise God with my voice and work with such a wonderful parish. **Thank you all for welcoming me so greatly and most especially to Travis for reaching out and encouraging me to get involved!"**

Angels Choir

An exciting year ahead!

Our Angels Choir has grown from 11 to 21 members this past year! We welcome 13 new members who have signed up for this year!

The Angels Choir is for any PSR, Saint Ambrose School, or home-schooled student in grades 2 – 6. We practice every Tuesday from 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm and sing once a month at a Sunday Mass from September through May.

Some of the events we have planned for this year include singing for the Cleveland Guardians Catholic Family Day at Progressive Field (National Anthem), First Communion, Thanksgiving, Advent Concert, Christmas Pageant, Christmas Eve, Passiontide Concert, Lent Musical, and an offsite Singing Event.

Contact Diane Haley at DHaley@StAmbrose.us or Helen Lanzarotta at HLanzarotta@StAmbrose.us.

Our Community CARES

Concerned. Alert. Responsive. = Everyone. Safe.

Divorce Care for Kids (DC4K)

New Series Starting in September

Divorce Care for Kids (DC4K) is a scripture-based program designed to help children (aged 6-13) of families experiencing divorce and separation. Throughout Divorce Care for Kids, your children will learn how to sort through their feelings and will learn how to have healthy relationships. Best of all, children will learn how God's love can strengthen them and help them turn tears to hope and joy. For more information or registration contact Jennie Porco at 330.460.7317 or JPorco@StAmbrose.us.



The Gabriel Project

Upcoming Events

Gabriel Angels volunteers meet with and assist our mothers who are in need. Join us for any or all of the following sessions:

- **September 21, 7:00 pm** in LC Matthew, the Saint Ambrose Culture of Life Ministry will hold a meeting to discuss the recent Dobbs decision and what we should focus on in the next year.
- **September 25**, Gabriel Project volunteers gathering, 1:00 pm in Mother Teresa.
- **September 29**, Feast of the Archangels (Saint Gabriel). All are welcome for 5:30 pm Mass and pray the Rosary with Legion of Mary. A small social will follow Mass.
- **October 23**, Commissioning of the Gabriel Angels and Acknowledgement of all Gabriel Project Volunteers at the 12:00 pm Mass. A social with light refreshments in the Mother Teresa room will follow.
- **Throughout the month of October** the Gabriel Project and the Culture of Life will hold the annual "Fill the Crib" collection campaign. Each week, we will focus on different resources to help. Look for details in the bulletin and on the parish website.

We have much to do to continue building a Culture of Life in our community and look forward to meeting all of those who join us in this effort.



lifting each other up

Care & Compassion Ministries

HEALING HEARTS provides support for grieving children – new session starts on September 21.



STEPHEN MINISTERS

provide confidential, one-on-one care to anyone who is facing a crisis.



TENDER HEARTS MINISTRY

walks with families who are caring for a chronically ill child.



MENTAL HEALTH

MINISTRY offers support, education, and resources for individuals and families dealing with mental health challenges.



Please do not hesitate to reach out to any of our ministries. If you feel called to get involved or help, please contact LHomady@StAmbrose.us.

SEE ALL CARE & COMPASSION MINISTRIES:

For a full list and for more information, visit StAmbrose.us/Care-and-Compassion.

Cancer Support Group

First Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm

Share, support, and embrace friendship with prayer. This group is for cancer survivors, caregivers, family members and anyone whose life has been touched by cancer. For more information, call Terri Blasko 216.990.0082 or Miriam Hopkins 330.225.9005.

Depression Support Group

First Saturday of each month

A confidential support group that offers a safe place where you can learn coping skills and find hope among others who understand what you are going through. Contact Sue at 440.539.9358 or skir88_dbasa@aol.com for more information.

Women's AA Meetings

Mondays, 6:00 pm, in LC John and Saturdays, 8:30 am, LC Matthew

We are here to relate and share experiences, strength, and hopes with each other in order to grow and help each other recover from alcoholism.

A Future Full of Hope The Lasting Gift of Endowment

Not so long ago, one of our long time members was called home to the Lord. They had a great faith and deep love for God and our parish community. A few years back, this wonderful member decided that the best way she could show her love for God and our parish and make sure that all the children had the opportunity to learn their faith, was to leave her entire estate to our parish community. **What an amazing gift and a lasting and living legacy of goodness and generosity!** Over the next few months, we will learn the gift that will go into our parish endowment to help secure our future full of hope. **In the meantime, please offer a Hail Mary to this wonderful member and her lasting gift to our parish.**

Please remember Saint Ambrose Parish in your estate planning. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Jake Bihari (JBihari@StAmbrose.us).



GriefShare A Safe Place to Share Your Story

If your heart is heavy with the memory of someone you've loved and lost, we warmly welcome you. GriefShare is a Christ-centered program, with a caring group of people, who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult times. We provide a private environment, a safe place where you can share your story.

We are offering two convenient meeting times to fit your schedule starting in September. To learn more and to register for the Fall 2022 GriefShare series, visit StAmbrose.us/GriefShare.

Hearts of Hope Widows Support Group First Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm

Share conversation, prayer, and community. Together with the Lord, our hearts will always find the help and the hope we need.
Email Lisa to RSVP at LCinadr@StASchool.us



GriefShare - Surviving the Holidays Sunday, November 6, 2022 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

In celebration of your loved one's life, join us for a video and discussion where you can share your story. A light luncheon to follow.

Held in Lehner Center, Fr. McGivney. Due to limited seating please register in advance by contacting Denise Golan.
Call or text 440.465.7813 or email Denise.GriefShare@gmail.com

rest in peace

Patricia A. Anzo
Mary Jane Baytos
Daniel Boskovitch
Ryszard Bujnarowski
Dianne Bundridge
Pacifco Calaycay
Elizabeth "Libby"
Chodkiewicz

Leonard Guk
Thomas Hulsmann
William Johnson
Joseph Kozak
Joseph A. Malesic
Carol Maskow
William McClelland
Kathleen McLean

Gianna Rae Meadows
Jane Merholz
David J. Novosel
Joseph Paulick
Jeanette Pawlicki Byrd
Irene Piller
Stella Popek
Patricia Reidy

Patricia Schock
Victoria Simmons
Richard Skully
John Spann
Kathleen Viancourt
Dorothy Weakland
Lawrence Zychowski

In loving memory of those who passed May 8, 2022 – August 3, 2022.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

Join us for All Souls Day Mass on November 2nd.

school news



We are on the MOVE!

In Him we live and move and have our being. - Acts 17:28

This year's theme is so appropriate as we walk into our uplifted, bright and bold new school year centered on Jesus Christ Who is EVERYTHING for us!

Our updated mission sets the tone of joyful excellence. We have an updated mission statement: **At Saint Ambrose Catholic School, Jesus Christ is EVERYTHING for us and our students are models of Christ who R.E.A.C.H. using next generation skills.**

We are ALIVE in Christ and very excited to welcome our many current and new school families to the 2022-2023 school year. We are also overjoyed to welcome home to Saint Ambrose School a few of our Seventh and Eighth Grade Angels! We began the school year with a leadership retreat for our administrative team followed by a team-building retreat for our faculty and staff that began with Mass and ended with a trip to Hickory Ridge Cinema to watch Top Gun: Maverick together. At Saint Ambrose School, we are a team on a crucial mission!

You can feel the energy, excitement, joy and hopefulness of our new school year everywhere! God be praised for our teachers and staff, students and extended school family! You can trust that we will continue to provide a loving and rigorous learning environment that is safe and secure, warm and welcoming for all.

On the move in Christ!

Joyfully,
Mrs. Cinadr
Principal



SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE: Sunday, November 6th 10am-12:30pm

Contact our Admissions team for 2022-2022 enrollment information and questions. Admissions@StASchool.us.

We are already planning for our 2023-2024 school year! The timeline for admissions and enrollment kicks off in January each year. You can find more information at SaintAmbroseSchool.us/Admissions.



ANGEL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Turning taxes into tuition

Turn your tax dollars into tuition! Learn more at SaintAmbroseSchool.us/Angel-Fund



Golf & Give Tournament

Friday, September 23rd

We invite all parish families to join us for our Fall Golf & Give Fundraiser on Friday, September 23rd. This fundraiser supports Littlest Angels Preschool and Saint Ambrose School to allow us to continue to provide the very best for every student.

For tickets to this sellout event or sponsorship opportunities, please contact: Michelle Brousek at mbrousek@staschool.us OR Michelle Dietrich at mdietrich@staschool.us.

Angels Golf & Give
GOLF
TOURNAMENT

Presented by:

Mazda of Bedford

SAINT AMBROSE *Littlest* ANGELS PRESCHOOL

Our Preschoolers are on the MOVE!

Excitement as we begin the new year!

Summer camp was a huge success with many children enjoying faith-filled activities, engaging adventures, sunny days with water play, and creative STEAM activities! What a fun way to prepare our children for school and to serve our parish and community!

I am so excited to welcome our returning students, new friends, families and staff to the 2022-2023 school year! To prepare for the first days of school, we have been on the move enjoying a trip to the zoo, playing and exploring the park, worshipping and touring on Spirit Sunday and getting to know our classmates at our playground playdates! Welcome!

With joy and gratitude we start our school year looking forward to many wonderful moments! What a privilege and blessing it is to partner with our families as their children make their first steps in their education!

In God's Love,
Mrs. Catherine Mitchell



Saint Ambrose High School Prep Students And Alumni Serve One Another and Connect Thru Summer Internships!

A deeper understanding of things far outside of the classroom.

Saint Ambrose HSP Middle School Program has been connecting our students and recent graduates within the community for internships. Students learn more about fields of their interest, and develop real-world problem solving skills!

"In May Grace was awarded an internship with the Catholic Charities of Cleveland Refugee & Migration office. Her time with Catholic Charities was impactful! We were immediately greeted by an enthusiastic ESL teacher who welcomed us and shared that she was first on her docket.

The teachers could not be more welcoming and assuring and quickly into the class Grace was chatting and meeting refugees from all over the world. She then went into helping two Congolese women play school supply bingo!

Her eyes were peeled wide open at the gentle yet enthusiastic manner in which these teachers taught kindergarten vocab to grown adults.

By the end of the day she had such a deeper understanding of things far outside of the classroom.

Grace's review of the day was " It was an experience I do not get to see everyday. I learned so many great things that I did not know before and it was a privilege to get to have this internship."

I am beyond grateful for the experience SAS organized and the work that the Advancement team does to provide these opportunities to our students. Andy and his energetic team could not have been more engaging in explaining on a very real world level the heartache and hope of the world. It was done in a clear yet not scary manner and I am forever grateful at that approach."



PSR - Parish School of Religion

Keeping Jesus Christ at the center of your lives!

Our faith formation programs are through the leadership of a Catechist who has received training and guidance from our PSR Core Leadership team. Students will be learning through the "Blest Are We" series from RCL Benzinger.

PSR IN-PERSON

2 Sessions to choose from:

Mondays at 6:45 pm - 7:45 pm OR Wednesdays at 4:45 pm - 5:45 pm

PSR classes will begin Wednesday, September 7 and Monday, September 12.

This year, our team has redesigned our classroom model to be more intentional and engaging for our students. The class session will be one hour in length. Students will need to arrive to their classroom 5 minutes prior to their class start.

FAMILY OF FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

New this year is our Family of Faith Formation offered once a month on Saturday mornings from 9:30 am - 11:00 am. This model is designed for family catechesis. Students and their families will join us for faith-filled lessons centered on the Gospel readings and the Catholic faith. Sessions will begin on Saturday, September 17.

FAMILY HOME SCHOOL MODEL

The Family Home School model allows parents to be the primary teacher in their child's faith formation. Our goals are to assist families in "seeding the Catholic Faith" into each child's heart and fully integrate the family and the child into the Saint Ambrose Parish community. Families will receive a Family Home School handbook with instructions for the program along with books and online resources to utilize.

Journey with Jesus

Sunday Morning Preschool Program for Ages 3-5

Our Journey with Jesus program holds classes during the 9:00 am and 10:30 am Mass times. Children will learn the stories of Jesus in a fun, active, and faith-filled environment. Journey with Jesus will kick off on Sunday, September 11.

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)

Children in Grades 1-3 are invited to join during Mass!

CLOW will resume the weekend of September 10 and 11 and takes place during the 4:30 pm, 9:00 am, and 10:30 am Mass times. All children in grades 1-3 are invited to participate. Children will be dismissed from the Mass right before the readings begin to the Chapel where they will hear and learn the Scripture message in a way that will help them to relate on their own level. They'll return with their catechist after the homily ready to share their interpretation of the weekend's readings.

There is a faith formation program for 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 at JMajka@stambrose.us or call 330-460-7321.



Junior High PSR Events

Opportunities to build bonds of friendship through service & reflection.

Students in grades 6, 7, and 8 are invited to join us!

Sunday, September 11: 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Patriot Day Games & Races

Sunday, September 18: 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Color My World

Sunday, September 25:
Kick-Off of National Week of Student Prayer

Sunday, October 2:
Catholic Family Day at Progressive Field

Sunday, October 9: Holy Fire-Great Lakes

Sunday, October 16, 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Masterpiece of Life

Sunday, October 23, 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Prayer and XLT Night with our fiat friends!

Sunday, October 30, 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm: Coco Movie Night, Day of the Dead, and Prayer Service for those we hold dear who have passed away.

Friday, November 4, 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Rake for Joy and Bonfire

Sunday, November 6, 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm
All Saints Day and Gratitude Concert

Sunday, November 13, 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Fruits of the Spirit and Saint Stan's Service Project

Sunday, November 20, 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Friendsgiving & Giving Thanks with a Grateful Heart

Get the details of each event at at
www.StAmbrose.us/jr-high-fun.

DON'T MISS THESE GREAT EVENTS!

Embark in the Service of God

Serve our Parish & Community

Embark Service Sessions offer activities for you to put your helping hands to use, which helps benefit our Parish and the community around us.

You are welcome to bring a friend!

SAVE THE DATES!

September 15
September 27
October 13
October 25
November 10
November 22



4:00 pm – 5:30 pm in the Lehner Center

www.StAmbrose.us/embark

fiat

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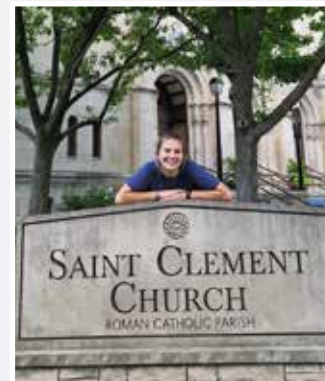


Shout out to the fiat core team!

Leading our Teens Closer to Christ

Our parish is so blessed to have an incredible group of young adults & adults who work with our fiat high school youth ministry program. This group tirelessly works to lead our teens closer to Christ – through facilitating small groups, running activities, planning events, building relationships with our high school students, and so much more.

If you are interested in learning more or joining the team, please contact Caitlin Arbogast at CArbogast@StAmbrose.us or 330.460.7387.



fiat Kick-Off

Kick off the fall semester with fiat on Sunday September 18th following the 5 pm Mass until 8 pm – join us for a parking lot party with great food, prizes, new friends and much more!

fiat Nights Every Sunday from 6-8 pm following 5 pm Mass.

XLT All are welcome to join us for XLT (Exalt!) Nights – evenings of Eucharistic Adoration with praise & worship music. Join us this fall on October 23 and November 27 at 7pm in the Church!

join the journey



JOURNEY TO Emmaus

SAINT AMBROSE CATHOLIC PARISH

*"With that, their eyes were opened
and they recognized him."*

— LUKE 24:31

SAINT AMBROSE PARISH

**Invites You to
Join the RCIA Journey**

RCIA, the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is for people interested in learning about our Catholic faith and traditions as a means to discern if God is calling you to become Catholic.

Questions & Information

If you would like to learn more, please visit StAmbrose.us/Journey-to-Emmaus or do not hesitate to contact Janet Majka at JMajka@StAmbrose.us or 330.460.7321.

The Carr Quadruplets

On the Journey at Saint Ambrose

Meet the Carr boys: Kenny, Griffin, Colton, and Bentley. The Carrs have been members of Saint Ambrose all of their lives. In 2013, they were baptized here and along with many of their friends, they made their First Communion at Saint Ambrose this past spring. Their catechist, Ms. Rebecca Kaaikaula shares that "it was a pleasure to have the Carr boys in my First Communion Sacramental Preparation class. Each of them brought something uniquely wonderful to the time we had together. My favorite memories of having them as my students are when they shared with us their prayer intentions at the beginning of each class. Whether praying for their grandmother's dog or another classmate, they were truly genuine in their prayers."

We are so excited that the boys will continue their spiritual journey with us this fall as they begin another year of PSR here at Saint Ambrose. Their faith formation is very important to their mom Lindsay who says that she wants them to keep "learning about God and his teachings so that they will always welcome Him into their lives." The boys also attend Sunday Mass as much as possible with their grandmother and long-time Saint Ambrose member, Carla. A fellow member says, "I love seeing the boys with their grandmother and you can't miss them because they are so adorable and well-behaved. It is truly amazing that she brings them to Mass...it shows what a blessed relationship they have with her."





Route 66 Senior Ministry

Join us for Fall Opportunities

We have so much planned for our seniors, it's like being a kid again! We plan our events on different days and at different times to accommodate the schedules of our busy seniors.



Socials – Bring your friends, connect with old ones, or make some new ones. We theme our fun and food, too!

Lunch & Learns – Enjoy a light lunch, learn something new, or take part in a fun craft.

Rec/Fit/Fun – This is our evening programming designed for seniors who are unavailable during the day. Something different is planned each month such as hiking, line dancing, painting, pickle ball, fishing, croquet, and much more!

Bus Trips – We are planning an autumn leaf trip and a winery tour for October. Our recent trips include Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens, Cleveland Museum of Art, Cleveland Cultural Gardens, and the Asian Lantern Festival at Cleveland Metroparks Zoo.

Please email Joyce to be on our bus list!
JOsowski@StAmbrose.us

Look for our long-range schedule that is published on our webpage, StAmbrose.us/Seniors. If you have any questions, or to learn more, please contact Joyce at JOsowski@StAmbrose.us or call 330.460.7341 and leave a message.



"You are fearfully and wonderfully made." - PSALM 139:14

StA Women's Guild
 invites you to our

Ladies' Fall Harvest Luncheon

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2022

PRAYER SERVICE AT 10:00 AM IN THE CHAPEL
 LUNCHEON AT 11:00 AM IN HILKERT HALL

\$30 TICKET INCLUDES:

- 5-COURSE LUNCH SERVICE.
- LIVE MUSIC BY "T" AND RICH DUELING PIANOS.
- 1 ENTRY INTO THE RAFFLE BASKET DRAWING.

Please note the following:

- Reserved seating can only be guaranteed when you purchase 6+ tickets in one transaction at the PLC Office.
- We cannot accommodate ticket refunds.

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Knights of Columbus

Save the Dates

Memorial of the Resurrection: September 10

Chain of Life: October 12, following the noon Mass at Saint Ambrose Parish

Bus Trip to Pro-Life March in Columbus, Ohio: October 5

Watch the bulletins or contact Marty Shaw at mshaw603@gmail.com for more details about any of these Knights of Columbus events.



CATHOLIC FAMILY DAY

AT PROGRESSIVE FIELD

SPECIAL OFFER

Join us for a special pregame
Mass in the stadium before
the Guardians take on the
Royals!

TICKETS:

tinyurl.com/CLECFD22

Promo Code: baseball

OCTOBER 2 VS
ROYALS

Outfield Club: \$80

Lower Box: \$28

Family Deck: \$23

Upper Box: \$19

Upper Bleachers: \$14



11:00 am

Right Field Gate Opens

11:30 am

Mass with Father Bob Stec
and Saint Ambrose Adult Choir

12:30 pm

Game Gates Open

1:40 pm

Guardians take on the Royals

Help with BINGO!

It's great FUN! Bring a friend!

Bingo Volunteers are always needed to help make the night a great success for our parish and school. Please consider signing up for a 2-hour slot at www.StAmbrose.us/BINGO.

September 2

Labor Day Weekend

Fresh Burgers off the Grill,
chips & pasta salad!

One FREE Bonus Jackpot
with the purchase of
three or more 9-ons.

September 16

\$1 Handcut Fries +

FREE Ice Cream Treat

FREE Small Lightning
with the purchase of one
or more Marker Madness.

5:00PM DOORS OPEN
7:00PM BINGO BEGINS

Neon BINGO!

October 22

DJ and Music, Black Lights,
Minute-to-Win-It Games & Instant!

TICKETS: \$35

Limited to 300 People

Includes all BINGO Games,
Neon Dauber & Dinner

Autumn Dinner!

Chili, corn bread, & warm
apple crisp with ice cream!

**Purchase tickets at
Saint Ambrose Office.**

Contact Melissa with questions
at MLute@StAmbrose.us.



**ADDITIONAL FALL
BINGO DATES!**

Friday, October 7

Friday, October 21

Friday, November 4

Friday, November 18

Saint Ambrose
Athletic Boosters
Night
AT THE **Races**

NOVEMBER 19, 2022

Support our Young Athletes!

Stay tuned, more details to come.

StAmbrose.us/Night-at-the-Races



The Warmth Project

Since 2015, we have been collecting winter gear to distribute to our brothers and sisters in the Clark Fulton/Stockyards neighborhood in Cleveland. The need is greater than ever this year, as we will support current residents and Cleveland school families, as well as many immigrants coming in to call Cleveland their home this fall/winter.

Donations of new or gently used and washed coats, hats, gloves, scarves, and warm socks for all ages and sizes; from babies to adults, boys and girls, men and women!

Monetary donations can be made to: 'OneHopeNEO' and mailed to 929 Pearl Road, Brunswick, OH 44212.

Bring warmth and happiness!

VOLUNTEERS! If you would like to assist in sorting and/or distributing, please email avwarmthproject@gmail.com.



Drop off by November 12 to Saint Ambrose Parish

OneHopeNEO.org/Warmth-Project



"ZUMBA ZOE"

presents

DANCE FITNEZZ
AT SAINT AMBROSE

Tuesdays, 6:30 pm

Hilkert Gym

For ages 6-60, come for a full body dance workout that is synchronized to music.



WOMEN'S GUILD

Annual Christmas Boutique

Save the Dates!
November 12-13, 2022



SCOUT



ME IN™

You're Invited!

Pack 3513 invites boys and girls in grades K - 5 to come check out the fun in Cub Scouts! Join us on **September 7 at 6:30 pm, here at Saint Ambrose**. Bring a friend with you! For more information, please reach out to Carla Karla at ckarla@icloud.com or at 216.401.7263.



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SAINT AMBROSE

Autumn Harvest Festival

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8

Great Family Event
5:00-8:00PM

5:00pm Outdoor Mass in the Grotto
followed by outdoor fun & food!

Meal including hotdogs, chips & drink.

Crafts • Corn Maze • Pumpkin Bowling
Music & Entertainment

Autumn Backdrop for Family Photos!

Please bring your own chairs & blankets.

**FREE
FAMILY
EVENT!**

