



SAINT AMBROSE  
CATHOLIC PARISH

October 8, 2023



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*Come to the Table of the Lord this fall, and every day!*

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## FIRST LOOK • Parish Events this Week

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

- 1:30 pm Pet Blessing (Hilkert Courtyard)  
5:00 pm fiat Mass & Night (Church & Hilkert Hall)

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 9

- 9:00 am Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)  
11:00 am Divine Mercy Cenacle (LC Matthew)  
1:00 pm Rosary for Priests & Seminarians (Chapel)  
4:00 pm PB&J Brigade (Mother Teresa)  
5:30 pm Women's AA Meeting (LC John)  
6:45 pm Social Justice Group (Mother Teresa)  
7:00 pm Divine Mercy Cenacle (LC Matthew)  
7:30 pm Benediction (Chapel)

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10

- 9:00 am GriefShare Meeting (LC Fr. McGivney)  
9:30 am Walking w/Purpose (Mother Teresa)  
2:00 pm Catholic Charities Counseling (LC Matthew)  
4:00 pm PB&J Brigade (Hilkert 4)  
6:00 pm Mission Possible Mtg. (LC Fr. McGivney)  
6:30 pm Walking w/Purpose (Hilkert Hall)  
6:30 pm Healing Hearts (LC Mark)  
7:00 pm PPC Meeting (Mother Teresa)  
7:30 pm Boy Scouts' Meeting (SAS Room 201)  
9:00 pm Men's Rec Basketball (Hilkert Gym)

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11

- 9:00 am Route 66 Yoga (Mother Teresa)  
10:00 am The Bible Timeline (Mother Teresa)  
10:00 am Women's Guild Crafts (LC Fr. McGivney)  
1:30 pm Book Club (LC Fr. McGivney)  
4:00 pm PB&J Brigade (Hilkert 4)  
5:00 pm Centering Prayer (John Paul II)

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11 CONTINUED

- 6:00 pm CWM Food Distro (CWM Outreach Center)  
6:00 pm Cub Scout Den Meeting (Mother Teresa)  
6:00 pm Dance Fitnezz (Hilkert Gym)  
6:30 pm Divorce Care for Kids Meeting (LC Luke)  
6:30 pm Divorce Care Meeting (LC Mark)  
7:00 pm Dennis Dives Into the Word (LC John)  
7:00 pm GriefShare Meeting (LC Fr. McGivney)  
7:00 pm Women's Guild Meeting (Hilkert Hall)  
7:00 pm 33 Days to Morning Glory (LC Matthew)

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12

- 10:30 am Prayer Shawl Ministry (LC Matthew)  
4:00 pm PB&J Brigade (Hilkert 4)  
6:00 pm Weekly Reconciliation (Church)  
6:00 pm Infant of Prague Guild Meeting (LC Luke)  
6:00 pm Legion of Mary Rosary (Chapel)  
6:15 pm Sitting with Scripture (Virtual)  
6:30 pm Route 66 Pickleball & Chili (Hilkert Gym)  
7:00 pm Mental Health Presentation (Hilkert Hall)  
7:00 pm The Bible Timeline (Mother Teresa)  
9:00 pm Men's Rec Basketball (Hilkert Gym)

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13

- 6:00 pm Love Dare Marriage (Mother Teresa)  
7:00 pm Ukraine Dinner (Hilkert Hall)

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14

- 8:30 am Men's Breakfast (Mother Teresa)  
9:00 am Women's AA Meeting (LC Fr. McGivney)  
12:00 pm Young Adults' Retreat (Lehner Center)  
5:00 pm Brunswick Chili Cook Off (Hilkert Gym)

For more event details, visit [StAmbrose.us/Events](http://StAmbrose.us/Events).



## Dennis Dives Into the Word

Wednesdays, 7:00-8:30 pm at Saint Ambrose  
Beginning October 11th

Join Dennis Koeth as he dives into God's Word. Dennis will lead his group as they discuss an array of topics and look to the Bible for answers. This is a topic-driven Bible study. Each meeting begins with prayer as we ask for the Holy Spirit to guide our discussions. Participants are asked to bring their Bible.

Additional Dates: 11/8 • 11/29 • 1/10 • 1/31 • 2/21 • 3/13 • 4/3

Visit [StAmbrose.us/AFF](http://StAmbrose.us/AFF) to register

## StA monthly men's breakfast



Saturday, October 14, 8:30 am in the Mother Teresa Room

RSVP at [StAmbrose.us/Mens-Breakfasts](http://StAmbrose.us/Mens-Breakfasts)

## Eucharistic Adoration

Adored By the Faithful

Mondays, 9:00 am - 7:30 pm, in the Chapel.

Drop by or sign up at [StAmbrose.us/Adoration](http://StAmbrose.us/Adoration).



## Benediction

Our Lord is Truly Present

Come experience His Divine presence, **every**

**Monday, at 7:30 pm in the Chapel.**



## PARISH NEWS • Letter from Our Pastor

...**"Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing what you have learned and received and heard and seen in me. Then the God of peace will be with you."** Our second reading this weekend from Paul's letter to the Philippians is a beautiful, prayerful reflection for each of us. We need to seek the more excellent way – the way of the Lord. This week we will see what is most 'lovely' in God's creation with the beautiful autumn leaves. They are glorious and beautiful. It is also a powerful reminder of the creative power of God. The autumn leaves paint a picture of the beauty of God's creation. **Take some time this week to 'soak in' the beauty of God's creation – pure and lovely and gracious.**

...Last Wednesday Pope Francis began the Synod on Synodality. The Pope used an image of an orchestra to create a vision of both the synod and the Church at its best moments. When all the instruments play together, it creates something so lovely and beautiful. The autumn leaves are another example of God's vision. Each leaf is unique and radiant and beautiful. When you put them together, it creates something even more beautiful and lovely. **Please pray for all involved in the Synod.**

...As we celebrate **the Feast of Saint Francis (October 4)**, we are blessed to have our Noah's Ark Ministry with us this weekend doing a collection for animal shelters and pet rescues. They will be in the courtyard on Sunday morning. On Sunday afternoon at 1:30 pm, please bring your favorite pet(s) to the courtyard for the annual Pet Blessing. Nathan Frankart (our seminarian intern) and I will work our way through the courtyard (and any cars in the parking lot) asking God to bless your pets. All creatures of our God and King...lift up your voice...and Praise God.

...I am writing this shortly after the busses returned from our Bus Trip to Noah's Ark. They all had an amazing time together visiting new sites, learning about the Ark, and mostly enjoying friendship and the beauty of God's creation. Special thanks to Vita Schmidt and Mary Jo Halenar, along with Deb McCready, for putting together these wonderful journeys. I know they have lined up a great trip for December. Watch for the details. **It's a great way to see new things, have an enjoyable day, stay safe on the road, and share the journey with amazing people.**

...I often say there's a food flavor for everyone at Saint Ambrose. **This coming Friday we are blessed to welcome Alex**

**Kuzma, President of the Ukrainian Catholic Foundation** to our parish for a special dinner and presentation on the "State of the Ukraine". Alex recently returned from the Ukraine and the University they sponsor there. **Come and enjoy some good Ukrainian food, stand in solidarity with so many working and supporting the Ukrainian refugees in the US, and learn about the state of the war first hand. All are welcome.** All we need is an RSVP to [www.OneHopeNEO.org/ukrainedinner](http://www.OneHopeNEO.org/ukrainedinner).

...**On Saturday evening we are blessed to host the Brunswick Chili Cook-off.** Come for amazing Chili, support research for Pediatric Cancer, and enjoy good friendship. For those who come to the 4:30 pm Mass on Saturday, it's a great way to have an amazing dinner. See today's bulletin for all the details. Invite your family and friends and neighbors.

...Mental Health is a real concern in our country and in our community. We are blessed to have a strong Mental Health Ministry that continues to offer support and programs for education and awareness. This coming **Thursday night we are blessed to welcome John Vitek from Springtide Research** to present the data and research on the challenges of mental health as it impacts our junior high, high school and college age community. Every parent and grandparent needs to learn about the challenges facing our teens and 20-somethings. **All are encouraged to join us on Thursday at 7 pm in Hilkert Hall.** Spread the word. This is truly an important issue facing our families.

...Calling all Couples!!! Sweetest Day is coming soon – Saturday, October 21, 2023. Our Marriage Ministry Team is sponsoring an amazing couple's night out. **Come for heavy appetizers, amazing desserts, beautiful music and wonderful people – the recipe for a perfect Sweetest Day Date Night.** All you need to do is RSVP. Guys... you will be heroes if you bring your wife to this amazing night out. Invite your family and neighbors to join you on Sweetest Day Date Night at Saint Ambrose.

...We are inviting **all New Drivers** to join us this Sunday at 10:30 am or 5 pm Mass for a New Driver Blessing. It's a wonderful way for all us to ask God to keep all our new drivers safe on the journey.

...If you are one of the hundreds of people who read our bulletin online on Thursday and Friday, don't forget that **this Saturday, October 7 is our Autumn Harvest Festival.** It's a great family night out for our parish family. Join us for Mass at the Grotto at 5 pm followed by family food, music, inflatables, pumpkin bowling and so much more. **Please join us.**

...**This Tuesday the priests of the diocese**

**will gather together for our annual convocation.** We will be discussing how we can best address the pastoral needs of our Church given all the challenges of vocations and pastoral needs. **Please keep us in your prayers.** May many more of our young people hear the call to priesthood and consecrated life. Please pray that some of the men in our community will open their hearts to consider the call to serve as a deacon.

...This past week we had a Staff Prayer Service at the Grotto. **It was such a blessing to stand among so many good people who work so hard for the Lord and our parish community.** It was beautiful to stand amid the autumn colors. It was humbling to stand reflecting on the outstretched arms of Christ who continues to call us and invite us to fullness of life and goodness in the Lord. It was a moment of God's graciousness and God's peace.

...**In this year of Eucharistic Revival, Trapper Jack will be giving a talk at Saint Colette on Wednesday night at 7 pm.** Trapper has a strong faith and reflects passionately on the gift of the Eucharist. All are welcome.

...We are working on collecting coats for Project Warmth. There are thousands of young people and adults who need winter gear. **As you transition from summer to fall, if you can, please take a few minutes to check the closets for any gently used coats, hats and gloves** and bring them to the Parish Office or the entries of the Church. **Help us spread the word to your family, friends and co-workers.** If everyone simply cleans out their closets, we will have enough to spread the warmth of Christ to those in need.

...Special thanks to our Catholic Works of Mercy Team for ALL the good work they do every day and always. **Next weekend is Blanket Sunday.** They are always so grateful for your support. Together we are the hands, feet, and heart of Christ to those most in need.

...In today's bulletin you will find a card listing some of the ministries in our parish community that can really use your help. **Please take a few minutes to prayerfully consider a way to serve.** All of us working together will continue to help us care for our community and continue the work of the Lord.

...Take some time to enjoy the beauty of these autumn days. God bless you abundantly for all your goodness. **Be assured of my daily prayers.**



# INTENTIONS • Remembrance & Gratitude

## Saint Ambrose Masses & Services Week of October 1, 2023

### Schedule & Intentions

**Monday, Wednesday, and Friday:** 8:15 am

**Thursday:** 5:30 pm

**Saturday:** 4:30 pm and 8:15 am (Mass on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month, Prayer Service in the Chapel on the other Saturdays)

**Sunday:** 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 pm, and 5:00 pm

#### Sunday, October 8 | 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am † Philip Calabrese (Cindy Sekerak)

AH

9:00 am † Kathleen Snider (The Crabbs Family)

AH

10:30 am † William Gallagher (Scotta Family & Elizabeth Gallagher)

RS

12:00 pm † Nada Kovacic (Joanne Schaffner)

RS

5:00 pm Debra Godfrey (Christopher Wiseman)

DS

#### Monday, October 9 | St. Denis & Companions, St. John Leonardi

8:15 am † Tony Luna (Helen Lanzarotta)

5:30 pm *Prayer Service in the Chapel*

#### Tuesday, October 10

8:15 am *Prayer Service in the Church*

#### Wednesday, October 11 | St. John XXIII

8:15 am † Lena Mannino (Mary Ann Passalacqua)

#### Thursday, October 12

8:15 am *Prayer Service in the Church*

5:30 pm † Larry Lasker (Wife)

#### Friday, October 13

8:15 am † Joe & Magdalena Lanzarotta (Family)

#### Saturday, October 14 | St. Callistus I, Memorial of Blessed Virgin Mary

8:15 am *Prayer Service in the Chapel*

4:30 pm † Mark & Larry Lanning (Janet Lanning)

RS

#### Sunday, October 15 | 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am † Trevor James Pacek (Frank & Sharon Pacek)

AH

9:00 am † Neff & Pipak Families (Family)

RS

10:30 am † Onay Ramos (Mom, Beth & Annabelle)

RS

12:00 pm † Virginia Koenig (Dee Dee Koenig)

RS

5:00 pm † Joseph Maleski (James and Devin Chesna)

AH

## Saint Colette Parish Masses

### Attend a Mass at Our Sister Parish



**Tuesday and Thursday:** 11:00 am

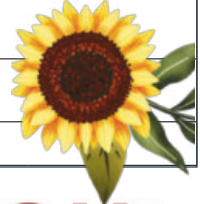
**Saturday Vigil:** 4:00 pm

**Sunday:** 8:00 am, 10:00 am, and 11:45 am

### Confession & Home Visits

Call the PLC Office at  
330.460.7300 to schedule.

	Oct. 1, 2023	Jul. 1, 2023 to Oct. 1, 2023	Jul. 1, 2022 to Oct. 2, 2022
Sunday Collection	\$ 48,485	\$ 556,358	\$ 512,387
Amount Needed	\$ (39,000)	\$ (546,000)	
Over / (Under)	\$ 9,485	\$ 10,358	
Building Fund	\$ 650	\$ 9,503	\$ 14,219
ACH Collection	\$ 4,142 (weekly) \$ 20,034		
Online Sunday Collection	\$ 1,797		
Children's Envelopes	\$ 214 from 24 envelopes		



**THANK YOU**  
for your generosity

### Generations of Faith | Campaign Update

<b>Total Pledged:</b>	\$ 4,653,451.29
<b>Total # of Gifts:</b>	819
<b>Deposits (week of Sep. 4):</b>	\$ 3,600.00
<b>Total Collected to Date:</b>	\$ 4,248,930.03

## Ways to Support Our Parish

- **Automatic giving** (for more information, contact Lynn Rogers at LRogers@StAmbrose.us).
- **Online** at StAmbrose.us/Donate.
- **By mail** (donations can be mailed to Saint Ambrose Parish, 929 Pearl Road, Brunswick, OH 44212).
- Drop your **collection envelope in the baskets** at the doors of the Church or at the Parish Office or in the secured mailbox.

## IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution

### Together for the Glory of God

If you are 70 ½ or older, you may be able to make a gift of a Qualified Charitable Distribution from your IRA that will help our parish and reduce your taxable income. **Talk to your advisors and IRA administrator for more information and to be sure that your IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution gift is made directly from an IRA to a qualified charity such as our parish.** Questions? Contact Jake Bihari at 216.215.5015 or JBihari@StAmbrose.us or visit StAmbrose.us/Endowment.

## LIFTING ONE ANOTHER • Prayers & Support

### We Pray for Our Sick

Andra	Tony	Ron DeMichael	Rosemary Kemper	John & Faith Nelson
Angie	Ted Beba	Jennifer Dupont	Agnes Knox	Andrew Nemec
Ann	Aubrey Beeson	Peggy Elston	Matt Koko	Joe Neura
Baby Beverlee	Gaylene Bielawski	Holdigard Fanslau	Dolores Kozlowski	Mary Ann Papay
Brandon	Lisa Bielawski	Barb Ferris	Theresa Krakora	Bob & Karen Pencek
Gary	Pixie Blake	Micah Galuzny	Jess Lahl	Judy Peskura
Greg	Melissa Boey	Cheryl Gazzo	Knox Lette	Ed Plitt
Joanie	Bossone Family	Dan Ginley	Dan Lewanski	Angela Polis
Josephine	Paula C.	Jeff Golan	Sharon Livingston	Mike Rieger
Josh	Diane Capretta	Richie Golan	Beatrice Longo	Mary Ann Riess
Karis	Marie Ceslewski	Donna H.	Rose Machor	Dorothy Rumas
Kim	Jeffrey Conrad	Barbara Harrison	Phyllis Marinelli	Andrew S.
Lindsey	Maureen Conway	Carol Heinle	Rita Miczak	Marge Sabados
Madeline	Christine Dabramo	Joan Howells	Trudy Miller	Gertrude Schmidt
Mason	Ken Daubert	Sandra Kaaikaula	Marty (Butch) Morisky	Joseph Schmidt
Russ	Diane Davenport	Bonnie Kaczynski	Louise Mould	Lorrie Sirocky
Ruthie	Tom De Masse	Robert Keller	Dan Murphy	Marian Swansinger



Linda Tackla  
Nash Taylor  
Gloria Tews  
Kristine Thorn  
Joyce Tomei  
Simon Tucker  
Lori Uhler  
Mark Vozar  
Kent Walter  
Russell Wolanin  
Debbie Wyatt  
Pat Zdotshek

### We Lift Up Those Battling Cancer

Jim	Charlotte Casselberry	Beth Gerding	Bob Klaehn	Lisa Mayfeld	Kim Saffle
Noah	Mary Cipollone	Mike Ginley	Daniel Klamert	Stacy McFarland	Terry Sawyer
Todd	Rosie Colucci	Jeff Golan	David Klem, Jr.	Mick McGinnis	Andy Stamper
Tyler	Megan Dauer	Vaughan Guzik	Joy Kowalski	Sandy Metzger	Jen Stancato
Erin Alan	Marcial De Leon	Robert Hirus	Joan Krall	Thomas Miller	Angelo Stavole
Jody Angelone	Mary De Santis	David Hoffman	Donna Kucera	Edward Morey	Dawn Swickheimer
Kimberly Ball	Steven Dearth	Mark Hogan	Kathy Kunkler	Tina Mounts	Shopp
Kari Ballish	Roger Droll	Donna Hvizdos	Joyce Lancaster	Barb Nofel	Jackie Symons
Mary Bauman	Kristen Eble	Melanie J.	J.D. Languth	Debra R.	Barbara Tescar
Fred Beba	Mary Ferritti	Bridgitte Jones	Dolores Lauerhahs	Jim Razzante	Dominic Trizio
Paula Berghauser	Barbara Fiala	Kathy K.	Jennifer Lazar	Eric Reeder	Jenny Vasel
Melissa Boring	Barbara Fischer	Clara Kalal	Terri Leitter	Allyson Reynes	Joanne Walsh
Debbie Burrell	Noah Forlini-Kotlarek	Mike Kalka	Carol Lersch	Cathy Ricciuto	Mary Jo Weihrouch
Rosanna Buttazzoni	Joseph Fuizzotti	Desh Kapur	Jill Lesiw	Corinne Rickabaugh	Debbie Wyatt
Gail Buttitta	Robert Gallik	Kim Kasicky	Michael Luks	Donald Rundle	Gary Zayas, Sr.
Shawn Calvey	Vince Gassi	Kathy Keglovich	Richard Malone	Karen Ryan	
Nora Carangio	Edward Gaus	Barbara Ann Kilarski	Helen Mancuso	Toni S.	

To have your loved one's name added to a prayer list, or to change the status of your loved one, email [Bulletin@StAmbrose.us](mailto:Bulletin@StAmbrose.us).  
If a name has been removed from a list and should be re-added, please email us this request.

## Support is Here at Saint Ambrose Parish.

### - TESTIMONY FROM A RECENT STEPHEN MINISTRY CARE RECEIVER -

**"Asking for a Stephen Minister is the best thing I could have done for myself. Stephen Ministry is transformational. As a care receiver, I would encourage anyone who is suffering, discouraged, or going through a difficult time to ask for a Stephen Minister. And, if someone offers a Stephen Minister to you, say 'Yes!' It truly will be life-changing."**



To get FREE and confidential support from trained Stephen Ministers, visit [StAmbrose.us/Stephen-Ministry](http://StAmbrose.us/Stephen-Ministry).



STEPHEN MINISTRY



# A HOME FOR ALL • *We Welcome with Joyful Hospitality*

## Liturgy Corner

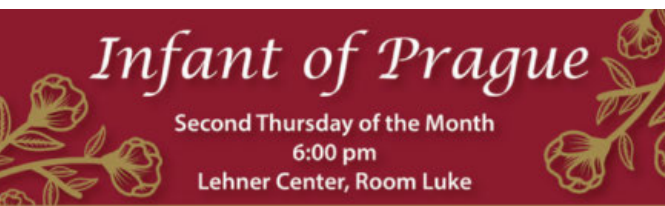
### Children's Offertory

Everyday children in our society are flooded with hundreds of advertising messages. For the most part these messages tell our children that they are not good enough unless they wear the 'right' clothes or have the 'best version.'

It is important that in Church our children hear a different message!

**Children need to hear the stewardship message**—that God has given them many unique and special gifts. They need to hear and know that Jesus loves them just as they are. Moreover, they need to realize that they have something to share with the rest of the world. At our Sunday Masses, the children are invited to bring their offerings and gifts and place them in the basket at the front of the altar. It is not to raise more money for our parish. The purpose is to teach the children the joy of giving and the fact that they need to be good stewards and give back to God out of gratitude for all that God has given to them.

For this reason, **we have Children's Offertory Envelopes** which will allow our children to place their own gifts to God, whether it's acts of kindness, praying for someone, or taking care of God's world.




### Infant of Prague

Second Thursday of the Month  
6:00 pm  
Lehner Center, Room Luke

The Infant of Prague Guild are Catholics who promote a deeper love of the Infant Jesus. This is accomplished through the recitation of the Chaplet of the Infant Jesus, teaching school children about the Child Jesus, and preparing small bags for those who are being Baptized. We are a newer ministry who are trying to reintroduce the beloved Infant to our parish.

Membership is open to all Catholics.  
Auxiliary members, (those unable to attend monthly meetings) commit to daily recitation of the chaplet.

Visit [StAmbrose.us/AFF](http://StAmbrose.us/AFF) for more information and to register.



## For Our Young Adults

### Come to Our Retreat Day!

Our fall retreat day is just around the corner! All young adults are invited to join us on **October 14** as we dive into the topic of friendship – what friendship really is, what we can learn from the Bible and the saints, and what it all teaches us about our friendship with Jesus. The day starts at **12:00 pm and ends at 8:00 pm** and includes lunch, dinner, Vigil Mass, and much more! Scan the QR code to RSVP.





### Ladies First!

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## Mark Your Calendar!

### Ladies First on October 24

We are thrilled to have **Jane Baldwin** in town to **speak to our lovely ladies!** Her topic is ***Staying Positive in a Negative World***. Come catch up with Jane and enjoy faith, food, and friendship on Tuesday, October 24 in the Mother Teresa Room at 6:45 pm. RSVP to [mathdenmom@aol.com](mailto:mathdenmom@aol.com) by Friday, October 20.

## Donut Sunday + Flu Shots

Sunday, October 21, 2023

Following all the morning and noon Masses in Hilkert Gym

*Our friends from Marc's, will be with us on Donut Sunday administering flu shots.*

*For more details, call the PLC Office at 330.460.7300*





## *For Our Seniors* Upcoming Events

**StAmbrose.us/Seniors**

Weekly Yoga is held in Mother Teresa (unless otherwise specified) on Wednesdays at 9:00 am.

### *Date Change!!! Pickleball & Chili*

**October 12 | 6:30 pm | Hilkert Gym**

The weather is turning colder and you know what that means? Pickleball returns at Saint Ambrose! We'll also throw in some chili to chase away the chills. RSVP to JOsowski@StAmbrose.us, so we know how much to make.

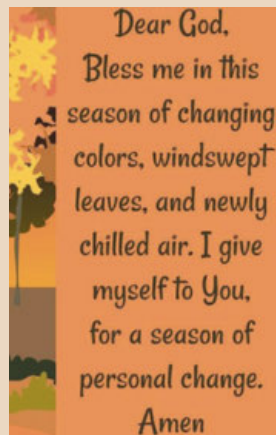


### *Lunch & Learn - Decluttering*

**October 19 | 11:00 am |**

**Mother Teresa Room**

This topic was well-received last time. If you missed it, or need a refresher course, join us for a humorous look at why we keep the stuff we do and some tips and tricks to getting rid of it! RSVP to JOsowski@StAmbrose.us.



### *Halloween Party*

**October 27 | 6:30 pm | Mother Teresa Room**

Costumes are encouraged but not mandatory. We'll have games, a craft, music, decorations, and of course food! RSVP to JOsowski@StAmbrose.us



## From our Parish Pastoral Council



### **You Asked...We Listened.**

#### **Who Is Parish Council?**

We are a consultative body to Father Bob, addressing the pastoral needs of Saint Ambrose Parish. The council is led by Father Bob, with 20 parishioner members, and two Pastoral staff. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday evening of each month.

#### **What Does Parish Council Do?**

In the past year and a half, discussions centered on post COVID pastoral needs. The "Best Idea" initiative and website link resulted from these discussions. Over 150 ideas were submitted by February 2023! "Think Tank" sessions were held in early 2023 where we reviewed the ideas with parish members. A lot of best actions and attitudes observed at Saint Ambrose were also identified during these sessions, and a graphic, (I.C.E) was created to illustrate these best practices.

#### **What happened to the Best Ideas?**

All 150 Best Ideas were placed into categories such as Community, Family, Youth, Education, Liturgy, etc. Ideas were then prioritized and forwarded for further investigation/action to appropriate parties. Here are some of the "Best Ideas" that are in-progress or that have happened here at Saint Ambrose:

#### **Family/Couples Category**

Outdoor Movie Nights  
Autumn Family Events  
Service Projects

Couples' Date Nights  
Mental Health Presentations  
Teaching Masses

#### **Liturgy/Sacraments**

Eucharistic Revival  
Devotions  
Outdoor Masses

Mini Missions  
Weekly Reconciliation

#### **What about I.C.E. Best Practices?**

Parish Pastoral Council representatives are taking the autumn season to visit parish ministries and groups to offer their support to ministries.

#### **Tune in again next week!**

We'll update you on the other categories (Community, Youth, and Education) and how YOUR Best Ideas were applied and set in motion.

#### **Interested in joining PPC?**

Attend our next meeting on **Wednesday, October 12, at 7:00 pm in the Mother Teresa Room**. Or if you can't attend that meeting but still want to become a member, email MHalenar@StAmbrose.us.





# SAINT AMBROSE SCHOOL • Follow God!

## Dear Parish Family,

### LAUNCH TIME!

We were excited to launch our ONE BOOK ONE SCHOOL project this past week! Our entire school family will be reading "Rover's Story" from K-8! We celebrated with a school spirit assembly and building rovers! Our 8th-grade students engineered and launched rockets this past week! We are leading the way in literacy and engineering and are excited for our launch!

### ANGELS GOLF AND GIVE THANK YOU!

Many thanks to our parish and school community for their generous support of our Golf and Give Outing, and Golf Ball Drop! We have 12 winners for the Golf Ball Raffle who have been notified! This is one of 3 Key Fundraisers for Saint Ambrose School. Thank you for helping to make SAS accessible to families! We raised over \$70,000 and monies are still coming in! If you would like to make a tax-deductible donation to Saint Ambrose School, please visit SaintAmbroseSchool.us to donate online at any time, or contact our Institutional Advancement Office at 330.460.7318 for further information.

### HARVEST FESTIVAL PUMPKINS AND HAY BALES FOR SALE TO SUPPORT 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

Join us at the Harvest Festival and after Masses on Sunday to purchase remaining pumpkins, hay bales, mums, and cornstalks for your fall decorations/decorating/decor! Our 8th-grade students and families are selling these as a fundraiser to offset costs for the spring educational field trip to Philadelphia! Cash and Venmo are accepted for payment. Thank you for your support!

### RSVP TO JOIN US FOR OPEN HOUSE ON NOVEMBER 5TH!

We are excited to kick off the admissions season for the 2024-2025 school year! Please RSVP online to join us in person on Sunday, November 5th at both our preschool and K-8 campuses! EdChoice Scholarships have expanded and are available for every K-8 student!

Joyfully,

Lisa Cinadr, Principal



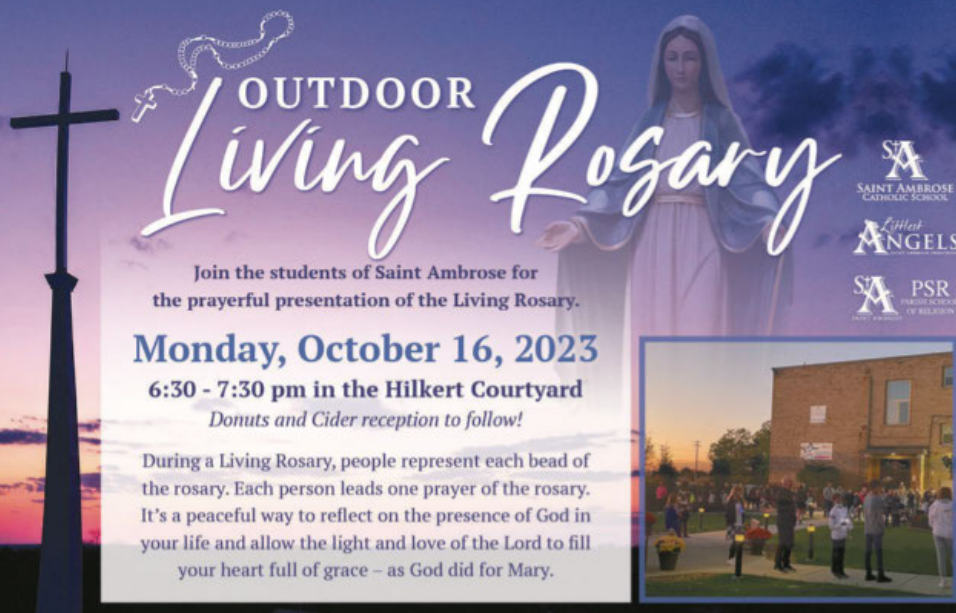


**Fall Open House**  
Preschool - 8th Grade  
**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2023**  
10:00 am - 12:30 pm  
Tour our preschool and K-8 campus,  
and meet our teachers!

**Save the Dates**  
Kindergarten  
**Parent Information Night**  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2023  
6:30 - 8:00 pm (Virtual)

**Preschool Parent Information Night**  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2023  
6:30 - 7:30 pm (Virtual)

RSVP for Admissions Events at  
[www.SaintAmbroseSchool.us](http://www.SaintAmbroseSchool.us)







**OUTDOOR Living Rosary**

Join the students of Saint Ambrose for the prayerful presentation of the Living Rosary.

**Monday, October 16, 2023**  
6:30 - 7:30 pm in the Hilkert Courtyard  
Donuts and Cider reception to follow!

During a Living Rosary, people represent each bead of the rosary. Each person leads one prayer of the rosary. It's a peaceful way to reflect on the presence of God in your life and allow the light and love of the Lord to fill your heart full of grace – as God did for Mary.





## Parish School of Religion

### October Schedule

There will be **NO CLASS** on **Monday, October 30** due to Brunswick Family Night. Enjoy spending meaningful time with your family.

Our Special Ed PSR program kicks off on **Saturday, October 14 at 8:00 am in the Lehner Center**. To learn more about our program, email [JMajka@StAmbrose.us](mailto:JMajka@StAmbrose.us).

Our Family of Faith October Session will be held on **Saturday, October 14 in the Lehner Center beginning at 9:30 am**.

### Meet a Catechist: Mrs. Patty Briggs

Patty grew up in Brunswick and attended Saint Ambrose as a child. She returned in 2003 after getting married. Patty shares with us that she enjoys spending lots of time watching her son on the baseball field, and loves finding new biographies to read.

Patty began helping in PSR when her son was in first grade. She says, *"In my five years of helping with PSR and Vacation Bible School, my own faith life has been enriched beyond measure. After a few years away, I am thrilled to be helping with PSR again."* And, we are very happy to have her!



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**Attention,  
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Groups!**

Don't forget – **small groups meet this week!** We can't wait to see everyone at your scheduled small group time in the Lehner Center!

high school youth ministry		
OCTOBER 2023		
DATE	WHEN/WHERE	EVENT
10.8	10:30am & 5pm	New Driver Blessing @ Mass
10.8	6-8pm, Hilkert	fiat night
10.11	8-9pm, lounge	fiat 1:38
10.15	6-8pm, Hilkert	fiat night
10.22	5-8pm, Church & Hilkert Hall	Confirmation Rite of Enrollment
10.25	8-9pm, lounge	fiat 1:38
10.27	6-8pm, outside	Parish Trick or Treat Event
10.29	6-8pm, Hilkert	fiat night

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for details, sign up links & more, visit:  
[www.StAmbrose.us/fiat](http://www.StAmbrose.us/fiat)



## Community Day of Service

Come join us after school on **Friday, November 3** for an afternoon of serving our community, followed by pizza and a bonfire. Visit [StAmbrose.us/ABLAZE](http://StAmbrose.us/ABLAZE) to register!

*"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others." -1 PETER 4:10*

## ABLAZE Night - Sunday, October 22

Who is Jesus, really? How does that whole 100% human/100% divine thing really work? Come join us for an awesome evening of diving deeper into our relationship with Jesus. Meet us in the **Mother Teresa Room, at 6:00 pm** for pizza, fun, and faith. Bring a friend and be entered into the amazing GIFT CARD RAFFLE (Chipotle, Sephora, Chick-fil-A, and more)!



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### The Time to Know is Now

#### Knowing How Is Key

Join us in **Hilkert Hall** on **Thursday, October 12, at 7:00 pm** for a **highly informative presentation by Springtide Research**. They will be presenting the best research on our teens and young adults. Don't miss this opportunity and plan to take even just an hour to **hear and learn more about important information regarding the challenges your junior high, high school and college students are facing and how you can best help them to overcome these obstacles.**



#### COUNSELING HERE AT SAINT AMBROSE PARISH

We are blessed to collaborate with Catholic Charities to have Outpatient Mental Health Services available right here at Saint Ambrose Parish - so that they can "Provide Help, Create Hope" for our members, too!

Life is faced with many challenges and often times having someone to talk through things helps a great deal. Catholic Charities offers comprehensive assessment services, as well as counseling services. They have licensed staff trained to assist in the healing and recovery process associated with depression, anxiety, stress, and relationship issues (including family and marriage counseling). Please call 330.723.9615 to schedule your appointment. Appointments can be set up for when a Catholic Charities counselor is at our parish, every Tuesday between the hours of 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm.

Catholic Charities accepts credit cards, Medicaid, Medicare, and private insurance. They also offer a sliding fee scale to those who qualify.



#### Donna Bonvissuto, LPC

Donna has been a Catholic Charities counselor for the past 17 years. She has experience working with adults and teens who are coping with depression, anxiety, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, and/or family stresses and issues. She is happy to be at the Saint Ambrose site, helping the Brunswick community. Donna works to find people's strengths and builds on them in therapy. She enjoys getting to know each one of her clients and their unique talents, history, and goals for their future. In addition, Donna is hopeful that young people will choose counseling as a profession, as we will always need counselors and social workers and others in the helping professions.



Please join us!

### UNITED FOR Ukraine



**October 13, 2023**  
**6:00 pm | Dinner at 6:45 pm**  
**Saint Ambrose Parish**

Join us for **dinner, music, and entertainment** as we celebrate those that have supported our friends in need, reaffirm our commitment to this vital cause, and identify ways that we can work together to magnify our impact.

RSVP at [www.onehopeneo.org/ukrainedinner](http://www.onehopeneo.org/ukrainedinner)

### Battle of Brunswick CHILI COOK-OFF!

**SATURDAY**  
**OCTOBER 14, 2023**

**5:00 - 8:00 pm**

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- \$5** Extra Bowl of Chili
- \$10** Take Home Container of Chili

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### Fill the Crib

#### Help Us Help Others!

The Gabriel Project and Culture of Life will hold our annual Fill the Crib collection drive **throughout the month of October**. We need donations of the items listed to the right. Gift cards/monetary contributions can be made to the Gabriel Project at Saint Ambrose Parish only. All items should be new. Flyers are available in the cribs that will be situated at the entrances of Saint Ambrose Church. For more information about the Gabriel Project, visit [StAmbrose.us/Gabriel-Project](http://StAmbrose.us/Gabriel-Project).

- ~ Diapers, sizes newborn - 7
- ~ Pull-Ups, 2T-3T and 4T-5T
- ~ Wipes
- ~ Baby Wash
- ~ Baby Lotion



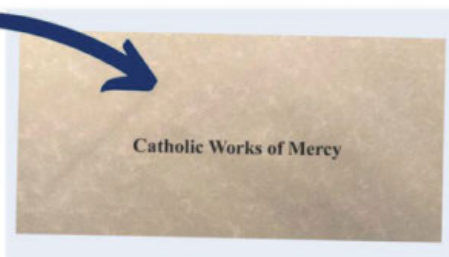


## CATHOLIC WORKS OF MERCY BLANKET SUNDAY

October  
14 & 15, 2023



Don't forget to turn in your CWM envelope from last weekend's bulletin! Or, donate NEW blankets, sheet sets, pillow cases, towels, wash clothes, and/or throws on October 14-15 at Saint Ambrose. Additional envelopes will be available at the collection truck next weekend.



## Prayers & Gratitude to Our Members Serving in the Armed Forces

**CPT** Joseph Adams, *Marine Corps*  
**MN3** Garret Anderson, *Navy*  
**SPCL** Andrew Bajusz, *National Guard*  
**SSGT** Kurt Becka, *Air Force*  
**A1C** Tigan Braskie, *Air Force*  
**LCPL** Morgan Butas, *Marine Corps*  
**E1** Simon Claypool, *Marine Corps*  
**CPT** Michael Duniec, *Air Force*  
**LT** Dr. Ryan Fashempour, *Navy*  
**PFC** Tyler Faught, *Army*  
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**LCDR** Serena Gerfy, *Navy*  
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**CDR** Philip Starcovic, *Navy*  
**MDN3/C** Mollie Stracensky, *Navy*  
**SrA** Nathaniel Taylor, *Air Force*  
**CPT** Zachary Taylor, *Marine Corps*  
**CADET** Adam Wegas, *Army*  
**SrA** William Wiener, *Air Force*  
**A1C** Paige Zoltowski, *Air Force*

Put your loved one's **name, rank, and branch of service** at [StAmbrose.us/Military](https://StAmbrose.us/Military) so that they can be included on this prayer list.

## Military Messages Ministry

### Small Deeds Done with the Greatest of Love

Our Military Messages Ministry invites you to become a Prayer Warrior, Military Messenger, or to give support for postage, stationery, yellow ribbons, and more. Visit [StAmbrose.us/Military](https://StAmbrose.us/Military) to learn more.

## In Loving Memory



### Elaine Vectirelis

Mother of David Vectirelis

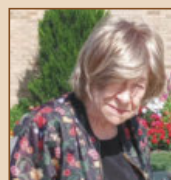
December 15, 1936 - October 1, 2023



### Tom Poturica

Husband of Becky Poturica

February 8, 1952 - October 1, 2023



### Jane Bast

Aunt of Molly Bast

February 12, 1934 - October 2, 2023

To have your loved one to appear in the "In Loving Memory" section, call the PLC Office at 330.460.7300.

## - SACRAMENTS -

### Newly Baptized

Abigail Holly Jackson

Isla Elaine McGreer

We want to welcome your child to the Waters of Baptism! Visit [StAmbrose.us/Baptism](http://StAmbrose.us/Baptism) to start planning your child's baptism at Saint Ambrose Parish.

### Marriage Banns



III - Christian Lopez and Rachel Huttner

I - Brian Short and Rebecca Horejsei

I - Samuel Nagle and Mikaela Faus

Are you recently engaged? Plan your wedding with us! Get started planning one of the most special moments of your life by checking out many great resources at [StAmbrose.us/Wedding](http://StAmbrose.us/Wedding).

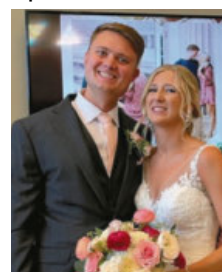


### Just Married

Congratulations to **Mr. & Mrs. Joseph and Taylor Zbiegien**, married on September 29, 2023!



Congratulations to **Mr. & Mrs. Luke and Ellen Mennen**, married on September 30, 2023!



### Grief Support

#### Catholic Cemeteries Association

**Free, safe, and compassionate** monthly (in-person or virtual) meetings are available on 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month except where a holiday falls, then we meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Meetings are open discussion, surrounding a monthly topic or whatever is on your heart. **The October 15 topics are "All Saints-All Souls Days" and "Children's Grief Awareness."**

For more details such as location information and to register, visit [www.clecem.org/Information/Bereavement](http://www.clecem.org/Information/Bereavement) or contact Rhonda at 216.930.4866.



**Bus Trip** Save the Date!  
*Christmas Holiday Tour*  
**Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup>**

Join us for **Mass** at Saint Ambrose (on our Feast Day). Additional highlights include **lunch, shopping and lights!** It's sure to be another wonderful time together with your friends from Saint Ambrose!



### Anniversaries

Congratulations to **Mr. & Mrs. Michael and Michele Began** who celebrated their 15<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on October 4!

Congratulations to **Mr. & Mrs. Rich and Ann Marie Malone** who celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on October 6!

Congratulations to **Mr. & Mrs. Thomas and Kathlene McDonough** who celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on October 6!





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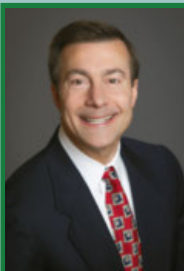
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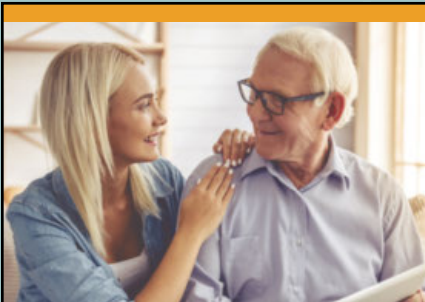


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**Chili Cook Off**  
October 14

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**- Liturgy -**

**Young Adult Retreat**  
October 14

A faith day just for young adults. Spend 12:00 pm - 8:00 pm with us and enjoy lunch, dinner, Vigil Mass, and lots more!

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October 14-15

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