

## **FIRST LOOK •** Parish Events this Week

#### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 14**

5:00 pm fiat Mass & Night (Church & Hilkert Hall)

#### MONDAY, JANUARY 15 ~MLK, JR. DAY

9:00 am **Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)** Ablaze Service Day (Hilkert Hall) 10:00 am 6:15 pm Women's AA Meeting (LC John) Social Justice Issues (Mother Teresa) 6:45 pm 7:00 pm Quilting & Sewing (PLC Work Room) 7:00 pm Route 66 Pickleball (Hilkert Gym)

7:30 pm Benediction (Chapel)

#### **TUESDAY, JANUARY 16**

9:00 am GriefShare Group (LC Fr. McGivney) 9:30 am Walking w/Purpose (Mother Teresa) 11:30 am Route 66 Lunch & Learn (Mother Teresa)

1:00 pm Bible in a Year Club (John Paul II)

Catholic Charities Counseling (LC Matthew) 2:00 pm

PB&J Brigade (Hilkert 4) 4:00 pm

Walking w/Purpose (Hilkert Hall) 6:30 pm Living Word Ministry Meeting (Chapel) 7:00 pm

7:30 pm Boy Scout Meeting (SAS 201) 9:00 pm Men's Rec Basketball (Hilkert Gym)

#### **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17**

Route 66 Strength & Stretch (Hilkert 4) 9:00 am Building & Grounds Mtg. (LC Fr. McGivney) 9:00 am

The Bible Timeline (LC Fr. McGivney) 10:00 am

Book Club (LC Fr. McGivney) 1:30 pm 4:00 pm PB&J Brigade (Hilkert 4)

#### **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17 CONTINUED**

Centering Prayer (Family Room) 5:30 pm 6:00 pm

CWM Food Distro (CWM Outreach Center)

6:00 pm Dance Fitnezz (Hilkert Gym) 6:30 pm Cub Scout Meeting (Hilkert Hall)

6:30 pm DC4K Meeting (LC John)

6:30 pm Divorce Care Meeting (LC Luke) 7:00 pm GriefShare Group (LC Fr. McGivney)

#### **THURSDAY, JANUARY 18**

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 Legion of Mary Rosary (Chapel)

6:30 pm Alpha Session (LC Mark)

6:30 pm NAMI Support Group (LC Luke)

7:00 pm Men's Fellowship Meeting (LC Fr. McGivney)

Men's Rec Basketball (Hilkert Gym) 9:00 pm

#### **FRIDAY, JANUARY 19**

5:00 pm Bingo Night (Hilkert Hall)

#### **SATURDAY, JANUARY 20**

9:00 am Women's AA Meeting (LC Fr. McGivney) 10:00 am Ablaze Father-Son Retreat (LC John) 5:30 pm Mission Possible Dinner (Hilkert Hall) 5:30 pm Healing Prayer Session (Church)

> For more event details, visit StAmbrose.us/Events.



earn more at StAmbrose.us/Adult-Faith-Formation.

## BIBLE IN A YEAR CLUB

#### **3rd Tuesday of Every Month**

1:00-2:30 pm at Saint Ambrose Starting January 16th

OR

#### 1st Wednesday of Every Month

7:00-8:30 pm at the home of David & Beth Smith Starting January 3rd



Watch or listen to Ascension press #1 podcast on your favorite app.

Bring your Bible and journal to the sessions.

For more details and to register visit StAmbrose.us/AFF

## **PARISH NEWS** • Letter from Our Pastor

- ..."So he said to Samuel, "Go to sleep, and if you are called, reply, Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening." When Samuel went to sleep in his place, the LORD came and revealed his presence, calling out as before, "Samuel, Samuel!" Samuel answered, "Speak, for your servant is listening." Samuel grew up, and the LORD was with him, not permitting any word of his to be without effect." Welcome to ordinary time!!! With the Christmas season over, we welcome Ordinary Time (until Ash Wednesday). What catches my attention is that today's first reading and Gospel remind us of what we can ordinarily expect from God....Each day God will be calling out to us and trying to lead us to a deeper faith and a fuller life in **Christ**. Anyone who responds, as we read in the story above, every word will have effect. As we say 'yes' to the Lord, we will have the grace and blessing of God with us. Allow yourself to 'hear' the call of the Lord. Pray for the courage to say, "Here I am Lord....I come to do your will."
- ...Throughout the ages, one of our favorite church songs is the well-known, "Here I am Lord. Is it I Lord? I have heard you calling in the dark. I will go Lord, if you lead me, I will hold your people in my heart." As we love to sing it, let's pray that we can live it with our lives.
- ...Over the past few weeks in the bulletin and in our parish announcements there have been many 'invitations' to different programs, retreats, and ways to serve the Lord and our community. Which one of those 'invitations' is the call of the Lord to you? Imagine what our parish looks like if everyone finds one way in this new year to say 'yes.' ALPHA is a great program to help you deepen your faith. Men's and Women's Renewal are retreats that have helped thousands over the years and can do the same for you. This weekend you will hear an invitation to come to a wonderful opportunity to learn about the great work we are doing in our mission community. We are always in need of people to assist as funeral servers, greeters at weekend Masses, join the music ministry, and so much more. In what way is God calling you right now? Pray for the grace to say 'yes' to the Lord.
- night for a wonderful night celebrating the important work of our mission outreach in the Dominican Republic. They have a special devotion to our Lady of Alta Gracia (our Lady of Higher Praise). It's a huge celebration (next weekend in the DR) and so we wanted to share some of the culture and some of the blessing of our mission efforts. Come for an authentic Dominican meal. Come for great people and amazing stories of the great good we are doing for the glory of God for some of those most in need in

our world. See today's bulletin for all the see details.

- ...The scriptures speak of God's call. We are blessed to have Nathan Frankart from the seminary with us this school year. His pastoral year is filled with wonderful opportunities to learn and grow. We are also blessed to have one of our own members, Dominic Kucera, in his first year of college at Borromeo Seminary. Dominic starts back to school this week. Please keep him in your prayers as he continues to open his heart to the Lord.
- ...Pray for vocations. We need to foster a culture in our homes and in our parish community of opening our hearts to the Lord and responding, like Samuel, with a 'yes' response. God needs us. God is calling us. And God is calling some in our parish community to serve as priests, deacons and consecrated religious sisters and brothers.
- ...In the coming weeks we have several opportunities to celebrate the gift of married love. We all know the phrase, it takes two to tango!!! Next Saturday night, we are inviting our married couples to come together for 'dance' lessons. It's a fun night out and a way to laugh, relax, and learn new ways of dancing (and working) together. Next Saturday is our Wedding Fair/Pre-Cana Day for couples who are preparing for marriage and their wedding at Saint Ambrose. We look forward to sharing in their special day and work hard to make sure they have a great experience preparing for and celebrating their wedding at Saint Ambrose.
- ...This coming Tuesday the couples who serve as couple-to-couple ministers for our engaged couples are coming together to enjoy a good dinner, great conversation and plan for the upcoming year of working with these young couples. Those who serve as couple ministers will tell you that it's an amazing ministry and a great blessing to share their marriage and experience with those who are preparing for theirs. It's a great way to reflect on marriage and strengthen their own love for each other. If you would like to learn more about C2C ministry, contact Kim Nemet (knemet@StAmbrose.us).
- ...All married couples are invited to a very special World Marriage Day celebration on Saturday, February 3, 2024. We are bringing in an amazing comedy team to create an evening of fun, friendship and laughter (if you don't laugh you cry!). Invite your family, friends and neighbors for a great night at Saint Ambrose. See today's bulletin for all the details. One more way to celebrate marriage and ask God to bless your daily 'yes'.
- ...Lynn Rogers has been an important part of our parish Business Office for the past fifteen years. She's at a point in her life

- that she is going to step back from all the important work she's done for our parish community. We are starting to look for someone to join our Business Office team. We'll have a chance to thank Lynn for her great work for our parish. In the meantime, if you, or someone you know, is looking for a part-time job in our Business Office send a resume to: Igalinas@StAmbrose.us.
- ...This coming Tuesday we are sorting and bagging food for our city outreach. We'll be in Hilkert Hall at 4 pm. We will be distributing food to 400 families in Cleveland on Wednesday. To learn more, reach out to Ed Plaspohl at eplaspohl@gmail.com. Many hands make for great sorting, bagging and distributing.
- ...This Monday night we have an important presentation for the parents/guardians of our children preparing for First Eucharist. We will meet in the Church at 6:30 pm.
- ...This Monday also we remember Dr.
  Martin Luther King, Jr. He responded
  boldly to the call of the Lord to challenge
  the people of his time (and all of us ) to work
  for a more just and peaceful world. Our
  Junior High Students will be using this day
  off from school in a day of service building
  a better world for all of God's people. Let's
  use Monday to hear the 'call' of the Lord to
  work for justice and peace for every child
  of God.
- ...God bless you for all your support for our parish community which allows us to do all the good we do for our parish and for those in need. Tax Statements are heading into the mail this coming week. God bless you for your goodness.
- ...Tired of parenting (and grandparenting)??? Need some renewed energy and support??? Parenting is an awesome gift, blessing and responsibility. It's also a lot of work. I watch my own family members raising their children. It's exhausting!!! Take some time next Sunday for a refreshing workshop by Dave and Debbie Cowden. They come to offer some encouragement, support, and offer helpful parenting tips and guidance. Join us on Sunday night at 6 pm in the Church. Taking two hours for yourself will help you be a better parent for the rest of the month!!! Thanks to a grant we received, anyone who attends will also receive a complimentary copy of their book "The Prayer Book for Tired Parents." This is one way we, as a parish community, want to honor and support you in this important work of parenting/ grandparenting.
- ...All of us are called....each day...by God. How will you respond? **God bless you and your family.**

## **INTENTIONS** • Remembrance & Gratitude



# Saint Ambrose Masses & Services Schedule & Intentions

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday: 8:15 am

Thursday: 5:30 pm

**Saturday:** 4:30 pm and 8:15 am (Mass on the 1st 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, January 14 | Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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	7:30 am	30 am † Rosemary Churma (Rosemary Gannon)		
	9:00 am	† Patricia Armagno (The Women's Guild)	RS	
	10:30 am	† Patricia Boehnen (Friend)	Carlin	
	12:00 pm	† Patricia Reidy (Family)	Carlin	
	5:00 pm	† Biagio & Ruth Ali (Mary Jo Straslicka)	RS	

#### Monday, January 15

8:15 am † Joseph D. Trabold (Roseann & Chuck Cookson)

5:30 pm Prayer Service in the Chapel

#### Tuesday, January 16

8:15 am Prayer Service in the Church

#### Wednesday, January 17 | St. Anthony

8:15 am † Richard Baronek (Joe & Jackie LaGuardia)

#### Thursday, January 18

8:15 am Prayer Service in the Church 5:30 pm + Sonny Walker (Ron & Sandy Zera)

#### Friday, January 19

8:15 am † William Middlemiss (Ron & Sandy Zera)

# Saturday, January 20 | St. Fabian, St. Sebastian & the Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:15 am	Prayer Service in the Chapei	
4:30 pm	† Helen Belovich (Joan Thesling, John Phillips &	RS
	Vince Phillips	

#### Sunday, January 21 | Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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7:30 am † Richard Molodec (Janet Molodec)		
9:00 am  † John Borszcz (Borszcz Family)		RS
10:30 am † Patricia "Bunny" Armagno (Mary Lou Sull		DS
	& SAS Chorale Group)	
12:00 pm	† Vittorio Bramante (Thomas Family)	RS
5:00 pm	† Trevor Pacek (Frank & Sharon Pacek)	DS

### Weekly Adoration

Mondays, 9:00 am - 7:30 pm in the Chapel. Drop by or sign up at StAmbrose.us/Adoration.

## Weekly Benediction

Experience His Divine presence, every Monday at 7:30 pm in the Chapel.



#### Week of January 14, 2024

			254,34,455			
		Jan. 7, 2024	Jul. 1, 2023 to Jan. 7, 2024	Jul. 1, 2022 to Jan. 8, 2023		
	Sunday Collection	\$ 48,276	\$ 1,248,325	\$ 1,144,272		
	Amount Needed	\$ (39,000)	\$ (1,092,000)			
	Over / (Under)	\$ 9,276	\$ 156,325			
	Building Fund	\$ 1,090	\$ 55,828	\$ 41,476		
	ACH Collection	\$ 4,225 (weekly) \$ 20,624 (monthly)				
	Online Sunday Collection	\$ 1,570				
	Children's Offertory	\$ 227 from 38 envelopes collected				



# 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 email JBihari@StAmbrose.us.

# **LIFTING ONE ANOTHER • Prayers & Support**

## We Pray for Our Sick

**Baby Beverlee** Gary Greg Joanie Josephine Josh Karis Kim Lindey Madeline Mason Russ Ruthie Tony Judy Arena Andra Armour Ted Beba Gaylene Bielawski Lisa Bielawski Melissa Boey **Bossone Family** Paula C. Marie Ceslewski Jeffrey Conrad Maureen Conway Christine Dabramo

Ken Daubert

Diane Davenport Tom De Masse Ron DeMichael Elmer Dubs Jennifer Dupont Peggy Elston Holdigard Fanslau **Barb Ferris** Micah Galuzny Cheryl Gazso Joe Gezymalla Josie Gezymalla Dan Ginley Jeff Golan Richie Golan Nancy Grill Donna H. Denny Halenar Linda Hammel Priscilla Harris Barbara Harrison Carol Heinle Joan Howells Sandra Kaaikaula Bonnie Kaczynski

Robert Keller

Rosemary Kemper

Pat Kilarsky Agnes Knox Matt Koko John Kolesar Theresa Krakora Jess Lahl **Knox Lette Sharon Livingston Beatrice Longo Rose Machor** Phyllis Marinelli Rita Miczak Trudy Miller Lynn Moavero Marty (Butch) Morisky Michael Mraz Dan Murphy Margaret Napalo Michael Napalo John & Faith Nelson **Andrew Nemec** Joe Neura **Bob & Karen Pencek** Judy Peskura Carolyn Pietrzak Richard Pinkleton **Ed Plitt** 

Steve Plitt Angela Polis Mike Rieger Mary Ann Riess Jack Roznik **Dorothy Rumas** Andrew S. Marge Sabados Gertrude Schmidt Lorrie Sirocky Erica Stora Norma Sutter Marian Swansinger Linda Tackla **Nash Taylor** Gloria Tews Joyce Tomei Simon Tucker Lori Uhler Sharlene Veres Mark Vozar Tony Walocko Debbie Wyatt Karen Zabrocki Pat Zdolshek

# We Lift Up Those Battling Cancer Roger Droll Kathy Keglovich Lisa C

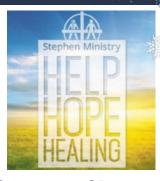
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Barbara Ann Kilarsky **Bob Klaehn** David Klem, Jr. Jov Kowalski Joan Krall Donna Kucera Kathy Kunkler Joyce Lancaster J.D. Languth **Dolores Lauerhahs** Jennifer Lazar Terri Leitter Carol Lersch Jill Lesiw Michael Luks Richard Malone Helen Mancuso Lisa Mayfeld Stacy McFarland Mick McGinnis Sandy Metzer Thomas Miller Sonia Missal **Edward Morey Tina Mounts Barb Nofel** 

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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. If a name has been removed from a list and should be re-added, please email us this request.



# Stephen Ministry Are you experiencing a "Winter" in your life?

In addition to the cold weather outside, many people experience winters in their personal lives. A recent loss through death, divorce, or relocation may leave them feeling lonely. A hospitalization, a cancer diagnosis, or ongoing medical problems may leave them feeling isolated. The loss of a job, the fear of a layoff, or a financial setback can devastate one's self-esteem. Family and personal struggles may leave them with nowhere to turn for support.

If you are going through a difficult time, our Stephen Ministers can bring God's warm love back into your life. They provide confidential, one-on-one Christian care. They will meet with you privately on a weekly basis to listen, to support and encourage you, to pray with and for you, and to walk with you for the duration of your crisis.

To find out more about Stephen Ministry and how you or someone you know could be matched with a Stephen Minister, talk with one of our Stephen Leaders:

- Carol Maline 330.460.7336 or CMaline@StAmbrose.us
- Lisa Homady 330.460.7315 or LHomady@StAmbrose.us.

Or, visit us online at StAmbrose.us/Stephen-Ministry.

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



# **Liturgy Corner**Word of God Sunday

Next weekend is the **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time and also known as Word of God Sunday**. We need to make time to be 'devoted' to the Bible for we need to grow in our knowledge and love of the Scriptures and of our Lord. Begin to break open God's Word in your home by dedicating some family time each week for a brief reading of a Scripture passage, the Sunday Gospel is a good place to start. Parents with young children should read or share some of the great stories of the lives of holy men and women. A couple of great resources include www. catholicstoriesforchildren.com or www.mycatholickids.com/all-the-saints. There are also Scripture Study ministries here at Saint Ambrose that you can join to help you grow in your knowledge and understanding of our faith such as.

- **Bible in a Year Club** on every first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm or on the third Tuesday of the month at 1:00 pm of every month.
- **Dennis Dives into the Word** on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm that is lead by Dennis Koeth on topics and discussions of daily challenges and how to look to the Bible for answers.

For more details on those opportunities and a list of many more, visit StAmbrose.us/Adult-Faith-Formation.

Next weekend, if you need a Bible or do not have a Bible, please stop by the Sacristy, or ask an Usher for a free copy of the New American Bible.



# **Synoptic Gospels**Monthly at 6:45 pm

Join our very own Father Bob Stec for his teachings on the Synoptic Gospels – Matthew, Mark and Luke. He will look into their accounts collectively and comparatively and share his insights. **The next date is January 29 in the Mother Teresa Room.** Please register online at StAmbrose.us/AFF.



# **SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE** • We Engage and Empower Others



## For Our Seniors

# Upcoming Events StAmbrose.us/Route66

Weekly Strength & Stretch is held in the Mother Teresa Room (unless otherwise specified) on Wednesdays at 9:00 am.

### **Pickleball**

January 15 | 7:00 pm | Hilkert Hall Gym

All experience levels are welcome, just show up!

## Lunch & Learn

January 16 | 11:30 am | Mother Teresa Room

Last call! RSVP by the end of the day Sunday, January 14. Use the event form on the Route 66 webpage, email JOsowski@StAmbrose.us, or call 330.460.7341 and leave a message. A light lunch will be served while we dive into the topic of vitamins and supplements.

## Bunco

January 25 | 1:00 pm | Mother Teresa Room

Come for a very special bunco where we'll try to track our scores and award small prizes. If you can roll dice, you can play bunco. No skill is necessary!

> Lord, help me to listen to You in prayer as much as You listen to me!

# On the Radar

## **Upcoming Musical Auditions**

Children of Eden is a musical about the creation of man, Noah, and the ark. The performances will take place outside



(weather permitting) **this coming summer - July 2024.** Michelle Cha, our Minister of Performing Arts, hopes to be able to include many of our Saint Ambrose members for this All Parish Musical. There will be a sitting chorus as well as a staged chorus. There are also many roles, including 2 young boy leads that need to be filled. **Auditions will take place this coming spring.** For more information, send an email to MCha@StASchool.us. More details to follow soon!





All pre-orders will be available to pick up at Donut Sunday on January 21 in Hilkert Hall after any of the morning or the noon Masses. Additional rolls will also be for sale at this time.





#### January 30, 2024

6:45 pm in the Lehner Center John Room

Learning about women of the Bible can help us understand and apply powerful lessons about the value of resilience, trust, hope, courage, gentle kindness, humility and faith. Come and join us for faith, friendship and food. RSVP by January 19 by emailing mathdenmom@aol.com.

RSVP at StAmbrose.us/AFF

# **Living Your Strengths**Clifton Strengths-Finder Sessions

What are YOUR God-Given Strengths? The Clifton Strengths-Finder will unravel your God-given strengths! We have two upcoming Living Your Strengths sessions starting soon:

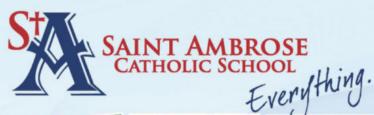
- Living Your Strengths for Individuals starts February 1, 2024 (3-week long session)
- Living Your Strengths for Couples begins February 22, 2024 (2-week long session)



Discover your God-given talents to enhance your strengths for yourself and others. For more information and to sign up, email CMaline@StAmbrose.us.

## **SAINT AMBROSE SCHOOL** • Follow God!























# Littlest Angels Preschool & Saint Ambrose School Grades K-8

# **Priority Enrollment**

JANUARY 10 - JANUARY 31

For our school, preschool and registered parish families.





# **Open Enrollment**

FEBRUARY 14 (UNTIL SPOTS ARE FULL)

For families outside our parish and school.













#### PRIORITY ENROLLMENT IS NOW OPEN FOR PARISH AND SCHOOL FAMILIES!

Please complete an application ONLINE for preschool-8th Grade! We are now enrolling for the 2024-2025 school year. Parish and school families receive priority consideration during the month of January. Please reach out to Mrs. Breanne Loque in the Institutional Advancement and Admissions Office (BLoque@StASchool.us or 330.460.7318) with any questions!

www.SaintAmbroseSchool.us/Apply-Today

# **PSR & MORE** • We Inspire with Prayer and Worship

# Parish School of Religion First Eucharist News

As we walk into the new year, our second grade students will be focusing on preparing for First Eucharist which will be celebrated in May.

Mark your calendars for some very important dates:

- First Eucharist Parent Meeting will be held on Monday, January 15 at 6:30 pm in the Church.
   Steve Angrisano will be joining us to share music and the importance of keeping the Eucharist in the center of our families.
- 2. Rite of Enrollment for First Eucharist will be held on Sunday, January 28 at the 9:00 am and 10:30am Masses.

#### **January Schedule Reminders**

- There will be no PSR classes on Monday, January 15.
- RCIC Session #5 will be held on Thursday, January
   18 at 6:30 pm in the Lehner Center.

#### **PSR Recap**

We were blessed to spend time with our first grade students and their families at our Baptismal workshop last week. Students learned about the Sacrament of Baptism and being a part of God's family.









# high school youth ministry

JANUARY 2024

DATE WHEN/WHERE **EVENT** 1.6 10am-9pm; JCU CLE 2:16 Youth Conference 1.7 fiat winter kick-off 6-8pm, Hilkert 1.8-1.11 see schedule Confirmation Small Groups 1.10 8-9pm, lounge fiat night 1.14 6-8pm, Hilkert fiat night Prayer Book for Tired Parents Presentation 1.21 see bulletin 1.21 6-8pm, Hilkert fiat night

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fiat night

for details, sign up links & more, visi www.StAmbrose.us/fiat

1.22-1.25 see schedule

8-9pm, lounge

5-8:30, Hilkert

6-8pm, Hilkert



Confirmation Small Groups

Parish Winter Carnival

1.24

1.27

1.28

# **HERE FOR YOU** • We Serve with the Compassion of Christ

# Hope & Healing in the New Year GriefShare

If your heart is heavy with the memory of someone you loved and lost, we welcome you to this Christ-centered program with a friendly group of people. The series offers two sessions:

- Tuesdays (now April 2, 2024), 9:00 am in the Lehner Center Father McGivney Room
- Wednesdays (now April 3, 2024), 7:00 pm in the Lehner Center Father McGivney Room

For more details or to RSVP, contact Denise Golan at Denise. GriefShare@gmail.com

#### **Divorce Care**

Are you facing the struggles of divorce or separation? There is help in Christ, and we offer a group through the Diocesan approved, non-denominational Divorce Care. Contact Mary Beth Garrity at 937.645.9436 for more information on this group that meets weekly on Wednesdays in the Lehner Center John Room, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm.

#### **Divorce Care for Kids (DC4K)**

DC4K is a scripture-based program designed to help children (ages 6-13) of families experiencing divorce and separation. The weekly meetings will take place in the **Lehner Center Luke Room at 6:30 pm every Wednesday.** Contact Jennie Porco at JPorco@ StAmbrose.us or 330.460.7317 to RSVP and for more details.



We provide the gifts, the addresses, everything you need, we just need YOU to deliver gifts to one of our fellow parishioners who need a little bit of a pick me up during this season. It is easy, thoughtful and a wonderful opportunity to pass along the Light of Christ.

For more information or to join, please contact Gabby Moss at GYatson@StAmbrose.us or 330.460.7327



All are welcome to join us for Mass as we pray for our active-duty members. We will lift up intentions for their protection, and for their families to be supported and given peace.

## Friday, January 26 | 6:00 pm

Please join us for a social following the Mass. Come to enjoy a relaxing evening with other members of the military community here at St. Ambrose and beyond.

Please RSVP by January 19th to: military@stambrose.us



Children may have a difficult time to process emotions and feelings surrounding the loss of a loved one.

It can be tough for them to talk about these feelings or know what to do with them. While we can't spare our children the pain of loss, we can try thoughtful and hopeful activities focused on God's love.

Healing Hearts is a 6-week program designed to help and support children and adolescents who have lost a loved one and will focus on bringing hope, healing and joy to your child.

New Series: January 23 – February 27, 2024 Tuesdays, 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm in Lehner Center, Mark

Please contact Jennie at JPorco@StAmbrose.us or 330.460.7317 to RSVP or for more information.

# **ONLY JESUS** • He Loves You!

# COR FOR ALL MEN OF THE PARISH BEGINS JANUARY 15<sup>TH</sup> | 6:45 PM — 7:45 PM FR. MCGIVNEY ROOM OF THE LEHNER CENTER

A program for ALL men of our parish, Knight or not! "Cor" exists to form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue. Participants become missionary disciples by developing deeper relationships with Jesus Christ through prayer, formation, and fraternity. Join us every other Monday, starting on January 15th.

Register at StAmbrose.us/AFF

# Couple's Night Out

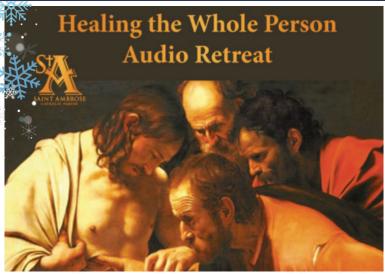
Dance Lessons by Dance d' Elegance January 20, 6:30-8:30 pm



Come learn how to dance from the pros, then enjoy food and company with other Saint Ambrose Couples.

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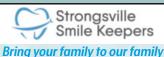
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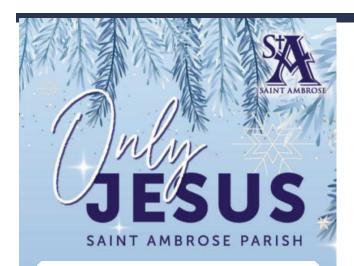
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# - This Week's Featured - Event - Service - Liturgy - Ministry

We've spotlighted these upcoming opportunities, just for you!

Find more details about these items in the bulletin or at StAmbrose.us.

#### - Event -

#### The Prayer Book for Tired Parents

January 21 in the Hilkert Gym Meet the authors after the 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 pm, or 5:00 pm Masses.

#### - Service -

#### **High School Youth Ministry**

Lots going on in January!
See page 9 of the bulletin for a schedule or visit fiat online at StAmbrose.us/fiat.

#### - Liturgy -

#### **Healing the Whole Person Retreat**

January 26 & 27

Register for this retreat at the PLC Office or online at StAmbrose.us/Adult-Faith-Formation.

# - Ministry - Donut Sunday

January 21 in the Hilkert Hall Gym Come after the morning or noon Masses to make Valentine's Day cards for military members.

To learn more about these and all the New Year opportunities go to: www.StAmbrose.us

# The Prayer Book for Tired Parents With Authors Debbie & Dave Cowden

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