"The Parish Community of St. Ambrose Church"

**15th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**MASS SCHEDULE**
- **Saturday Vigil:** 4:30pm
- **Sunday:** 7:30, 9:00, 11:30am & 5:30pm - Life Teen
- **Daily:** Monday & Wednesday 6:30am
- **Tuesday & Thursday:** 9:00am
- **Communion Service:** Friday 6:30am

*Holydays and Holidays subject to change (see bulletin)*

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**E-MAIL:** parishsecretary@stambroselatham.com

**NEW OFFICE HOURS**
- Monday–Thursday 9:00am–6:00pm
- Friday 9:00am–4:00pm
- Saturday & Sunday CLOSED

**PARISH STAFF**
- **Rev. Dr. Anthony M. Barratt,** Pastor
- **Helmut Neurohr,** Permanent Deacon
- **Frank Garceau,** Permanent Deacon
- **Ann McCauley,** Business Manager
- **Erin Muir,** P.A. for Liturgy & Pastoral Life
- **Tom Acemoglu,** P.A. for Evangelization & Catechesis
- **Debbie McKown,** Faith Formation Administrative Secretary
- **Mark Trudeau,** Life Teen for High School and Jr. High
- **Joan Welch,** Parish Secretary
- **Thomas Green,** Parish Music Director
- **Nancy Acemoglu,** RN, Parish Nurse
- **David Dobkowski,** PhD-Counselor, 859-4015
- **Jim LaBombard,** Athletic Director
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- **Terri McGraw,** Principal
- **Lori McCoy,** Secretary
SUMMER ACTIVITIES & REFLECTION

Summer is normally a season when we look forward to a time of relaxation and rest with those longer days and better weather. We may be able to get away for a vacation, perhaps spending quality time with family and friends. We can also recharge our batteries and ease up a little. For some, it will be a period of transition as we get ready, or our children get ready to take another step in life by moving schools or going to college. Hopefully it is also a time when we have the luxury (given our busy, busy schedules) to reflect on things and to make plans and even resolutions for when things get back to “normal” again after the summer.

There are plenty of activities to help us in all this and to help us to spend some of those summer hours deepening our faith and our relationship with the Lord. This weekend, for example, once again we are hosting a significant event. The annual Isaac Joques Youth Conference will be taking place on our St. Ambrose Church campus. We welcome many young people from all over the Diocese who will be enjoying a high energy time of prayer, reflection and fun.

Towards the end of this month, we will also begin a five-week focus during the time of the homily at Mass on understanding better the Mass and the Eucharist. We are doing this because of the Gospel reading at the Sunday Mass for that five week period. This year we are following the Gospel of Saint Mark, but because the Gospel is not long enough to stretch over the thirty-four weeks of “ordinary time” we have a five week interval that takes us through chapter six of St. John’s Gospel. This chapter begins with the miracle of the feeding of the five thousand (often taken as an anticipation of the Eucharist) and then continues with what is called Jesus’ “Bread of Life” discourse. So, it seemed a good idea to have a refresher course or a mini summer school on the Mass and the sacrament of the Eucharist.

Whatever we chose to do, the summer is a time when, hopefully, we have the best conditions or maybe the only conditions when we can relax a little bit and do some spiritual reflection or renewal work. If the days are a little bit more relaxed, or we are away for those few precious days of rest with a good book at a lake or a beach, then it could be a great time to stop and reflect on what state our spiritual self is in and how our relationship with God is doing.

Here are a few ideas…We could spend a few extra minutes in prayer each morning, dedicating ourselves and the day to God: for example, how about saying a prayer as we sip that first cup of coffee! We could spend a few extra minutes of prayer in the evening reviewing the day and discerning God’s presence in the people and events of the day. It might be a good time to pick up some sort of spiritual book; or to read one of the Gospels slowly and carefully. Perhaps we need the “repair work” of the sacrament of reconciliation that brings us the gifts of pardon and peace, or maybe we need to renew our appreciation of the gift of the Mass. All these are ways of taking the opportunity to deepen our faith. We are, after all, spiritual beings, made in God’s image and likeness and if we neglect to exercise or develop our spiritual nature then our whole selves will suffer just as surely as if we neglected to eat properly or to exercise.

So, every prayer for a safe and happy summer and may it also be a time of great spiritual growth and health.

Fr. Anthony
Sacraments

RECONCILIATION
Saturday 3:00 PM or any time by appointment.

MARRIAGE
Congratulations! So that proper preparation may be made, please make an appointment with Fr. Anthony at least six months before the desired date. Either the bride or groom should be a registered parishioner of St. Ambrose parish.

BAPTISM
Congratulations! If you wish to arrange preparation for baptism, please call the Parish Office. Parents should be registered members of St. Ambrose parish.

RCIA
(Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)
For those inquiring into the Catholic Faith. Welcome! Please contact the Parish Office for program details.

VOCATION
If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate or religious life, please contact Fr. Anthony.

Stewardship UPDATE

We Are A Tithing Parish
Following “God’s Plan for Giving”

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“Thank you for being so generous!”
Thank you to all who are responding so generously to our financial need. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Also, thank you to those who signed-up for electronic withdrawal. If you decide to sign-up for this option in the future, forms are available at the entrances to the church, or just call the Parish Office.

Many Thanks.

Parishes of Our Local Catholic Communities

COLONIE
St. Clare’s 456-3112
Sat: 4:00pm/Sun: 8:30 / 10:30am

LATHAM
Our Lady of the Assumption 785-0234
Sat: 4:30pm
Sun: 7:30, 9:00 & 11am

LOUDONVILLE
Christ Our Light 459-6635
Sat: 4:00pm/Sun: 9:00 / 11:15am

St. Pius X 462-1336
Sat: 5pm/Sun: 8, 10 & 12 noon

Parishioner Registration/Update Request

Name: ____________________________
Street: __________________________
City: ____________________________
Zip: ____________________________
Phone No: _______________________

Please Check
☑ New Registration
☑ Change of Address
☑ Moving out of Parish
☑ Want Envelopes
☐ Name Change (Please contact Parish Secretary)

Please cut out and drop it in the Collection Basket or mail to the Parish Office.

Once again, we extend a very warm welcome to Fr. Charles Anene from Nigeria.
Fr. Charles will be with us at St. Ambrose until mid September.
Fr. Charles, it is great to have you here again!

Sunday, September 20th
More info to follow!!!
This Summer: Rest Your Body….Feed your Spirit!

JESUS IN THE EUCHARIST
Starting July 29th, we will have a 4-week series that will help guide us into a deeper understanding of the Eucharist!

Wednesdays at 7pm in the Parish Center
July 29th  August 5th  August 12th  August 19th

Topics include:
- Eucharistic Discipleship
- Eucharistic Conversion
- Eucharistic Encounter
- Eucharistic Mission

Our goal is that you will be prepared to encounter the Eucharist in a whole new way!

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT
Hello friends,

This year, we unfortunately have to cancel this year’s Vacation Bible School. This is due to some illnesses and major commitments connected to our key VBS staff.

VBS is a huge part of our community and we are always committed to it. We should be up and running again for next year!

If you sent us payment, we should be back to you shortly. If you have any questions, please contact Tom at the office.

Again, we are so sorry! We would definitely love to talk to you about becoming part of our planning staff for 2016.

Thanks for understanding. Be excited because we have a lot of exciting things for families coming up starting this Fall!

In Christ,
Tom Acemoglu
Pastoral Associate for Evangelization and Catechesis

Remember our Youth!
We are looking for dedicated adults to serve the young people of our parish in:
- Pre-K to 6 Formation
- Family Life Ministries
- EDGE Middle School ministry
- LIFE TEEN High School ministry

Contact Tom Acemoglu or Mark Trudeau for more information!
There’s always a way to help, no matter how crazy your schedule is!

You CAN be the difference in the life of a kid!

Parents:
Would you consider registering as a Parish Volunteer?

Go to: http://www.stambroselatham.com/documents
Select: “Volunteer Registration Packet”
Directions are in the document!

Benefits to registering as a volunteer:
- Creates a safer environment for kids
- Allows you more opportunities to help out (even on a short-term basis) and to help make amazing things happen for kids
- Gives parents who want to use their creativity for the greater good a chance to do so
- Gives parents an opportunity for meaningful experiences of faith with their kids
- Helps make our parish stronger and helps create a welcoming family environment
We joyfully announce the following that were brought to the Baptismal Font during June and are now members of the Church. The newly baptized are: Emma Anne Marie Bowers, Oliver Patrick Reilly, Brady Edmond Gallerie, James John Nagle Jr., Madeline Margaret Ann Nagle, Grace Elizabeth Muth, Giavanna Corrine Valenti, Cierra Desiree Archambeault, Regan Ann Bishop, Oran Edward Holdridge and Trent Michael Murley.

MAR IE AG E
Congratulations, best wishes and prayers from the St. Ambrose Parish Community to Michael John Schott and Amy Marie Constant who were recently joined in the Sacrament of Matrimony.

FOOD PANTRY STATS
The Food Pantry served 123 families in June. This included 269 adults and 240 children.

As always the generosity of St. Ambrose parishioners is deeply appreciated and helpful. The ongoing need is great and all food and monetary contributions are deeply appreciated as we strive to feed the hungry in our community.

Are you struggling with your emotions, a loss, an addiction, a relationship or family issues? COUNSELING is available in the evenings at St. Ambrose.

A $25 donation is appreciated.
Contact Dave Dobkowski, Ph.D. at 859-4015 to make an appointment.

At St. Ambrose School, we are “Learning to be all God wants us to be.”

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**Calendars & Schedules**

Sunday – July 12  
After 5:30PM Mass  NO Life Teen-Parish Ctr  

Monday – July 13  
7:00PM  Core-Chapel  

Tuesday – July 14  

Wednesday – July 15  

Thursday – July 16  
6:30-8:30PM  AA, AL-ANON, ALATEEN-Mtg Rms  
7:00PM  Prayer Group-Chapel  
7:00PM  Grief Loss-Resource Rm  

Friday – July 17  
7AM-Midnight  Eucharistic Adoration-Chapel  

Saturday – July 18  

Sunday – July 19  
After 5:30PM Mass  Life Teen-Parish Ctr  

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**Liturgical Roles for Week Ending July 19, 2015**

**Money Counters, Sunday, July 19**  
**Team #7** — Tom Thouin, John Beaumont, Paul Tessier  

**Money Counters, Monday, July 20**  
**Team #3**—Joe Hogan & Rene Comtois

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Bill Murray  
**LECTORS:**  
#1-John Bruno  
#2-DeeEllinger  
**ALTAR SERVERS:**  
J. O’Brien, D. Cushing,  
L. Francesconi  
**Eucharistic Ministers:**  
J. Proctor, B & I Murray,  
S. Burgess, JA Conroy,  
M. Riley, B. Sage  
**USHERS:**  
L. Commerford, H. O’Brien,  
J. Minnick, Volunteer  
**MEDIA MINISTRY:**  
Gary L. | **SACRISTAN:**  
Bob Lamiano  
**LECTORS:**  
#1-Greg Serio  
#2-John Bodnar  
**ALTAR SERVERS:**  
Mr. V. Cook, Volunteer,  
Mr. L. Carter,  
**Eucharistic Ministers:**  
D. Doubl, C. Chabot,  
P. Lincoln, E. Mahoney,  
P & R Szwedo, C. Pracher  
**USHERS:**  
P. Szwedo, R. Haggerty,  
V & M DesChamps  
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Renée Hallock  
**LECTORS:**  
#1-Cathy DuBois  
#2-Jim Conlen  
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#2-Anne Schwenzfeier  
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A. Kurian  
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N. Fisk, MG Renda,  
M. King, J. Cyriac  
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K. Cavanaugh, R. Selkis  
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Lenora LeMay  
**LECTORS:**  
Volunteers  
**ALTAR SERVERS:**  
Volunteers  
**Eucharistic Ministers:**  
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D & M Frament,  
S. Kolcow, R. LeClair,  
B. Masterson  
**USHERS:**  
Volunteers  
**MEDIA MINISTRY:**  
Jill F. |