Jesus replied, “A man fell victim to robbers as he went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. They stripped and beat him and went off leaving him half-dead. A priest happened to be going down that road, but when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side.” - Lk 10:30-31


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**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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Monday–Thursday 9:00am–6:00pm
Friday 9:00am–12:00 Noon
Saturday & Sunday CLOSED
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 pause and 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 to deepen our faith and our relationship with the Lord. During the weekend of 15th-17th July, for example, once again we will be 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.

For our younger church members, we have the annual Vacation Bible School. This year it runs from the 25th July until the 29th July. It will be a week of great activities and fun, with the opportunity to learn more about our faith and to grow in our relationship with God. It is still not too late to register for this event and flyers and registration forms are available at the church exits. (Many thanks, in advance, to all those who will be running this event!)

Whatever we choose 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.

Finally, as the summer months begin, please continue to remember especially our children and young people in your prayers. Our heartfelt congratulations go to many of them who have graduated from our own parish school of St. Ambrose and from many other schools and colleges locally and afar. Our thanks and appreciation must go to the faculty, mentors, helpers, supporters and families who have helped them to reach that goal of graduating. We also remember and welcome back all our college students who are home for the summer break. Let us also pray for a happy and safe summer for all our children and young people and, once again, for a time of refreshment, relaxation and renewal for all of us.

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

Fr. Anthony
~ You’re Invited ~

**Rite of Candidacy and Sending**

Sunday, August 7th at 4 PM - Church
Reception to follow in the Parish Center

The **Rite of Candidacy** is where the Church formally recognizes the seminarians as a candidate for ordination to the priesthood.

**Sending** is the custom of gathering the seminarians of the Diocese, who have been home for the summer, to pray with the community as they head back to their seminaries for fall semester formation.

This year St. Ambrose will be hosting this important event!

Please come and share your love, your support and your prayers with Sam and 12 other seminarians as they continue on their journey to ordination.

**Invite your family and friends... let’s fill the church!!**

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**Media Ministry Suspended—9 AM Mass**

It is with regret that we announce that due to a lack of volunteers for the 9 am Mass, we will be suspending media ministry support for 9 am starting July 10th. Please consider volunteering for this ministry—we need three volunteers for 9 am in order to reinstate the ministry in September or October.

Volunteers receive one-to-one training & are then paired up with experienced volunteers to ‘shadow’ at Mass until they feel comfortable serving on their own. If you love the Mass, music & can turn on a computer & click a mouse—we can use you!! Please call Mary Alice Hunt at 518-859-6743 to help.

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Welcome back! Faith Formation will begin on Sunday, September 11, 2016 at 10:15 am.
What does that mean for you?

- Because you participated in faith formation last year, you are already registered for class this year. However, if you would kindly let us know of any updates to your family information we would greatly appreciate it.
- You asked for it, we are providing it—The Edge is coming to Sunday mornings. This exciting program will be offered to students in 6th—8th grade. If you were in 5th or 6th grade last year you will automatically be placed in The Edge program.
- Please consider sharing your faith with our young parishioners. Call the Faith Formation Office to learn more about becoming a catechist.

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Questions? Contact the Faith Formation Office at 785-1351 x307 or email: faithformationaa@stambroselatham.com

Visit www.stambroselatham.com/VBS to register, pay and to sign up for updates!
"We Are A Tithing Parish
Following “God’s Plan for Giving”

Due to Holiday weekend, July 3rd will be reported the following weekend.

Deepest thanks for your continued and generous support for our parish. Your gifts enable so much to be done in so many ways.

The youth conference is here and you can still register. Contact Tracey in the Lifteen Office and she will make it happen for you. If you are going into High School this fall or have just graduated this spring then you are invited. But you must contact the Lifteen Office IMMEDIATELY.

518-785-1351 x309 or youthministryasst@stambroselatham.com

Hope to see you all there. Please keep the youth conference in your prayers. Teens from all over our diocese and beyond are attending. It will be an awesome event driven and centered on the Holy Spirit, the Holy Eucharist, our great Catholic Faith and that personal relationship Jesus Christ desires from each of us.

It’s never too late, until it’s TOO LATE!

The sacraments section is as follows:

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 about 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.

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Eucharistic Ministers for the Sick & Homebound

Are you currently bringing the Eucharist to someone who can’t attend Mass? Our parish would like to send you to our absent brothers & sisters with all our prayers & assurances. This “new” ministry will begin on Tuesday, July 19th, and it will only take place during the 9 am Mass on Tuesdays & Thursdays. We ask that anyone bringing the sacrament to someone to place their pyx on the table provided at the FRONT (by the altar) before Mass. Before the final blessing you will be called forward, your pyx will be returned, & then sent forth with a special blessing. Thank you for being part of this beautiful ministry.
CALENDARS & SCHEDULES

Sunday – July 10

**AT ALL MASSES—SALESIAN MISSIONS APPEAL**

After 5:30 Mass  Life Teen Meeting—Parish Ctr

Monday – July 11

1:30 PM  Nursing Home Mass
7:00 PM  Core Team-Chapel

Tuesday – July 12

Wednesday – July 13

Thursday – July 14

10 AM-12 Noon  Young At Heart-Parish Ctr
6:00-8:30 PM  AA, ALANON, ALATEEN-Meeting Rms
7:00-9:00 PM  Prayer Group-Chapel

Friday – July 15

7 AM-Midnight  Eucharistic Adoration-Chapel

Saturday – July 16

Sunday – July 17

After 5:30 Mass  Life Teen Meeting-Parish Ctr

LITURGICAL ROLES FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 17, 2016

**MONEY COUNTERS, SUNDAY, JULY 17TH**

TEAM #8—LARRY GIRARD, SUSAN O’BRIEN, SANDI TRZCINSKI, DAVID PIUSIENSKI

**MONEY COUNTERS, MONDAY, JULY 18TH**

TEAM #1—TINA ZANDRI & MARIAN DAVIS

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**MONEY COUNTERS, SATURDAY, JULY 23RD**