30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former; for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted.” - Lk 18:14


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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)

CHURCH OF ST. AMBROSE
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OFFICE HOURS
Monday–Thursday 9:00am–6:00pm
Friday 9:00am–4:00 pm
Saturday & Sunday CLOSED
FR. ANTHONY’S DEPARTURE (NOT YET!) AND THE TIME OF TRANSITION

I thought that it might be helpful to put into writing, the announcement made last weekend about my eventual leaving St. Ambrose parish and school for the new assignment. Bishop Scharfenberger asked me back in the summer to be the new Director of Prayer and Worship for the Diocese. He kindly gave me a few weeks to think about it, but, of course, I felt that as he had asked, it would be only right for me to say “yes” to his request. Given the dimensions of this assignment and the Bishop’s desire to develop and expand it, this will mean, sadly, that I will need to move from Saint Ambrose parish and school. I have requested that I still have a parish pastoral placement for, as you know well, this is crucial for a priest and certainly for how I endeavor to live the priesthood. The issue (and the delay in beginning the Director’s job!) has been to find a parish that is suitable (manageable in size, reasonable closeness to Albany etc.) as well as to ensure the right replacement as pastor here at our much loved St. Ambrose.

It is, of course, a daunting development on many levels. I have been so very happy to do my best to serve you, the wonderful people of Saint Ambrose since 2012. The parish of St. Ambrose is a very large and active suburban parish with a great school and there has been so much to do, building on all the good that has been here over the decades! I will be very sad indeed to have to leave so many great people and any words that I may offer would not be enough to thank you for all that you have done in our parish and school community and for me, personally. I feel very strongly that we have made a significant spiritual journey together over these four years, not least in our growing sense of mission and in seeking to be joyful disciples of the Lord.

So, what happens next…? The Diocese is very mindful of the need for an appointment of a new pastor as soon as is possible and, of course, I have also stressed this in all my discussions about the new job and appointment. As the official announcement has stated, I will remain as pastor at St. Ambrose until a replacement can be appointed. It is hard to say when that will be, but the process for this has already begun. It usually takes at least a few months or so.

Finally, and most importantly, any time of transition is always so very difficult for everyone and few of us like change. For me, this will be my fifth appointment in 31 years of priesthood and it does not get any easier! However, with so many willing and excellent people at Saint Ambrose and with all the good that is very much present in so many ways, I believe that this transition will be as smooth as is possible. It will, of course, be so important to welcome and to be supportive of the new pastor when he comes.

Please do keep me in your prayers as you are in mine. My deepest thanks, once again, for all that you have so kindly given in so many ways and for all that you are!

With love, prayers and blessings,

Fr Anthony
Do you love Christian music?
We are blessed to have the following concerts taking place in our area:

**November 14**
Lake George Forum
Big Daddy Weave, Plumb and We Are Messengers

**March 16, 2017 at 6:30 PM**
TobyMac Hits Deep Tour
Times Union Center
TobyMac, Matt Maher, Mandisa, Mac Powell, Hollyn, Ryan Stevenson, Capital Kings

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**A MOTHER & DAUGHTER RETREAT**

Join us for a special retreat for women ages 12 and older. Learn how beautifully God designed women. Learn science to help identify patterns for your wellness. Learn Biblical truths to protect your gift. Individual, age appropriate presentations for ages 12-14 and 14 and up.

For information, please contact thegiftmdr@gmail.com

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**LATHAM WOMEN’S CLUB**

To benefit St. Ambrose Food Pantry
**November 5th & 6th after All masses**
Please stop by and take home a treat!

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**IN MEMORY**

ALL SOULS AND THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

During the month of November, we traditionally pray for our family and friends who have died. We have some special “All Souls” memorial envelopes available. There will be two Masses offered (6:30am & 9:00am) for all those named on 2nd November (All Soul’s Day) and each day during the month of November. Please use the space on the back of the envelope to write down the names of those you wish to be remembered and then place the envelopes with any offering you wish to make in the collection basket as it comes around at the weekend Masses, or leave the envelopes at the Parish Office or in the Sacristy. Please make sure that the envelopes are returned as soon as possible so that the names can be included in the Mass intentions. The envelopes will be placed at the altar during the month of November and those named on the back of the envelope are prayed for during Mass. There will also be a Book of Remembrance for you to write down the names of loved ones who have died.

On Sunday, 30th October during the 11:30 am Mass, we will have a special remembrance ceremony for all our recently deceased parish members who have had a Funeral Mass or liturgy at St. Ambrose during the last year (the annual “Healing of Memories Mass”). The ceremony will involve some special prayers, the reading of the names of the deceased parish members and the presentation of a flower. After the Mass there will be a reception in the McCormick Parish Center. The families concerned should have received an invitation to this event, but if you have not please do contact the Parish Office as soon as possible. Also, if you have had a family member (from St. Ambrose or any place) who has passed away in the last year but whose funeral took place elsewhere, you are warmly invited to participate in the ceremony too. Again, please contact the Parish Office giving your name, the name of the deceased family member(s) and how many family and friends you estimate might be coming.

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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.
We are excited to participate in the Movie presentation of WORSHIP NIGHT IN AMERICA: An Evening of Unity and Prayer for Our Country

Join Chris Tomlin, authors/pastors Max Lucado and Louie Giglio and many more national faith leaders and musical guests for WORSHIP NIGHT IN AMERICA: An Evening of Unity and Prayer For Our Country. Playing exclusively and one night only in theaters and select churches nationwide **Tuesday, October 25.**

Experience the sold-out event filmed at Madison Square Garden, plus exclusive back-stage footage and interviews that will inspire, challenge and encourage your family, church, and community.

**To purchase tickets visit christomlin.com, click on NY and select Church of St. Ambrose.**

Ticket price is $8.00 ($7.00 plus $1.00 fee) and you have the option of purchasing Chris Tomlin’s new album “Never Lose Sight” in either CD or digital download format for only $3.99. Movie begins in the Parish Center at 7:00 pm and ends at 9:10 pm – all are welcome!

Let’s Consecrate Ourselves to Divine Mercy!

Bishop Scharfenberger invites you and the entire Diocese to experience mercy like never before, by our Diocese’s Consecration to Divine Mercy. To complete the Jubilee Year of Mercy, we can join him in a 33-day preparation period, beginning October 11, and culminating with Consecration to Divine Mercy at the Cathedral, Sunday, November 13, at 5 p.m. or on your own.

We will use the book 33 Days to Merciful Love by Fr. Michael E. Gaitley, MIC. The daily reading takes 3-5 minutes and is pondered during the day. The 33-day preparation can be done alone or in a group. You can order the book via the website: www.shopmercy.org/albany.

Please consider joining our preparation group in the lounge

**Tues. Oct. 25 and Nov. 1 and 8 from 6:30-8pm**

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- You can obtain a copy of the book at our office during regular hours.
- We are asking for $5 donation for the book. If you can’t afford that, don’t worry. If you’d like to donate for someone else, please let us know.
- If you could, please enroll by contacting Carol Blanchard at 785-5299 or cblanch6@gmail.com. She can also give you more info.
- The Consecration can be done individually or in one of the groups meeting the parish. We’d love it if you checked out one the groups but understand if you can’t.

**Gay and Catholic**

**IS THERE A PLACE IN THE CHURCH FOR ME?**

**Speaker:** Author and blogger Eve Tushnet

**Tuesday, November 15th 2016**

**7pm in the Parish Center**

**About Eve:**

Eve Tushnet lives in Washington, DC, where she was raised somewhere between atheism and Reform Judaism. She cofounded her high school’s gay/straight alliance and entered the Catholic Church in 1998, during her sophomore year at Yale University. She is a freelance writer and a recovering alcoholic. In 2010, she was profiled in the *New York Times* “Beliefs” column.

Tushnet blogs regularly at The American Conservative and Patheos. Her work has been published by the Atlantic, Weekly Standard, Commonweal, and First Things, and she has written for the Washington Post “On Faith” blog and the New York Times “Room for Debate.” She has spoken on being gay and Catholic at Carnegie-Mellon University, Georgetown University, Princeton University, Fordham, among others. She has also addressed a group of campus ministers in the Diocese of Pittsburgh and spoken with Interfaith Voices, a syndicated public radio show. Tushnet contributed an essay on gay Catholic life to the 2008 anthology *Faith at the Edge*, and has essays forthcoming in books from Fordham University Press and Notre Dame University Press.

About the book “Gay and Catholic”:

In this first book from an openly lesbian and celibate Catholic, widely published writer and blogger Eve Tushnet recounts her spiritual and intellectual journey from atheism to faithful Catholicism and shows how gay Catholics can love and be loved while adhering to Church teaching.
Please pray for this mission trip!

Our first meeting of parents and teens interested in attending the mission trip planned for February break (February 18-25, 2017) will be 
Wednesday, October 26th, 7pm
in the Parish Center.

This night will be about how we will pray, how we will act and how we will plan. Please come if you want to know more about what we do on mission trips. Please come if you have a son or daughter that might be interested in more information. Please come if you as an adult have interest in participation or support for the mission trip.

Mission2017 is in full swing and we are preparing to follow God’s lead.

Contact the LifeTeen Office for more information—785-1351 x309.
At St. Ambrose School, we are “Learning to be all God wants us to be.”

**FALL GREETINGS**

The beginning of the school year has been an utter whirlwind!

Here are a few highlights!

- We fielded our first intermural Cross Country Team competing against other Catholic, private and public schools.
- Our soccer team continues to succeed in the Friendship League.
- AdvancEd recommended all schools in the Diocese of Albany become accredited as a system.
- Grandparents Day was a delightful opportunity for special people of all ages to celebrate together a beautiful mass, a tasty breakfast and a stirring patriotic salute.
- Our 7/8th graders held their annual Harvest Fest to fundraise for their class trip to Washington D.C.

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**NURSES NOTES**

NANCY ACEMOGLU, RN

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**FLU SHOT AND PNEUMONIA CLINIC TO BE HELD IN THE PARISH LOUNGE**

Shingles Vaccine will be available upon request

**OCTOBER 26, 2016**

11AM-1PM

Please provide insurance information

Please call me at 785-1351 x304

Walk ins are welcome

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**Protect yourself. Protect your loved ones.**

Get Your Flu Vaccine!
MISSION STATEMENT

We, the members of St. Ambrose Parish, Latham, New York believe that, through our faith and baptism, we have been called to give witness to the values of Jesus as expressed in the gospel and teachings of our Church. As individuals and as a Parish Family we strive to:

- Develop our spiritual life, Spread the Gospel message,
- Respect the human dignity and rights of all persons
- Support family life: the role of married couples, singles, youth and children
- Share our time, energy, talent and resources

Strengthened by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to make choices and decisions that will reflect and give evidence of what we say we believe and value as a Catholic Christian Faith Community.

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.

THE EVANGELIST SUBSCRIPTION

Name: __________________________________________
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Please check:
- Continue my subscription to the Evangelist, here is my $18.00/yr.
- Add my name to the subscription list, here is my $18.00/yr.

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

Save the Date

Bishop Edward Scharfenberger will celebrate the White Mass for members of the St. Luke’s Guild, other Catholic physicians and their families on October 29 at 4:30 PM at Our Lady of the Assumption in Latham. A reception with the Bishop will follow the Mass. Further details will follow at which time we would ask you to indicate if you will participate. Should you have any questions, please contact Deacon Frank Thomas, M.D. at his email: (fjt06@verizon.net) or the Office at StLukes.Guild@rcda.org.

Catholic Charities’ Hope for the Homeless

Join the staff and supporters of the Catholic Charities Housing Office for the annual Hope for the Homeless breakfast on November 3rd at the Century House in Latham. Buffet begins at 7:30 am and the event will feature speakers who benefitted from Catholic Charities’ housing services. Find out how Catholic Charities changes lives and support these vital programs. Tickets are $75 and can be purchased by calling 518-459-0183.

Notre Dame—Bishop Gibbons School

Wednesday, October 26th
5:30—7:30 PM

Academy of the Holy Names

Wednesday, November 9th @ 6:30PM
Register online at ahns.org or contact Ann Rento arento@ahns.org or 438-7895 x202

Cursillo in Christianity

Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany
PO Box 1095, 1764 Route 9, Clifton Park, NY 12065-1095
Invites you to an Albany Diocese Ultreya
St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish
2216 Rosa Rd, Niskayuna, NY
Sunday, October 30th
2 PM—$3:30 PM
This is a gathering of all Ultreya Groups.
Reunions for Men’s 53 & Women’s 59 Weekends at 1 PM-2 PM.
Followed by a Potluck meal and Ultreya.
RSVP to Wendy at mariow@msn.com or call 280-0338

Special Fatima Night Service

Wednesday, October 26th, 7—8 PM
at St. Mary’s Waterford
Please join us for this special Fatima Night Service. The parishioners of St. Mary’s Waterford, St. Michael’s and Holy Trinity of Cohoes, St. Augustine’s Lansingburgh and Immaculate Heart of Mary in Watervliet will join together to honor our Blessed Mother and pray for world peace.
All are welcome and urged to attend.

“Spiritual Resilience and the Ill or Aging Person”

On Saturday, November 5, 2016, a free presentation entitled “Spiritual Resilience and the Ill or Aging Person” will be held from 9:30 am to 11:00 am at the Pastoral Center, 40 N. Main Ave., Albany AND will be broadcast to the following videoconferencing sites for viewing:

- Our Lady of Annunciation/Queensbury
- St. Edward’s/Clifton Park
- St. Francis de Sales/Herkimer
- St. Henry’s/Averill Park;
- St. Mary’s/Oneonta
- St. Patrick’s/Catskill

For a registration form or additional information, please go to “Events” at www.albanypastoralcareministry.org or email Maria Schollenberger at Maria.Schollenberger@rcda.org or call her in Pastoral Care Ministry at (518) 641-6818.

All faith traditions welcome.
**CALENDARS & SCHEDULES**

**Sunday – October 23**
9:00 AM  Children’s Liturgy 8th Grade-Church
10:15-11:15 AM  Faith Formation
After 5:30 Mass  Life Teen Meeting-Parish Ctr

**Monday – October 24**
7:00 PM  Core-Chapel

**Tuesday – October 25**
6:30-8:00 PM  **33 Days of Merciful Love**-Lounge
7:00-9:10 PM  Movie presentation of “Worship Night In America”-Parish Ctr

**Wednesday – October 26**
11 AM-1PM  Flu Shot & Pneumonia Clinic-Lounge
7:00 PM  Life Teen Mission Meeting-Parish Ctr

**Thursday – October 27**
6:00-8:30 PM  AA, ALANON, ALATEEN-Meeting Rms
7:00-9:00 PM  Prayer Group-Chapel
7:00-9:00 PM  Kingsmen-Men’s Reflection on Life-Parish Ctr

**Friday – October 28**
6 AM-Midnight  Eucharistic Adoration-Chapel

**Saturday – October 29**
3:00-4:00 PM  Confessions-Chapel

**Sunday – October 30**
10:15-11:15 AM  Faith Formation
11:30 AM  “Memorial Mass”-Church
After 5:30 Mass  Life Teen Meeting-Parish Ctr

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**LITURGICAL ROLES FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 30, 2016**

**Money Counters, Sunday, October 30th**
**Team #7 — Tom Thouin, John Beaumont & Paul Tessier**

**Money Counters, Monday, October 31st**
**Team #1—Tina Zandri & Marian Davis**

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**Team #1—Tina Zandri & Marian Davis**

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**30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Mass Intentions**

**Monday – October 24—Weekday**
6:30 AM  Dorothy Leonbruno (9th Anniv) by Family
Ann Marie Nadeau by Bernard Nadeau
9:00 AM  Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption

**Tuesday – October 25—Weekday**
6:30 AM  Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption
9:00 AM  Rose Oleyourryk by Eileen & Gene Traver

**Wednesday – October 26—Weekday**
6:30 AM  Paul Conesi, Sr. by Mary Ann
Richard Family by Madeleine
9:00 AM  Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption

**Thursday – October 27—Weekday**
6:30 AM  Communion Svc at Our Lady of the Assumption
9:00 AM  Frank D’Amico by Dufresene & Cavanaugh Funeral Home
Richard Gaglairdi by Laureen Sharp
Rose Marie Oleyourryk by daughter Jacqueline

**Friday – October 28—Saints Simon & Jude**
6:30 AM  Communion Service
9:00 AM  Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption

**Saturday – October 29—Weekday**
4:30 PM  Rose Oleyourryk by Linda & John Estep

**Sunday – October 30—31st Sunday in Ordinary Time**
7:30 AM  Marie Hopko by Madrick Family
9:00 AM  Mass of Thanksgiving by Marion & Carl Rosenthal
David Wetra by Mom & Dad
For the Intention of Sue Hartmann by Terri McGraw

11:30 AM  Theresa Zandri by Bob Gullie & Tina Zandri
Marie Hopko by Jane Glassman
Betty Comtois by Rene, Tom & Renee

5:30 PM  Life Teen Mass—People of St. Ambrose
Earl V. Skiff by Amber Sofia Cervantes

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**Sacristan Ministry**

Like altar serving, being a Sacristan is a very beneficial way to help out your church community, and an active way to participate in Mass. Sacristans perform the following duties:

- Setting up the church before Mass. Typically, sacristans arrive at church half hour before anyone else. They light the candles, arrange the books, ready the linens and basically perform a little simple organizing before Mass begins.
- Prepare the Holy Eucharist for the celebration of the Mass. This includes readying the wine, water and bread and putting them in place for the start of Mass.
- Coordinate all Mass participants, make sure Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers are ready.
- Cleaning the holy materials after Mass in the sacristy.
- Before the sacristan leaves the church everything is set back in its place and secured.

**Decide if this is something you think you can do.** Setting the table of the Lord is a ministry that is essential for the Mass. We are in need of sacristans for all Masses. Our schedules are flexible so after training you can let us know what Mass works for you. Our schedule is posted ahead several months at a time for your convenience. Please contact the Sacristan Coordinator Pat Rayball 708-9615 for more information.