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

**5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
“You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden.” —Mt 5:14

FR. ANTHONY’S DEPARTURE AND A FAREWELL

Well, this is indeed my last “official” weekend at St. Ambrose (and, I think the last “from the pastor’s desk” message). I will be away for the next few weeks visiting my family back in England, as I usually do at this time of the year. I will be back for a few days on my return and then we have the farewell evening after the 4.30 pm Mass on Saturday, 25th February. The plan is for me to celebrate the 4.30 pm Mass and then we will have a reception with hot and cold finger foods afterwards in the McCormick Center. It is not the ideal time in that it is February (no snow storms please!) and it is the end of the winter break for many schools; but I do hope that you will be able to come. It will be a great opportunity to visit together, to share memories and to give thanks to God for so many blessings here in the parish and in the school.

When I was appointed to the new Diocesan job, I also wanted to have a parish pastoral placement as a pastor 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. Well, that parish has been found and I will begin there on 1st March, which is Ash Wednesday. It seems a very fitting time to begin in the new place as we commence the great season of Lent. It is a time when we try to refresh, renew and refocus our faith and our relationship with the Lord. I cannot resist jokingly writing that I hope that it will not be a time of penance for the parishioners (or for me)! The new parish will be announced at Masses this weekend.

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 the good that has been here over the decades! As I wrote back in October 2016 when the first announcement was made…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, many have stressed this in the various discussions about the new job and appointment. This certainly came up, for example, when the parish profile was put together back in November 2016. Hopefully, the new pastor will be announced very soon, although it is difficult to say when exactly that will be.

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, it should be said that 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. You would always be most welcome to come and visit me in the new parish: I would love to see you. 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
"We Are A Tithing Parish
Following “God’s Plan for Giving”

January 29, 2017  $15,398.47
January 31, 2016  $18,761.85

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...

On Saturday February 25th after 4:30 PM Mass we will gather to celebrate Fr. Anthony and the time he has shared with us. Come and wish him well!

A PRAYER IN TIME OF TRANSITION
God of Love,
You are with us in every transition and change.
As we enter into this new era with excitement and even some anxiety, we recall your deep compassion, presence and abounding love.
We thank you for the gifts, talents and skills with which you have blessed us.
We thank you for the experiences that have brought us to this moment.
We thank you for the work of others that gives breadth and depth to our own work.
Be with us as we move forward, rejoicing with you and supporting one another.
We ask this in your Holy Name. Amen
A new way to connect!

Coffee, Books & Conversation is a way to meet new people, hang out, and have good conversation with other people like you. We’d like to offer multiple meeting times!

Visit www.StAmbroseLatham.com/CBC and let us know a time that would be good for you. You can also sign up at the back of the Church.

Enjoy the book and we hope it will spark some good conversation in the coming weeks!

DRAWING CATHOLICS BACK TO THE CHURCH

Has anyone you love and care about drifted from the Catholic faith?

How can we bring Catholics back to the church? Let’s chat about this!

**Thursday, February 16**
@ 9:45 a.m. in the lounge or
**Thursday, February 16**
@ 7:00 p.m. in the lounge

Questions? Call Laureen @ 518-389-6898

“The most significant challenge facing the Catholic Church today is the attrition of our own people.”
—Bishop Robert Barron

Young Adult Cooking Class @ St. Pius, February 17th

Chef Tim Cummings and his wife Sandy are sharing their wonderful culinary gifts with St. Pius once again! Please join us at 6:00 pm in the St. Pius X parish kitchen for a Greek cooking demonstration as we learn how to make Spanakopita and Baklava.

Please RSVP to Lauren by Feb 12, and please notify us of any food allergies.

Price: $5:00 per person

Please let us know if babysitting services are needed

Contact Lauren Numrich for more information about St. Pius X’s Young Adult Ministry at 462-1336 or ym@stpiousxloudonville.org

**Upcoming Dates:**

Sunday, May 5th, 10:15am in School’s Middle School Wing

Tuesday, May 7th, 7pm in the Lounge

Sunday,

More to come, contact EvangelizationAndCatechesis@stambroselatham.com
Tickets for Sale after each Mass.

Mission Trip Gala Dinner
March 18th at 5:30pm
Choose from:
Prime Rib
Baked Salmon
Chicken Cordon Bleu
Corn Beef and Cabbage
$25 per person
Limited seating so buy your tickets now!

Adult Raffle
Giving away $10,000 in
prizes with each
ticket having multiple
chances to with and
win repeatedly!

Amazing!
$25 per ticket
They’re not cheaper by the
dozens but your chances of
winning will be HUGE!

Please join us this week as the Lifeteen
Ministry prays for Marriage and Family
We will be praying a Novena and would
love to have everyone join us.

Prayer for Marriage and Family
Jesus, I trust in You. Please grant through Your mother’s
intercession that I may always bring Your hope into my family.
Jesus, I trust in You. Please grant through Your mother’s
intercession that I may always bring Your love into my family.
Jesus, I trust in You. Please grant through Your mother’s
intercession that I may always bring Your mercy into my family.
Our Lady, please pray for stronger and holier marriages. Amen.

Day 1
Most lovable Mother Mary, our Father in Heaven created you with
delight. You are His creature whom He made worthy to become
the holy Mother of His Son. You were born into a family of Saints.
Pray for us today that our joy in your Son will increase and that
my family may become more holy. Dearest Mother, please pray
for us and for these our intentions... (State your intentions)
Hail Mary...

Day 2
Oh most holy daughter of Adam, your precious Son chose you as
the vessel for his entry to the world. Where our first mother, Eve,
fell short, you fulfilled God’s call for a Mother’s holiness. Pray for
us today that your Son may give great joy to our families that we
may be born to new life through your Son. Dearest Mother,
please pray for us and for these our intentions... (State your intentions)
Hail Mary...

Day 3
Immaculate daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne, you are the
door to the Eternal Word who made you the source of His Sacred
Blood. You are a model for all Christian sons and daughters. Pray
for us today that your Son may give great joy to our souls and
that we may have a greater devotion to your Son’s Precious
Blood. Dearest Mother, please pray for us and for these our intentions...
(State your intentions) Hail Mary...

Day 4
Oh most holy daughter of the line of King David, the Redeemer of
the world loves you with the singular love of a Child for His
mother. Pray for us today that your Son may give great joy to our
souls that we may have a greater love and devotion to our Mother
and Father. Dearest Mother, please pray for us and for these our
intentions... (State your intentions) Hail Mary...

Day 5
Most holy Mary, the Holy Spirit preserved you from sin so that
our Lord would have a fitting vessel to enter the world. Pray for
us today that your Son may give great joy to our souls that we
may remain faithful to your Son until the end. Dearest Mother,
please pray for us and for these our intentions... (State your intentions)
Hail Mary...

Day 6
Oh holy Mother, St. Joachim and St. Anne were delighted to love
care for so holy a child. Pray for us today that your Son may
give great joy to our souls that we may show greater charity to
our parents and grandparents in word, prayer and deed. Dearest
Mother, please pray for us and for these our intentions... (State your intentions)
Hail Mary...

Day 7
Holy Mother, your birth caused great joy to the angels, because
they saw your holiness caused by your Son’s resurrection. Pray for
us today that your Son may give great joy to our souls that
His graces may rain down on all married couples. Dearest
Mother, please pray for us and for these our intentions... (State your intentions)
Hail Mary...

Day 8
Heavenly Mother, your birth gave great joy to all the world
because it signaled the coming of Jesus Christ, who would save
the whole world by His life, death and resurrection. Pray for us
today that your Son may give great joy to our souls that we may
be exceedingly patient with our family and loved ones. Dearest
Mother, please pray for us and for these our intentions... (State your intentions)
Hail Mary...

Day 9
Mother Mary, you pray for us as your children. Thank you for
welcoming us into the Holy Family. Pray for us today that your
son may give great joy to our souls that we may increase our
devotion to the Holy Family. Dearest Mother, please pray for us
and for these our intentions... (State your intentions) Hail Mary...
At St. Ambrose School, we are “Learning to be all God wants us to be.”

Happy Catholic Schools’ Week!


Catholic Schools

January 29 thru February 4

Catholic Schools Week

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NURSES’ notes…
NANCY ACEMOGLU, RN

SPECIAL EVENT

Hearing Screening
February 15, 2017
St. Ambrose Parish
NO CHARGE
Painless and Quick

RESULTS CAN CHANGE
THE QUALITY OF YOUR LIFE

Appointment necessary
Please call me at
785-1351 x 304
to schedule an appointment.

Board Certified Specialist on hand
to Screen as well as answer questions.
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: __________________________________________
Address: ________________________________________
City: ___________________________ State: __________
Zip: ____________________________
Phone No: _______________________

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.

Please cut out, make check payable to St. Ambrose Church, drop it in the Collection Box or mail to the Parish Office.

Adviser Of The Week

David A. Malicki, DDS
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785-3266

We appreciate our advertisers who make this bulletin possible for our parish.
Charismatic Healing Mass
Wednesday, February 8th
Praise and Prayer 7:00 pm, Mass 7:30 pm
Healing service to follow.
Christ Our Light Church, 1 Maria Dr., Loudonville, NY.
All are welcome. Reach out and bring a friend.
Information: Call Jack E., 518-334-6503

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.

Please remember in the charity of your prayers the repose of the souls of Marina Inez Maldonado and all those who will be remembered in Masses this week.

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

February 17, 2017 at 7:00 PM
Newboys
Palace Theater

February 17, 2017 at 7:00 PM
Casting Crowns with Danny Gokey & Unspoken
Glens Falls Civic Center

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

Catholic Charities
Feeding Our Neighbors
Today, 1 in 6 people in America will be hungry. But 5 out of 6 can help. CATHOLIC CHARITIES’ FEEDING OUR NEIGHBORS drive began this week and runs through mid-February. With your financial support we can help the neediest people in our communities! You can make a donation online at www.cccrda.org to help Feed Our Neighbors, or look for the insert in the Evangelist.

Save the Date
Saturday, March 11th, 9 am to 12 pm
A Women’s Magnificat Breakfast at the Holiday Inn Express, Latham, NY
Magnificat is excited to welcome our guest speaker, Father Richard Lesser. Father Rick is a widowed father of three grown children, and pastor of Corpus Christi Church. He shares, “I am grateful for the life full of joys and sorrows that I have been blessed to live. Through it all, I have come to know that God loves me, and is never far from me. I pray that I may be used by Him to give others that same great gift.” albanyMagnificat@gmail.com

A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar
Today’s gospel challenges us to be a “light” to our family. Parents shine their guiding light, not in front but behind them, inviting their children to follow their “good deeds.”
FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CALENDARS & SCHEDULES

Sunday – February 5
8 AM-12 Noon Parish Family Breakfast-Parish Ctr
10:15-11:15 AM Faith Formation
After 5:30 Mass Life Teen-Parish Ctr

Monday – February 6
7:00 PM Core-Chapel

Tuesday – February 7
7:00 PM Coffee, Books & Conversation-Lounge

Wednesday – February 8

Thursday – February 9
9:30-11 AM Mary’s Circle of Love-Lounge
10-12 Noon Young At Heart-Parish Ctr
6:00-8:30 PM AA, ALANON, ALATEEN-Meeting Rms
7:00-9:00 PM Prayer Group-Chapel
7:00 PM Confirmation Large Group-Parish Ctr

Friday – February 10
6 AM-Midnight Eucharistic Adoration-Chapel
7:00 PM Life Teen Mission Lock-In-Parish Ctr

Saturday – February 11
3:00-4:00 PM Confessions-Chapel

Sunday – February 12
10:15-11:15 AM Faith Formation
After 5:30 Mass Life Teen-Parish Ctr

Liturgical Roles for Week Ending February 12, 2017

MONEY COUNTERS, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH
Team #8—Larry Girard, Susan O’Brien, Sandra Trzcinski & David Piusienski

MONEY COUNTERS, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH
Team #3 —Joe Hogan, Richard Ostiguy & Rene Comtois

4:30PM
SACRISTAN: Bill Murray
LECTORS: #1-Joseph Hogan
#2-Mary Sue Ray

ALTAR SERVERS: J. O’Brien, D. Cushing, L. Francesconi, J. Paradis

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: B. Sage, J. Hogan, E. Ray, T. Muscatello, D. Ellinger, ML Trudeau, N. Hooks

USHERS: J. VanWie, D. Mason, J. Couch, J. Minnich

MEDIA MINISTRY: Kathy R.

7:30AM
SACRISTAN: Bob Lamiano
LECTORS: #1-Kathi Grill
#2-Elizabeth Mahoney

ALTAR SERVERS: Dan Buser

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: B. Evers, V. Gyurko, P. Lincoln, R & P Szwedlo, E. Mahoney, G. Gentile

USHERS: P. Szwedlo, R. Haggerty, V & M DesChamps

MEDIA MINISTRY: Kathy G.

9:00AM
SACRISTAN: Donna Sabatino
LECTORS: #1-Regina Brown
#2-Mary Kay Frederick

ALTAR SERVERS: Ben Miller, Michaela & James LaBombard

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: A. Langevin, A. Medic, M. Girard, R. Hallock, A. Robinson, S. Earl, R. Zmijewski

USHERS: J. Estep, B. Johnson, T. Maleski, K. Fuchs

MEDIA MINISTRY: John Matheson

11:30AM
SACRISTAN: Moira King
LECTORS: #1-Mary Anne Egan
#2-Dorothea Carr

ALTAR SERVERS: Kassie Egan, Ajith Kurian, Marisa Mullen


USHERS: D. Fuda, E. Fitzgerald, K. Cavounagh, R. Selkis

MEDIA MINISTRY: Suzi T.

5:30PM
SACRISTAN: Lenora LeMay
LECTORS: Volunteers

ALTAR SERVERS: Volunteers

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: K. Maxwell, J. Proctor, D. & MA Frament, S. Kolcow, R. LeClair, J. Finn

USHERS: Volunteers

MEDIA MINISTRY: Tenn C.
Volunteer

Sacristan Ministry

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