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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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518-785-1351

Website: www.stambroselatham.com
E-Mail: parishsecretary@stambroselatham.com

Office Hours
Monday–Thursday 9:00am–6:00pm
Friday 9:00am–4:00 pm
Saturday & Sunday CLOSED
FATHER ANTHONY’S FAREWELL
MASS & RECEPTION THANKS

This is just a brief, but heartfelt note to give thanks for the Farewell Mass and Reception last week. It was a wonderful celebration for our parish and school community and it was a delight to see so many people there. As you may imagine, a great deal of hard work went into the celebration of the liturgy and with the reception afterwards. So, deepest thanks and appreciation must go to all those who did so much to ensure that all went so well. A special word of thanks too to the parish and school staff, faculty and volunteers who work so hard, day in and day out, to makes sure that the parish and school are vibrant and welcoming.

I must also thank so many people for their cards, gifts and prayers: it was overwhelming in generosity and kindness. I promise that I will write to you and send you a more personal thanks, but it will take quite a while to get through all those beautiful cards! To me, the messages are a wonderful summary of what Pope Francis has called, “the joy of the Gospel” as it is lived and breathed at Saint Ambrose parish and school. I do firmly believe and rejoice in the fact that it has been a great journey of faith, hope and love. For me, it has been an amazing experience of the Holy Spirit and of love. Thanks be to God!

Some people have asked about contact information, so here it is. The address is:

    Holy Trinity Parish
    PO Box 323, 429 East Allen Street
    Hudson, N.Y. 12534
    Telephone: (518) 838-1334

The best way to reach me by email would be to use the Diocesan email address: anthony.barratt@rcda.org. Remember too that Hudson is not that far away (well under an hour from Latham) and that it is a wonderful place to visit. So, do come and say hello.

Finally, please do keep me in your prayers, as you and your families are in mine. Pray that I will continue to fulfill those promises made at my ordination and that I will love and serve the new parish of Holy Trinity well and that I will do my very best also to serve the wider Diocese in the job as Director of Prayer and Worship.

With all my love and prayers,

Fr. Anthony
"We Are A Tithing Parish
Following “God’s Plan for Giving”

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March 5, 2017  $15,178.23
March 6, 2016  $19,867.03
March 1, 2017  $2,147.53  Ash
February 10, 2016  $1,724.25  Wednesday

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

Gift Certificates for Easter Food Bags
The St. Ambrose Food Pantry Volunteers will again offer Easter dinner supplies for families in need. Market Bags will be available starting weekend of March 18th & 19th. In addition to the food list attached to the Easter bags, gift certificates from Hannaford or Price Chopper in $5, $10 or $15 amounts would be most appreciated. These will be distributed according to family size for purchase of a meat choice. Please DO NOT PLACE GIFT CERTIFICATES IN THE BAGS. Please place in an envelope or drop off no later than April 5th at the office or in offertory collection marked St. Ambrose Food Pantry or Easter Dinner. The number of families requesting assistance have increased a great deal; together we can help these families experience a most BLESSED EASTER.

Newly Baptized
We joyfully announce the following that were brought to the Baptismal Font during February and are now members of the Church. The newly baptized are: Jocelyn Grace Chevalier, Isabella Rose Bogado, Kali Rose, Retell and Nicco Joseph Scaringe.

Please Note...
Easter Vigil will be at 8 PM
NOT at 7:30 PM as printed in some of the booklets.

Altar Rosary Society
The Altar Rosary Society will gather in the church on March 14th at 7 pm for our annual cleaning and polishing of the church in preparation for the Holy Week and Easter season. If any families or teens would consider working with us in loving service to our parish, that would be awesome!

Food Pantry Stats
The Food Pantry served 74 households in February. This included 158 adults and 101 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 much appreciated as we strive to feed the hungry in our community.

Available Ad Space
Build your business and help us grow a vibrant faith community!

Lisa Rusnica from Liturgical Publications, our bulletin printer, will be in our office the week of March 20, securing new ads for our bulletin. We need your help! Please consider purchasing an ad. Your participation makes our bulletin successful, and you attract customers!

Benefits of Advertising
- Local, targeted community advertising for one full year, at one low price.
- A FREE ad listing on parishesonline.com.
- FREE, professional ad design, and 4 free ad changes per year.

Lisa Rusnica
214-783-4530 | lrusnica@4Lpi.com

Pick up our Lent Booklet at St. Ambrose today!
Masses * Stations of the Cross * Retreat * Adoration * Service * Spiritual Growth
Lent 2017

Reflecting Christ:
From Palm Sunday to Resurrection
A Lenten Retreat

Monday, March 27
Tuesday, March 28
Wednesday, March 29
7pm in the Parish Center

Breaking Open the Word
Listen ◊ Pray ◊ Share
Hope ◊ Grow

Every Sunday of Lent after the 9am Mass
Led by our RCIA Team
Come meet us in the Chapel!

Night of Praise
On March 16th
Join us at 7 PM in the Church for a celebration of love!

“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!

Upcoming Dates:
Tuesday, March 14th, 7pm in the Lounge

This Lent, let’s go on a mission. All of us. Together.

This year, our Life Teen community is going to Abbeville, Louisiana to help rebuild a home. We encourage you to pick up one of the empty coffee cups in the back of the Church.

When you can, feel free to drop your change into the cup. You can leave it in your car or leave it someplace at home as a reminder of our mission together. As you fill the cups, bring them back to Mass. More details to follow.

Your loose change can help someone rebuild their life!
Last Chance!!

Dinner Tickets for the Mission Trip Gala almost sold out.
Adult Raffle almost sold out.
This weekend is your last chance to buy.
Get them before it’s too late!!

And now for something new and exciting
Calling all MIDDLE SCHOOL youth. Join us JUNE 25-29, 2017 at Pyramid Life Center for an amazing time with tons of other youth from our diocese. We’ll be staying in cabins and eating awesome food: boating on a beautiful lake and swimming in the crystal clear water, playing all kinds of crazy games and helping build up our great church. Kids can learn our deep faith and live it out loud!
Parents can check it out on Facebook: search Breakaway Catholic Camp.
This year St. Ambrose School had 2 teams compete in the Regional Odyssey of the Mind Tournament. We were the only private or Catholic school to compete among dozens of much larger public school districts. Our 3rd and 4th grade students showed incredible creativity, teamwork and confidence in solving their respective problems. We are so proud of you!

Many thanks to all who purchased March Madness Raffle Tickets!
The net profit for the school will be $8,000!

THANK YOU AND GOOD LUCK!

Grief and Loss Weekend Retreat for those who have lost a spouse through Death or Separation and Divorce.

Take advantage of this Life-Changing opportunity to be with others who have experienced this and a team of trained experienced persons that understand, for they too have lost their loved one. Participants described it as a “Gift to yourself”.

Come enjoy the peace and beautiful grounds of the St. Lawrence Retreat Center in Beacon, New York. Take a short drive up the Thruway to the quiet oasis located on the banks of the Hudson River.

St. Lawrence Retreat Center
180 Sargent Ave
Beacon, New York 12508

Please call Nancy Acemoglu @ 785-1351 x304
Limited space.
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.

PARISHES OF OUR LOCAL CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES

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PICK YOUR SHOW!
Saturday, June 10, 2017

"MISS SAIGON"
Musical

or

The Musical
"ANAST ASIA"

Show & Bus: $115
Show Time: 2:00 PM
Deadline: March 25, 2017
Leaves St. Matthew's Church, Voorheesville 9:30 AM
Will make a quick stop on route at Modena Rest Area

Contact: Peggy McQuade st.mattswelcome@gmail.com
765-2805 x14

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.

2016 CONTRIBUTIONS REQUEST

Name: ___________________________________
Street: ___________________________________ Zip: ____________
City: ___________________ Phone #: __________________
Envelope #: _______ Phone #: _______________
Email: ____________________________

Please provide email if you would like to have it emailed.
Please cut out and drop it in the Collection Basket or mail to the Parish Office.

THE CAPITAL DISTRICT CHAPTER COLUMBETTES will hold their Covered Dish Dinner, Chapter Raffle and Meeting on Sunday, March 26th beginning at 12:30 pm, at the Waterford Knights of Columbus Council, 76 Grace Street, Waterford, NY. Sister Colombiettes are asked to RSVP to their own Auxiliary President.

Be sure that you first preach by the way you live.
--St. Charles Borromeo

In Loving Memory

Please remember in the charity of your prayers the repose of the souls of Barbara L. DiBenedetto and all those who will be remembered in Masses this week.

2nd SUNDAY OF LENT

A CHRISTIAN ALWAYS HAS TO BE READY TO MOVE WHEN GOD CALLS HIM...

This is Amazing — I Think I Hear God Calling Me To The Pizza Shop!
**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

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### CALENDARS & SCHEDULES

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

#### Monday – March 13
- School Book Fair in the Lobby until Friday, 3/17
- 7:00 PM Core-Chapel

#### Tuesday – March 14
- 7:00 PM Annual Cleaning & Polishing of the Church.
- 7:00 PM Coffee, Books & Conversation-Lounge

#### Wednesday – March 15

#### Thursday – March 16
- 6:00-8:30 PM AA, ALANON, ALATEEN-Meeting Rm
- 7:00-9:00 PM Prayer Group-Chapel
- 7:00 PM Night of Praise-Church

#### Friday – March 17
- 6 AM-Midnight Eucharistic Adoration-Chapel

#### Saturday – March 18
- 3:00-4:00 PM Confessions-Chapel
- 5:30 PM Mission Trip Gala Dinner-Parish Ctr

#### Sunday – March 19
- 10:15-11:15 AM Faith Formation
- After 5:30 Mass Life Teen / Passion Play Practice

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### LITURGICAL ROLES FOR WEEK ENDING MARCH 19, 2017

**MONEY COUNTERS, SUNDAY, MARCH 19TH**
Team #4—Bill Sage, Judy Vautrin & Donald Clear

**MONEY COUNTERS, MONDAY, MARCH 20TH**
Team #1—Tina Zandri & Marian Davis

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**MONDAY – MARCH 13**
- **Lenten Weekday**
  - 6:30 AM Parish Intention
  - 9:00 AM Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption

**TUESDAY – MARCH 14**
- **Lenten Weekday**
  - 6:30 AM Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption
  - 9:00 AM **Anne J. McCormick** by the Curley Family

**WEDNESDAY – MARCH 15**
- **Lenten Weekday**
  - 6:30 AM **Larry & Ginger Dame & Bill Olsen** by Family
  - 9:00 AM Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption

**THURSDAY – MARCH 16**
- **Lenten Weekday**
  - 6:30 AM **Communion Svc at Our Lady of the Assumption**
  - 9:00 AM **Elizabeth Burke** by husband Joe

**FRIDAY – MARCH 17**
- **St. Patrick**
  - 6:30 AM **Communion Service**
  - 9:00 AM Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption

**SATURDAY – MARCH 18**
- **St. Cyril of Jerusalem**
  - 4:30 PM **Dominick Peneso** by Family
  - 9:00 PM **James Galante** by Trzcinski Family
  - **Sophie Halayko** by Numrich Family

**SUNDAY – MARCH 19**
- **Third Sunday of Lent**
  - 7:30 AM **Antonio & Rosa Incerno** by Clara
  - 9:00 AM **John Pucci** by Paula Staper
  - **Jack McFarland** by John & Linda Estep
  - 11:30 AM **Nicholas Casale** by Carl & Marion Rosenthal & Noah Nethaway
  - **George Likenby** by Anne Marie
  - 5:30 PM **Life Teen** – People of St. Ambrose
A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar

Transfiguration is a common occurrence in families. When we commit to another, such as a spouse in marriage or a child in parenting, we are not committing to them only as they are today, but to the person they are becoming.

Stations of the Cross will take place every
Friday at 7 pm in the Church.

March 17th:  Lead by our Confirmation Candidates
March 24th:  Lead by Faith Formation
March 31st:  Lead by Faith Formation
April 7th:   Lead by Deacons Helmut and Frank
April 14th:  Passion Play Lead by Life Teen