MEET YOUR NEW ST. AMBROSE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

First of all I am thrilled and excited to be named your new principal here at St. Ambrose. As a life-long area resident and product of Catholic schools, I feel honored to be here. I know I have a challenge ahead filling Mrs. McGraw’s shoes. Knowing her as I have for so many years I know St. Ambrose has been blessed by her presence and leadership.

As I indicated I have lived and worked in the area my entire life. I grew up in Albany and attended St. James School in the heyday of Catholic education. I have many fond memories of my years there and I am very grateful for the faith instilled in me by the Sisters of St. Joseph. From there I attended Christian Brothers Academy, Siena College and The College of St. Rose. All of these Catholic institutions played a critical role in my faith formation and my career as an educator. It is because of these experiences that I am so grateful to be here at St. Ambrose. It’s like being back home again.

Following my education I began my teaching career at St. Casimir’s School in Albany. After that I returned to CBA to teach Social Studies and begin my career in school administration. Then it was off to a career in public education serving as an elementary principal for many years in the South Colonie Central School District. Most recently I was in the Albany Diocese Catholic School Office serving as Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services.

In all of my years as an educator the one thing that has kept me grounded has been my faith and the lessons I learned at a young age in Catholic school. It is now a critical time here at St. Ambrose and in all of Catholic education for us to keep the fire burning. Let’s work to keep the wonderful experience of Catholic school alive and well for our children now and for years to come.

In my short time here I have met so many wonderful teachers and staff members who are extremely dedicated to the school and its mission. Their enthusiasm for sharing their faith and providing our students with an outstanding education is obvious.

Continue to keep our school, staff and families in your prayers. Your support for this gem of a school is always gratefully appreciated. If you would like to see firsthand the great things happening in our school please contact me. I would be happy to personally show you around.

In a few short days summer vacation will be a thing of the past and St. Ambrose School will be buzzing again. Our teachers and students will once again be working hard “Learning to be all God wants us to be.”

Ernie Casile
Principal, St Ambrose School

NEW PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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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.
Sunday, September 24
12:30—4:30 pm
Bring a friend!

How can you help?

- Attend our next meeting of volunteers on Tues 9/5 at 6:30 pm in the parish center
- Sign up to bring an international dish to share
- Donate prizes for bingo and kids games (individually wrapped candy bars are perfect!)

Do you have any of the following religious articles you’d like to share?

- Crucifixes
- Pendants/Medals
- Statues
- Icons/Holy Images
- Prayer Cards
- Rosary Beads

There will be collection bins at the church entrances beginning next weekend of drop of items at the parish office. Items will be available during the festival at no charge. (no books please)
Around the Parish

Night of Praise
Thursday, September 7
7:00—8:00 pm

He said to them, “Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.” Matthew 4:19

Faith Formation begins September 10

- All families should gather in the gym at 10:15 am for our opening kick-off!
- Book pick-up Thursday, Sept 7 from 6:00—8:00 pm
- Visit us on the website or call the office at 518-785-1351, ext. 303 to:
  - Register
  - Become a classroom helper
  - Refer a friend

Bethlehem Wood Carving 9/16 & 9/17

For centuries, the Christians of Bethlehem district have earned a living by carving olive wood religious art to sell to visiting pilgrims. Fewer pilgrims are journeying to the holy land today, making it difficult for Christian artisans to support their families by dignified work of their hands in the land of Christ’s birth. Because of the lack of work, there has been a dramatic rise in Christian emigration from the holy land. The Christians are now less than 2% of the population in the holy land. Since the start of its mission, Bethlehem wood carving has helped hundreds of struggling families. Your purchase will make a difference in the lives of many Christians. They gladly accept all major credit cards, checks & cash. Find them in the parish center.

Home to God
Please remember in the charity of your prayers the repose of the soul of Bryan K. Swint, Sr. and all those who will be remembered in Masses this week.

Baptisms
We joyfully announce the following that were brought to the Baptismal Font during August and are now members of the Church. The newly baptized are:

- Greyson Alexander Biechman
- Brenna Maralit Knox
- Gabriel Joseph Carvalho
- Remi Addison Cappadocia
- Brady Jeffrey Eidelbus
- Gemma Adrienne Acemoglu
- Liam Matthew Gregoire
- Nathaniel Frederick Lewinter

Confirmation
Looking to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation? Contact your youth minister Mark Trudeau to begin the conversation youthministry@stambroselatham.com
Mary’s Circle of Love

Mary’s Circle of Love consists of seniors, both male and female, whose goal and mission focus mainly on the continuous development of their spirituality. Together, in communion with the community, they share their faith story and witness to the message of Jesus Christ through Faith, Love, Peace, Unity and through witness, show how their faith has impacted this often challenging path we are all on. They meet in the parish lounge from 9:30-11:00 AM. Join them for the next gathering on Sept. 7.

Young at Heart

We will have our meeting on Thursday, September 14, 2017 starting with breakfast made by the Chef from the Atria; he will make your omelet to order. That will be followed by our business meeting and our speaker, Colleen Aceta, from Atria, telling us about that facility. We will begin right after the 9:00 AM Mass about 9:30 AM.

ALL ARE WELCOME AND IF YOU LIKE US WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU JOIN OUR CLUB.

For more information call Carolyn Chabot, President at 518-785-6315.

Eucharistic Procession for the Feast of the Exultation of the Holy Cross

Please join Schenectady churches and churches from the surrounding area for the 6th Eucharistic Procession on Thursday, September 14, 2017 as we pray for religious liberty and the end of abortion. The Procession begins at 6PM from St. Luke’s Church, 1241 State Street, Schenectady. Fr. Dominic Isopo, Pastor of St. Luke’s Parish, will lead the procession, along with other priests and deacons. Questions, contact Viviane at 518-384-0699 or vivianestrain@gmail.com.

Adult Faith Enrichment Evening

Christ at the Center

Monday, September 18
6:30 PM Gathering & light refreshments
7 PM Presentation by Bob Perron

Location:
Church of the Immaculate Conception
400 Saratoga Road, Glenville, NY 12302

We are called to have faith like a child. Not childish faith, but a faith that trusts and realizes that we see God more clearly through our relationships, we do not do it alone.

RSVP not required but appreciated. For more info contact Christine Goss at 518-399-9203 cicyouth@nycap.rr.com
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
Holy Days and Holidays subject to change (see bulletin & website)

The parish & school offices will be closed on Labor Day, Monday 9/4
Join us for Mass at 9:00 AM on 9/4

Mass Intentions

Monday – September 4
9:00 AM John Halayko by Wayne & Cathy Halayko
9:00 AM Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption

Tuesday – September 5
6:30 AM Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption
9:00 AM Thomas Joseph Casey by Miecznikowski Family

Wednesday – September 6
6:30 AM Maurice Nadeau by Bernard Nadeau
9:00 AM Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption

Thursday – September 7
6:30 AM Communion Svc at Our Lady of the Assumption
9:00 AM Sophie Grenchus by Mary Ann
For the intention Lyda Lezzi on her 98th Birthday by daughters

Friday – September 8 The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
6:30 AM Communion Service
9:00 AM Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption

Saturday—September 9
4:30 PM Lillian Molnar (54th Anniversary) by Family
Thomas Zushak by Cathy & Pat
John Schmit by Melody & Hal O’Brien
John A. Ouinet by Harry & Sylvia Semonchik
For the intention of Vicky & Helmut Neurohr on their 50th Wedding Anniversary

Sunday – September 10 23rd Week in Ordinary Time
7:30 AM John A. Ouinet by Paul & Stephanie Nolet
Helen Howe by Betty, Jim & Leo Tracey
9:00 AM Betty Waltersdorf by Ushers
Donald James Waters by Mary Kerwin
11:30 AM Roger A. Clemente by Pat & Mary Casale
Marilyn W. Soucy by William & Susan Krause
5:30 PM Rose Esposito by Will & Jacob Alund

Parish Events

Monday – September 4
7:00 PM Core Team Meeting-Chapel

Tuesday – September 5
6:30 PM Parish Festival Planning Mtg -PC

Wednesday – September 6
6:00-8:30 PM VIRTUS

Thursday – September 7
9:30-11 AM Mary’s Circle of Love
6:00-8:30 PM Faith Formation Book Pickup

Thursday – September 7 (cont’d)
7:00 PM Prayer Group-Chapel
7:00-9:00 PM Night of Praise —Church

Friday – September 8
6 AM-Midnight Eucharistic Adoration-Chapel

Saturday – September 9
3:00-4:00 PM Confessions-Chapel

Sunday – September 10
After 5:30 MassLife Teen-Parish Ctr

Did you know that the parish website has a google calendar of all parish events on the homepage?
**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: 7:30am,
  - 9:00am St. Joseph Prov. House
  - 10:30am

**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

**Vincentian Institute’s Class of 1967**
Celebration of their 50th Reunion on Sat., Oct. 7, 2017 at Shaker Ridge Club in Loudonville. For complete information visit their webpage at viclassof67-50threunion.com or their closed Facebook page at: Vincentian Institute-Class of 1967 (include the dash).
Questions contact Jim Shea at 518-944-4067 or Diana Pellegrino Keller at 518-795-4476 or kellerdiana4@gmail.com

**Music Ministry**
Music Ministry is looking for those willing to share their talents by joining them. Do you play bass guitar, rhythm guitar, drums, piano? Perhaps you are a vocalist? No matter what instruments you play, we are inviting you to have a conversation about how you can share those talents with your parish community. Please see Tom Green after any Mass for more information.

**Liturgical Roles for Week Ending September 10, 2017**

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<th><strong>SACRISTAN:</strong> N. White</th>
<th><strong>LECTORS:</strong> #1– L. Sharp</th>
<th><strong>ALTAR SERVERS:</strong> K. Egan, J. Paradis</th>
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<td>Team #1</td>
<td><strong>SACRISTAN:</strong> B. Lamiano</td>
<td><strong>LECTORS:</strong> #1– C. Blanchard #2– M. Rosenthal</td>
<td><strong>ALTAR SERVERS:</strong> M. &amp; J. LaBombard, B. Miller</td>
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**Money Counters, Sunday, September 10**

**Money Counters, Monday, September 11**

**Sacristan:** H. O’Brien  
**Lectors:** #1– D. Spenard #2– L. Sharp  
**Altar Servers:** J. O’Brien, D. Cushing, L. Francesconi, J. Paradis  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** J. Conroy, J. Hogan, N. Hooks, G. Leombruno, B. & I. Murray, T. Muscatiello  
**Ushers:** J. Van Wie, D. Mason, J. Couch, J. Minnick  
**Media Ministry:** Kathy R.  

**Sacristan:** Gail C.  
**Lectors:** #1– P. Lincoln #2– K. Grill  
**Altar Servers:** D. Buser  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** J. & M. Rayball, J. Bodnar, C. Chabot, D. Daub  
**Ushers:** J. Bodnar, R. Haggerty, C. Cameron  
**Media Ministry:** Nancy W.  

**Sacristan:** N. White  
**Lectors:** #1– P. Frank #2– N. Fisk  
**Altar Servers:** K. Egan, A. Kurian, M. Mullen  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** A. Schwenzefer, J. & L. Natale, D. Rootes, N. Hooley, D. Carr, L. Sharp  
**Ushers:** J. Martin, D. Fuda, M. Danner, V. Varughese  
**Media Ministry:** MaryClaire O.  

**Sacristan:** M. Trudeau  
**Lectors:** Volunteers  
**Altar Servers:** Volunteers  
**Ushers:** Volunteers  
**Media Ministry:** Jill F.  

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