Saint Ambrose School is proud to present its Sixth Annual HARVEST FESTIVAL Saturday, October 28, 2017 10:00 – 2:00 (rain or shine)

CRAZY Carnival Games 2 Bounce Houses Face Painting
Raffles Bake Sale Live Music by UpBeat Occasions

COOK OUT and MORE ALL ARE WELCOME

The Harvest Fest will be a great opportunity for the school to interact with the community. The Harvest Fest is free to come to and proceeds from food and games go towards the 8th grade field trip to Washington D.C. this spring. Color run is $20 per participant and includes a race kit consisting of a drawstring bag with sunglasses, an individual color packet and a bottle of water (registration at 9:00 am).

We are looking for gently used stuffed animals and small toys for the prize table; baked goods for the Bake Sale. (Baked good can be brought in on Friday October 27).
October is Fire Prevention Month. Thursday, October 12, 2017 volunteers from the Latham Fire Department paid a visit to St. Ambrose to help teach the students about Fire Safety and Prevention. They covered topics of using 911 for emergencies, stop drop and roll and also showed students what a firefighter looked like wearing all their equipment. Also in their session they discussed with the students the importance of having an escape plan if they were ever in an emergency situation.

Education in Fire Safety and Prevention is part of the New York State Curriculum. Our teachers followed up the visit with activities and discussion in the classroom. The visit ended with a tour of one of the Fire trucks with an explanation on the use of all the equipment on board.

Our thanks go out to the volunteers and the department not only for their visit, but for the important role they play in our community.

Third grade spent some time last Friday doing a science experiment on force and mass. The students had the opportunity to be hands on and record their observations.
Last week, I had the opportunity to attend a series of events hosted by the Kieval Institute for Jewish-Christian Studies through Siena College. The topic was “Teaching Our Children About the Holocaust.” Over the course of hours of discussion, dinner, and a subsequent morning discussion that featured Bishop Scharfenberger, people from the Jewish, Christian, and Muslim traditions had a very frank discussion of the realities of intolerance and religious discrimination and how they create atmospheres where violence becomes a reality.

Over the course of the conversations, it was clear that the only real remedies for violence and hatred in the religious context is real, meaningful encounter with those who are often labeled as the “other” as well as education.

All three of the monotheistic faiths prize the concept of education. Our Catholic tradition founded the first universities, preserved Greek and Roman literature throughout the Middle Ages, and includes whole orders of religious dedicated to teaching the youth. It’s not much different in the other traditions, where education equals both spiritual depth and economic opportunities.

Where does Catholic education take place? Most importantly it happens in the home, where a vision of the human person in the image and likeness of God is first grasped. It includes everything from learning prayers to encountering Scripture to answering questions of life, death, and God that arise naturally from the lips of small children.

It occurs in a unique way in the Catholic schools, whether they are parochial elementary schools, Catholic high schools or Catholic colleges. Ideally, the depth and breadth of the Catholic worldview is integrated holistically into an entire curriculum, where awe of God is expressed through wonder in His creation and its ordering.

Catholic education is also meant to take place in parishes and I think that’s often forgotten. Here, public school children already learn about their faith in religious education classes. Teenagers are educated through teachings in the youth ministry. Converts are educated through the RCIA. We’ve also featured teaching and speaker series that have been well received.

But it can be so much more. What Christian wouldn’t want to know more about Scripture or about the faith we proclaim in our Creed? Who wouldn’t want to better understand the mystery of the Eucharist? How about the Jewish roots of Christianity or what the Church teaches on non-Christian religions?

What do you want to learn about? Let me know. I’d love to offer talks and courses according to your interests. Anything is possible and your parish can be a place where you can learn just as much as it is a place to worship and serve others.

Contact: Thomas.Acemoglu@rcda.org or call 518-785-1351, ext. 307
Mission 2018

It’s in full gear preparing for our next Parish Family Mission Trip. Please pray for this amazing effort by the entire parish to reach out to our brothers and sisters in great need.

If you would like to get more involved with the mission trip you can do it in two ways:

Empowerment Committee
These are a group of people who help organize and orchestrate the trip and all the fund raising. It is logistical, practical and empowering. If this is you then please join us by reaching out and contacting the Lifeteen Office for more info 518.785.1351 x309 or email youthministry@stambroselatham.com

Missionary Group
These are the people who are the hands and feet of the Mission Effort. Made up of mostly High School teens and a few adults. These folks sacrifice time to gain the funds to go on the trip and represent the generosity of our amazing Parish Family. Nothing brings peace to our world like the power of sacrifice and giving. As we are all here because of the sacrifice and giving nature of our Lord Jesus Christ so to is our created nature to reflect His gift. If you want to know deep joy then join us by contacting the Lifeteen Office. Spots to attend the trip are limited and filling up quickly. Pray about this great undertaking and if you feel called then reach out as soon as you can.

The PREMIRE Irish folk Band in the Capital District preforming Live

November 11th

6pm to 9pm

PUB NIGHT

Come support our Mission Trip by having a great time with friends and family. $25
gets you in the door and there will be lots of great Pub Food like Wings, Sliders, Loaded Fries and salads, Beer and Wine for sale. Tickets available next week after all Masses or by the Front Office or by contacting the LIFETEEN Office.


**AROUND THE PARISH**

### CALENDARS & SCHEDULES

**Sunday – October 22**
- 10:15 – 11:15 AM: Faith Formation
- 10:15 – 11:14 AM: EDGE
- After 5:30 Mass: Life Teen

**Monday – October 23**
- 7:00 PM: Life Teen Core-Chapel

**Tuesday – October 24**

**Wednesday – October 25**

**Thursday—October 26**
- 9:30 AM: Mary’s Circle of Love—Lounge
- 6:00-8:00 PM: AA, ALANON, ALATEEN—Mtg. Rms
- 7:00 PM: Confirmation Gathering—PC
- 7:00 PM: Prayer Group-Chapel

**Friday – October 27**
- 6:00 AM: Communion Service

**Saturday – October 28**
- 3:00-4:00 PM: Confessions-Chapel

**Sunday – October 29**
- After 5:30 Mass: Life Teen

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**Please keep our confirmation candidates in your prayers as they will be on retreat from 10/27—10/29.**

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday – October 23**
- 6:30 AM: Ann Marie Nadeau by Bernard Nadeau
- 9:00 AM: Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption

**Tuesday – October 24**
- 6:30 AM: Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption
- 9:00 AM: Dorothy R. Leombruno by Family
- Shelia Concilla by Mary Ellen & Bill Sage
- Robert Kirkendall by The Dion Family
- Marcial Bitancor by Family

**Wednesday – October 25**
- 6:30 AM: For the Intentions of Dr. Thomas Flaim
- 9:00 AM: Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption

**Thursday – October 26**
- 6:30 AM: Communion Svc at Our Lady of the Assumption
- 9:00 AM: Paul Coneski, Sr. by Mary Anne
- Philip Maiello by Parish Staff

**Friday – October 27**
- 6:30 AM: Communion Service

**Saturday – October 28**
- 4:30 PM: Gretchen Gagnon by Sharon Burgess
- Betty Comtois by Rene, Tom & Renee
- Mary Jane Chevalier by Melody & Hal O’Brien

**Sunday – October 29**
- 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- 7:30 AM: Teresa Popolizio by Clara Frederick Howell by Wayne & Cathy Halayko
- 9:00 AM: Donald Fazioli by Alice Horgan & Family
- 11:30 AM: Chickie Sorrentino by Sorrentino Family
- Rosalie Bartkowski by Cheryl Kirkendall
- 5:30 PM: People of St. Ambrose Parish

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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

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**Communion Service:** Friday 6:30am

**Holy Days and Holidays subject to change**

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**Light Weigh One King**

Would you like to eat your favorite foods while you learn how to lose weight?

Light Weigh One King is a Bible study-DVD series without weigh-ins that gets you healthy physically and spiritually.

An orientation meeting will be held in the Parish Lounge on Wednesday, 10/25 from 6:30—8:00 pm.

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**RECONCILIATION**

We want to welcome and invite you to participate in this beautiful sacrament of healing. Take a step in faith. You’ll be surprised about how free you feel after taking part in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Jesus is calling you to experience His mercy. Saturday’s 3:00 -4:00 PM or by appointment. Call the parish office.

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**Chapel is open each day from 6AM to 9PM**

*Fridays we have Eucharistic Adoration until midnight.*
Parish Support

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The key fobs will be deactivated in the near future. If you have a key fob for access to St. Ambrose please contact the office and speak with Deacon Andy.

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Fr. Brian Kelly

is hosting a Women’s Breakfast on Saturday, NOVEMBER 18 from 9 AM – 12 PM at The Vista Restaurant at Van Patten Golf Club, 924 Main Street, Clifton Park, NY. Tickets: $20.00; Clergy & Religious - Free. Guest Speaker is Diane Seaver. Register by November 13 - send a check for $20 payable to Albany NY Chapter of Magnificat, PO Box 340, Clifton Park, NY 12065. Please include your name, address, phone # and email address. For questions, call Kelly @ 518-384-0989. ALL WOMEN ARE INVITED or find them www.facebook.com/albanymagnificat

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