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September 29

FESTIVAL

Family Luau
12-4 PM

Mass
4:30 PM

Brews & Pews
6:30 PM

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**Mass Intentions**

4:30 PM  
Saturday, August 25  
- Mary Sue Sisock by Pat & Cathy  
- Thomas Clear by Mary Ellen & Bill Sage  
- Christian Walsh by Heather

7:30 AM  
Sunday, August 26  
- People of St. Ambrose

9:00 AM  
Sunday, August 26  
- Richard Ryan by Nolles Family  
- Timothy D. Butler by Claire & Family  
- James Sharp by Laureen Sharp

11:30 AM  
Sunday, August 26  
- Policarpio Bitancor, Sr. by Family  
- Chickie Sorrentino by Frank Sorrentino

5:30 PM  
Sunday, August 26  
- Christian Walsh by Aunt Susan  
- Daniel Jacob Thiel by Justina Treventi

6:30 AM  
Monday, August 27  
- Rose Marie Oleyourryk (2nd Anniv) by Family

9:00 AM  
Tuesday, August 28  
- People of St. Ambrose

6:30 AM  
Wednesday, August 29  
- People of St. Ambrose

9:00 AM  
Thursday, August 30  
- James Sharp (5th Anniv) by Laureen Sharp

6:30 AM  
Friday, August 31  
- Communion Service

4:30 PM  
Saturday, September 1  
- Jean Hillje by Family  
- George Robert Hillje by Family  
- Rose Mary Olsey by Rose Brand  
- Christian Walsh by Aunt Tina & Allen

7:30 AM  
Sunday, September 2  
- People of St. Ambrose

9:00 AM  
Sunday, September 2  
- Julia Rhoades by Brian Garvey  
- Joann Brochu by Lynn & Pet Caruso

11:30 AM  
Sunday, September 2  
- Collin Cavanaugh McCabe by Andy & Justina Treventi  
- Ellsworth & Stephen King by Wife/Mother  
- Ruth Lapierre by Rick, Nancy, Ren & Chris

5:30 PM  
Sunday, September 2  
- Irene C. Meisner by St. Ambrose Youth Ministry

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**NO Eucharistic Adoration on Friday, August 31** due to the Labor Day holiday weekend. The chapel will, however, be open for prayer during the day. Adoration will resume on Friday, September 7.

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**Labor Day**

The St. Ambrose Parish & School offices will be closed **Monday, September 1st**.

Please join us for Mass at 9:00 am

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**First Saturday Devotion**

Please join us on **Saturday, September 1, at 10:00 AM** in the Chapel for First Saturday Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

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**Annual Convocation**

On Wednesday September 5, 2018, at 7:00pm, St. Bernard’s School of Theology and Ministry will be hosting its annual Convocation at Mater Christi Parish in Albany. The speaker for the evening will be Sr. Mary Frohlich, RCSJ, a Professor of Spirituality from Catholic Theological Union in Chicago. Her presentation will be on “A Christological Spirituality for Conversion to the Earth”. [In her own words, Christ is the living Heart of the cosmos. From the origins of the universe through the long millennia of evolution, the Spirit of God has labored with love to make known the face of Christ in the wondrous web of life on Earth. In the midst of today’s ecological crisis, Christians are called to reconnect with the Earth and with the Christ who lives in every being, great and small. Our joy will be participating with him in nurturing abundance of life for all!] **All are welcome to attend.** Read more about Sr. Mary here: [https://cct.biola.edu/people/mary-frohlich-rscj/](https://cct.biola.edu/people/mary-frohlich-rscj/)

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**Parish Support**

We are a tithing parish following God’s plan for giving

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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.
Very Important Faith Formation News!

First...
Book Pick Up Begins This Sunday!

Sunday August 26th from 8am to 1pm.
Wednesday August 29th from 5pm to 8pm
Thursday September 6th from 5pm to 8pm

Come, pay for classes, pick up your books, update your info, get some info for the year, and hang out and say “hi!”

Second...
We still really, really need Catechists, Aides, and Volunteers for the Year!
Contact Tom Today!

Third...
Faith Formation is for everyone!
- Classes for Pre-K to Grade 5 start September 9th at 10:15am
- Middle School begins September 9th as well!
- High School meets Sundays starting at 4:30pm
- Prepare for the Sacraments... adults as well as kids and teens! Just let us know!

The United Methodist Women, who generously support our St. Ambrose Food Pantry, have invited our community to participate with them in collecting items to benefit the needy. Any of the items listed below can be brought to the office, including the Sunday office.

Pill Bottles: Throughout the year, the United Methodist Women collect clean, empty prescription bottles as well as bottles from over the counter medicines. Please wash the bottle and remove all labels. Matthew 25: (not to be confused with our own Matthew 25 ministry) who accepts donations of empty plastic pill bottles for inclusion in shipments of medical supplies and for shredding and recycling. Their pill bottle program fulfills the dual needs of improving medical care in developing countries and caring for our environment.

Acceptable collection items include:
1. Prescription and over-the-counter pill bottles
2. Large and small pill bottles
3. Pill Bottles with and without secure caps (child resistant)

Pill bottles that are not appropriate to include with shipments of medical supplies are recycled for cash that goes towards Matthew 25: Ministries’ programs.

Eye Glasses: Lions Institute collects prescription eyeglasses and sunglasses that no longer fit your prescription. Donate glasses and change someone’s life. Imagine if you could help a child read. An adult succeed in his job. A senior maintain her independence. And provide a community with more opportunities to grow and thrive.

Everyday, their recycled eyeglass programs do all of this and more. Throughout the year, Lions volunteers collect used eyeglasses and deliver them to regional Lions Eyeglass Recycling Centers (LERCs). LERC volunteers clean, sort by prescription strength and package the glasses. Recycled glasses are distributed to people in need in low and middle income communities where they will have the greatest impact.

Cell Phones/Chargers: Victims of domestic violence throughout Albany County can benefit from used cell phones and chargers to help ensure their safety and ability to communicate.

All of the above items can be brought to the office including the Sunday office. The Sunday office weather permitting can be found outside on Sunday mornings after Mass and in inclement weather in the parish center hallway. As a reminder you can get a Mass card, ask questions and gather information. If you are new to our parish - WELCOME and we invite you to stop by the Sunday office.
The new school year is quickly approaching. The summer has been filled with lots of activity and many improvements have been made as we await the arrival of our students. The school building is in great shape with freshly painted classrooms and hallways. Also, the former meeting rooms have been converted to classrooms to provide additional areas for instruction. Students and parents will be coming to school on Tuesday, August 28 from 9:00 – 11:00 AM to drop off supplies, meet their new teacher and see their new classroom. The official first day of school is Wednesday, September 5. Students will be dismissed at 11:00 AM and an Ice Cream Social sponsored by the PTO will follow.

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Please come and visit the school and continue to spread the good word about it to prospective families.