**Parish Fest = Family, Faith & Fun**

Join us **Saturday, September 29th** for the Annual Parish Fest **from 12-4pm**. FREE family activities include: crafts, face painting, games, and inflatable obstacle course for kids of ALL ages! Garden tours, school tours, and religious articles swap will also take place. Dunk Tank tickets will be available for purchase with special dunk tank guest Father Kelly!!! 3pm Kids vs. Adults Kickball game. Hamburgers and hotdogs provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. **50/50 raffle. We are also in need of volunteers for one hour shifts.** Sign-ups to attend or volunteer are available online or on cards in pews.
A women’s rain jacket was left in the Parish Office some time ago—Navy Blue with mint green collar & hood. Please contact the Parish Office to claim it.

Have you and your family...

- Been Baptized?
- Made your first Reconciliation?
- Received your First Communion?
- Made your Confirmation?

St. Ambrose parish provides many opportunities for adults and children who still need to make their sacraments. It’s never too late to receive the Sacraments!

Contact the Faith Formation office at 785-1351 x307 or Thomas.Acemoglu@rcda.org

The Our Lady of Victory Columbiettes will be hosting a Vendor & Craft Fair on Saturday October 6 from 9:00 - 3:00, at 55 North Lake Ave, Troy, Parish Hall—we are Handicap Accessible. For information contact Louise at (518) 708-4342.
Men's Conference
Please join us for a day of fellowship on Saturday, October 20th at St. Edward the Confessor in Clifton Park, NY. With support from the Albany Diocese Office of Vocations, the day will include several talks from experienced priests, speakers and authors Fr. Brian Dunkle, S.J. and Fr. Jeffrey Kirby, S.T.L. The Sacrament of Reconciliation and Eucharistic Adoration will be offered along with Holy Mass celebrated by Bishop Edward Scharfenberger. More details and registration can be found online at www.albany-emmaus.org.

A Scripture Study of Women in the Bible
Ladies, you are invited to attend a Scripture Study of Women in the Bible, called Woman, Called By Name - For Such A Time As This, sponsored by the Albany Chapter of Magnificat, A Ministry to Catholic Women. It is a 20-week study - ten Old Testament lessons and ten New Testament lessons.

Each lesson includes prayer, scripture readings, reflection questions, and teaching. Participants need to purchase a $25 workbook. It will be held at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, 400 Saratoga Road, Glenville, NY, in Room 1, on Monday from 1:00 - 2:45pm. The Old Testament study takes place from Oct. 1 thru Dec. 10. The New Testament study will take place from March 4 thru May 20, 2019. Invite your friends to come. Contact: Diane Bigos albany@magnificat.org or 518-810-1310. RSVP by Sept. 23.

Parish Support
We are a tithing parish following God’s plan for giving
September 9, 2018 $15,570.12
September 10, 2017 $16,676.16

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

School News
Colonie Center School Bucks Program
HOW IT WORKS: SHOP. SHOW. WIN!
Shop. Show. Win! After shopping and dining at Colonie Center, your school’s family and friends can fill out the form and either place it in the drop box at the Security Desk (located near the Regal entrance) along with your original receipts, or show your original receipts at the Management Office (located past the bathrooms near Sephora) to accumulate points. You can also drop off receipts to the School or Parish Office and we’ll get them processed. Shoppers must specify which participating school (St. Ambrose) to allocate the points to.

For every dollar spent at Colonie Center, your school will receive one point! This fundraiser runs the ENTIRE school year! The school with the most amount of points at the end of the year wins $8,000!!

We have made it past the wiggles and giggles, the excited squeals and the tearful goodbyes of the first week of school!
Students started the year with a half day and an ice cream social so all families could visit and ease into the school year. The students, parents and teachers alike were eager to catch up after several months apart.

Our little kiddos have begun to develop new routines and learn about classroom expectations. They have been learning through activities, games and crafts that their hardworking teachers have planned.

The older students have been interacting with new interactive monitors and becoming more familiar with the Chromebooks we have for them.

There are many new faces as we walk through the halls and we couldn’t be more excited about how this year is going. We are looking towards the future and it is bright!
HIGH SCHOOL TEENS
You're invited every Sunday (4:30-8:30 p.m.) for an awesome night of prayer, friendship, and fun!
After dinner (FREE!), we'll learn more about these inspiring topics--
9/23 **Shocking Truth: The Eucharist**
9/30 **Sharper than Any Two-Edged Sword: How to Pray with the Bible**

ADOPT A SEMINARIAN
As you may recall, over the summer, we were blessed to welcome Kyle Gorenksi, who is a seminarian in our Diocese. Kyle is back at school now. We would like to continue to let him know he is in our hearts and prayers. Did you know that while in formation, Seminarians are not allowed to work? Would you consider joining us in sending some cards, notes, small gifts and gift cards? We are collecting things to send out by the end of September. If you would like to give Kyle a little something you can do so by dropping it off at the office or even the Sunday office. The Sunday office is found outside after each of the Masses on Sunday mornings (or in the parish center hallway during inclement weather). Need ideas? Contact Tracey, Penk-Masucci@rcda.org or by calling the parish office.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN
**Wed., September 26 to Sun., November 4.**
40 Days for Life Campaign is a community effort of a period of 40 days of prayer, fasting, community outreach and peaceful prayer vigil at the Planned Parenthood right of way, 1040 State Street, Schenectady, from 7 AM – 7 PM. In the Spirit of Christ, we peacefully and lovingly, pray, educate and witness to our community in order to bring an end to abortion and to provide hope and help for women in crisis pregnancies. Come be a witness of God's love and mercy to the mothers and fathers who find themselves in an unexpected pregnancy, to the Planned Parenthood employees and passersby by your prayerful presence at our prayer vigil. We need you to pray and discern to commit one hour per week.

Contact: Viviane: 384-0699, Sarah: sch40days@gmail.com, www.40daysforlife.com/schenectady

Faith FORMATION
 Begins Sunday, Sept. 9th @ 10:15 am

Here's a look at what's coming up:
9/23 — class with Pre-K/Kindergarten parent/student workshop
9/30 — Family Mass at 9:00 with 2nd Grade Commissioning followed by class at 10:15

Parishioner Registration/Update Request

| Name: ________________________________ |
| Street: ______________________________ |
| City: ________________________________ |
| Zip: ________________________________ |
| Phone No: ___________________________ |

Please Check
- New Registration
- Change of Address
- Moving out of Parish
- Want Envelopes
- Would like information on e-giving
- Name Change (Please contact Parish Secretary)

The Evangelist Subscription
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 and drop it in the Collection Basket or mail to the Parish Office.