

ST. AMBROSE CATHOLIC CHURCH



**SUNDAY
JANUARY 22,
2023**

**3RD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

**Very Rev. Andrew J. Fisher, V.F., Pastor
Rev. Joseph M. Rampino, Parochial Vicar
Parish Office Phone Number: 703-280-4400**

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., & 5:00 p.m.

WEEKDAYS

Monday - Friday: 7:00 & 9:00 a.m.

Saturday: 9:00 a.m.

HOLY DAYS

As announced

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturdays: 9:30 & 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

After 9:00 a.m. Saturday Mass

ADORATION

Following 9:00 a.m. Mass First Fridays until 7:00 p.m. Benediction



PARISH SCHOOL

**3827 Woodburn Road
Annandale, VA 22003**

Phone: 703-698-7171

Website:

www.stambroseschool.org

Email Address:

info@stambroseschool.org

Principal: Maria Tejada

principal@stambroseschool.org

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Baptism: First-time, expectant parents must attend a prior instruction on the Sacrament of Baptism. Call the Parish Office to make the necessary arrangements. Baptisms are normally celebrated on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month following the 12:00 pm Mass.

Matrimony: Registered parishioners who wish to be married at St. Ambrose, or to be prepared for marriage in another parish, must, by diocesan policy, begin the required preparation at least six months prior to the proposed date for their marriage. Contact the parish Office for an appointment.

Returning to the Church: If you are Catholic and returning to the sacraments, or to the practice of the faith, we welcome you back! If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact a priest at the parish office or after Sunday Mass. We are happy to help you come back home to the Catholic Church.

Initiation of Adults and Children: The Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) is a process by which a person becomes initiated into the full sacramental life of the Catholic Church through weekly instruction. If you or someone you know would like to inquire about the life of Jesus Christ and the beliefs & teachings of His Church, please contact Mrs. Therese Ryan in the Office of Religious Education.

Sick Calls: Contact the parish office to schedule visits to the sick/homebound, for the Sacraments of Penance, the Eucharist & the Anointing of the Sick.

Parish Membership: Parish Membership is necessary for Baptism, Matrimony, or Sacramental Sponsor Forms. In order for a Sponsor Form to be issued, one must be a registered/participating member of the Parish for at least three months. Please notify the office of any changes on your registration form, telephone number, address, temporary absence, etc. Registration forms are available in the parish office, the vestibule of the Church, and on the website.

CONTACT INFORMATION



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Religious Education: Therese Ryan
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Director of Music: Jon Laird
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Plant & Facilities Manager: Paul Moeller
703-280-4400 | facilities@stambroseva.org

Bulletin Notices: Please email your information to Donna Vasilakos. Deadline for the bulletin is **12 days before publication.**

Diocesan Resource Page on Issues Affecting the Catholic Church Available. The Catholic Diocese of Arlington website includes a resource page where parishioners can access information regarding the recent events affecting the Church. Read the policies on child protection and responses to the crisis from Bishop Burbidge and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops at www.arlingtondiocese.org/childprotection/

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	January 23: USA; Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children Jeanne Brady† Christine Getek
Tuesday	January 24: St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church Sheryl Wallace† George Getek†
Wednesday	January 25: The Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle David Schindler† Margaret Dominguez†
Thursday	January 26: St. Timothy & St. Titus, Bishops Patricia Kifolo† Josephine G. Bourgeois†
Friday	January 27: Wkdy; St. Angela Merici, Virgin Gerald W. Francis† Margaret Dominguez†
Saturday	January 28: St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor of the Church Piol Marciana Guadamor† Catherine Bailey†
Sunday	January 29: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 a.m. Sofia de la Cruz† 10:00 a.m. People of the Parish 12:00 noon Donald Pimentel† 5:00 p.m. Cecilia Tchong

STAY CONNECTED!

FLOCKNOTE

Sign up for email and/or text message notifications. Text **Annandale** to 84576 or visit stambroseva.flocknote.com/dashboard to sign up.

Choose only the groups YOU want to hear from!
Unsubscribe at any time.

FACEBOOK

Share the love and like us on Facebook!
Visit [stambroseva.org/facebook](https://www.facebook.com/stambroseva.org) to follow us.

WEBSITE

Visit our website for updated information at www.stambroseva.org

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St. Ambrose now has a YouTube channel! Subscribe today to see videos from your St. Ambrose priests and parish community.
Visit stambroseva.org/youtube to subscribe.

FOLLOW US ON TWITTER

We've also joined Twitter! Follow us at twitter.com/SaintAmbroseCa1

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE ILL OF THE PARISH

Irene Anderson, Katie Bader, Josephine Crosby, Kathy d'Alelio, Conor Doyle, Bill Foster, Therese Fruet, Marianne Haley, Therese Hile, Amy Hobbs, Kathleen Johnson, Robert Koldys, Helen (Dolly) LaViolette, Thomas LaViolette, John Maskeny, Lou Osborn, Liz Post, Marcelina Respuesto, Lisa Rhoads, Lewis Rhodes, Jean Reed Saylor, Fr. Spychala, Jim Smith, Laura Sutherland, Nicole A. Tramonte, Lilian Yetman

PLEASE PRAY FOR YOUR PRIESTS

Jan 23	Rev. Joel D. Jaffe
Jan 24	Rev. John D. Kelly
Jan 25	Rev. Michael J. R. Kelly
Jan 26	Rev. Joseph R. Kenna
Jan 27	Rev. Anthony J. Killian
Jan 28	Rev. Dennis W. Klienmann
Jan 29	Rev. Sean T. Koehr



*Please pray for the deceased
of St. Ambrose*



ST. AMBROSE SCHOOL NEWS

MISSION STATEMENT

"Fostering a faith-filled and academically strong environment, Saint Ambrose Catholic School works with families and the faith community to encourage the formation of the whole child through the examples and teachings of Jesus Christ."

Dear St. Ambrose Community,

Saint Ambrose School will be hosting open houses. January 29 at 11:00am, and February 14 at 8:30am. Please RSVP to friendsof@stambroseschool.org if you are interested in attending. We hope to see you there.

Saint Ambrose Preschool is currently accepting applications for the 2023-2024 school year. Information and requirements for applying can be found on the preschool website stambrosepreschool.org. Application information forms can also be obtained at the main school office and the Parish Hall.

St. Ambrose School is always in need of extra substitute teachers. If you would be interested in being added to our sub list please call the front office at (703) 698-7171.

Yours in Christ,
Maria Teresa Tejada
principal@stambroseschool.org

Faith Direct

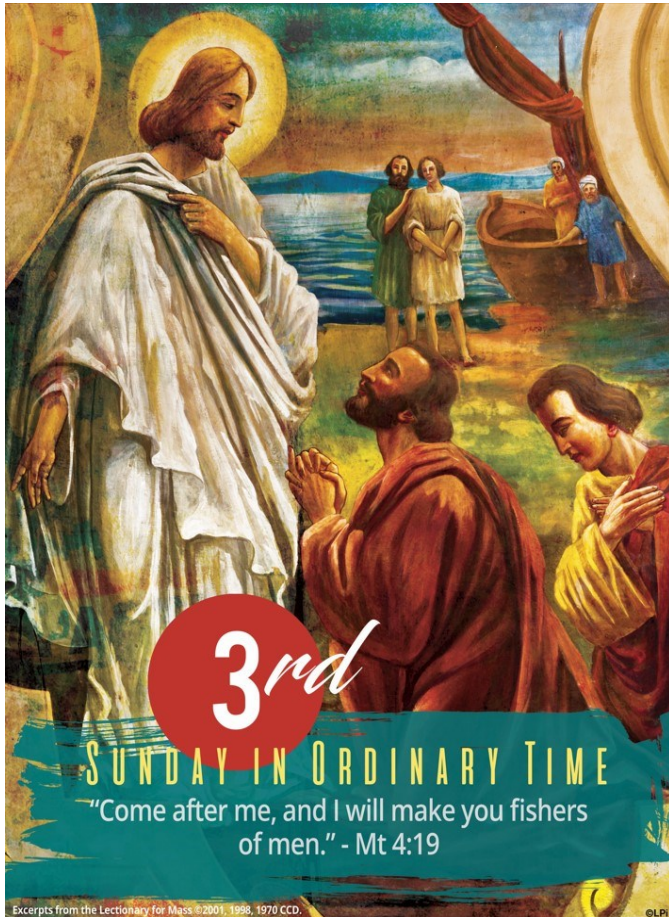
Have you signed up for Faith Direct yet? You can sign up from your computer, smartphone or tablet, and plan your offertory by setting up a recurring donation.

Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/VA401 or go to our Website, www.stambroseva.org and scroll down the page to Faith Direct.

"He called them, and immediately they left their boat and their father and followed Him."

Matthew 4:22

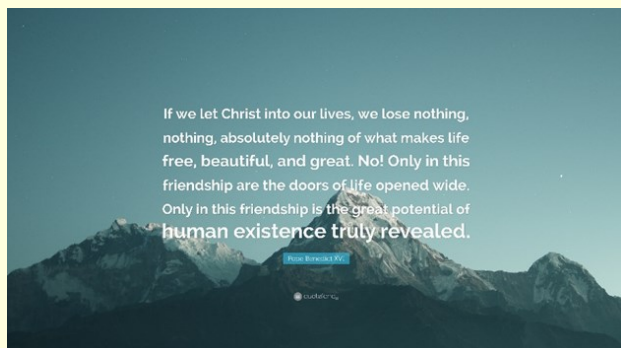
Just as Jesus called the first apostles, He calls each of us to follow Him, too. Not everyone is called to leave their business or family behind, but we are expected to put God first in everything. In gratitude to God, we should give our first and best of everything to Him: our time in daily prayer, our talent in participating in one of our parish ministries and our treasure to support the financial needs of our parish mission.



ST. AMBROSE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

K – 12 Religious Education

Contact: Therese Ryan DRE at tryan@stambroseva.org



RCIA: Becoming Catholic

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is for those over the age of seven who are unbaptized, baptized in another Christian tradition who are now interested in becoming Catholic, and baptized Catholics who are not fully initiated (need 1st Communion or Confirmation).

***Fall 2023 Classes are forming now and will meet Monday evenings from 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm in the Parish Hall, September through May. stambroseva.org/RCIA or contact Therese Ryan tryan@stambroseva.org for more info.

Religious Education

St. Ambrose offers religious education opportunities for students in grades K - 8 who attend public or other non-Catholic schools which include the preparation necessary to receive the Sacraments of 1st Penance, 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation. We also have a great Youth Ministry program for our students in grades 9-12, which offers faith formation and community for teens on Sunday nights, throughout the school year. Visit stambroseva.org/RE and stambroseva.org/GodSquad for more details.

Wednesday Evening REL ED Parents' Group

Meets 6:15-7:30pm in the Art/Science room during Religious Ed. Bring a hot drink and a tot, or not. Good conversation and fellowship and snacks will be provided. Come join us!

Jesus, Mary and a Cup of Joe

Join us Sundays at 8:45 am starting September 18 in the school library for Jesus, Mary, and a Cup of Joe! We meet to learn more about the faith while enjoying fellowship and building community. All adults are welcome! *Not sure it's for you?* Come check it out. Can't come every week? No problem. Come when you can. There's no commitment and no pressure, just good coffee.

Wednesday "Bible Studies"

Wednesday Mornings PH 10-11:30am

Starting January 18th – February 15th

A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH THE MASS

with Dr. Edward Sri

<https://ascensionpress.com/products/a-biblical-walk-through-the-mass-study-set-10th-anniversary-edition>

Lead by Chrissy Rabayda Chrissyrabayda@gmail.com

Wednesday Evenings PH library 7-8pm **Starting in February:**

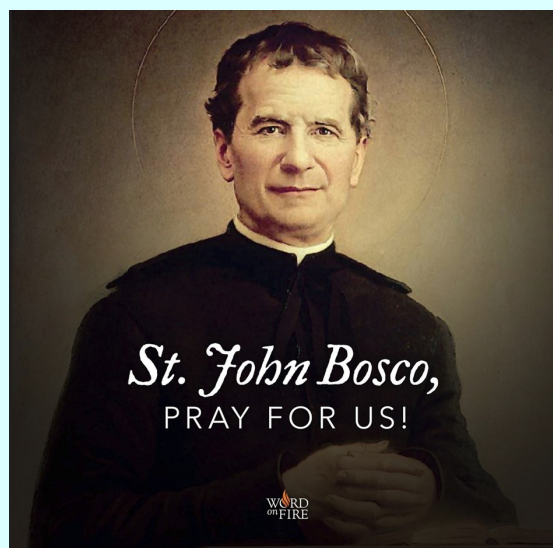
The Sacraments: a deeper dive w/Lee Cena
(Stay tuned for further details and exact dates!)

YOUTH MINISTRY

For information on all youth ministry events, visit our website at www.stambroseva.org

It takes a Church - Interested in participating/volunteering?

Contact the Director of Youth Ministry
Julia Crean at jcrean@stambroseva.org



High School Events:

God Squad

God Squad is our high school group that meets in the gym on Sundays from 5:45-8pm, open to all 9th-12th graders!

First Friday Night

Our next First Friday Night is February 3rd. 6-7:30pm in the Parish Hall. Come for adoration and snacks!

Meeting at Peet's

Our next Peet's afternoon is January 25th, 3-4pm. If there is a time/day that would work better for you in the spring let Julia know!

We meet at the Peet's across from Woodson High School. The first time you join us your coffee/treat is on us!

Middle School Events:

Kolbe's Kids

Kolbe's Kids meets on Thursdays, 3:30-4:30pm in the Parish Library. Open to all 5th-8th graders!

Jr. High Ignite

Our next Ignite Night is February 5! We will be in the gym 6-7:30pm on the 1st Sunday of every month. Open to all 6-8th graders. Come for pizza, games, and a talk on a Saint!

Weekend WorkCamp

Our next Weekend WorkCamp is February 11th, with check in 8:30-8:45am and pick up at 12:30pm at the Parish hall. Come for Mass, donuts, and a morning of service!

WSA News. The Women of St. Ambrose invite all women of the parish to join our email or by mail distribution list. Please email or call Chrissy at WSA@stambroseva.org 703-785-9937. Our business meetings are on the second Friday of the month after Mass at 9:30 am in the Parish Hall.

Take Time for God. A new ministry for women who want to deepen their relationship with God. Sunday evenings 6-7 pm in the Parish Hall Library. We are not meeting Dec. 25th and Jan. 1st. Contact Magdalena Manzo at malainemanzo@gmail.com for any questions.

KNITTING GROUP NEWS HAPPY NEW YEARS LADIES

Did you ever want to learn to knit? Well here is your chance. We are starting off the new year on Tuesday, January 24th with a mitten lesson. No experience is necessary, we have a group of accomplished knitters that would be willing and able to instruct you. We would love to have you join in the fun and fellowship.

What you will need for this lesson is a skein of worsted yarn, size eight knitting needles and a stitch holder.

We meet the last Tuesday of the Month in the Parish Library following the 9 AM mass. Hope to see you here.

If you have any questions, let me know.
Jedmo68631@aol.com

Would love to see all of you this year!!



Day of Prayer and Healing After Abortion Retreat for Women.

After Abortion Retreat: A Day of Prayer and Healing for women who have experienced abortion will be on Saturday, March 25, 2023. This group healing event is held in a private and peaceful setting, based on the Entering Canaan model. There will be an opportunity to hear from a past participant and others who have found healing. You are not alone. Take the first step. For confidential inquiries, please contact Project Rachel Ministry: (703) 841-2504 or info@h.lpafterabortion.org.

2023 Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA) Begins!

The 2023 BLA mailing was recently sent to parishioners. The theme is "My soul rejoices in the Lord," which is shared with the second preparatory year of the Diocesan Jubilee. The BLA funds programs and ministries that serve thousands of people in our diocese. Through the inspiration of the BLA theme, let us joyfully make a pledge to support God's Kingdom in our diocese! You may make a gift at: www.arlingtondiocese.org/BLA or scan the QR code below:



Join the Team to Cook at Christ House.

The St. Ambrose Food Ministry is looking for volunteers to help prepare and distribute a meal once a month at the Christ House Shelter in Alexandria. If you are interested, please contact:

Joe Gaziano: joegaziano@yahoo.com
703-405-5012

Mary Gaziano: marygaziano@yahoo.com
703-625-0293



A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH THE MASS

EDWARD SRI

Discover the Beauty, the Riches, and the Profound Meaning of the Mass. Everything we say and do in the Liturgy is steeped in biblical language. A Biblical Walk Through the Mass explores the extraordinary biblical roots of the Liturgy and reveals what it all means and why it all matters. This fascinating tour of the Mass will renew your faith and deepen your love for and devotion to the Holy Eucharist.

Only 5 Wednesdays

Jan. 18th— Feb. 15th

10-11:30 AM

St. Ambrose Parish Hall

Visit www.ascensionpress.com to learn more and order your study set.

Cost is \$26.95 plus tax & shipping.

Contact Therese Ryan at tryan@stambroseschool.org

for more information.

Multicultural Cookbook. Do you love to cook? Have a special cultural dish you love to share at family gatherings? We need you! As part of the Golden Jubilee for the Diocese of Arlington, the Multicultural Sub-Committee is producing a multicultural cookbook! It will include recipes from every culture, submitted by those who call the Diocese of Arlington home! Recipes will be reviewed and selected by a diverse panel, and then published in a keepsake cookbook in commemoration of the Diocesan Golden Jubilee. Recipes will be arranged according to the liturgical calendar so that, from years to come, folks will be able to open their cookbook at any time in the liturgical year and find a special recipe to enjoy! Find out more here and access the submission form: <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/jubilee-gather-at-the-table>.

"Repent! The kingdom of heaven is at hand."

Are you being called to proclaim the coming of the kingdom as a priest, deacon, religious sister or brother? Contact Fr. Michael Isenberg, Vocations Director, at (703) 841-2514 or email: vocations@arlingtondiocese.org.



**Support Our Seminarians
Help Build the Future of Our Diocese
Make Your Gift Today!**

 **Seminarian Education**
ENDOWMENT FUND

Mail your check made out to:
Foundation for CDA-SEEF
200 N. Glebe Rd., Suite 811
Arlington, VA 22203

CONTACT: John French • john.french@arlingtondiocese.org
To make a gift online: arlingtondiocese.org/Donate_SEEF

Quo Vadis Father-Son Seminary Visit. Ever wondered what college seminary is like? Join Fr. Isenberg and Quo Vadis on Saturday, February 11, 2023, to experience it firsthand on a visit to St. John Paul II Seminary in Washington, D.C. Meet the seminarians and their formators, see where they live, pray, eat and study, celebrate Mass together and tour parts of Catholic University where they have classes. Dads are welcome but not required. Deadline to submit registration form is February 3. Visit ArlingtonDiocese.org/QuoVadis, or contact the Office of Vocations, 703-841-2514, or vocations@arlingtondiocese.org. Quo Vadis events are for high school boys interested in growing in their spiritual life and exploring their vocations.



Fairfax
MEMORIAL FUNERAL HOME

"Grieving the loss of a child is a process. It begins on the day your child passes and ends on the day you join them."

-BJ Karrer

Fairfax Memorial Funeral Home is hosting a free Grief Counseling session designed specifically for those of you who have lost a child.

Join us on Sunday, the 29th of January, 2023 to share, listen, feel & heal.

Location: Fairfax Memorial Funeral Home (9902 Braddock Rd, Fairfax VA 22032)

Time: 1:00pm

Refreshments will be provided.

Please RSVP by Friday, January 20, 2023 by going to fairfaxmemorialfuneralhome.com and click on the "Free Grief Support Group" tab on the homepage or call (703) 425-9702.