

ST. AMBROSE CATHOLIC CHURCH



**SUNDAY
MAY 14, 2023**

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF
EASTER**

**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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Annandale, VA 22003

Phone: 703-280-4400

Website:
www.stambroseva.org

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Office Hours and Staff:
Mon.-Fri.: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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Principal: Maria Tejada
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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
7:00 a.m.
9:00 a.m.

May 15: Easter Wkdy; USA: St. Isadore
Bernice Nicewicz†
Thomas Stasik†

Tuesday
7:00 a.m.
9:00 a.m.

May 16: Easter Weekday
Hang Tran
Jarquin Family

Wednesday
7:00 a.m.
9:00 a.m.

May 17: Easter Weekday
Hermeneglide Ntunzwenimana†
Margaret Dominguez†

Thursday
7:00 a.m.
9:00 a.m.

May 18: Easter Wkdy; St. John I, Pope & Martyr
Vianne Klein
Dennis Olson & Beverly Poncin†

Friday
7:00 a.m.
9:00 a.m.

May 19: Easter Weekday
George Nicogossian†
Barry Scott & Family

Saturday
9:00 a.m.
5:00 p.m.

May 20: Easter Wkdy; St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest
Mark Burley†
Fr. Jerome Daly†

Sunday
8:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m.
12:00 noon
5:00 p.m.

May 21: The Ascension of the Lord
People of the Parish
COL(R) Sean DeWolfe†
Doreen Hecton
Carson Family

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.

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Unsubscribe at any time.

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WEBSITE

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PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick

Irene Anderson, Katie Bader, Josephine Crosby, John Crowley, 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, Irene Symm, Nicole A. Tramonte, Lilian Yetman

For Our Diocesan Priests

May 15 Rev. Nicolas R. Barnes
May 16 Rev. Brian G. Bashista
May 17 Rev. Michael J. Bazan
May 18 Rev. Bryan W. Belli
May 19 Rev. Kevin J. Beres
May 20 Rev. Paul A. Berghout
May 21 Rev. Joseph D. Bergida



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,

On May 18th the 8th grade will perform their Shakespeare play, Julius Caesar. They have been working hard for months with Mrs. Greshock and we are excited to watch their performance! May 26th will be our Field Day with an 11:30am dismissal.

Do you have friends or family looking for a Catholic school? Have they been put on a waitlist at another school? Please let them know St. Ambrose has space and welcomes their applications. Call us at 703-698-7171.

We are looking for an assistant in our extended day program (K-8) The hours are 3-6pm, Monday-Friday. This position requires helping students with homework, preparing snacks, and monitoring activities. Interested applicants please send your resume to: principal@stambroseschool.org.

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



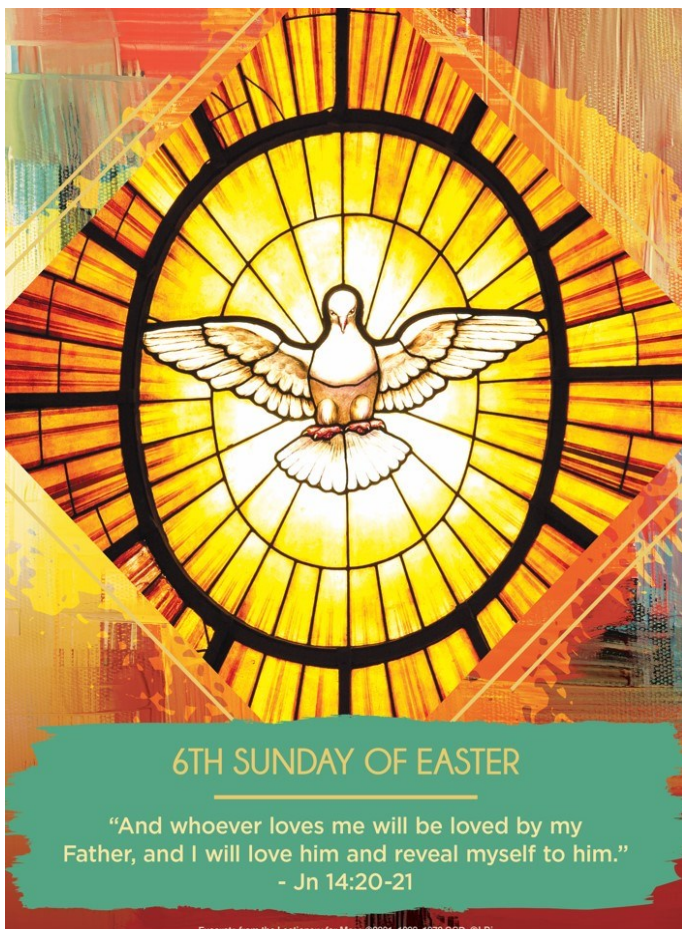
SAVE THE DATE

MASS OF DEDICATION

Saint Ambrose Catholic Church
Saturday | July 15, 2023 | 11:00 AM

Celebrant & Homilist

His Excellency Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge
Bishop of Arlington



6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him."
- Jn 14:20-21

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Faith Formation

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.

Psalm 51:10



CONGRATULATIONS!!!

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

stambroseva.org/RCIA

RCIA is the Church's process for people over the age of seven who want to become Catholic and are

- unbaptized or baptized in another Christian tradition
- Baptized Catholics who have not received First Communion and/or Confirmation
- Meets weekly September - May

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

stambroseva.org/RE

Classes for public or other non-Catholic school students.

- **Grades K-8** meet weekly on Wednesday evenings. Instruction includes required Sacramental preparation for First Penance, First Communion, and Confirmation. Stop by the **Religious Education Parents' Group** while waiting for your student(s).
- Students in **Grades 9-12** participate in Youth Ministry's weekly God Squad program.

JESUS, MARY & A CUP OF JOE

stambroseva.org/JMJ

- Learn more about the faith and enjoy fellowship, coffee and conversation. All adults are welcome! Meets weekly on Sunday mornings.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

stambroseva.org/BibleStudy

BIBLE PRAYER GROUP

stambroseva.org/faith-formation/bible-prayer-group

- Read and reflect on the following Sunday's Gospel reading. All adults are welcome! Meets weekly on Friday mornings.

WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP

stambroseva.org/WSA

- Take time for God! Meets weekly on Sunday evenings.

Faith Formation Contact:
Therese Ryan, Director of Religious Education
tryan@stambroseva.org | 703-280-1122

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

HELLO Summer

All regular Youth Ministry programs are on hold for the summer. If you'd like to be in the know about any possible events happening in the summer let Julia know!

All Youth Ministry events for the next school year are in need of adult volunteers! If you are interested in ministering to the youth of the parish please contact Julia Crean.



Thank you for a great year! -Miss Julia



St. Ambrose Summer Camp

Camp is looking for volunteers and counselors to help out and work this summer! Rising 8th graders-current high school seniors can volunteer, and current high school seniors-college grads can work full time! Contact Julia or go to the website stambrosesummer.com if you're interested!



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**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
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PRAY DAILY FOR A FUTURE PRIEST OR SISTER

The St. Therese Vocation Society is a group of men and women praying daily for vocations as well as specific individuals in formation as priests and religious in our diocese. It's a beautiful way to start the day by saying a quick, personal prayer for someone discerning a vocation. For more information, please visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/vocations/pray/st--therese-society/



FAITH DIRECT

Plan your offertory by setting up a recurring donation through Faith Direct. Enroll today from your computer, smartphone or tablet at member-ship.faithdirect.net/VA401 or at stambroseva.org and click on "Donate" on the main menu bar.



Weekend Discernment Retreat for Women. Could Christ be calling you to the religious life? Take a step to find out. The annual diocesan discernment retreat for single women who feel called to a religious vocation is Friday-Sunday, June 16-18. The Daughters of Holy Mary of the Heart of Jesus will lead the retreat this year. It will also include tools to aid your prayer and discernment, as well as opportunities for prayer, confession, spiritual direction, and Q&A with the sisters. Cost is \$100 (financial assistance is available). For more information or to register, contact Fr. Michael Isenberg at vocations@arlingtondiocese.org. Space is limited; deadline to register is Monday June 5.

"For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be God's will, than for doing evil." 1 PETER 3:17

The old line says "if you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans." Many of us are diligent in our planning and making sure things are progressing smoothly. Then disaster strikes, we don't get the result we anticipated or an unforeseen problem arises. Many times we may respond negatively and ask, "Why me? I did everything right!" Here's the thing -- adversity humbles us and reminds us of our dependence on God and not on our own self-reliance. Rest assured, God has a better plan in store for you.



SACRED LITURGY

History & Principles of Christian Worship

TUESDAYS

MAY 16 TO SEPTEMBER 26, 2023

8:00—9:15 PM EST

Live Online Course

Rev. David Anderson

Wyoming Catholic College

For more information visit

InstituteofCatholicCulture.org

Interpreters Needed for Our Mother of Mercy Free Clinic. Mother of Mercy (MoM) Virtual Interpreters Needed. MoM's mission is to provide free, quality healthcare to low-income individuals who are uninsured or under-insured in the Diocese. The majority of MoM's clients speak Spanish. The Clinics are in need of Virtual Interpreters to help improve communication between the client and the medical providers. All interpreting services will be remote via Zoom. Training provided. If you can help one 4-hour shift a month, please register here: <http://bit.ly/VolunteerMotherofMercy>



June 20th-August 4th, 2023

St. Ambrose will be offering summer camps for Summer 2023! We hope you'll consider joining us, there's a way for every age to get involved from attending camps, to working at camp, to supporting our counselors! We know it's going to be a great summer and we hope you'll be there with us.

Campers: **Registration for Camp is open now!** Check out stambrosesummer.com/camps to see what we'll be offering this year! Camp is for ages 4-13 years old.

Volunteers: Are you going into 8th grade-senior year of high school and looking for service hours? Come volunteer! Volunteer information can be found at stambrosesummer.com/volunteer, applications are open now.

Counselors: Are you a senior in high school-graduating from college and looking for a meaningful summer job? Consider St. Ambrose! Applications are open now! Find more information at stambrosesummer.com/employment

Mother's Day in the Park

Join us for a blessing of all Moms
a Celebration with Sundaes
from Baskin-Robbins

AND A RAFFLE
SUNDAY, MAY 14
AT 1:00PM

FAIRFAX MEMORIAL PARK CEMETERY
NEXT TO THE CEMETERY OFFICE



May is the Month of Mary

"Going into the house, they saw the child with Mary, his mother.' Our Lady is always near her Son. The Magi are not received by a king on a high throne, but by a child in the arms of his mother. Let us ask the Mother of God, who is our mother, to prepare for us the way that leads to the fullness of love... Her sweet heart knows the surest path for finding Christ."

—St Josemaria Escriva, "The Epiphany of Our Lord"CPB

A Mother's Prayer

O loving Mary, Mother of Jesus, you were given all the graces of motherhood. You also are powerful in praying for mothers who seek your help. Pray for me now, that I may be the kind of mother you want me to be, and the kind of daughter you want me to be. Mother Mary, keep my mind focused on the love of your Son, in whose name we both pray. Amen. (Courtesy of Project Gabriel, the Gabriel Prayer Book)



God bless all
mothers on this  Mother's Day