

SAINT AMBROSE CATHOLIC CHURCH

May 26, 2024 | The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity



WHERE THE CHURCH IS, THERE ARE HIS MYSTERIES
- SAINT AMBROSE -

Very Reverend Andrew J. Fisher, V.F., Pastor
Reverend Michael T. Nugent, Parochial Vicar
Reverend Anthony Appiah, In Residence

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday | 8 am, 10 am, Noon, 5 pm
Monday - Friday | 7 am, 9 am
Saturday | 9 am, 5 pm (Vigil)
Holy Days | As announced

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday | 9:30 am, 3 - 4 pm

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Saturday | After 9 am Mass

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

First Friday | 9:30 am - 7 pm (Benediction)

SAINT AMBROSE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

703-698-7171 | stambroseschool.org | info@stambroseschool.org

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Welcome!

Whether you are a parishioner, a visitor, seeking a parish home, returning to the practice of your Catholic faith, or interested in learning more about the Catholic Church, we welcome you to St. Ambrose and invite you to become a member of our growing parish family.

PARISH OFFICE

Monday - Friday | 9 am - 4 pm
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BULLETIN NOTICES

Please email your announcement request to Donna Vasilakos. Bulletin deadline is **14 days before publication.**

ISSUES AFFECTING THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Diocese of Arlington website provides a resource page with information about recent events affecting the Church. Child protection policies and responses to the crisis, from Bishop Burbidge and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, are available at arlingtondiocese.org/childprotection

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Baptism: First-time, expectant parents must attend an instruction class prior to the Sacrament of Baptism. Call the Parish Office to make the necessary arrangements. Baptisms are usually celebrated on Sundays following the Noon 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're happy to help you come back home to the Catholic Church.

Initiation of Adults and Children: The Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) is the process through 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 and teachings of His Church, please call Claire Jackson, Director of Religious Education/Youth Ministry, 703-280-1122.

Sick Calls: Contact the Parish Office to schedule visits to the sick and/or 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 Parish Office of any changes on your registration form, telephone number, address, temporary absence, etc. Forms are available in the Parish Office and at stambroseva.org



Mass Intentions Pray for people in need, both living or deceased, by having a Mass said for that intention. Masses can be offered to celebrate Baptisms, Birthdays, Anniversaries, Confirmations, Special Intentions, Weddings or other needs.

Devotional Candles for the St Ambrose Shrine in the Narthex are available for a \$4 donation.

For Mass Requests, please visit the Parish Office, Monday through Friday, 9 am-4 pm. Devotional Candles may be purchased during Parish Office hours or from the ushers before/after weekend Masses.

FAITH DIRECT

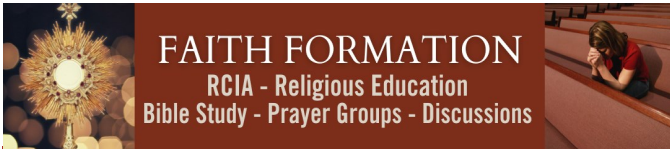
Plan your recurring Offertory donations through Faith Direct. Visit bit.ly/StAmbroseFaithDirect or scan the QR code.



PARISH MINISTRIES

Visit stambroseva.org + click on Ministries tab for details and contacts

Adult Choir	Altar Servers	Altar Society
Bereavement Group	Christ House Meals	Eucharistic Adoration
Friday Morning Bible Study	Gabriel Project	Garden & Grounds Club
Intercessory Prayer Tree	Knights of Columbus	Knitting Group
Lectors	Religious Education	Rosary Makers
St. Ambrose for Life	St. Ambrose Samaritan Group	St. Paula Society
Ushers	Vocations Committee	Women of St. Ambrose
Young Adults Group	Youth Choir	Youth Ministry



FAITH FORMATION

RCIA - Religious Education
Bible Study - Prayer Groups - Discussions

See details for each program at stambroseva.org

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

stambroseva.org/RCIA

September - May | Mondays | 7-8 pm | Parish Hall

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

stambroseva.org/RE

Grades K-7 | Sundays | 8:45-9:45 am | School

Grade 8 | Mondays | 7-8 pm | Parish Hall

Classes for public /non-Catholic school students. Instruction includes required preparation for First Penance, First Communion, and Confirmation.

JESUS, MARY & A CUP OF JOE

stambroseva.org/JMJ

September - May | Sundays | 8:45-9:45 am | School Gym

Learn more about the faith and enjoy fellowship, coffee and conversation. All adults welcome!

APOLOGETICS DISCUSSION GROUP

stambroseva.org/BibleStudy

Third Tuesday of the Month | 7:30-9pm | Parish Hall

Grow in your knowledge & ability to evangelize & defend our Catholic faith. Facilitator: Lee Cena

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

stambroseva.org/BibleStudy

The Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation

- September - May | Wednesdays | 10 am-Noon | Parish Hall
- Facilitators: Ron & Mary DeSantis, Chrissy Rabayda

.FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

stambroseva.org/faith-formation/friday-morning-bible-study

Fridays | 9:30 -11 am | Parish Library

Carol Russell, Coordinator. All are welcome to drop in and discuss the upcoming Sunday's gospel. Stay as long as you like - join us!

WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP

stambroseva.org/WSA

Sundays | 1:15-3:15 pm | Parish Library

Take time for God! Open to all women of the parish.

Claire Jackson

Director of Religious Education/Youth Ministry | 703-280-1122



GLORY BE TO THE FATHER AND TO THE SON AND TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

YOUTH MINISTRY



GOD SQUAD

stambroseva.org/GodSquad

September-May | Sundays | 6-8 pm | School Gym

Open to everyone in Grades 9-12

Bring a friend - see you there!



PARISH OFFICES CLOSED | MAY 27, 2024

MEMORIAL DAY MASS *and* HOLIDAY COOK OUT

Monday, May 27 | 11 am | Fairfax Memorial Park

9900 Braddock Road, Fairfax

Severe Weather Plan

Mass will be held at Holy Spirit Catholic Church



*Hail! to thee, dear Mary, the guardian of our way;
To the fairest of Queens, be the fairest of seasons, sweet May.*

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	May 27: Wkdy; St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop
7:00 a.m.	Amelita Daez †
9:00 a.m.	Sophia Lent
Tuesday	May 28: Weekday
7:00 a.m.	Thomas J. Glatts †
9:00 a.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Loren Evenson
Wednesday	May 29: Wkdy; St. Paul VI, Pope
7:00 a.m.	Thomas J. Glatts †
9:00 a.m.	Thomas Stasik, Sr. †
Thursday	May 30: Weekday
7:00 a.m.	Thomas Glatts †
9:00 a.m.	Rob Laird, Jr.
Friday	May 31: The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
7:00 a.m.	Thomas Glatts †
9:00 a.m.	John Kem
Saturday	June 1: St. Justin, Martyr
9:00 a.m.	Mary Ann & James Ely
5:00 p.m.	Joan Baxter
Sunday	June 2: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)
8:00 a.m.	Sean P. Weide †
10:00 a.m.	Ray & Cecilia Thierry †
12:00 noon	People of the Parish
5:00 p.m.	Patricia Burke †

First Friday Adoration ~ June 7, 2024

9:30 am - 7 pm (Benediction)

During the week before Adoration, sign up in the binder
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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, Amy Hobbs, George Hughes, Kathleen Johnson, Lauren Elizabeth Kasydar, Robert Koldys, Helen (Dolly) LaViolette, Thomas LaViolette, John Maskeny, Lou Osborn, Liz Post, Marcelina Respueto, Diane Rispoli, Lisa Rhoads, Lewis Rhodes, Jean Reed Saylor, Fr. Spsychala, Jim Smith, Irene Symm, Nicole A. Tramonte, Donella Wright, Lilian Yetman

For Our Diocesan Priests

May 27	Rev. Thomas P. Vander Woude
May 28	Rev. Joseph D.Q. Vu
May 29	Rev. Robert Wagner
May 30	Rev. Steven R. Walker
May 31	Rev. James F. Waalkes
Jun 1	Very Rev. Kevin B. Walsh VF
Jun 2	Rev. Jason Weber

† For the Deceased of St. Ambrose †



THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." - Mt 28:18-19

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Please join The Serra Club of Arlington
Holy Hour for Vocations

Friday, May 31, 2024 | 11 am
St Ambrose Catholic Church

Very Reverend Andrew J. Fisher, V.F.
Offered for the priesthood, consecrated
life & the perseverance of all vocations.
(Please don't park in front of the school.)



The Serra Club of Arlington was formed so parishioners across the Diocese of Arlington could encourage vocations throughout the Diocese and support the works of the Office of Vocations. The Serra Club continues to grow in membership and outreach across the Diocese to create the culture of vocations. For more information, visit serraclubarlington.org.



Praying Like the Ancient Fathers | Men's & Women's Retreat
Friday, June 21, 5pm - Sunday, June 23, 1pm
San Damiano Retreat Center | White Post, VA

Join Father Juan Puigbó, Pastor of St. Leo the Great Parish, for a unique men's and women's silent retreat. The first Christians faced many challenges from political and spiritual adversaries but their strong relationship with God made them giants of Christian spirituality and excellent examples for us in today's troubled world. Cost is \$285 per person. Contact Deacon Mark Maines for more information or to register: mark.maines@arlingtondiocese.org.

ST. AMBROSE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

"Christ is Everything to Us" - St. Ambrose

NEWS & NOTES

Saint Ambrose School offers open enrollment and availability throughout the school year for all grades. Please visit stambroseschool.org or call the St. Ambrose School Office, 703-698-7171.

Dear St. Ambrose Community,

The school is closed Monday, May 27 for Memorial Day. The last day of school for the 8th graders is Friday, May 31; their Farewell Walk occurs at 1:30 pm. May 31 is also the last day for our Kindergarten students. Monday, June 3 at 6 pm is the 8th grade graduation and reception.

Do you have friends or family looking for a Catholic school? Are they on a waitlist at another school? Please let them know St. Ambrose has space in all grades and welcomes their applications for the 2024-25 school year. Call us at 703-698-7171.

Yours in Christ,

Maria Teresa Tejada, Principal | principal@stambroseschool.org

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BLESSED CARLOS ACUTIS EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES EXHIBIT

Saint Raymond of Penafort Church | June 14 - 16, 2024

This exhibit, along with a first-class relic of Blessed Carlo, will be displayed in the Parish Hall, 8750 Pohick Road, Springfield, on



- Friday, June 14, 2 - 7 pm
- Saturday, June 15, 9 am - 7 pm
- Sunday, June 16, 9 am - 4 pm

You can browse through the exhibit at your own pace and take time to venerate the relic as well as enjoy a 35-minute video on the life of Blessed Carlo Acutis. During these years of Eucharistic Revival, let us take advantage of this opportunity, to not only learn more about this Saint of our times, but also to draw closer to the Real Presence of our Eucharistic Lord.

INVITE THE HOLY SPIRIT INTO YOUR LIFE

Bishop Burbidge invites you to the Diocesan Jubilee Fest at the Warren County Fairgrounds in Front Royal, VA on Saturday, June 8, 2024! Celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Diocese of Arlington with your parish family and thousands of faithful from across northern Virginia. Free admission for all ages! Registration is required to receive a complimentary meal. Details and registration at arlingtondiocese.org/jubilee-fest



FORMED

Feast of Corpus Christi

Eucharistic Procession

Sunday, June 2 | After 10 am Mass
Inside St. Ambrose Church

WELCOME SUNDAY!

JUNE 2
AFTER 8 + 10 AM MASSES
PARISH HALL

Hosted by
St. Ambrose Summer Camp

SAINT AMBROSE SUMMER CAMP June 17 - August 2

Attention High School Students
Volunteers Needed

Apply today!

stambrosesummer.com/volunteer



Let's Do Lunch!

Support Saint Ambrose Summer Camp
June 3 - August 2

- Volunteers needed to provide lunch for 35 camp staff
- Up to \$125 reimbursement per lunch
- For details and to sign up, please scan the QR code or visit bit.ly/summercamlunch
- Questions? Please contact Claire Jackson, cjackson@stambroseva.org



Knights of Columbus®

ST. AMBROSE COUNCIL 8403

Business Meeting | 2nd Tuesday | 7:30 pm
Social Meeting + Dinner | 4th Tuesday | 7 pm
Parish Library
ambrosecouncil.org | info@ambrosecouncil.org



WOMEN OF ST. AMBROSE
Second Fridays | 9:30 am | Parish Hall
stambroseva.org/WSA
WSA@stambroseva.org

WSA News

- St. Ambrose Spring Tea was a wonderful success - raising more than \$1,900 for the St. Ambrose Garden & Grounds Club! We are very grateful to the St. Ambrose Choir, St. Ambrose School PTO, and the Women of St. Ambrose for the many hours of work they devoted to this event.
- The Women of St. Ambrose recognize and thank our 2023-24 officers: Chrissy Rabayda, President; Mary DeSantis, Vice President; Ledia Bernal, Treasurer and Christine Getek, Secretary.
- Congratulations to our 2024-25 officers: Mary DeSantis, President; Meredith Hinkle, Vice President; MaryAnn Munley, Treasurer and Meg Smith, Secretary. Blessings and prayers for the coming year!

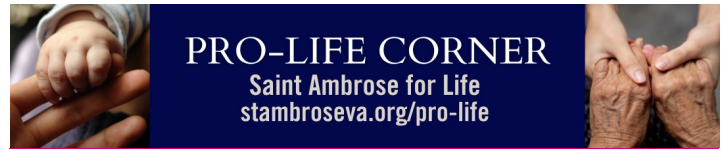
Open to all women of the parish, the Women of St. Ambrose (WSA) nourish spiritual growth, strengthen Catholic social life, offer events/programs, engage in charitable works, and serve our parish. Join us!

WorkCamp Mission Trip | June 29-July 2, 2024

Join Commissioned By Christ in partnership with the Office of Young Adult Ministry for a mission trip within our own diocese! Help complete unfinished light construction projects remaining from the Diocese of Arlington Catholic WorkCamp. Cost: \$450 - includes meals and stay at San Damiano retreat center in White Post, VA. Open to everyone over the age of 18. For details/registration, visit www.cbc-missions.org.

CHURCH CONSTRUCTION DEBT REDUCTION

To complete the church, the parish took out a loan of \$2.9M from the diocese. The loan has not been amortized yet. Details available at bit.ly/StAmbroseReduceDebt. Any amount you can give to help with the reduction of this debt is greatly appreciated. For those receiving envelopes, a debt reduction envelope has been added. For those using our electronic giving, a debt reduction line item has been added to Faith Direct - use the QR code to access Faith Direct.



PRO-LIFE CORNER

Saint Ambrose for Life
stambroseva.org/pro-life

Next Diaper Drive Weekend: June 1 + 2

St. Ambrose Parish supports & provides The MaRiH Center with diapers, formula and wipes for moms & their babies. The items are collected at all Masses on the first weekend of each month. Needed items are diapers (all sizes); wipes; formula (especially Similac Advance), diaper rash ointment. To donate other things, please visit stambroseva.org/pro-life or contact The MaRiH Center, 703-370-4774, marih.org.

Rosary for Life | Wednesdays | Noon - 1 pm

Help + Hope + Healing

visit stambroseva.org/pro-life for more resources

Gabriel Project helpforpregnantwomen.org 703-841-3810 info@h4pw.org	Diocese of Arlington Catholic Charities 703-841-3830 www.cdda.net	Project Rachel helpafterabortion.org 703-841-2504 Info@helpafterabortion.org
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Virginia Catholic Conference (VCC) Action Alerts | vacatholic.org



Widows Fellowship

Saint Paula Society

THIRD THURSDAYS | 7 - 9 PM
PARISH LIBRARY

bit.ly/saintpaula

"We suffer with Him so that we may also be glorified with Him." How are you being called to glorify the Lord in response to His love? Could God be inviting you to the priesthood or consecrated life? Contact Fr. Michael Isenberg, 703-841- 2514 or email michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org.

CHRIST HOUSE MONTHLY MEALS

BIT.LY/STAMBROSECHMM



garden + grounds club

2ND SATURDAYS | 9:45AM
SCHOOL GYM ENTRANCE

Join US!



Rosary Makers

FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH
9:30 AM | PARISH LIBRARY



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email ushers@stambroseva.org