

SAINT AMBROSE CATHOLIC CHURCH

June 16, 2024 | Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

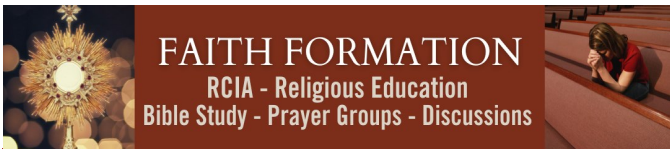
Plan your recurring Offertory donations through Faith Direct. Visit bit.ly/StAmbroseFaithDirect or scan the QR code.



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

June 18 | Eastern Catholic Rites and Defense of the 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



YOUTH MINISTRY



GOD SQUAD

stambroseva.org/GodSquad

Have a blessed summer - see you in September!

Sundays | 6 - 8 pm | School Gym

Open to everyone in Grades 9-12

Bring a friend!



God & Caesar: summer sessions on catholic social doctrine

MONDAYS | JUNE 17 - JULY 8 | 6:30 PM | PARISH HALL

Refreshments & Conversation, 6:30 pm | Session Talk, 7 - 8 pm

This summer, join Father Nugent, guest speakers, and your fellow Saint Ambrose parishioners for a series of talks on Catholic social doctrine. Saint John Paul II defines Catholic social doctrine as "the application of the Word of God to people's lives and the life of society."

Our Catholic faith has powerful insights about government, economics, and the principles that make for the flourishing of society. In this wild election year, elevate the conversation and consider politics through the lens of our Catholic faith.

- June 17 | *First Things First: The Common Good, Obedience & Authority, Justice & Charity and Subjectivity & Association* | Father Michael Nugent
- June 24 | *The Pope and Caesar: A History of Church-State Relations* | Father Joseph Rampino
- July 1 | *God and Mammon: Catholic Perspectives on Economic Life* | Father Michael Nugent
- July 8 | *The Obligations of Truth and the Freedom of Conscience* | Father Andrew Clark

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	June 17: Weekday
7:00 a.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Kiet Tuan Tran
9:00 a.m.	Richard Chiappetta †
Tuesday	June 18: Weekday
7:00 a.m.	Jeffrey Rust †
9:00 a.m.	Clement LaMarre †
Wednesday	June 19: Wkdy; St. Romuald, Abbot
7:00 a.m.	Patricia Burke †
9:00 a.m.	Mary E. Wilson †
Thursday	June 20: Weekday
7:00 a.m.	Emma Youhon †
9:00 a.m.	James Kem
Friday	June 21: St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious
7:00 a.m.	Joseph Dzung A. Tran †
9:00 a.m.	Jack Rust †
Saturday	June 22: Wkdy; St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; Sts. John Fisher, Bishop, & Thomas More, Martyrs; BVM
9:00 a.m.	Michael Cochran †
5:00 p.m.	Margaret Dominguez †
Sunday	June 23: 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m.	Anton Van Saase †
10:00 a.m.	Martin Francis Doherty †
12:00 noon	R. Koilmani †
5:00 p.m.	People of the Parish

First Friday Adoration ~ July 5, 2024

9:30 am - 7 pm (Benediction)

During the week before Adoration, sign up in the binder in the Church Narthex or call the Parish Office, 703-280-4400.

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 Respuesto, 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

Jun 17 Very Rev. James S. Barkett, VF
 Jun 18 Rev. Nicholas R. Barnes
 Jun 19 Rev. Brian G. Bashista
 Jun 20 Rev. Michael J. Bazan
 Jun 21 Rev. Bryan W. Belli
 Jun 22 Rev. Jonathan A. Bennett
 Jun 23 Rev. Kevin J. Berres

† For the Deceased of St. Ambrose †



11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“To what shall we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable can we use for it? It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants.” - Mk 4:30-32b

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Mass to Pray for Healing of Victims/Survivors of Abuse

All of the faithful are invited to attend a Mass to Pray for Healing of Victims/Survivors of Sexual Abuse celebrated by Bishop Burbidge at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in Arlington on Thursday, June 20, at 6:30 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, 830 23rd Street S., Arlington. Reception to follow. Please join us as we gather to pray for the healing of victims/survivors, their loved ones, and for the Church. This event is hosted by the Diocese of Arlington's Office of Victim Assistance. For more information, please email victimassistance@arlingtondiocese.org or call 703-841-2530.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

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,

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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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.



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



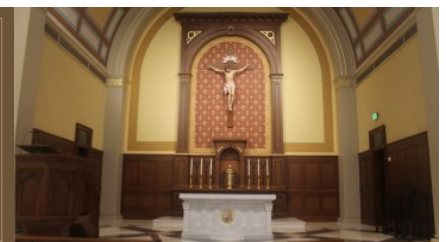
Saint Joseph, Patron Saint of Fathers, Pray for Us
"In Joseph...heads of the household are blessed with the unsurpassed model of fatherly watchfulness and care." Pope Leo XIII



**PARISH OFFICES CLOSED
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19**

ALTAR
SOCIETY

bit.ly/stambrosealtarsociety





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

**WSA Painting Party | June 28 | Parish Hall
 Summer Dragonflies Theme - Acrylic Paint**

- Social + Refreshments (BYOB), 6 - 6:30 pm
- Painting, 6:30 - 8:30 pm
- \$20 per person for supplies + guided instruction



Thursday Night Gatherings at GMU

The Catholic Campus Ministry at George Mason University is hosting Thursday Night Gatherings (TNG) for all local college students and graduating high school seniors on Thursdays in June and July, 7 - 9 pm, at St. Robert Bellarmine Chapel, 4515 Roberts Road, Fairfax. It's a great way to meet college students from different schools and stay connected to the Faith! Follow us @catholic.patriot on Instagram! Find out more at gmuccm.org or email jhernandez@ccmgmu.org. (Note: No TNG on July 4th!)



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

"The kingdom of God is like a mustard seed."

Has Christ sown the seed of your vocation within you? Might it be to grow in holiness as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact Fr. Michael Isenberg, 703-841-2514 or michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org.

**CHRIST HOUSE
 MONTHLY MEALS**

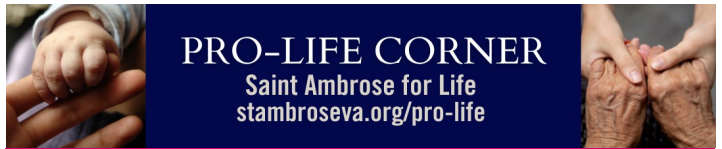
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Widows Fellowship

Saint Paula Society

THIRD THURSDAYS | 7 - 9 PM | PARISH LIBRARY



PRO-LIFE CORNER

Saint Ambrose for Life
stambroseva.org/pro-life

Next Diaper Drive Weekend: July 6 + 7

St. Ambrose Parish supports & provides The MaRiH Center with basic supplies for moms & their babies. Collected at all Masses on the first weekend of each month, critical needs are diapers (all sizes), wipes and formula (especially Similac Advance). To donate other items, please see 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

Virginia Catholic Conference (VCC) Action Alerts | vacatholic.org



**young adults
 group**

STAMBROSEVA.ORG/YOUNGADULTS



**Garden +
 Grounds Club**

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 2ND SATURDAY EACH MONTH
 9:45 AM SCHOOL GYM ENTRANCE



CAR SHOW IN THE PARK

Sunday: June 23, 2024

Fairfax Memorial Park Cemetery

Join us in celebrating all Dads this June with a show & BBQ

9:00am - 1:00pm

9902 BRADDOCK RD, FAIRFAX VA 22032

FREE Event

If you'd like to participate, email your name & number of cars you want to display to: Events@FairfaxMemorial.com

by Wednesday, June 19th

