

# SAINT AMBROSE CATHOLIC CHURCH

June 28, 2026 | Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

**Reverend John M. O'Donohue, 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](http://stambroseschool.org) | [info@stambroseschool.org](mailto:info@stambroseschool.org)

3901 WOODBURN ROAD | ANNANDALE, VA 22003 | 703-280-4400 | [STAMBROSEVA.ORG](http://STAMBROSEVA.ORG)



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 parish family.

PARISH OFFICE

Summer Hours | June 29 - August 17

Monday - Friday | 9 am - 1 pm
3901 Woodburn Road | Annandale, VA 22003
703-280-4400 | stambroseva.org
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BULLETIN DEADLINE

The parish bulletin deadline is 14 days prior to the desired Sunday publication date. Please email your announcement request to Donna Vasilakos, dvasilakos@stambroseva.org

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

Parish Registration: 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 change on your registration form, telephone number, address, temporary absence, etc. Registration forms are available in the Parish Office and at stambroseva.org/registration



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.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA): The process through which a person is 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 contact the Director of Religious Education, 571-640-9938 or DRE@stambroseva.org.

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.



Mass Intentions Pray for people in need, 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. Please visit the Parish Office, Monday through Friday, with your request.

Devotional Candles for the St Ambrose Shrine in the Narthex may be purchased (\$4 donation per candle) during the week at the Parish Office or from the ushers before/after weekend Masses.

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Common Questions



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# FAITH FORMATION

OCIA | Religious Education | Youth Ministry | Bible Studies | Discussions

## ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA)

[stambroseva.org/OCIA](http://stambroseva.org/OCIA)

September - May | Mondays | 7 - 8 pm | Parish Hall  
Jennifer Wyse, Director of Religious Education  
DRE@stambroseva.org | 571-640-9938

OCIA is the Church's process for people over the age of seven who want to become Catholic and are not baptized or baptized in another Christian tradition and Baptized Catholics who have not received First Communion and/or Confirmation.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

[stambroseva.org/RE](http://stambroseva.org/RE)

September - May | Grades K-8 | Sundays | 8:45 - 9:45 am | School  
Jennifer Wyse, Director of Religious Education  
DRE@stambroseva.org | 571-640-9938

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

## JESUS, MARY & A CUP OF JOE

[stambroseva.org/JMJ](http://stambroseva.org/JMJ)

September - May | Sundays | 8:45 - 9:45 am | School Gym  
Learn more about the faith & enjoy fellowship, coffee and conversation. All adults welcome!

## APOLOGETICS 101

[stambroseva.org/BibleStudy](http://stambroseva.org/BibleStudy)

Third Tuesdays | 7 pm | Parish Hall  
January - August 2026 | Defending Our Faith  
Lee Cena, Facilitator

## ADULT BIBLE STUDY

[stambroseva.org/BibleStudy](http://stambroseva.org/BibleStudy)

Wednesdays | 9:30 am -- Noon | Parish Hall  
Topic/Dates TBA  
Ron & Mary DeSantis, Ann Rossi, Facilitators

## FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

[bit.ly/FridayAMBibleStudy](http://bit.ly/FridayAMBibleStudy)

Fridays | 9:30 - 11 am | Parish Library  
Carol Russell, Coordinator

All are welcome to drop in and discuss the upcoming Sunday's gospel.

## ST. AMBROSE MEN'S GROUP

[bit.ly/stambrosemensgroup](http://bit.ly/stambrosemensgroup)

Second & Fourth Saturdays | 7 - 8:30 am | Parish Hall  
Father Nugent, Facilitator | [frnugent@stambroseva.org](mailto:frnugent@stambroseva.org)

All men, 21 and older, are invited to join for prayer, coffee, conversation and faith formation.

## WALKING WITH PURPOSE: WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

[stambroseva.org/WWP](http://stambroseva.org/WWP)

Wednesdays | 7 pm | Parish Hall | Topic/Dates TBA  
Julia Waterman, Coordinator | email: [wwwp@stambroseschool.org](mailto:wwwp@stambroseschool.org)

Open to all women of the parish. Please RSVP/register/order the study materials at [stambroseva.org/WWP](http://stambroseva.org/WWP)

# Youth Group

Lissie Torres, Youth Minister  
703-280-4400 | [YM@sstambroseva.org](mailto:YM@sstambroseva.org)  
[stambroseva.org/YouthGroup](http://stambroseva.org/YouthGroup)

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS CHANGE

Please note the new schedule

### Summer Hours

Monday, June 29 - Friday, August 14, 2026 | 9 am - 1 pm

### Fall/Winter/Spring Hours

Begin Monday, August 17, 2026 | 8:30 am - 3:30 pm



ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS  
ARE WELCOME TO...

# THURSDAY NIGHT GATHERINGS

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## COLLEGE NIGHTS

At our College Nights, rising college freshmen and transfer students hear from current or recently graduated college students as they speak about their faith journey through college (or even how they came to know God in the first place!). Students will connect with other incoming freshmen going to their college and meet current students from those universities. All these free events start at 7pm - pizza dinner included! To register, visit [ASJB.org](http://ASJB.org) or scan the QR code



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- June 30 | Holy Spirit, Annandale
- July 9 | St. Theresa | Ashburn
- July 16 | Holy Trinity | Gainseville
- July 21 | Basilica of St. Mary | Alexandria
- July 28 | St. Mary | Fredericksburg



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## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Monday</b> 7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m.	<b>June 29: Sts. Peter &amp; Paul, Apostles</b> Laura Sutherland † Peter Coniglio †
<b>Tuesday</b> 7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m.	<b>June 30: Wkdy; The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church</b> Brian & Jennifer Cunningham Erin Kathleen Ferris-Mills †
<b>Wednesday</b> 7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m.	<b>July 1: Wkdy; USA: St. Junipero Serra, Priest</b> Ken (†) & Lisa (L) Dinger Donovan Charlton †
<b>Thursday</b> 7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m.	<b>July 2: Weekday</b> Bob & Cory Elder Peter Coniglio †
<b>Friday</b> 7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m.	<b>July 3: St. Thomas, Apostle</b> Nicogossian Family For victims of abuse, for Healing of the Church, and for Holiness of Clergy
<b>Saturday</b> 9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	<b>July 4: Wkdy; USA: Independence Day, BVM</b> Cecile Tchong † Misuk Kim
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 noon 5:00 p.m.	<b>July 5: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> People of the Parish Samir Vincent Margaret Dominguez † Shaina Coss



## 13<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple--amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward.” - Mt 10:42

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

## Friday | July 3, 2026 | Independence Day Weekend

*No First Friday Eucharistic Adoration*

## PRAYER INTENTIONS

### For the Sick

Irene Anderson, Katie Bader, Josephine Crosby, John Crowley, Vivian L. Crowley, Kathy d'Alelio, Conor Doyle, Marianne Haley, Amy Hobbs, Larry Holmes, George Hughes, Kathleen Johnson, Lauren Elizabeth Kasyr, Robert Koldys, Helen (Dolly) LaViolette, Thomas LaViolette, John Maskeny, Lois LeFebvre, Meghan Lewis Logeais, Kathleen Monachino, Lou Osborn, Liz Post, Joyce Pueblo, Amor Regala, Marcelina Respuesto, Diane Rispoli, Lisa Rhoads, Jean Reed Saylor, Michelle Seoane, Fr. Spychala, Jim Smith, Irene Symm, Nicole A. Tramonte, Lilian Yetman

### + For the Deceased of St. Ambrose +

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen.

### For Our Bishop and Clergy

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments. Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom. Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry. Help them to become instruments of your divine grace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. Amen.

### For the Holy Father's Intentions

O God, the shepherd and ruler of all the faithful, look upon your servant, Pope Leo, whom you have set at the head of your Church as her shepherd; grant, we pray, that by word and example he may edify those over whom he has charge, so that, together with the flock entrusted to him, he may reach everlasting life. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### St. Ambrose Men's Group Summer 2026

9 May  
23 May  
13 June  
27 June  
11 July  
25 July  
8 August  
22 August

- Coffee, conversation, prayer & formation in the parish hall, 7:00 - 8:30 AM
- **Every** 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month, every month
- Confessions available at 6:30 AM in the Church
- Hang out with other dudes in our parish and Fr. Nugent



Join the group chat here to stay connected!



## LET'S DO LUNCH!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for SUMMER CAMP STAFF LUNCHES  
June 8 - August 6

DETAILS & SIGN UP: [bit.ly/summercamlunch2026](https://bit.ly/summercamlunch2026)



**Following St. Joseph to Jesus | Men's Silent Retreat  
July 10 - 12 | San Damiano Retreat Center**

He played an essential role in the greatest event in human history; husband to Mary, adopted Father of Jesus Christ, a quiet carpenter... and a righteous man. Aside from these things we don't know much about St. Joseph - but what we do know can help us to be better men... husbands... and fathers. Fr. John Riley will lead and serve in this endeavor. Retreat cost is \$299 and financial assistance may be available. For further information or to register for this retreat, please contact Father John Riley at [retreat@sacredheartwinchester.org](mailto:retreat@sacredheartwinchester.org)

**Living the Sacrament of Marriage – Married Couples' Retreat  
July 17 - 19 | San Damiano Retreat Center**

A retreat for married couples to contemplate the gift of their Sacrament. We will pray individually and together, pondering the graces of Marriage and reflecting on God's promises and Presence in the life of a family. We'll also consider how God elevates the capacity of spouses to love each other and their children, and how He makes the home of a family a privileged place of healing and sanctification. Fr. Daniel Hanley will lead this retreat.. The retreat begins at 6 pm Friday July 17 and concludes Sunday July 19 at noon. Retreat cost is \$499, and financial assistance may be available. For more information or to register, contact Deacon Mark Maines at: [mark.maines@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:mark.maines@arlingtondiocese.org) or [arlingtondiocese.org/retreat](http://arlingtondiocese.org/retreat)

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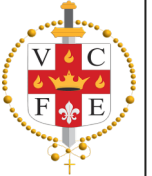
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**ARLINGTON MISSIONS**

The Mission Cooperative Plan (MCP) program selects Catholic organizations from around the world who are then invited to the Diocese of Arlington to share with parishioners the nature of their mission.

During the weekend of July 11-12, Rev. Gabriel Prado, IVE, a member of the Institute of the Incarnate Word, will be speaking at all St. Ambrose Masses for the 2026 Mission Cooperative Program. The Institute of the Incarnate Word's most challenging missions are in Argentina, Bolivia, Ecuador, Guyana, Iraq, Palestine (Gaza), Papua New Guinea, Peru, Syria, Tajikistan, Tanzania, and Ukraine among others. Your help will be used for daily support for missionaries, supply food, water, and medicine, build seminaries and churches, and provide hope where the Catholic faith is a minority or does not exist at all.



**K-8 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**2026-27 REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!**  
[bit.ly/RE2026-27Registration](https://bit.ly/RE2026-27Registration)

"O God our Creator, we ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith."  
USCCB, *Prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty*

**Sts. Peter & Paul**

**Feast Day | June 29 APOSTLES**



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**ST. AMBROSE COUNCIL 8403**

Business Meeting | 2nd Tuesday | 7:30 pm  
Social Meeting + Dinner | 4th Tuesday | 7 pm  
Parish Library  
[ambrosecouncil.org](http://ambrosecouncil.org) | [info@ambrosecouncil.org](mailto:info@ambrosecouncil.org)



**WOMEN OF ST. AMBROSE**  
Second Fridays | 9:30 am | Parish Hall  
[stambroseva.org/WSA](http://stambroseva.org/WSA)  
[WSA@stambroseva.org](mailto:WSA@stambroseva.org)

*You're Invited*



**Survey for the Diocesan Capital Campaign**

Bishop Burbidge invites all parishioners to share their input as the Diocese of Arlington prepares for a proposed capital campaign, *One in Christ, Joyful in Mission*. This initiative will support vital projects such as Catholic education, works of mercy, and parish vitality. **Before final decisions are made, your perspective is needed to guide priorities.**

Please take approximately ten minutes to complete a confidential online survey. Scan the QR code below to participate.

Your feedback is important to the success of our shared mission. *Thank you for your prayers and support for your diocese.*

Scan here to complete the survey by June 26



*One in Christ, Joyful in Mission*

[campaign@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:campaign@arlingtondiocese.org)



**ST. AMBROSE**

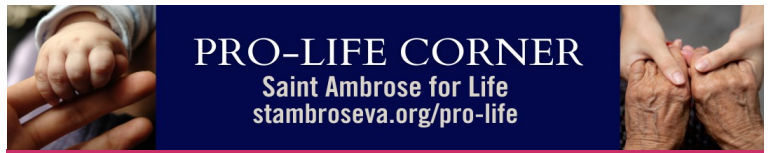
**DUAL LANGUAGE CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

**WHAT SETS OUR SCHOOL APART?**

- Strong academics
- Small class sizes
- Dual Language Program (Spanish & English): PreK through 3rd grade
- A warm, connected school community
- Faith at the center

Spaces still available for 26-27 school year! Join a faith-filled school community where children are known, challenged, and loved.

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**PRO-LIFE CORNER**

Saint Ambrose for Life  
[stambroseva.org/pro-life](http://stambroseva.org/pro-life)

**Diaper Drive Weekend: June 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 (newborn - 6), clothes/coats (newborn - 2T), Similac Advance formula, wipes, bibs.** To donate other items, please see [stambroseva.org/pro-life](http://stambroseva.org/pro-life) or contact The MaRiH Center, 703-370-4774, [marih.org](http://marih.org).

**Rosary for Life | Wednesdays | Noon - 1 pm**

**Help + Hope + Healing**

visit [stambroseva.org/pro-life](http://stambroseva.org/pro-life) for more resources

**Gabriel Project**  
[helpforpregnantwomen.org](http://helpforpregnantwomen.org)  
703-841-3810  
[info@h4pw.org](mailto:info@h4pw.org)

**Diocese of Arlington Catholic Charities**  
703-841-3830  
[www.cdda.net](http://www.cdda.net)

**Project Rachel**  
[helpafterabortion.org](http://helpafterabortion.org)  
703-841-2504  
[info@helpafterabortion.org](mailto:info@helpafterabortion.org)

Virginia Catholic Conference [vacatholic.org/](http://vacatholic.org/)

**Project Rachel After Abortion Care** is hosting Monthly Drop-In Virtual Zoom Meetings: We understand that healing after abortion can be a complex and deeply personal journey. If you have experienced abortion and are seeking confidential support and insight into the healing process, we invite you to join our virtual drop-in sessions in a safe space with no commitments, no homework, and no pressure. The next meeting is July 21 @ 5 pm. Interested? Contact us today for the Zoom link to join: 703-841-2504 or [info@helpafterabortion.org](mailto:info@helpafterabortion.org)



**Garden + Grounds Club**

[BIT.LY/STAMBROSEGGC](http://bit.ly/stambroseggc)

3RD SATURDAY EACH MONTH  
9:45 AM SCHOOL GYM ENTRANCE



**ALTAR SOCIETY**

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**HEALS**  
*Prayer*

# *Welcome* Father O'Donohue!



Born in Seoul, South Korea, Father O'Donohue graduated from Portsmouth Abbey (Portsmouth, R.I.), and attended the College of William & Mary in Williamsburg for two years before joining the U.S. Marine Corps. He served four years all over the world in the Marines, including the Desert Storm campaign.

In 1994, Father received a bachelor's degree in history from George Mason University and later that year entered St. Charles Borromeo Seminary (Wynnewood, PA). During his diaconate year in 1999, he was assigned to Blessed Sacrament Church (Alexandria). On June 10, 2000, Father was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Paul Loverde and served as parochial vicar at Holy Spirit (Annandale, 2000), Our Lady of Lourdes (Arlington, 2003), and also oversaw St. Paul Mission (The Hague, 2007). In 2012, he was assigned parochial administrator of Holy Spirit Church and appointed pastor in 2014.

Welcome Coffee & Donuts after 8 & 10 am Masses  
Sunday, July 12 | Parish Hall

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