

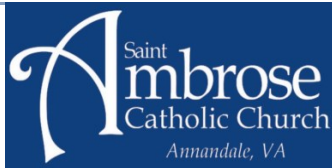


Saturday, July 15 and Sunday, July 16, 2023

Dedication Weekend

SAINT AMBROSE CATHOLIC CHURCH
ANNANDALE, VIRGINIA

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad!



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil | 5 p.m.
Sunday | 8 a.m., 10 a.m., Noon, 5 p.m.
Monday - Friday | 7 a.m., 9 a.m.
Saturday | 9 a.m.
Holy Days | As announced

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday | 9:30 a.m., 3 - 4 p.m.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Saturday | After 9 a.m. Mass

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

First Friday | 9:30 a.m. - 7 p.m. (Benediction)

PARISH OFFICE

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BULLETIN NOTICES

Please email your information to Donna Vasilakos.
Bulletin deadline is **12 days before publication**.



O Lord, who hast mercy upon all,
take away from me my sins,
and mercifully kindle in me
the fire of thy Holy Spirit.
Take away from me the heart of stone,
and give me a heart of flesh,
a heart to love and adore Thee,
a heart to delight in Thee,
to follow and enjoy Thee,
for Christ's sake, Amen

Prayer of St. Ambrose

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Baptism: First-time, expectant parents must attend an instruction prior to 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 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 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.

FAITH DIRECT

Plan your recurring Offertory donation through Faith Direct.
Enroll today at membership.faithdirect.net/VA401
or click on Donate at stambroseva.org

ISSUES AFFECTING THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	July 17: Weekday
7:00 a.m.	Mass for the Dead †
9:00 a.m.	Vanessa
Tuesday	July 18: Wkdy; USA; St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest
7:00 a.m.	Patricia Burke †
9:00 a.m.	Helen Pino †
Wednesday	July 19: Weekday
7:00 a.m.	Joseph Ricigiano
9:00 a.m.	Margaret Dominguez †
Thursday	July 20: Wkdy; St. Apollinaris, Bishop & Martyr
7:00 a.m.	Vanessa
9:00 a.m.	Lois Elaine Manning †
Friday	July 21: Wkdy; St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest & Doctor of the Church; Blessed Francis Jordan, Priest & Religious Founder
7:00 a.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Richard Roubin
9:00 a.m.	Robert Koldys
Saturday	July 22: St. Mary Magdalene
9:00 a.m.	Margaret Dominguez †
5:00 p.m.	Helen & Michael Gemmell †
Sunday	July 23: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m.	A. Edwin Wilson †
10:00 a.m.	Jerry Delaney †
12:00 noon	Magdalena Geonanga
5:00 p.m.	People of the Parish

First Friday Adoration | August 4

9:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m. (Benediction)

During the week before, sign up in the Adoration 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, 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. Spsychala, Jim Smith, Laura Sutherland, Irene Symm, Nicole A. Tramonte, Lilian Yetman

For Our Diocesan Priests

Jul 17	Rev. Lee W. Gross (Ret.)
Jul 18	Rev. Richard M. Guest
Jul 19	Rev. Edouard B. Guilloux
Jul 20	Rev. Andrew W. Haissig
Jul 21	Rev. Daniel F. Hanley
Jul 22	Very Rev. Edward C. Hathaway
Jul 23	Rev. Christopher H. Hayes

† For the Deceased of St. Ambrose †

ST. AMBROSE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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"Christ is Everything to Us" - St. Ambrose



SCHOOL NEWS

Now Enrolling for the 2023-24 School Year

Pre-School stambroseschool.org

Grades K-8 stambroseschool.org

Dear St. Ambrose Community,

St. Ambrose Catholic School is seeking candidates for three exciting positions available for next school year. Here's a brief description of each role:

Part-Time School Counselor: The school counselor plays a vital role in supporting students' social, emotional, and academic development. The position provides guidance and counseling services to students, helping them navigate personal challenges, manage stress, set goals, and make informed decisions. The counselor may also collaborate with teachers, parents, and administrators to create a supportive school environment and facilitate interventions when necessary.

Instructional Assistant/Extended Day Director: This position combines instructional support during regular school hours with overseeing the extended day program. As an instructional assistant, the role involves providing assistance to teachers in the classroom, working with students individually or in small groups, and helping with administrative tasks. As the Extended Day Director, the responsibilities include planning and implementing enriching activities for students after school, ensuring their safety and well-being, and managing the overall program effectively.

These positions offer unique opportunities to contribute to the education and well-being of students. If interested, please send resume, cover letter and three professional references to mtejada@stambroseschool.org

Yours in Christ,

Maria Teresa Tejada, Principal
principal@stambroseschool.org



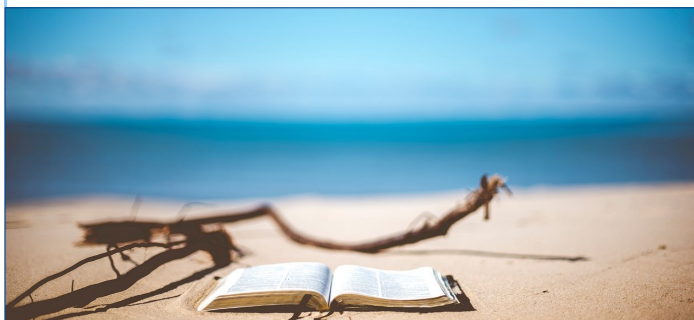
ST. AMBROSE SCHOOL MISSION

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.

Faith Formation

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

Psalm 51:10



Visit each program's webpage for details at stambroseva.org

THE 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
- Accepting candidates for Fall 2023. Meets weekly September - May.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION stambroseva.org/RE

COMING SOON!

Online Registration + Class Meeting Days/Times

- Classes for public or other non-Catholic school students are offered September - May.
- **Grades K-8** meet weekly. Instruction includes required Sacramental preparation for First Penance, First Communion, and Confirmation.
- 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 September - May.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY stambroseva.org/BibleStudy

Facilitators offer two distinct Bible study courses over a series of weeks on Wednesday mornings and evenings in the Fall and Spring.

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



Please note

All regular Youth Ministry programs are on hold for the summer.

YOUTH MINISTRY needs YOU!

Adult volunteers are needed for the next school year.
If you are interested in ministering to the youth of the parish,
Please contact Julia Crean, jcrean@stambroseva.org



Family Holy Hour First Fridays | 5-6 pm

Join us to pray and adore
our Eucharistic Lord and
teach our children about
this beautiful devotion.



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stambroseva.org/formed

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

July 22 + 23



Support the annual Diocesan Mission Cooperative Plan (MCP) appeal. St. Ambrose Parish's mission organization is Banica, Dominican Republic. Mission speakers will be at all weekend Masses, July 22 + 23.

Help our brothers and sisters who don't have access to

- Basic pastoral services such as Mass, the sacraments, religious education
- Basic needs such as food, shelter, healthcare

Through your support, the MCP Appeal helps form vibrant faith communities and strengthens the global Church. Please be generous. Donating by check? Please make it payable to our parish with "MCP" in the memo line. Thank you!

PARISH MINISTRIES

For details & contacts
visit stambroseva.org and click on Ministries

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



Join us!

Women of St. Ambrose (WSA) offer social events/programs, foster spiritual growth, engage in charitable works, and serve our Parish.

Monthly Meetings

- ◆ Second Fridays, after 9:00 a.m. Mass, Parish Hall

Weekly Prayer + Spiritual Discussions

- ◆ Sunday evenings, 6-7 p.m., Parish Library

During the year

- ◆ WSA hosts a variety of events. Future activities include canvas painting classes, Saint peg doll painting, a notable iconographer speaker, family game night, a baby shower for MaRiH pregnancy center as well as our very popular Advent and Lenten Retreats.
- ◆ WSA supports several parish ministries: the Rosary Makers, the Knitting Group and the Bereavement Committee.

It's easy to join WSA!

Send your email or mailing address to WSA@stambroseva.org
You'll be notified about events and programs
Open to all women | No membership fee

For more information

- ◆ Contact Chrissy Rabayda, President, at WSA@stambroseva.org
- ◆ Visit the Women of St. Ambrose webpage stambroseva.org/WSA

Thursday Night Gatherings at GMU CCM

All current college students and high school students (Class of 2023) are invited to join the George Mason University Catholic Patriots for faith, fun & fellowship every Thursday during June and July from 7-9 p.m. at the Chapel, 4515 Roberts Road, Fairfax, VA. Follow us on Instagram @catholic.patriot or visit gmuccm.org for more information. We hope to see you there!



Summer Camp 2023 is underway!

June 20 - August 4

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

CAMPERS (Ages 4 - 13): Registration is still open! Visit stambrosesummer.com/camps to see what's offered.

VOLUNTEERS: Rising 8th graders through current high school seniors! Are you looking for service hours? Come volunteer! Visit stambrosesummer.com/volunteer for information; apply now.

LOOKING FOR A WAY TO SUPPORT ST. AMBROSE SUMMER CAMP?

HELP COOK LUNCH FOR OUR
SUMMER CAMP STAFF!

JUNE 5TH - AUGUST 4TH • UP TO \$100 REIMBURSEMENT



SIGN UP HERE OR SCAN:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F45AFA829A3F9C34-counselor>

QUESTIONS? CONTACT:

summer@stambroseschool.org



thank you

TO OUR PARISHIONERS FOR MAKING THIS
THE BEST SUMMER EVER

AMBROSE COUNCIL #8403

Knights of Columbus



AMBROSECOUNCIL.ORG

15th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

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"The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word, but then worldly anxiety and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit. But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold."

- Mt 13:22-23

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"God speaks in the silence of the heart."

Mother Teresa

DIocese of ARLINGTON SUMMER RETREAT

- Retreat fee: \$285. Financial assistance may be available.
- For details or to register for the retreat, please contact Deacon Mark Maines at mark.maines@arlingtondiocese.org

St. Catherine of Siena Women's Silent Retreat

Join Fr. James Hudgins, Pastor at St. Theresa Catholic Church, to read and rest, think and pray with Jesus and Catherine from Friday-Sunday, August 11-13 at the San Damiano Spiritual Life Center in White Post, VA. Saint Catherine is one of the four women who are identified as a Doctor of the Church. A mystic and crusader, she composed over 400 letters, her Dialog, and prayers.

"NO DUTY IS MORE URGENT THAN THAT OF RETURNING THANKS."

SAINT AMBROSE

"Whoever has ears ought to hear."

Is the Lord inviting you to know, love and serve Him more closely in the priesthood or consecrated life? If you are discerning your vocation, please contact Father Michael Isenberg, Director of Vocations at vocations@arlingtondiocese.org or call 703-841-2514.

PRO-LIFE CORNER

St. Ambrose for Life | stambroseva.org/pro-life

Held the first weekend of the month after all Masses, the parish Diaper Drive supports The MaRiH Center in Alexandria, VA. For dates & types of items needed, please visit stambroseva.org/pro-life



Monthly Parish Diaper Drive

Help + Hope + Healing

Visit stambroseva.org/pro-life for more resources

Gabriel Project

helpforpregnantwomen.org
703-841-3810
info@h4pw.org

Project Rachel

helpafterabortion.org
703-841-2504
info@helpafterabortion.org

Diocese of Arlington Catholic Charities

703-841-3830 | www.ccdanet.org

Day of Prayer and Healing After Abortion: Care for Women

After Abortion Retreats: A Day of Prayer & Healing for women who have experienced abortion will be held on Saturday, July 29 and Saturday, September 30, 2023. These group healing events are held in a private and peaceful setting, in English and Spanish, 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@helpafterabortion.org

SEMINARIAN EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FUND (SEEF)

Please support our seminarians and SEEF, a Diocesan permanent endowment fund. Established in 2011, SEEF's income supports annual expenses such as room, board, tuition, health insurance and books, which total almost \$45,000 per seminarian. Please give generously! For more information and to donate to the fund, visit arlingtondiocese.org and search SEEF.

A Jubilee Journey with Mary

arlingtondiocese.org/jubileejourney



Did you know there are eleven churches in the Diocese of Arlington named for Our Lady? During this second year of preparation for the Diocese's Golden Jubilee in 2024, we are all encouraged to focus upon Mary and her role in pointing us to Jesus. Bishop Burbidge invites all of us to visit as many of those eleven churches as possible and spend time in prayer at each. Visit the website to learn more about the Jubilee Journey and grow in your understanding of Mary and your devotion to her!

Summer 2023 Events

**ST. AMBROSE
YOUNG ADULTS GROUP**

stambroseva.org/YoungAdults

