SAINT AMBROSE CATHOLIC CHURCH

July 6, 2025 | Fourteenth 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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

SAINT AMBROSE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

703-698-7171 | stambroseschool.org | info@stambroseschool.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 growing parish family.

PARISH OFFICE

Monday - Friday | 9 am - 4 pm 3901 Woodburn Road | Annandale, VA 22030 703-280-4400 | stambroseva.org email: dvasilakos@stambroseva.org

CLERGY

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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 changes 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 call Shelley Locke, Director of Religious Education/Youth Ministry, 571-640-9938.

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



ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA) stambroseva.org/RCIA

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

September - May | Grades K-8 | Sundays | 8:45 - 9:45 am | School 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

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

Third Tuesdays | 7 pm | Parish Hall
June - December 2025 | A Walk Through the Creed
Lee Cena. Facilitator

ADULT BIBLE STUDY stambroseva.org/BibleStudy

Wednesdays | 10 am - Noon | Parish Hall September - April | Foundations of Faith Ron & Mary DeSantis, Ann Rossi, Facilitators

MEN'S EVENING BIBLE STUDY bit.ly/MensPMBibleStudy

Third Thursdays | 7:30 pm | Parish Library Jonathan Wertz, Facilitator

Come join fellow men as we learn about the Bible and discuss living our Catholic faith. Fellowship, 7:30 pm; Bible Study, 8 pm.

.FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY 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

Second & Fourth Saturdays | 7 - 8:30 am | Parish Hall Father Nugent, Facilitator | frnugent@stambroseschool.org
All men, 21 and older, are invited to join for prayer, coffee, conversation and faith formation.

TAKE TIME FOR GOD SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP stambroseva.org/WSA

Will resume in August | Sundays | 3 pm | Parish Library Cat Chunn, Coordinator

Open to all women of the parish. Celebrate God's goodness through praise & thanksgiving, share holy moments, reflect on God's Words & pray for each other's prayer intentions. Sponsored by WSA.

Shelley Locke

Director of Youth Ministry & Religious Education 571-640-9938 | slocke@stambroseva.org

YOUTH MINISTRY



ST. AMBROSE YOUTH MINISTRY

SUMMER HIGH SCHOOL HANGOUTS!

FOOD + DRINKS + GAMES + SPORTS 6 - 8 PM | JUNE 29 | JULY 20 | AUGUST 10 PARISH HALL / SCHOOL GYM

Catholic Charities is offering online English & Citizenship courses for adults. Registrations are open. Class Days: Monday & Wednesday / Tuesday & Thursday Class Times: 9:30-11:30 a.m./ 7-9 p.m. Schedule: August 11 - December 18, 2025/ September 2—December 18, 2025. Cost: English: \$200; Citizenship: \$125 Scan the code to register today! Questions? Call 571-208-1572 or email ewd@ccda.net





July 9: Patience (Colossians 3:12-15)

July 16: Provocation (Ephesians 6:4)

July 23: Fight the Good Fight (Ephesians 6:10-11)

*July 30: Families Welcome - Care for your Family (1 Timothy 5:8)

Please bring your families to join us for a potluck BBQ today.



MASS INTENTIONS

July 7: Weekday Monday Luke Hao Nguyen T 7:00 a.m. Margaret Dominguez * 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday July 8: Weekday 7:00 a.m. Marilyn Jerussi 🕇 9:00 a.m. John & Donna Vasilakos

Wednesday July 9: Wkdy; St. Augustine Zhao Rong,

Priest, & Companions, Martyrs

Joyce Larsen T 7:00 a.m.

9:00 a.m. Deloris (Honey) Dunnington T

Thursday July 10: Weekday Robert Larsen T 7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. Annie & John Harrison

July 11: St. Benedict, Abbot Friday

7:00 a.m. Carolyn Foley

9:00 a.m. Josephine Bourgeois 🕆

July 12: Weekday, BVM Saturday

Natalie Habert T 9:00 a.m. Zenny Logue T 5:00 p.m.

July 13: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday

8:00 a.m. People of the Parish 10:00 a.m. Sr. Marie Celine Laird, OP 12:00 p.m. Leon Katcharian 🕇 5:00 p.m. Marjorie Derrick +

Eucharistic Adoration ~ Friday, August 1, 2025

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

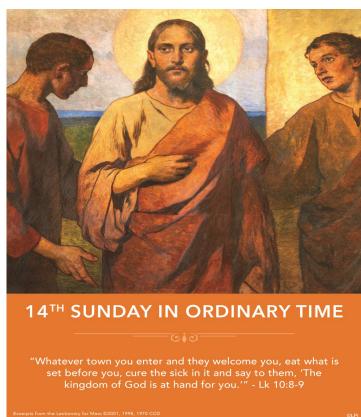
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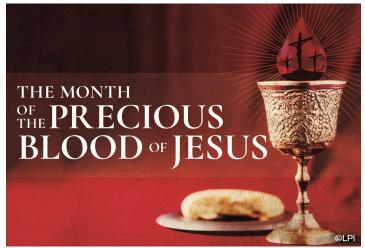
Irene Anderson, Katie Bader, Kathy Burns, Josephine Crosby, John Crowley, Kathy d'Alelio, Conor Doyle, Bill Foster, Marianne Haley, Amy Hobbs, Larry Holmes, George Hughes, Kathleen Johnson, Lauren Elizabeth Kasydar, Robert Koldys, Helen (Dolly) LaViolette, Thomas LaViolette, John Maskeny, Lois LeFebvre, Lou Osborn, Liz Post, Marcelina Respuesto, Diane Rispoli, Lisa Rhoads, Lewis Rhodes, Jean Reed Saylor, Fr. Spychala, Jim Smith, Irene Symm, Nicole A.Tramonte, Donella Wright, Lilian Yetman

For Our Diocesan Priests

| Jul 7 | Rev. Steven R. Walker |
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| Jul 8 | Very Rev. Kevin B. Walsh, VF |
| Jul 9 | Rev. Jason Weber (Ret.) |
| Jul 10 | Rev. Michael D. Weston |
| Jul 11 | Rev. Gerald Weymes (Ret.) |
| Jul 12 | Rev. David A. Whitestone |
| Jul 13 | Rev. Jordan M. Willard |

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YOU'RE INVITED! EWTN'S FREE FAMILY CELEBRATION EVENT

Saturday, August 30, 2025 | 8 am - 6 pm Capital One Hall | Tysons, Virginia

This year's EWTN Family Celebration promises to be bigger and better than ever, so bring your family to meet our family. You'll hear hope-filled messages from EWTN hosts and clergy, attend Holy Mass with The Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge, Confession and Adoration, and meet your favorite EWTN personalities, up close and personal. And best of all, it's free! Doors open at 8 am in

Tysons, VA, on Saturday, August 30. Seating is limited. Reserve your spot today: register at www.ewtn.com/familycelebration



St. Ambrose Parish Mom's Night Out

Wednesdays | July 23, August 27 6:30 - 9 pm | Potluck Dinner / 7 pm Parish Library

Come out for a night of food, fellowship and spiritual enrichment with your fellow parishioners - women from all walks of life - mothers and nursing babies are most welcome! More info: bit.ly/nightout4moms



THE BEATITUDES: is it possible to live this way?

St. Ambrose Summer Sessions 2025 | Mondays | June 30 - July 21 | Parish Hall 6:30 pm / Refreshments & Fellowship | 7 pm / Session Talk stambroseva.org/st-ambrose-summer-sessions



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



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 shall 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. Join Fr. Daniel Hanley, coordinator of the blessed Stanley Rother House of formation at Mount St. Mary's Seminary, at the San Damiano Retreat Center in White Post, VA for this unique retreat opportunity. This retreat will begin at 6 pm Friday, July 18 and conclude Sunday, July 20 with lunch at noon. Retreat cost is \$499 per couple. For further information, please contact Deacon Mark Maines at: mark.maines@arlingtondiocese.org For more information about San Damiano and the retreats being offered in the months ahead, please visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/retreat





The aesthetic value of creation cannot be overlooked. Our very contact with nature has a deep restorative power; contemplation of its magnificence imparts peace and serenity. The Bible speaks again and again of the goodness and beauty of creation, which is called to glorify God.

- St. John Paul II (1990, Remarks for The World Day of Peace)



PRO-LIFE CORNER

Saint Ambrose for Life stambroseva.org/pro-life



Diaper Drive Weekend: August 2 + 3

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), spring/summer clothing (newborn - 6), Similac Advance formula, wipes, bibs. To donate other items, please see stambroseva.org/prolife 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.ccda.net Project Rachel helpafterabortion.org 703-841-2504 Info@helpafterabortion.org

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

Everyone is invited to celebrate a Mass & Rosary in Thanksgiving for the Gift of Human Life with Bishop Burbidge on July 12th! Mass is at 8:30 am and the Rosary is immediately following on the public sidewalk at a local abortion facility. For questions and more information, please contact the Office of Marriage, Family and Respect Life at familylife@arlingtondiocese.org or call 703.841.2550.

Bishop Burbidge invites you to embark on a spiritual journey by participating in a special Holy Year Tour of eight designated holy sites within our diocese - a unique opportunity to pray throughout our diocese and receive a plenary indulgence by meeting certain conditions, such as prayer, reception of the Eucharist and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. For more details on the sacred sites, plenary indulgences, and the Holy Year 2025, visit arlingtondiocese.org/holy-year-2025.

Father – Son Day Hikes with Fr. Mike Summer 2025

16 July – Old Rag (9 miles / \sim 2,300 ft. elevation gain)

6 August − Raven Rocks (5 miles / ~1,500 ft. elevation gain)

- Each hike begins with 7 AM Mass at St. Ambrose.
- Bring a lunch and plenty of water.
- All parish dads and their sons (rising 5th - 12th grade) are welcome!

RSVP <u>at least 3 weeks</u> before each hike to frnugent@stambroseschool.org

- National Park Service tickets are <u>required</u> for the Old Rag hike.
- Let us know as soon as you want to attend so we can secure tickets.