

# SAINT AMBROSE CATHOLIC CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 6, 2026  
23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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

## PARISH SCHEDULE

### MASS

#### Sunday

8 am, 10 am, Noon, 5 pm

#### Monday - Friday

7 am, 9 am

#### Saturday

9 am, 5 pm (Vigil)

#### Holy Days

As announced

### CONFESSION

#### Saturday

9:30 am, 3-4 pm

### MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

#### Saturday

After 9 am Mass

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

#### First Friday

9:30 am - 7 pm

## PARISH CLERGY

Reverend John M. O'Donohue, Pastor

Reverend Michael T. Nugent, Parochial Vicar

Reverend Anthony Appiah, In Residence

Deacon Ted Devlin

## PARISH OFFICE

703-280-4400 | [info@stambroseva.org](mailto:info@stambroseva.org)

## SAINT AMBROSE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

703-698-7171 | [stambroseschool.org](http://stambroseschool.org)

## SAINT AMBROSE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

571-640-9938 | [stambroseva.org/RE](http://stambroseva.org/RE)

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

# WELCOME!

## PARISH OFFICE

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**Website:** [stambroseva.org](http://stambroseva.org)



**Instagram:** [st\\_ambrose\\_catholic\\_church](https://www.instagram.com/st_ambrose_catholic_church)



**Bulletin Deadline:** 14 days prior to the desired Sunday publication date. Please send the request to [bulletin@stambroseva.org](mailto:bulletin@stambroseva.org)



Whether you're an active parishioner, a visitor, looking to come home to the Catholic Church or seeking God and answers to the questions of daily life, we invite you to come and be a part of our growing parish family.

Explore and discover all our parish ministries, programs and special events. Experience the beauty of our church. We invite you to share the great gift of faith in Jesus Christ, handed down to us from the apostles through the Catholic Church. Welcome to St. Ambrose!

**Parish Membership** Parish registration forms are available at the Parish Office and online at [stambroseva.org/registration](http://stambroseva.org/registration). Please notify the office of any changes to your information (phone number, address, temporary absence, etc.) Parish membership is necessary for Baptism, Matrimony, or Sponsor Forms. To obtain a Sponsor Form, you must be a registered/participating member of the Parish for at least three months.



**Baptism:** First-time expectant parents must attend an instruction class prior to the Sacrament of Baptism. Contact the Parish Office to make the necessary arrangements. Baptisms are usually celebrated on Sundays following the Noon Mass. [stambroseva.org/baptism](http://stambroseva.org/baptism)

**Matrimony:** Registered parishioners who wish to be married at St. Ambrose or be prepared for marriage in another parish, must - by Diocesan policy - begin the required preparation at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date. Contact the Parish Office. [stambroseva.org/marriage](http://stambroseva.org/marriage)

**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 Mass.

**Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA):** The process for individuals to inquire, learn, and grow in the Catholic Faith and prepare for full communion in the Catholic Church. Contact the Director of Religious Education, [DRE@stambroseva.org](mailto: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 and the Anointing of the Sick.

## GIVING



### ParishSOFT

You can automatically send your parish contributions through an online recurring ParishSOFT account. Visit [bit.ly/Parishsoft](https://bit.ly/Parishsoft)



Common Questions



Create/Edit Gifts



Manage My Giving

# INTENTIONS

## MASSSES

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

*Weekday*

7 am Barbara Kellaher +

9 am Cecilia Nhan Thi Nguyen +

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

*Weekday / The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

7 am Souls in Purgatory +

9 am Margaret Dominguez +

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

*Weekday / St. Peter Claver, Priest*

7 am Donovan Charlton +

9 am Outpouring of the Holy Spirit

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

*Weekday*

7 am Salvation of Souls Dying Today +

9 am Ruth Wright +

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

*Weekday*

7 am Margaret Dominguez +

9 am Josephine Bourgeois +

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

*Weekday / The Most Holy Name of Mary; BVM*

9 am Tom Stasik, Sr. +

5 pm Timonhy J. McCoy +

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

*24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8 am People of the Parish

10 am Miss Linda Elaine Gelfin

12 pm Madison Warner

5 pm Meldy de la Cruz

- To request Masses, please visit the Parish Office, Monday through Friday, 8:30 am - 3:30 pm.
- Devotional candles may be purchased during Parish Office hours, or from the ushers before/after weekend Masses.

## FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

**October 2 | 9:30 am - 6 pm\* (Benediction)**

During the week before Adoration, sign up in the binder in the Narthex or call the Parish Office at 703-280-4400. (\*Note time change)



## 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, Jim Smith, Irene Symm, Nicole A. Tramonte, Lilian Yetman

## FOR OUR BISHOP & 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 DECEASED OF ST. AMBROSE

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

# LEARN & GROW



## ST. AMBROSE SCHOOL

Dr. Aránzazu Ascunce, Principal | [stambroseschool.org](http://stambroseschool.org)

### Announcements/News

- **Dine Out at Freddy's on Wednesday, Sept 9, 4-8PM!** Enjoy dinner while supporting Saint Ambrose—20% of sales will be donated back to our school! Mention the Saint Ambrose fundraiser when ordering in-store or **use code GIVEBACK** online. 10030 Fairfax Blvd, Fairfax, VA 22030
- Join us for **Bilingual Bingo on Saturday, Sept 12 at 6PM in the school gym!** Bring the whole family for an evening of bingo, prizes, and community as we celebrate the languages that make Saint Ambrose special. No bilingual experience needed—everyone is welcome!
- We're actively enrolling for **Grades 2-8**. Tours are available. Call the office to schedule or email [info@stambroseschool.org](mailto:info@stambroseschool.org).



## ST. AMBROSE K-8 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Jennifer Wyse, Director of Religious Education | [stambroseva.org/RE](http://stambroseva.org/RE)  
August - June | Sundays | 8:45 - 9:45 am | School

### Announcements/News

- **REGISTRATION IS STILL OPEN at [stambroseva.org/RE](http://stambroseva.org/RE)**
- Class will not meet on September 6. Classes resume on September 13.
- There is a mandatory confirmation meeting for 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade parents on Wednesday, September 23 at 7:15 pm in the Parish Hall.



## HIGH SCHOOL FAITH FORMATION

Lissie Torres, Youth Minister | [stambroseva.org/YouthGroup](http://stambroseva.org/YouthGroup)  
August- June | Sundays | 8:45-9:45 am OR 6 - 8 pm | School

### Announcements/News

- **REGISTRATION IS STILL OPEN at [stambroseva.org/RE](http://stambroseva.org/RE)**
- Class will not meet on September 6. We will resume on September 13.
- We are following an alternating schedule of Catechetical Instruction on Sundays from 8:45 - 9:45 am one week and Fellowship on Sundays from 6-8 pm the next.
- Join us on Signal: [bit.ly/YouthGroupSignal](https://bit.ly/YouthGroupSignal)



## ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA)

Jennifer Wyse, Director of Religious Education | [stambroseva.org/OCIA](http://stambroseva.org/OCIA)  
August - June | Mondays | 7 - 8 pm | Parish Hall

### Announcements/News

- **COMPLETE THE REGISTRATION FORM at [stambroseva.org/OCIA](http://stambroseva.org/OCIA)**
- Class will not meet on September 7. Classes will resume on September 14.



# MINISTRIES & GROUPS

## ADULT & YOUTH CHOIRS

[stambroseva.org/music-choirs](http://stambroseva.org/music-choirs)

## ALTAR SOCIETY

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

## BEREAVEMENT GROUP

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

## BIBLE STUDIES

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

## CHRIST HOUSE MONTHLY MEALS

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

## GARDEN & GROUNDS CLUB

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

## HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

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

## INTERCESSORY PRAYER TREE

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

## JESUS, MARY & A CUP OF JOE

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

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

[ambrosecouncil.org](http://ambrosecouncil.org)

## KNITTING GROUP

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

## LECTORS

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

## ROSARY MAKERS

[stambroseva.org/rosary makers](http://stambroseva.org/rosary_makers)

## ST. AMBROSE MEN'S GROUP

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

## ST. AMBROSE FOR LIFE

[stambroseva.org/pro-life](http://stambroseva.org/pro-life)

## ST. PAULA SOCIETY WIDOWS FELLOWSHIP

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

## USHERS

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

## VOCATIONS COMMITTEE

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

## WOMEN OF ST. AMBROSE

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

## YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

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

## MONTHLY DIAPER DRIVE | OCTOBER 3 + 4

St. Ambrose Parish supports and provides The 3aRiH Center with basic supplies for moms and their babies. Collected at all Masses on the first weekend of each month, **critical needs are diapers (newborn - 6), summer clothes, coats (newborn - 2T), Similac Advance formula, wipes, and bibs.** To donate other items, visit [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 | Church

## HELP & HEALING

Gabriel Project | [helpforpregnantwomen.org](http://helpforpregnantwomen.org)  
Arlington Diocese Catholic Charities | [www.cdda.net](http://www.cdda.net)  
Project Rachel | [helpafterabortion.org](http://helpafterabortion.org)

**You are not alone. Take the first step.** A Day of Prayer and Healing for women who have experienced abortion will be on Saturday, October 3. These group healing events are held in a private and peaceful setting, based on the Entering Canaan model (2 separate retreats, in 1 location). There will be an opportunity to hear from a past participant and others who have found healing. or confidential inquiries, please contact Project Rachel Ministry [info@helpafterabortion.org](mailto:info@helpafterabortion.org) or (703) 841-2504.



**We're hiring!** St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Annandale is looking for a Business Manager to manage the financial functions and oversee human resources for the parish. A BS/BA in accounting/finance and 5 years of experience in business management are required. Position is full-time. Salary range is \$65K-\$75K depending on experience. A comprehensive benefits package is provided, including medical, dental, vision, life and disability insurance coverage as well as a 403b and pension plan. A tuition discount is also available for St. Ambrose School. Interested parties should email resume and cover letter to Carla Yaglou at [cyaglou@stambroseva.org](mailto:cyaglou@stambroseva.org)



Please submit bulletin requests to [bulletin@stambroseva.org](mailto:bulletin@stambroseva.org)

# SAVE THE DATE

## St. Ambrose Parish Picnic Sunday, October 4 Watch for Details!

**WELCOME SUNDAYS** Enjoy coffee, conversation and donuts in the Parish Hall after the 8 and 10 am Masses. Come and meet other parishioners - new and old!



Dates / Hosts  
September 6 | Religious Education  
October 4 | TBA  
November 1 | TBA



### WEDNESDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY

September - March | 10am - Noon | Parish Hall | [stambroseva.org/BibleStudy](http://stambroseva.org/BibleStudy)



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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)

**WSA**  
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)

### Fall Grief Retreat:

#### Finding the Passion of Christ in Your Story

You do not have to grieve alone. Join other mothers of loss on September 18th & 19th for a fall retreat hosted by the Diocese of Arlington Chapter of Red Bird Ministries. Draw closer to the Lord in your grief and find comfort, healing, and hope by connecting with others who understand the extraordinary cross you are carrying. For all mothers of loss, from pregnancy through adulthood. When: Friday, September 18 (6:30-9 pm) and Saturday, September 19 (9 am-5:30 pm) Where: Morning Star Retreat House in Great Falls Cost: \$40 (includes \$25 grief group journal, breakfast, and lunch) Register: [www.redbirdlove/arlington-va](http://www.redbirdlove/arlington-va) Questions? Email [elizabeth@redbirdlove](mailto:elizabeth@redbirdlove)

### Third Annual Mercy Ride & Run

September 19 @ 7:00am

Mount Vernon Trail

5K & 10K run and walk OR 20-mile & 30-mile cycling ride



[www.mercyride.org](http://www.mercyride.org)  
[MercyRideInfo@gmail.com](mailto:MercyRideInfo@gmail.com)  
[@mercyride](https://www.instagram.com/mercyride)

All proceeds benefiting:



**Mary's Shelter**

### Discover how Christendom College is helping students

learn the Truth, live the Faith, and thrive as Catholics, by attending one of our fall visits days! Attend a Saturday Open House on September 26 or November 21, or take advantage of the federal holidays to visit for a Crusader Afternoon on Columbus Day (October 12) or Veterans Day (November 11). Visitors will tour campus, attend a sample class, and learn more about Christendom's unique academic program, outstanding alumni employment rates, financial aid, and how our graduates are carrying out the mission "to restore all things in Christ." Christendom College is the only Catholic College in the Arlington Diocese on the Newman Guide for Choosing a Catholic College. To register, please visit [www.christendom.edu/visits](http://www.christendom.edu/visits)

### CHILD PROTECTION & VICTIM ASSISTANCE

The Office of Victim Assistance of the Diocese of Arlington warmly invites all to attend upcoming **Pilgrimage of Grace Masses** being offered to encounter Christ's healing presence and to pray for the gift of interior peace:

- Saturday, September 12, 9 am, St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church, Clifton
- Friday, October 2, 7 pm, SS Joseph Catholic Church, Herndon

Whether you are carrying grief, past hurts, or simply seeking spiritual renewal, come join us in prayer

Diocesan policies and resources are available at [arlingtondiocese.org/childprotection](http://arlingtondiocese.org/childprotection)

SAINT AMBROSE DUAL LANGUAGE  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL PTO  
PRESENTS

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¡Diversión en dos idiomas! • Fun in two languages!



SATURDAY  
SEPTEMBER 12  
SÁBADO 12 DE SEPTIEMBRE



6:00 PM  
6:00 PM



SAINT AMBROSE GYM  
GIMNASIO DE SAINT AMBROSE

DINNER &  
DOBBERS  
AVAILABLE FOR  
PURCHASE!

¡CENA Y MARCADORES  
DISPONIBLES PARA  
COMPRAR!

PRESALES AVAILABLE 8/31-9/11

VENTA ANTICIPADA DISPONIBLE 31/8-11/9



SCAN TO REGISTER!



¡ESCANEA PARA REGISTRARTE!