



ST. AMBROSE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Very Rev. Andrew J. Fisher, V.F., Pastor
 Rev. Christopher Hayes, Parochial Vicar
 Rev. Stefan Starzynski, In Residence

August 12, 2018 – Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacramental Information

Baptism: First-time, expectant parents must attend a prior instruction on 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 12:00 pm 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.

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 and teachings of His Church, please contact Mrs. Laura Mead in the Office of Religious Education. 703-280-1122

Sick Calls: Contact the parish office to schedule visits to the sick or homebound, for the Sacraments of Penance, the Eucharist and the Anointing of the Sick.

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 are happy to help you come back home to the Catholic Church.

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 or the vestibule of the Church.

Parish Office

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 Annandale, VA 22003

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Office Hours:

Mon. – Fri.: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
 Donna Vasilakos, Parish Secretary
 Laura Cameron, Receptionist

Parish School

3827 Woodburn Road
 Annandale, VA 22003

Phone: 703-698-7171

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Mass Schedule

Sunday Vigil: 5:00 pm, Saturday

Sunday: 8:00, 10:00 am & 12:00 pm

Weekdays:

Monday - Friday.....7:00 & 9:00 am

Saturday 9:00 am

Holy Days:.....as announced

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday: 9:30 am & 3:00 - 4:00 pm

Miraculous Medal Novena

After 9:00 am Saturday Mass

Adoration

Following 9:00 am Mass First Fridays until 3:30 pm **Benediction**

This Week's Masses and Intentions

Monday	August 13: Wkdy; Saints Pontian, Pope, & Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs
7:00am	C. Dudley Brown †
9:00am	Roger Albers †
Tuesday	August 14: St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest & Martyr
7:00am	The Dinger Family
9:00am	Dr. Juan J. (Pepe) Blanco †
7:30pm (Vigil)	Renate Nicewicz †
Wednesday	August 15: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
7:00am	Rosa Vu †
9:00am	Peter Vasilakos
7:30pm	Sean P. Weide †
Thursday	August 16: Wkdy; St. Stephen of Hungary
7:00am	Bao Nguyen Family †
9:00am	Rita Frugoli †
Friday	August 17: Weekday
7:00am	Charles Hores
9:00am	Stan Urynowicz †
Saturday	August 18: Wkdy; BVM
9:00am	The Dinger Family
5:00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	August 19: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am	Henry Hobek
10:00am	Sheila Ruskauff
12:00Noon	Louis Warren Brenner, Sr. †

August 18-19 is our Food Collection. September 1-2 is our Diaper Drive. Thank you for your generosity and support.

Please Pray For The Ill Of The Parish

Irene Anderson, Moises Avila, Suzanne Bercier, Nancy Blanco, Carole Boland, Elliott Bloxom, Norinne Browning, Louise Chevalier, Jo Couch, Josephine Crosby, James & Joan Dooley, Conor Doyle, Rosie Ekshian, Janet Gaydos, Natalie & Ed Habert, Helen Hargenrader, Mia Fernanda Hernandez, Amy Hobbs, Betty Hunt, Neil Keefe, Edwin Keitz, Frank Killelea, James Robert Lewis, Stacey Lindholm, Vicki Lorenc, Jim Kenna, Audrey Martinez, Raymond Mele, La Davian Mills, Arvilla Moyers, Miguel and Julita Pascual, Charles Peck, Bayne Rector, Kristin Rector, Maddie Respicio-Cabatic, Fr. Paul Richardson, Joan Robair, Constance Ross, John Rivoire, Virginia Rotunno, Amelia Sanares, Father Spychala, Father Tewes, Joe Rannazzisi, Iliana Santiago, Len Trahan, Arya Vivar, Vivian Vu, Deborah Young

**Parish Schedule of Events
CH- Church, PH-Parish Hall,
PL-Parish Library, SCH-School**

Monday	August 13
9:45am	Legion of Mary (PL)
Tuesday	August 14
7:30am	Rosary Makers (PL)
7:30pm	Knights of Columbus Meeting (PL)
Wednesday	August 15
No scheduled events	
Thursday	August 16
No scheduled events	
Friday	August 17
10:30am	Bible Group (PL)
Saturday	August 18
9:00am	Mass and Novena to Our Lady Of the Miraculous Medal (Church)
Sunday	August 19

Wednesday, August 15, 2018

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses at St. Ambrose are as follows:

Tuesday, August 14, Vigil Mass: 7:30 pm
Wednesday, August 15: 7:00am, 9:00am, 7:30pm

Please Pray For Your Priests

August 13	Rev. Christopher M. Buckner
August 14	Rev. Tarsicio D. Buitrago (Ret.)
August 15	CH (LTJG) Jason C. Burchell
August 16	Rev. Richard T. Carr
August 17	Rev. Mark F. Carrier
August 18	Rev. Thomas B. Cavanaugh
August 19	Rev. Christopher P. Christensen

SAVE THE DATE

**ST. AMBROSE PARISH PICNIC
SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 16, 2018**



Saint Ambrose Catholic School

Mission Statement

"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."



Summer school office hours will be 9:00 am-1:00 pm during the month of July. We are continuing to register new students, so please spread the word about our wonderful school. Our preschool offers 2-day and 3-day classes for 2 1/2-3 year olds, and a five day class for 4 year olds. We also have some openings in our elementary and middle school grades. If you are new to the area, or just looking for a change, please stop by the school. We would love to show you around.

St. Ambrose Preschool has an opening for a 2-day 3 year old lead teaching position. The class meets on Tuesday/Thursdays. If interested please contact Marybeth Cuccias at mcuccias@stambroseschool.org.

We are looking for Extended Day assistants for next school year. The hours are 3-6 pm, Monday-Friday. If you are looking to work a few hours a day, please let us know. The school office number is 703-698-7171.

We are also looking for a part time art teacher. If you know of anyone who might be interested please email Mrs. Rowley at principal@stambroseschool.org or call the school office at 703-698-7171.

Thank you to all our wonderful parishioners who have supported our school throughout the year. We are blessed to be part of such a wonderful, giving community. Have a blessed week.



PRO LIFE CORNER

Holy Hour Sponsored by Project Rachel

Tuesday, August 14, 7:30pm. St. Mary of Sorrows Historic Catholic Church in Fairfax, Virginia. Adoration is so powerful as we place our intentions before God. Please come join this inspirational service in the beautiful chapel of St. Mary's Church.

O Mary, Mother of Jesus and Mother of us all, we turn to you today as the one who said "Yes" to Life. "You will conceive and bear a Son." the angel told you. Despite the surprise and the uncertainty about how this could be, you said yes. "Be it done unto me according to your word."

As we celebrate the Assumption of Mary this week, let us take a moment to pray the rosary and ask for special intentions for the pre-born, the elderly, the sick and the dying and the physically challenged.

St. Ambrose YOUTH MINISTRY

For information on **all** activities below contact: Therese Ryan cym@stambroseva.org



"Life with Christ is a wonderful adventure."

- Saint John Paul II

*****On Vacation? – Masstimes.org for everywhere you go... HE is already there!**

Walking humbly with our God...

- *Please pray for our young Church who are:**
- Bringing the joy and zeal for the faith they experienced at the Franciscan Youth Conference last weekend back home!
- Growing in holy friendships!
- Seeking TRUTH!
- Serving God and their neighbor!
- Striving to live the Sacramental life!

This is...THE POWER of YOUR LIFE IN CHRIST in action!

WeekendWorkCamp Sat. Sept. 8th

NO WWC in August!

7th-12th graders Service/Discipleship hours! 8:45-12:30pm at the Parish Hall

*****High School Youth Ministry*****

God Squad Ultimate Wednesdays

Every Wednesday evening 7-9pm at the parish hall rising 9th graders - grads class of '18! Pizza, firepit and Ultimate Frisbee! **Bring \$5**

LOVED AS I AM!- Sr. Miriam Heidland

HS women's Summer Book Club Mondays July 2nd- Aug 27th Dominion Deli Annandale 2:30-4pm. Bring \$ for drink/snack!

*****JR HIGH YOUTH MINISTRY*****

Jr High IGNITE-

For all rising 7th & 8th graders! And...

***Kolbe's Kids*- Our Lady's Little Army**

***Faith*Fun*Friendship*Service* 5th-8th**

Religious Education



"Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth."

Religious Education News

Do you need a way to get involved in our parish? Then consider becoming a religious education volunteer catechist or aide! Catechists and aides are people who love their Catholic faith, can work with children, and are willing to dedicate a few hours each week to their faith formation.

We are currently in need of the following volunteer positions for the **2018-2019 Religious Education Calendar:**

Sunday (8:45 – 9:45)

Catechists & Aides
Aides for K, 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8
Hall Monitors

Monday (5:30pm-6:00pm)

Catechists Grades K & 1
Hall Monitors

All volunteers MUST become VIRTUS compliant.

REGISTRATION for Religious Education. The registration form may be found on our website. Due to anticipated construction on our K-HS parking lot and Church we will offer two sessions:

Grades 1-6: Sunday 8:45am-9:45am as well as Monday 5:30pm-6:30pm.

Grades 7-8: Monday 7pm-8pm

For information, please contact:
Lmead@stambroseva.org

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith?

Join us for RCIA classes
Monday evenings from
7pm-8pm
in the Parish Hall
beginning September 10

To inquire about the life, beliefs, and teachings of the Catholic Church or to register for RCIA you are invited to contact:

Laura Mead, Director of Religious Education
703-280-1122; Lmead@stambroseva.org

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FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

The Bible and the Virgin Mary
Episode 11: The Assumption

How Much Do You Know About Mary's Assumption?



Celebrate Mary's Assumption into Heaven with this beautiful and engaging episode by Scott Hahn's St. Paul Center. Discover the rich Scriptural foundations for the Church's teaching on Mary's Assumption, and grow in love for Our Blessed Mother in the process!



"My devotion to Mary is forever transformed!"

—Michelle R.

Watch on formed.org



Looking for an easy way to educate yourself and explore your faith? Formed is a website designed for you —movies, presentations, podcasts, audiobooks, etc. Sign up now!

www.stambroseva.formed.org

Invitation to Join!!!

Bible Study Group meets every Friday from 10:30 to noon in the Parish Library. We discuss the upcoming Sunday's gospel reading. No prior reading required—please drop in as your schedule permits. Leader is Vee Murray and email is bobveeM@aol.com.

Knights of Columbus support many parish programs and activities. If you are interested in joining please contact Frank Petroski at gk.ambrose.council@gmail.com.

Knitting Group meets the 4th Tuesday of every month after the 9am Mass. The next meeting is Tuesday, August 28, 2018 in the Parish Library.

Knitting/Crochet Group meets the first Friday of every month at 6:00pm in the Parish Library. The next meeting will take place on Friday, September 7, 2018.

Legion of Mary. Put your faith into action! Come be a visitation person! Visit our Legion of Mary meeting. Monday mornings at 9:45am in the Parish Library.

Rosary Makers meet the 1st Tuesday of every month after the 9am Mass. The next meeting is Tuesday, September 4, 2018 in the Parish Library.

Women of St. Ambrose (WSA) meet the 2nd Friday of every month after the 9am Mass. The next meeting will be Friday, September 14, 2018 in the Parish Hall.

August 12, 2018

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Times

**St. Ambrose High School
God Squad 2018**

Summer schedule

Girls Book Club

St. Ambrose-n-St. Philip

LOVED AS I AM

Sr. Miriam Heidland

Monday afternoons 2:30pm-4pm

beginning July 2nd

Ultimate Frisbee

Wednesday evenings 7pm-9pm

*Frisbee*Pizza*Firepit*

beginning June 20th

Knights of Columbus Donuts & Coffee.

Please plan to join us after the 8:00AM and 10AM Masses on **Sunday, August 12** to say farewell to our summer seminarian Charles Pavlick. Charles will be returning to Mt. St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, Md to continue his studies.

The flowers by Our Lady of Fatima are in memory of the deceased family members of a parishioner.

USCCB Call to Prayer. The U.S. bishops urge our participation each Friday in a nationwide Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life, August 3—September 28. Participants will receive weekly email or text reminders to pray and fast, along with little-known facts about Roe v. Wade to share with others.

Sign up at WWW.usccb.org/pray!

Next weekend, August 18/19, the Youth Ministry will be selling donuts after all the Masses. What a good, tasty way to show your support!

Help Without Enabling: Balance & Boundaries; Friday, August 17, 2018. 10-11:30 am at St. Therese Catholic Church, 21371 St. Theresa Lane, Ashburn, VA. Join Dr. Michael K. Horne, Director of Clinical Services for Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington, as he speaks on how to help without enabling through balance and boundaries.

Mornings of Mercy for Divorced Catholics. Saturday, August 18, 2018; 8:30am at St. Ann's in Arlington. Join other members of the Diocese who have gone through divorce in a series of morning retreats. The morning will include Holy Mass, confession, reflection, prayer and benediction. The retreat is led by Rev. Tom Ferguson, Vicar General of the Diocese of Arlington. Rev. Ferguson will be celebrating Mass at 8:30 am.

ST. AMBROSE SCHOOL USED UNIFORM SALE!

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 19TH
11AM—1PM IN THE SCHOOL GYM**

School is just around the corner and what a great time to clean out those closets and see what fits! We invite you to consign/donate whatever doesn't.

All current families are invited to consign and anyone may donate. You may drop off your used items at the school office in the coming weeks until August 18.

Set-up will be on Saturday, August 18.

If you have any questions, please contact Julia Hecton at juliahecton@gmail.com. Thank you.

Future with Hope Women's Conference

Catholic women over 40: Register now for the Future with Hope women's conference Oct. 12-13, 2018, at St. Agnes Church in Arlington! Speakers include Mary Elizabeth Sperry, author of *Making Room for God: Decluttering and the Spiritual Life*; Maria Suarez Hamm, former executive director of Centro Tepeyac; Alejandra Segura, a children's rights advocate Catholic blogger Anthony DeCristofaro; and Virginia Storytelling Alliance member Erin Benbennick. \$159, July 1—Labor Day; \$175 thereafter. Learn more at www.futurewithhopewomen.com or email info@futurewithhopewomen.com. Sponsors include the Arlington Diocesan Council of Catholic Women and Joyful Spirit Gifts.

The Visit of the World Youth Day Cross.

Come take part in this once-in-a-generation celebration of the visit of the World Youth Day Cross as it makes its first pilgrimage to the United States in twenty-five years. Youth, young adults, and families are all invited to take part in this historic event. Register today! For more information visit wydunite.com

Spend Sunday with the Sisters—For Women Discerners.

Ever thought about religious life? Come pray, chat and brunch with the Daughters of St. Paul to learn more about it. Sunday, August 12, 9:30am—1:00pm, at their convent in Alexandria. Morning includes Mass, brunch and a reflection. Cost is \$15, and the deadline to register is Friday, August 3. For more information and to register contact the Office of Vocations, vocations@arlingtondiocese.org or 703-841-2514.

Volunteer Opportunity at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

Are you looking for an opportunity to grow in your faith and extend that gift to others through your personal witness and service to the Church? We invite you to become a Docent (Tour Guide) or Tour Desk Receptionist at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Northeast Washington D.C. Hours and days are flexible and training will be provided. Anyone interested should please contact; Dee Steel (Director of Visitor Services) via telephone at (202) 526-8300, ext 111, or via email (dsteel@bnsic.org).

Day of Prayer for College-Age Student—

2nd Sunday in August—Please pray for our college-age students as they prepare for college or vocational training, and other young adults who are in the Military or pursuing other endeavors. They are our future and need our united prayers, so they will know God is present in their lives, and they will remain faithful to God and their Catholic values. For more information about Praying College Moms, visit <http://www.prayingcollegemoms.org>.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter. Like to feel the sparks of love again in your marriage? Come receive the tools to keep your marriage full of love and passion! The next worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends are: Sep 21-23, 2018 in Herndon, VA and Aug 3-5, 2018 in Hanover, MD. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at:

RenewMarriage-VANorth.org or contact us at applications@renewmarriage-vanorth.org or 703-646-1521.

Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke Summer Announcements

Below are activities sponsored by the Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke (SCFB) for seniors .

Lunch N'Life—Thursday, September 20th (12:00-2:00) at St. Mary of Sorrows, 5222 Sideburn Road, Fairfax. Entertainment will be "Let Me Tell You What It's Really Like", a one act play about living with bipolar disorder. For reservations, call Bea Stephenson at 703-273-5730 by **September 14th**. The cost is \$10.00, checks payable to SCFB. If transportation is needed, call the SCFB office at 703-323-4788. See www.scfbva.org for more information.

Family Fun Bingo—Saturday, September 22. For info call Lisa Carroll at (703) 426-2824.

Demential Caregive Support Groups—For information contact Eileen Thompson at 703-451-8626 or Eileen.thompson1@gmail.com

Exercise Classes—For information see the website, www.scfbva.org, or call 703-323-4788.

Transportation Program—For information please call 703-323-4788.

Volunteers—For information please email Shavaun Wall at recruiter@scfbva.org or call 703-323-4788.

Vehicle Donations—For information call 1-855-500-7433.

Purchase Grocery Gift Cards—For information call 703-323-4788.

A Handy Helper Program—For information email Michael Hampton at handyhelper.mh@gmail.com.