



ST. AMBROSE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Very Rev. Andrew J. Fisher, V.F., Pastor
 Rev. Christopher Hayes, Parochial Vicar

March 17, 2019 – Second Sunday of Lent

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

3901 Woodburn Road
 Annandale, VA 22003

Phone: 703-280-4400

Website: www.stambroseva.org

E-mail Address:

dvasilakos@stambroseva.org

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

Website: www.stambroseschool.org

E-mail Address:

info@stambroseschool.org

Principal:

Angela Rowley
principal@stambroseschool.org

Religious Education

Laura Mead 703-280-1122
lmead@stambroseva.org

Youth Ministry

Therese Ryan 703-280-4400
cym@stambroseva.org

Business Manager

Carla Yaglou 703-280-4400
businessmanager@stambroseva.org

Director of Music

Don Cotton 703-698-0374
dcotton@stambroseva.org

Plant & Facilities Manager

Paul Moeller 703-280-4400
facilities@stambroseva.org

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 7:00 pm **Benediction**

This Week's Masses and Intentions

Monday **March 18: Lenten Wkdy; St. Cyril of Jerusalem; Bishop & Doctor of the Church**
 7:00am Ryan & Habert Families
 9:00am John Tubbs †

Tuesday **March 19: St. Joseph, Spouse of The Blessed Virgin Mary**
 7:00am Farrell Family
 9:00am William Donahue †

Wednesday **March 20: Lenten Weekday**
 7:00am Joseph Chiappetta
 9:00am Eugene Chiappetta

Thursday **March 21: Lenten Weekday**
 7:00am Smith Family
 9:00am Janet O'Hagan Bushman †

Friday **March 22: Lenten Weekday**
 7:00am Mr. & Mrs. Edwin Talbot
 9:00am John Baxter Family

Saturday **March 23: Lenten Wkdy; St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop**
 9:00am Michael Baxter Family
 5:00pm Vigil Corey Waite †

Sunday **March 24: Third Sunday in Lent**
 8:00am People of the Parish
 10:00am Lt. Col. Joseph V. Monachino †
 12:00Noon Rosa Italo †

*March 16-17 is our Food Collection.
 April 6-7 is our Diaper Drive.
 Thank you for your generosity
 and support.*

Please Pray For The Ill Of The Parish

Irene Anderson, Baby John Baxter, Nancy Blanco, David Carothers, Emmanuel Castro, Josephine Crosby, Conor Doyle, Michael Everard, Greg Farrell, Therese Fruet, Janet Gaydos, Robert Koldys, Lewis Rhodes, Fr. Spsychala, Jim Smith, Laura Sutherland, Fr. Edwin Tewes

Please pray for the repose of the souls of



*Joseph Giuliani
 and
 Kurt Walddoerfer*



One of the greatest gifts you can give someone is to have a Mass said for them, living or deceased. Please stop by the Parish Office, we have many dates available.

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

Monday **March 18**
 9:45am Legion of Mary (PL)
 3:00am Kolby's Kids (PL)
 6:30pm RCIC (PL)
 7:00pm RCIA (PH)

Tuesday **March 19**
 No events scheduled

Wednesday **March 20**
 10:00am Bible Study (PH)
 7:00pm Bible Study (PL)

Thursday **March 21**
 7:00pm Lightworks (PL)

Friday **March 22**
 10:30am Bible Group (PL)

Saturday **March 23**
 9:00am Mass and Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal (CH)
 9:30am/3-4pm Confessions (CH)
 11:00am Order of Malta Anointing Mass (CH)
 12:00noon Malta Reception (PH)

Sunday **March 24**

LENTEN EVENTS THIS WEEK AT ST. AMBROSE

MONDAY, MARCH 18TH FROM 7 TO 8PM
PARISH TALK BY FATHER FISHER

**THE GREATEST PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:
 AN OVERVIEW AND EXPLANATION OF THE MASS**
 Father Andrew Fisher, Speaker – Parish Hall

FRIDAY, MARCH 22

2:30 pm Stations of the Cross (Church)
 6:00 pm Lenten Soup Supper (School)
 7:30 pm Stations of the Cross (Church)

Please Pray For Your Priests

March 18 Rev. Richard E. Dyer
 March 19 Rev. Frederick H. Edlefsen
 March 20 Rev. William J. Erbacher
 March 21 Rev. Ronald S. Escalante
 March 15 Rev. William J. Etiner
 March 16 Rev. Paul M. Eversole
 March 17 Rev. Joseph W. Farrell

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."



Lá fhéile Pádraig sona dhaoibh (Happy St. Patrick's Day) to all! I hope you enjoy this very important day! We are approaching field trip season and many of our classes have arranged fun and educational trips. We are very grateful to our Parent/Teacher Organization for supporting these. They are truly an enrichment to our academic program.

Our registration process for the 2019-2020 school year is underway! If you are new to the area or looking for an alternative educational environment for your children please stop by our parish school or call 703-698-7171 to schedule a personal tour.

We are still collecting Box Tops. Please save these as our school can turn them into money!

Thank you to all who continue to support our school with time, talent or treasure. Our students benefit immensely.



PRO LIFE CORNER

**40 Days for Life March 6 - April 14
HELP SAVE LIVES IN FALLS CHURCH!**

Here's how to take part in 40 Days for Life in our community:

Vigil Location: Falls Church Healthcare Center, 900 S. Washington Street, Falls Church, VA.

Vigil Hours: St. Ambrose will pray on Wednesdays after the 9 A.M. mass from 10-12 P.M.

Contact: Donna Hores 703-354-5280

What we do: Peacefully pray outside the abortion facility to help protect mothers and babies.

Here are the proven results from 23 coordinated campaigns:

15,256 babies saved from abortion

186 abortion workers changing their minds about abortion and it's harmful effects

99 abortion centers closed

St. Ambrose YOUTH MINISTRY

For information on all youth ministry events, check our website at www.stambroseva.org
It takes a Church-Interested in participating/volunteering?

Contact Director of Youth Ministry:
Therese Ryan cym@stambroseva.org



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

**IRISH SODA BREAD SALE
AFTER ALL MASSES TODAY**

To benefit YOUTH Ministry programs!
Come by after Mass to help with the sale!

*****WORKCAMP*****

March 22: Soup Supper 5-7pm

March 30-31: Lenten Pretzel sales after Masses!

Walking humbly with our God...

-God bless all our Weekend WorkCampers who served our parish family, cleaned the Church and tidied the St Ambrose campus and neighborhood this past weekend!

- Thank you to all the prayer warriors who keep our young Church among their intentions!!
-God bless the Kolbe's Kids who are learning how to ponder the mysteries of the Rosary with our Lady!

-God bless our WorkCamp Crew who are already training for their summer 2019 mission trip!

This is THE POWER ...

of YOUR LIFE IN CHRIST in action!

WeekendWorkCamp Sat. April 13th

Works of Mercy & donuts!

7th-12th graders 8:45-12:30pm Parish Hall

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

*****FRIDAYS-7am Mass and 1st Friday Breakfast!**

God Squad Sunday Evenings 5:45- 8pm gym!

Sunday, March 17-St Patricks Day Dinner

Sunday, March 24- FORGIVENESS! w/ Fr. Hayes

*****Junior High Youth Ministry*****

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

Mondays 3:15-4:45 pm PHL 9/17-5/20

***Faith*Fun*Friendship*Service* With Our Lady!**

Thank you for your prayers! - Mrs. R.

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 for Kindergarten
Aide for Grade 3 and High School

All volunteers MUST become VIRTUS compliant.

REGISTRATION for Religious Education.

Grades K-HS: Sunday 8:45am-9:45am

Grade 7: Monday 6:30pm-7:30pm

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**

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

Friday Lenten Suppers and Stations of the Cross. All are welcome to join fellow parishioners for Lenten Soup Suppers on Fridays throughout the Lenten season. Meals will be served in the school gym 6-7pm. Stations of the Cross will begin at 7:30pm in the church. Donations will be accepted. Each week a different group will host.

Mar 22 Youth Ministry: Therese Ryan
cym@stambroseva.org

Mar 29 St. Ambrose School: Angela Rowley
principal@stambroseschool.org

Apr 5 Choir, Mary Tropea
MaryTropea@aol.com

Apr 12 Religious Education: Laura Mead
Lmead@stambroseva.org

Questions may be directed to Laura Mead at Lmead@stambroseva.org. If you would like to help, please contact the group in charge for the week.

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THE CATHOLIC FAITH.
ON DEMAND.

LENTEN REFLECTIONS

EXPERIENCE THE CATHOLIC FAITH IN A WHOLE NEW WAY

**Journey through this Lent
with Dr. Tim Gray**

Set yourself up for a transformative 40 days with FORMED Lenten Reflections. Get daily videos from esteemed Scripture expert Dr. Tim Gray delivered right to your inbox so you don't miss a day of growing closer to our Lord.

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

**FAST AND ABSTINENCE
GUIDELINES**

Everyone over the age of 14 years is bound to observe the law of abstinence. Abstinence from meat is to be observed on all Fridays within the season of Lent. On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, everyone over the age of 18 and up to the beginning of their 60th year is also bound to observe the law of fast. On these two days, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs; but together they should not equal another full meal.

***Ash Wednesday and Good Friday,
therefore, are the only days of both
fast and abstinence.***



THIS WEEKEND
March 16th-17th
After all Masses!



St. Paddy's Day IRISH SODA BREAD SALE

Delicious Irish Soda Bread for your

St. Patrick's Day feast!

Loaves- \$5 each

Proceeds support St. Ambrose Youth Ministry Programs.

Thank you!



DIOCESAN MASS AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge, Bishop of Arlington, will celebrate a special **Mass and Anointing of the Sick** of the Diocese on Saturday, March 23, 2019. All members (& companions) of the Diocese who are sick or physically/mentally challenged are invited to attend. The Mass and Anointing of the Sick will be held at 11:00AM at St. Ambrose Catholic Church, 3901 Woodburn Road, Annandale. Lunch will follow for all attendees, provided by the Knights and Dames from the Northern Virginia Region of the Sovereign Military Hospitaller Order of Malta, Federal Association. There will be no charge for the lunch.

Please RSVP (call or text) to Kevin Fischer at 703-475-2906 or email to moonfish3@verizon.net (with name, # attending and contact phone# or email)

March 17, 2019

Second Sunday of Lent

Diocesan WorkCamp 2019

Next event:

Lenten Soup Suppers!

Watch for sign-up genius!

Questions? Contact Mr. Andy Stoss
at SAstakeholder@gmail.com



Boy Scout Troop 1532's SPRING MULCH SALE
FREE delivery March 23 for ALL orders,
No size limit \$5.25 / 3 cu ft bag,
For every 15 bags, get 1 bag FREE

Mail or drop off your order with your check,
made payable to "BSA Troop 1532" to:

C. DeGregorio
3370 Woodburn Rd., #11
Annandale, VA 22003

Paypal payments to: bs1532mulchsale@gmail.com

Order deadline: March 19

Questions/Info:

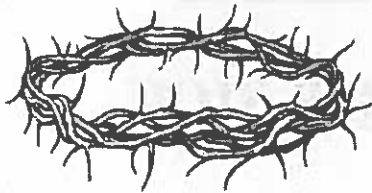
Email: bs1532mulchsale@gmail.com

Phone: 571-789-8863

Thank you for your support!

Car Raffle Update. The parish is participating again this year in the All Saints Multi-Car Raffle. The prizes include five 2019 vehicles (Honda Civic, Buick Encore, GMC Canyon Truck, Honda CRV Sport Utility, and Honda Odyssey Van) and 19 cash prizes totaling \$20,000. Tickets have been mailed to parish members and may be returned to the parish office during the week, dropped in the box in the vestibule of the church on weekends, or mailed to All Saints. Entries are due April 30; winners will be drawn on May 4th. Your participation will contribute to the support of our parish building project, our school, our youth activities, our seminarians, and other charitable programs.

2019 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL. *Together in the Light of Christ.* Together in the Light of Christ. The Bishop's Lenten Appeal is critical to our diocesan needs and we are asking every household in our parish to support this appeal to the extent that they are able. The BLA funds many programs, services and ministries that serve people in need and furthers the Gospel mission of Jesus Christ in our diocese. Let us join together to do the Lord's work – works that touch the lives and souls of thousands of people. Thank you!



Men's Lenten Retreat

When: Saturday, March 30th

Opening with 9:00 AM Mass

Closing with the Rosary & Holy Hour at 1:30

with Retreat Leader

Very Reverend Andrew Fisher

Pastor, Saint Ambrose Parish

Open to all men - bring a friend

St. Ambrose Parish, 3901 Woodburn Road, Annandale, VA
Organized by St. Ambrose Knights of Columbus Council 8403

Please direct questions to gk.ambrose.council@gmail.com



2019

**COME SPEND YOUR LENT WITH
SAINT AMBROSE CATHOLIC PARISH**

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Wednesday evenings: 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m.
Saturdays after the 9a.m. Mass
Saturdays: 3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

LENTEN SUPPERS

Fridays in the School Gym: 6:00 - 7:00pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays in the Church: 6:30pm – 8pm
(March 13, 20, 27, April 3, 10, 17)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays in the Church: 2:30pm & 7:30pm

MONDAY, MARCH 18TH FROM 7 TO 8PM – PARISH TALK BY FATHER FISHER
THE GREATEST PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: AN OVERVIEW AND EXPLANATION OF THE MASS
Father Andrew Fisher, Speaker – Parish Hall

SATURDAY, MARCH 23RD AT 11:00 AM - ORDER OF MALTA ANOINTING MASS
Bishop Burbidge will celebrate a special Mass for those who are sick or suffering which includes the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. The Order of Malta will host a reception to follow. Please RSVP by emailing: moonfish3@verizon.net (with name, number of people attending, and contact phone number or email) or calling Kevin Fischer at 703-475-2906.

SATURDAY, MARCH 30TH AT 10:00 AM - LENTEN RETREAT FOR MEN
Father Andrew Fisher, Speaker – Parish Hall
Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

SUNDAY, APRIL 7TH AT 7:30 PM IN THE CHURCH - COME WALK WITH ME
MARK FORREST, INTERNATIONAL IRISH TENOR
Adoration and Eucharistic Procession: Please join us for an evening of meditation, music, prayer, and healing.

MONDAY, APRIL 15TH AT 2:15 PM IN THE CHURCH - LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Portrayed by St. Ambrose School



2019

**COME SPEND YOUR WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY
EVENINGS IN LENT WITH YOUR ST. AMBROSE PARISH FAMILY**

WEDNESDAYS 6:30-8:00PM

EVERY WEDNESDAY, ST. AMBROSE PARISH WILL OFFER EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND CONFESSION. THIS IS A PERFECT TIME TO TURN OFF THE WORLD, TUNE INTO THE PRESENCE OF JESUS CHRIST, AND RECEIVE HIS LOVING MERCY AND FORGIVENESS. (MARCH 13, 20, 27, APRIL 3, 10, 17).



The Light is ON  for You

Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS
FRIDAYS 2:30PM & 7:30PM**



LENTEN SOUP SUPPER 6:00-7:00PM

ON FRIDAY EVENINGS, JOIN WITH OTHER ST. AMBROSE PARISHIONERS FOR OUR LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS HELD IN THE SCHOOL CAFETERIA FROM 6:00 TO 7:00PM. THEN COME TO THE CHURCH FOR OUR 7:30PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS.



Each Week a Different group will host the Lenten Suppers.

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Mar 29	St. Ambrose School: Angela Rowley	principal@stambroseschool.org
Apr 5	Choir: Mary Tropea	MaryTropea@aol.com
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