

10 November 2024

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

# St. Ambrose Catholic Church



## Mass Schedule

Sunday:	8:00 a.m.
Wednesday:	5:30 p.m.
Thursday:	5:30 p.m.
Saturday:	5:30 p.m.

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, 9 November

People of St. Ambrose, St. Ignatius & St. Clare  
Arnold Burke  
Lois Crutcher

### Sunday, 10 November

Charles & Lucille Mattingly

### Wednesday, 13 November

Randy Mudd

### Thursday, 14 November

Thomas Lancaster

### Saturday, 16 November

Deceased Members of the Stuecker Family

### Sunday, 17 November

People of St. Ambrose, St. Ignatius & St. Clare

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Recitation Confessions will be heard on the first Sunday of each month, 7:15-7:45 a.m. or contact the parish office for an appointment.

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM & MARRIAGE:

Please contact the parish office in advance as preparation and arrangements for each sacrament are needed.

### RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):

RCIA is the process of initiating adults into the Catholic Church. It is for those desiring full membership through Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Contact the parish office for information.

### CARE OF THE COMMUNITY:

Please contact the parish office when pastoral care is needed or to request prayers.

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*Mass Intentions for deceased loved ones can be scheduled throughout the year through the Parish office. There are many Mass days still available for this calendar year. A minimum of \$10 per Mass Intention is encouraged.*

## XXXII<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B; 10 November 2024

1 Kings 17:10-16; Psalm 146; Hebrews 9:24-28; Matthew 5:3; Mark 12:38-44

*“...Christ, offered once to take away the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to take away sin, but to bring salvation to those who eagerly await Him.”*

**Collect or Opening Prayer:** Almighty and merciful God, graciously keep from us all adversity, so that, unhindered in mind and body alike, we may pursue in freedom of heart the things that are Yours; through Christ our Lord.....

**Prayer Over the Offerings:** Look with favor, O Lord, upon the sacrificial gifts offered here, that, celebrating in mystery the Passion of Your Son, we may honor it with loving devotion; through Christ our Lord .....

**Prayer after Communion:** Nourished by this sacred gift, O Lord, we give You thanks and beseech Your mercy, that by the pouring forth of Your Spirit, the grace of integrity may endure in those Your heavenly power has entered; through Christ our Lord .....

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### MESSAGE FROM FATHER BROWN

With the beginning of November, the final month of our Liturgical Year, we have passed the autumn triduum of Halloween, All Saints Day, and All Souls Day. This is a time of reflection on how we spend this life in preparation for eternal life. We are also considering the lives of loved ones and others we have admired, toward discovering those ways in which we can keep their good qualities, their virtues, alive in our lives. This is what it means to remember.....to take something from the past and activate it in the now. November is a special month for remembering.

Of course, the One Who teaches us about remembering is the greatest of teachers, our very Savior Jesus Christ. During the Last Supper just about eighteen hours before He died on the Cross, He spoke of His role as Teacher and instructed us with the words, “Remember me.” We repeat and renew that moment in every Mass. We remember Jesus, and we remember loved ones, usually by name. Having known and lived with them, it is natural and easy to remember them. It can be equally easy to remember Jesus, if we make the effort to learn about Him and His life. Of many sources for learning about Christ, the Gospels According to Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John are most fundamental. However, the New Testament essay, Letter to the Hebrews is another wonderful source of instruction about the role of Jesus. The selection which we hear in today’s Mass is the sixth of seven consecutive weeks. This book highlights the role of the Temple priest as the one who offers sacrifice. The lesson it teaches is that Jesus is the perfect priest, because He offers Himself, the perfect sacrifice.

As most of you know, I “wear the hat” of a retired military chaplain as well as that of a civilian priest/administrator in pastoral ministry. This is the time of the year when the two seem to be almost equally prominent. I will be called upon to participate in patriotic gatherings and memorial services around the observance of Veterans/Armistice Day. The actual day of course is tomorrow, 11 November. However, there will be various ceremonies throughout the week and month which will find me in uniform serving at various venues around the Commonwealth. Best wishes to all veterans, and to those who appreciate them.

I am absolutely convinced that I am spiritually and emotionally more successful at coping with the loss of loved ones in their deaths, and in preparing for my own, by the annual observance, prayerfully of these three days, by finding and keeping Jesus as the focus and source of meaning for this time of the year.

### FAMILY-CENTERED FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN

St. Ambrose faith formation is a family-centered program that provides families with age-appropriate materials for your children to learn about their faith at home on your own schedule. There are no class times (with the exception of Confirmation) and families can choose to participate in service activities that are offered through the parish twice a month if they choose. If your child is in need of a Sacrament, Father Ben will work one-on-one with your family (except Confirmation - see details below) in addition to the materials you work on at home. To sign up to get faith formation materials for the 2024-25 school year, contact Sarah Fellows at [sarahcfellows@gmail.com](mailto:sarahcfellows@gmail.com) or 502-419-0681.

### SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

A new Confirmation prep class is beginning this year for high school age youth. Catechist Rita French leads this two-year program that happens during the school year in classes that meet twice a month. Any youth interested in joining the St. Ambrose/ St. Ignatius class to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact Rita French at [Rljfrench@gmail.com](mailto:Rljfrench@gmail.com) or Sarah Fellows at 502-419-0681.

### Prayer Requests

Please keep our sick, recovering, and home-bound members in your prayers: **Dennis Arnold, Ann Higdon, and Walker Thomas.**

Father God, Your Word says the prayer of faith shall heal the sick. We come to You today in faith asking that you heal us from every sickness, disease, and illness. We receive our healing by faith. In Jesus name amen.

Send Prayer Requests or Birthday/Anniversary dates to Virginia Hart at [vahplans@live.com](mailto:vahplans@live.com)

# Celebrate!

**November Birthdays:** George Tymitz – 11/04; Carol Johnson – 11/06; Terry Priest – 11/16; Richard Foreman – 11/22; Nikki Cetta – 11/23; Nick Kennedy – 11/24; Michelle Foreman – 11/27

**November Anniversaries:** Gary & Debbie Lewis and Jonathan & Emilee Rivera – 11/19; Michael & Cassie Akers – 11/23

### STEWARDSHIP

*“....Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood.” Mark 12:43-44*

### St. Ambrose Weekend Collection Totals

Budget FY 2024-2025 \$119,924.00

Weekly Goal \$2,306.00

Previous Total	\$55,113.53
In-Pew Collection (11/3)	\$4,271.00
Online (10/29-11/04)	\$395.00
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FYTD Total:	\$59,779.53
St. Clare Collection (11/5)	\$940.00

What made the widow give from her need? Maybe her state in life made her realize that relying on God is the way she had survived in the past. What in our lives keeps us from this same act of faith?

### PARISH COUNCIL



Sarah Fellows, Rick Thomas, Rita French, Paul Stuecker, Marianne Sheroan, Charlie Wise and Jason Crutcher

## CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL



Catholic Services Appeal  
Bringing Christ to Others

**Our Parish Goal:** \$18,200

**Our Parish Participation Goal:** 71 households



SCAN ME

Thanks to those who have already responded with a gift to the 2024 Catholic Services Appeal. To date we have raised **\$11,335 (62% of goal)** toward our goal through the support of **30 (42% of goal) households**. There is still plenty of time to respond with a gift to this year's Appeal. Gifts may be made through our parish office or online at [www.ArchLou.org/CSA](http://www.ArchLou.org/CSA) or using the camera on your phone to scan the QR code.

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

### FEEDING AMERICA

The second Tuesday of the month is our parish night to help put together food bags for school children and area seniors. Volunteers must be 7 yrs. or older and wear closed-toe shoes. The next volunteer date is **Tuesday, 12 November 5:30-7**. Please RSVP to **Sarah Fellows**.

### WARM BLESSINGS

The second Friday of the month is our parish night to pack to-go dinners for those in need. Our next date is **Friday, 8 November**. If you or your family would like to join, please RSVP to **Sarah Fellows**.

Sarah Fellows contact information: 502.419.0681 or [sarahcfellows@gmail.com](mailto:sarahcfellows@gmail.com)

## VOCATIONS



**Pope Francis** @Pontifex

*The Holy Spirit teaches us the prayer of intercession, which is*

*especially pleasing to God because it is the most selfless. In these days, may our prayer embrace all those who have died, especially victims of wars, injustice, and calamities.*

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE



Welcome  
Strengthen  
Empower

### **Christmas is right around the corner!**

Catholic Charities will be serving 200 families in need this Christmas season. We need your help to make sure those families have a Christmas to remember. We are in need of **gift cards, kids clothes, coats, and toys** to make sure we give a great Christmas to our community's poor and vulnerable.

If you would like to donate or organize a drive at your parish, please contact Peyton at [prhea@archlou.org](mailto:prhea@archlou.org).

### THANKSGIVING COMMUNITY DINNER



When: Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024 12:30-1:30 pm

Who: Sponsored by area churches and Helping Hand of Hope.

Where: 401 Robinbrooke Boulevard, E-town

Meals available to families or individuals unable to prepare a meal of their own. Delivery, carryout or dine-in is available.

Call to **Request** 270-769-3092

**Volunteer** to prepare, serve or deliver meals. Call 270-268-6246

**Donate** to the Thanksgiving Dinner. Call 270-268-6246

