

11 August 2024

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Ambrose Catholic Church



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 Schedule

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

Mass Intentions

Saturday, 10 August

Micah Taylor
Buddy & Susie Taylor

Sunday, 11 August

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

St. Clare 5 PM (Intentions Announced at Mass)

Wednesday, 14 August

Bob & Lillian Hill
Leo & Bernadette Mudd

Thursday, 15 August

Edith Brown Finch

Saturday, 17 August

James H. Brown
Barbara Brown Castle
Harl Brown
Jessie Brown

Sunday, 18 August

Jodie Decker Hart
People of St. Ambrose, St. Ignatius & St. Clare

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.

XIXth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B; 11 August, 2024
1 Kings 19:4-8; Psalm 34; Ephesians 4:30-5:2; John 6:51; John 6:41-51
“The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.”

Collect or Opening Prayer: Almighty ever-living God Whom, taught by the Holy Spirit, we dare to call our Father, bring to perfection in our hearts the spirit of adoption as Your daughters and sons, that we may merit to enter into the inheritance which You have promised, through Christ our Lord.....

Prayer Over the Offerings: Be pleased O Lord to accept the offerings of Your Church, for in Your mercy You have given them to be offered and by Your power You transform them into the mystery of our salvation, through Christ our Lord.....

Prayer after Communion: May the communion in Your sacrament that we have consumed save us O Lord, and confirm us in the light of Your truth, through Christ our Lord.....

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Year B; 14-15 August, 2024
At the Vigil Mass

1 Chronicles 15:3-16,16:1-2; Psalm 132; 1 Corinthians 15:54-57; Luke 11: 28; Luke 11:27-28
“Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and observe it.”

Collect or Opening Prayer: O God Who, looking on the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary raised her to this grace, that Your Only Begotten Son was born of her according to the flesh and that she was crowned this day with surpassing glory, grant through her prayers that saved by the mystery of Your redemption, we may merit to be exalted by You on high, through our Lord Jesus Christ.....

Prayer Over the Offerings: Receive we pray O Lord the sacrifice of conciliation and praise which we celebrate on the Assumption of the Holy Mother of God, that it may lead us to Your pardon and confirm us in perpetual thanksgiving, through Christ our Lord.....

Prayer after Communion: Having partaken of this heavenly table, we beseech Your mercy Lord our God, that we who honor the Assumption of the Mother of God, may be freed from every threat of harm, through Christ our Lord.....

Mass During the Day

Revelation 11:19, 12:1-10; Psalm 45; 1 Corinthians 15:20-27; Luke 1: 39-56
“My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.....”

Collect or Opening Prayer: Almighty ever-living God Who assumed the Immaculate Virgin Mary, the Mother of Your Son, body and soul into heavenly glory, grant that always attentive to the things are above, we may merit to be sharers in her glory, through Christ our Lord.....

Prayer Over the Offerings: May this oblation, our tribute of homage, rise up to You O Lord, and through the intercession of the most Blessed Virgin Mary, whom You assumed into heaven, may our hearts, aflame with the fire of love constantly long for You, through Christ our Lord.....

Prayer after Communion: Having received the Sacrament of Salvation, we ask You to grant O Lord, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary whom You assumed into heaven, we may be brought to the glory of the resurrection, through Christ our Lord.....



MESSAGE FROM FATHER BROWN

As is completely evident from the page header on the readings/prayers, this is a Sunday in the second portion of Ordinary Time on our yearly Liturgical Calendar. It is also the Feast Day of Saint Clare of Assisi, Patroness of the only oratory in the Archdiocese of Louisville. Today is also when we celebrate the 216th Anniversary of Saint Clare Oratory, established as a parish in 1808. Saint Ambrose has been serving alongside Saint Clare since Easter Sunday of 2018. Saint Clare believed in the ideals of Saint Francis of Assisi when few other people, including his family, did not. She went on to establish a sisterhood called the Poor Clares, and served as their inspiration for forty-two years. She gave advice to many male leaders including at least four popes. She died on 11 August of 1255 and was canonized only two years later.

On 8 April of 1808, Pope Pius VII appointed bishops to the Dioceses of Boston, New York, Philadelphia, and Bardstown. The only other Diocese in the United States at that time was the Archdiocese of Baltimore. The Pope chose this frontier community around Bardstown because of the large concentration of Catholics living there; a handful of priests had been serving them in a few congregations since about 1790. In the summer of that same momentous year, Father Charles Nerinckx, as if to prepare a gift for the arrival of the first Bishop, opened the Church of Saint Clare. He wrote on 27 July of 1808: "The church (at Colesburg) is finished up to the roof. I intend to build a steeple in the hopes of obtaining a bell," ([The Centenary of Catholicity in Kentucky](#)). It is safe to assume that Mass would have been celebrated with joy two weeks later on the Feast of Saint Clare of Assisi. We continue that wonderful tradition today at 5:00 pm, with our focus this year being the 150 anniversary of the construction of our present building and beautiful worship space. We welcome many guests, most especially His Excellency Shelton Fabre, Archbishop of Louisville, who will preside at our Mass.

There are of course, many days dedicated to our Blessed Mother on our annual calendar of worship. In August though, we observe an octave or eight-day period, from the 15th to the 22nd of the month. The specific elements of Mary's life which we commemorate are also familiar to us as the 4th and 5th Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary: The Assumption of Mary and the Coronation of Mary as Queen of Heaven.

Our Mass schedule for the Feast of the Assumption is as follows:

5:30PM	Wednesday	Saint Ambrose
10:15AM	Thursday	Saint Clare
Noon	Thursday	Saint Ignatius
5:30PM	Thursday	Saint Ambrose

PARISH NEWS

Celebrate!

August Birthdays: Dennis Arnold & Joe Stuecker – 08/07; Ruth Meredith – 08/08/; Monica Ruehling – 08/14; Brian Fellows & Paul Stuecker – 08/15; Chris Kennedy – 08/17; Charles Solar – 08/20; Virginia Hart – 08/22; Patricia A. Brown – 08/24; Larry Ellis – 08/26; Chad McGuffin – 08/27; Rita French – 08/29

August Anniversaries: n/a

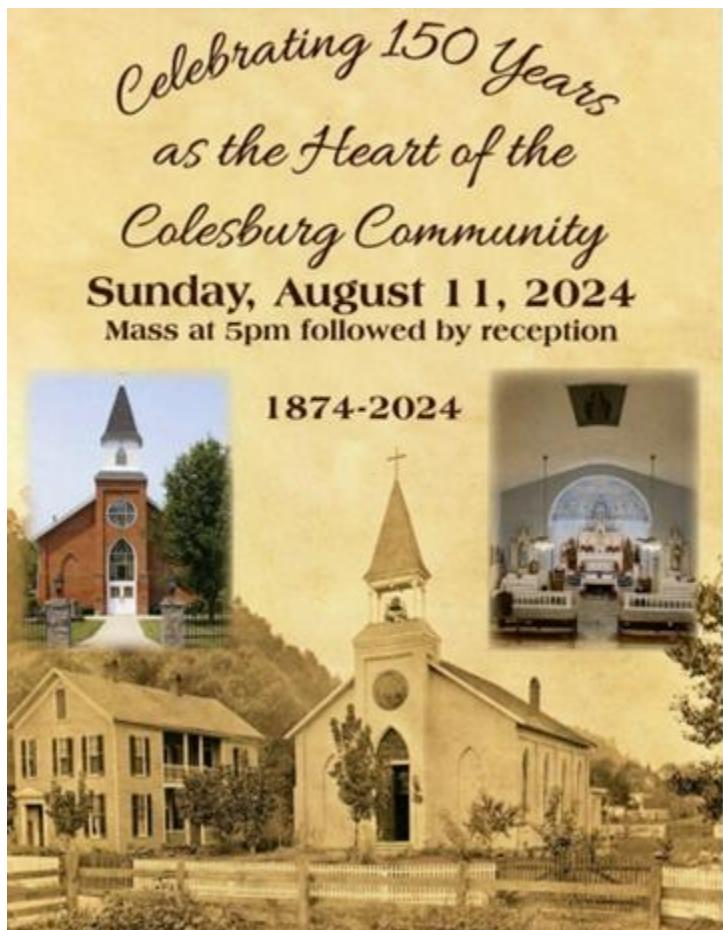
Prayer Requests

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

Send Prayer Requests or Birthday/Anniversary dates to Virginia Hart at vahplans@live.com

ST CLARE 150TH T-SHIRTS

T-shirts commemorating the 150th celebration are available by pre-order for \$16. You can order them in person at the St. Clare parish hall during the reception on Sunday, 8/11, or text/call Mary Becker at 502-269-0888.



FAITH FORMATION

Does your child/grandchild need religious education? We have materials for family-based faith formation for any child K through high school. Email sarahcfellows@gmail.com or text/call 502-419-0681 with the names, ages and grades of each child and if any child needs to receive a Sacrament in the next year.

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, 10 September 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, 13 September**. 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

STEWARDSHIP

“So be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and handed himself over for us as a sacrificial offering to God for a fragrant aroma.” Ephesians 5:1-12

St. Ambrose Weekend Collection Totals

Budget FY 2024-2025	\$119,924.00
Weekly Goal	\$2,306.00
Previous Total	\$11,715.53
In-Pew Collection (8/4)	\$3,767.00
Online (7/30 – 8/5)	\$445.00
<hr/> FYTD Total:	<hr/> \$15,927.53
St. Clare (8/4):	\$1,456.00

Maturity is the ability to do the things that should be done, whether you like it or not. Recognizing our responsibility to share selflessly is a mature sense of stewardship.

PARISH COUNCIL



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

The next Parish Council meeting is scheduled for **11 September at 6:15PM**. All are welcome to attend.

Minutes from the July meeting are included in this week's bulletin.