

14 July 2024

Fifteenth 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, 13 July

Deceased Members of the Stuecker Family

Sunday, 14 July

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

Wednesday, 17 July

Randy Mudd

Thursday, 18 July

Recovery of Health: WT, RF, JC

Saturday, 20 July

Ralph Meredith

Sunday, 21 July

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.

XVth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B; 14 July 2024
Amos 7:12-15; Psalm 85; Ephesians 1:3-14; Ephesians 1:17-18; Mark 6:7-13
“Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two.....”

Collect or Opening Prayer: O God Who show the light of Your truth to those who go astray, so that they may return to the right path, give all who for the faith they profess are accounted Christians the grace to reject whatever is contrary to the Name of Christ and to strive after all that does it honor, through our Lord Jesus Christ.....

Prayer Over the Offerings: Look upon the offerings of the Church O Lord, as she makes her prayer to You, and grant that when consumed by those who believe, they may bring ever greater holiness, through Christ our Lord.....

Prayer after Communion: Having consumed these gifts O Lord, we pray that by our participation in this mystery, its saving effects upon us may grow, through Christ our Lord.....



MESSAGE FROM FATHER BROWN

The first reading for the Masses of this week-end comes from Amos, one of the Hebrew prophets to whom we refer as “Minor,” mainly because the volume of their writing is minimal compared to the larger works of writers like Ezekiel, Daniel, Jeremiah, and Isaiah. However, today’s passage fits very well to its purpose, which is to “set us up” for the Gospel selection in which Jesus calls His original Twelve Apostles and “missions,” that is, sends them on their own to proclaim the Good News to people who have not yet heard it.

From time to time in these weekly columns, I like to highlight the lives and work of non-biblical people who have also been influenced by the call to receive and to spread the message of the Gospel. And, as often as not I look for these examples on the calendar dates close to the time of the bulletin for which I am writing. Today, we commemorate Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, one of two indigenous people of North America to be canonized thus far in the twenty-first century. She was a member of the Mohawk tribe of New York State and neighboring Canada who lived and died nearly a full century before American Independence Day. She responded in faith to the instruction of missionaries of the Society of Jesus from France. Tomorrow, we remember Saint Bonaventure, a thirteenth century follower of Francis of Assisi, who served as Bishop in Italy and France, and whose scholarly writing influences the training of seminary students to this day.

Some of those trainees have become our priests and educators and we remember them on the anniversaries of death in these summer days. Last Friday, we remembered a true giant of Kentucky Catholicism: Most Reverend John B. David, the first of three bishops who served as Auxiliary to Bishop Flaget; Bishop David died in 1841. Today, we remember Fathers Thomas Duerr and Robert Dollinger. Father Duerr was Superintendent of the Catholic School System in our Archdiocese; Father Dollinger was Chaplain to the Boy Scouts of America and Pastor of Saint Thomas Parish in Bardstown. On Wednesday, we remember Father Joseph Miller one of the first Louisville priests to earn advanced university degrees; he taught courses in preaching at the seminary. The week wraps up with the fourth anniversary of a much-beloved pastor/teacher of Hardin County – Reverend Stanley Louis Osborne.

Today, we welcome a distinguished son of Saint Ambrose, Father Roy “Butch” Stiles, who has given over sixty years of faithful priestly service to our Archdiocese. Welcome to Father Stiles as well as his family and friends. You do us proud.

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.

CHURCH WEBSITE

Go online to saintambrosechurchcecilia.com to see the updated parish website. There are pictures of progress on the church renovation project, a link to online giving, current and past bulletins, and more!



July Birthdays: Marianne Sheroan - 07/03; Wanda Peace - 07/10; Lauren Sheroan - 07/12; Bill Thompson - 07/14; Jim Brangers - 07/17; Brenda Skees - 07/22; Larry French & Mary Sennott - 07/29; Charles "Dave" Hart - 07/30.

July Anniversaries: Rollin & Laurita Goodrich (64 years) - 07/02; Charlie & Patti Brown - 07/04; Bo & Kathy O'Brien (49 Years) - 07/12; Casey & Kelly Payton - 07/21; Jim & Marcella Brangers - 07/22; David & Monica Ruehling - 07/30.

Prayer Requests

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

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

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, 13 August 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, 9 August**. 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

PARISH COUNCIL

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

VOCATIONS

Pope Francis ✓
[@Pontifex](https://twitter.com/Pontifex)

Without the Holy Spirit, the Church is lifeless, faith is only doctrine, morality merely a duty, and pastoral work just toil. Yet, with the Spirit, faith is life, God's love inflames our hearts, and hope is born once again.



Archbishop Shelton Fabre
[@ArchbishopFabre](https://twitter.com/ArchbishopFabre)

"My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." (cf. 2 Cor 12:7-10). In our weakness we turn to the Lord. His grace is our strength.

STEWARDSHIP

"In him we have redemption by his blood, the forgiveness of transgressions, in accord with the riches of his grace." Ephesians 1:7

St. Ambrose Weekend Collection Totals

Budget FY 2024-2025 TBD
Weekly Goal TBD

Previous Total	\$0.00
In-Pew Collection (7/7)	\$3,053.53
Online (7/02 – 07/08)	\$545.00
FYTD Total:	\$3,598.53

St. Clare (7/7): \$1,019.00

God has been generous to each of us. Does God's generosity elicit in us a grateful response by the way we share our time, talent, and treasure?

CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF LOUISVILLE



THINK OF THOSE THAT MAY BE STRUGGLING THIS SUMMER

Join us in lifting up those in need this Summer. Sister Visitor Center food pantry and Fr. Jack Jones food pantry are looking for the following essential items:



- Canned Vegetables
- Spaghetti Sauce
- Beans
- Tuna
- Ravioli
- Paper Towels
- Deodorant
- Liquid Body wash
- All Purpose Cleaner
- Baby shampoo/body wash

If you can help by organizing a drive or collecting these items on your own, please email Peyton at prhea@archlou.org for drop off instructions. We cannot do this without YOUR help.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

NCSC – National Catholic Singles Conference

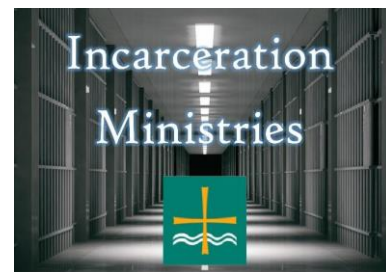
Looking to meet faithful single Catholics? **August 16th-18th, 2024** - Join 400+ singles coming from all parts of the US (and beyond!) at the 23rd National Conference for Single Catholics in Las Vegas, Nevada (or participate virtually and engage with others via the online socials and small group discussions).

This is your chance to connect with like-minded singles of all ages! The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers, music, social events, Mass, adoration, fellowship and more. (If attending in-person, use the promo code PARISH24 for a discount.)

Visit NationalCatholicSingles.com for more information and to register. (Can't find your question answered on the website? Call 704-665-0455.)

Incarceration Ministries Training Event

The [Archdiocesan Family and Life Ministries Office](#) is pleased to offer a comprehensive training event for those interested in ministering to the many incarcerated populations throughout the Archdiocese.



The event is **FREE** and will be held at the **St. Albert the Great Parish Life Center** at 1365 Girard Avenue, Louisville, KY on **Saturday August 3** from **9:00 AM until 3:00 PM**, with a working lunch provided.

To register for this free event, please contact Stephanie Sanchez at the Archdiocese Family and Life Ministries Office at either ssanchez@archlou.org or (502) 471-2129.