

Mission Statement

Called by the Holy Spirit
to develop a family of faith in Christ,
the people of St. Ambrose Parish
embrace Christ's call to know, love, and serve God
within our hearts, in our homes,
and in our world community.

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Our bulletin, with the weekly insert, can be found on our website
at: stambroseparchment.com



Welcome!

Whether you are here for a day, a week, a season, or a lifetime, we are glad you are here!

May God Bless You!

Very Rev. Albert Kemboi, V.F. Pastor

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Monsignor Michael Hazard,
Senior Priest in Residence
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Chaplain for Ascension Borgess Hospital

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Sarah Orr, Religious Education Coordinator
Paulette Turbide, Facilities Janitorial

Don Davis, Facilities Maintenance **Sofia Rice**, Part-time Office Help

Schedule of Masses

Friday	9:15 AM
Saturday Evening	5:00 PM
(Live Streamed)	
Sunday	9:00 AM
(Live Streamed)	11:15 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday...... 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM

Anytime: By Appointment, call 269-385-4152.

Sacrament of Baptism

Call the Parish Office at 269-385-4152 for arrangements.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples are to make arrangements at least six months prior to marriage. Call the Parish Office, 269-385-4152, to schedule.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK/ COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

Please contact the parish office at 269.385.4152 if you wish to arrange to receive the Sacrament of the Sick.

Are you unable to attend Mass and long to receive the *Lord's true presence in the Eucharist*? Homebound Communion visits are a cherished practice that brings the *Holy Eucharist* to those who are unable to attend Mass for a variety of reasons, both short term and long term.

If you, or someone you know, is interested in being brought **Holy Communion** please reach out to us at **269.385.4152.**

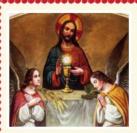
Know, Love and Serve Him May 25, 2025

	Mass Intentions
Fri. 5/23	
9:15 AM	†Elias Miado
	Req. by Dr. Lauretta Chung, MD
Sat. 5/24	
5:00 PM	Barbara and Ken Oosterbaan (Anniversary)
	Req. by Marilyn Thornburg
	†John P. King
	Req. by Harper King-Mitri
Sun. 5/25	
9:00 AM	†Bert Renauld
	Req. by Mike and Joanne Bannigan
11:15 AM	†Barbara A. Dumm
	Req. by The Patrick and Zion Doran Family
	†Michael Conrod
F.: F/20	Req. by The Conrod Family
Fri. 5/30	†Amou Davia La Dua
9:15 AM	†Amy Davis LaRue
Cat F/21	Req. by Don and Ann Davis
Sat. 5/31 5:00 PM	†Jim Strehlow
3.00 PIVI	Reg. by Mary Jo Strehlow
	†Bert Renauld
	Req. by Mike and Joanne Bannigan
Sun. 6/1	neq. by white and Joanne Bannigan
9:00 AM	†Bert Renauld
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11:15 AM	†Barbara A. Dumm
	Reg. by The Patrick and Zion Doran Family

Masses are available to request special intentions such as birthdays, anniversaries and remembrance of deceased loved ones. To accommodate more timely requests, we have increased the number of intentions per Mass. Please call the office to schedule Masses at **269-385-4152**. A \$10.00 Mass stipend is customary which can be dropped in the collection basket or mailed to the office, Attn: Janet. **Thank you.**

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Please pray for our success!



Mass followed by
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,
Rosary and Benediction

Every Friday at 9:15 AM in the Church.

We invite you to start your weekend off by spending some time with our Lord.

Scripture Readings

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Fri. 5/23	Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12;
,	Jn 15:12-17
Sat. 5/24	Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5; Jn
	15:18-21
Sun. 5/25	Sixth Sunday of Easter
	Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8;
/	Rev 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29
Mon. 5/26	Memorial of Saint Philip Neri, Priest
/	Memorial Day Holiday
	Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a
/	and 9b; Jn 15:26-16:4a
Tues. 5/27	Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3,
/	7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
Wed. 5/28	Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-
,	12, 13, 14; Jn 16:12-15
Thurs. 5/29	Solemnity of the Ascension of the
,	Lord
	Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9; Eph
	1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk
	24:46-53
Fri. 5/30	Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn
/	16:20-23
Sat. 5/31	Feast of the Visitation of the
/	Blessed Virgin Mary
	Zeph 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Is
/	12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Lk 1:39-56
Sun. 6/1	Seventh Sunday of Easter
/	Acts 7:55-60; Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9; Rev
	22:12-14, 16-17, 20; Jn 17:20-26

Stewardship

Today's reading from Revelation offers a vision of the City of God, the new Jerusalem. "But", the bishops pastoral on stewardship reminds us, "that 'life to come' is in continuity with the present life

nuity with the present life through the human goods, the worthy human purposes, which people foster now."

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- Suzanne Albright





St. Ambrose
No Scripture Study

On Monday, May 26 Memorial Day

6th Sunday of Easter, Year C

Dear Beloved Parishioners,

There are plenty of songs and poems in lots of languages that share this theme: Don't *talk* of love: SHOW ME. It's a recurring theme because every couple—every *person*—needs to work through the experience of being called out for showing something less than love.

The love Jesus speaks of in today's Gospel (John 14:23 -29) is not only an attraction, a feeling, a longing to be close



to the One You Love. "Whoever loves me will keep my word," Jesus says. "And my Father will love him/her, and we will come to her/him and make our dwelling [there]." Keep my word? we have a right to ask: what's included in that? Keeping Jesus' word means living with Jesus even though he is physically invisible to us. Keeping Jesus' word means keeping ourselves mindful of Jesus: living in the awareness of our love for him and not letting ourselves get distracted by some sparkle that catches

our eye. It means letting his guidance actually guide us, even letting his word shape the way we act, think, love. This is part of what faithfulness means.

And faithfulness requires effort*. There is no such thing as easy faithfulness. And if it does exist, we will have to be vigilant because it is very possible that it is in serious danger of being lost.

This is particularly true when it comes to our fidelity to the Word of Jesus. It will necessarily require a great effort on our part because the demands will be many. This is the fidelity that will be required of us as a vital and inseparable part of our following of Christ. And following Christ has never been easy; nor can it be for us today

When our love for Christ is sincere, the desire to be faithful to Him, to keep His Word, will naturally spring up in us because in it we will find meaning for our lives.

Your parish priests are in Guatemala this weekend getting to know Fr. Santos and his people. Please pray for us while we're away.

With love and gratitude,

Msgr. Mike and Fr. Albert

*This part of our message comes from Andre Seve, El Evangelio de los Domingos.



Food Lift Delivery Dates-2025

	June 22
July 20	August 17
September 21	October 19
November 16	December 14

5/18/2025 Parish Stewardship

Weekly Goal\$ 7,025.00 Weekly Actual......\$ 5,387.96

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to info@chestertonknightskzoo.org. Come and be a part of the Lord's work in forming students to be the leaders and saints of the next generation!

The Mission Continues...Sunday, June 1, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

We invite you to continue the spirit of the St. Mary Parish Mission with Adoration and an Evening Reflection, which will explore our Catholic tradition of Ember Days and their significance in our lives.

Join us, Sunday, June 1 for Rosary and Confession at 6:30 PM Adoration & Reflection from 7:00 to 8:00 PM

You are also invited to enjoy dinner in Fr. Bart Hall from 5:00 PM to 6:15 PM.

Please RSVP for dinner by May 29 at 6:00 PM. Preferably, RSVP online or leave a message at 269-342-0621. Note that you will not receive a callback confirmation. RSVP for dinner at stmarykazoo.org/ember-days-reflection-

JOY-FILLED MARRIAGE 2025 DATES The Joy-Filled Marriage retreat for engaged couples is hosted by the diocesan Office of Marriage and Family. This weekend provides time for couples to dialogue and enter into a deeper understanding of the Sacrament of Marriage. The schedule for each weekend is typically as follows: Saturday - 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday - 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Dates for 2025 are: June 14-15; September 13-14. For information and registration form, visit www.diokzoo.org/marriage-preparation.

Backwoods Players presents Gilbert and Sullivan's

"The Pirates of Penzance"! Featuring swashbuckling pirates, Victorian damsels in distress, soaring vocal lines, and side-splitting comedy from beginning to end, this operetta (directed by Danny Shultz, with musical direction by Ursi Engebretsen) runs from June 13-14 at Hackett Catholic Prep's auditorium. Tickets are \$10 for age 10 and up, \$5 for children under 10. Reserve your tickets today at https://bwplayerskzoo.wordpress.com/#tickets or by





scanning the QR code!

Arimathean Ministry

The name Arimatheans comes from St. Joseph of Arimathea, who tended to our Lord after his death.

Arimatheans are caring parishioners who attend Funerals and Memorial Masses as representatives of the faith community. Arimatheans do their part in offering comfort to a grieving family, greet guests, and answer any questions they might have.

We are looking to start a group here at St. Ambrose. If you are interested in joining, please contact Father Albert Kemboi or the St. Ambrose Parish Office. Thank you.

WEEKLY PARISH ACTIVITIES

Monday, May 26 Memorial Day

Parish Office Closed

Tuesday, May 27

- 3:30 PM—5:30 PM KP Kids SAPAC
- 6:30 PM—9:30 PM KP Practice SAPAC
- 7:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous SAPAC

Wednesday, May 28

- 3:30 PM—5:30 PM **KP Kids** SAPAC
- 6:30 PM—9:30 PM **KP Practice** SAPAC

Thursday, May 29

- 3:30 PM-5:30 PM KP Kids SAPAC
- 6:30 PM-9:30 PM KP Practice SAPAC
- 6:00 PM Choir Practice Church

Friday, May 30

9:15 AM Mass Church

Saturday, May 31

- 4:00 PM—4:45 PM Reconciliation Church
- 5:00 PM Mass Church

Sunday, June 1 The Ascension of the Lord

- 9:00 AM Mass Church
- 11:15 AM Mass Church

*KP = Kindleberger Park Festival Play Practice

WELCOME to Your Parish!

If you would like to enroll, change your address, or simply have questions about our parish, please fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the Church Office: 1628 East G Avenue, Parchment, MI 49004

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- I would like to enroll as an active member.
- \Diamond Please change my address to the one shown above.
- \Diamond I would like to learn more about parish activities.
- I would like to learn more about the Catholic faith.
- I would like to offer the name of a homebound or ill Catholic who is not currently being visited:
- I would like to speak with a priest about a vocation to the priesthood or religious life.



Week 3 BAA Results

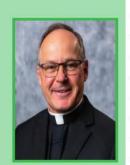
2025 Goal: \$65,990.00

Pledged: \$69,674.04

105.6% of Goal!!

Participation: 28.2%

Thank you so much!



St. Ambrose Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Christ's Passion on May 17, 2025 If you missed this one, watch for the next one!















REGISTER NOW! ST AMBROSE'S VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL DIVING DEEP INTO GOD'S LOVE July 22nd-July 24 5pm-6:30pm





WORD OF LIFE

"Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect."

USCCB Respect Life flyer quoting Pope Francis' "Day for Life Greeting" 2013 Libreria Editrice Vaticana: used with permission. All rights reserved.

THANK YOU!

It is with a grateful and humble heart that I express my most sincere gratitude of the prayers for a surgical success and healing from our St. Ambrose community. Without your petitions to Jesus/God for a successful and speedy recovery I might not be able to report that I am recovering very well – just five weeks in.

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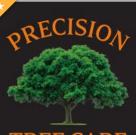
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