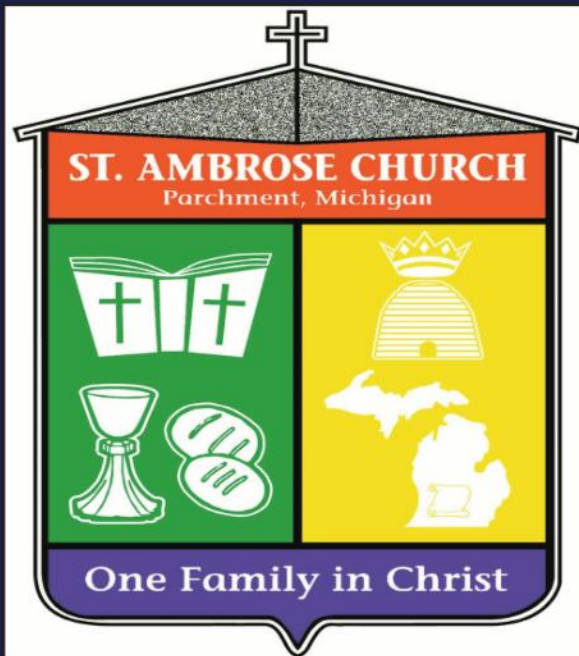


THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD



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.**

**1628 East G Avenue
Parchment, Michigan 49004**

Parish Office Hours

Monday through Thursday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Friday.....10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Parish Contacts

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Religious Education religioused@stambrosepmi.com
Music Director..... musicdirector@stambrosepmi.com
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Fax..... (269) 385-2527
Prayer Line..... Rectory (269) 385-4152
Prayer Line—Marilyn Thornburg..... (269) 501-9226

*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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fatheralbertstambrose@gmail.com

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Senior Priest in Residence
msgr.hazard@gmail.com

Chaplain for Ascension Borgess Hospital

Pastoral Staff

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Environment Coordinator
Beth McElhone, Director of Music Ministry
Eileen Rutten, OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults)
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
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Are you unable to attend Mass and long to receive the
Lord's true presence in the Eucharist? Homebound Com-
munion 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 JUNE 1, 2025

Mass Intentions

Fri. 5/30

9:15 AM

†Amy Davis LaRue

Req. by Don and Ann Davis

Sat. 5/31

5:00 PM

†Jim Strehlow

Req. by MaryJo Strehlow

†Bert Renauld

Req. by Mike and Joanne Bannigan

Sun. 6/1

9:00 AM

†Bert Renauld

Req. by Joan Bradley

11:15 AM

†Barbara A. Dumm

Req. by The Patrick and Zion Doran Family

†Michael Conrod

Req. by The Conrod Family

Fri. 6/6

9:15 AM

†Bert Renauld

Req. by Joan Bradley

†Bob Rafferty

Req. by Kay Rafferty

Sat. 6/7

5:00 PM

†Kathy Hageman

Req. by Maxine and Theron Mosey

†Bob Rafferty

Req. by Kay Rafferty

Sun. 6/1

9:00 AM

Ascension of the Lord

†Edward Harkenrider

Req. by Dave and Eileen Rutten

11:15 AM

Martin Westra, Jr (Birthday)

Req. by Janet and Cody Westra

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: Marilyn. **Thank you.**

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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

Sunday 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

In those places where the observance of the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord has been transferred to the Seventh Sunday of Easter, the Mass and readings of the Ascension are used.

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

Monday 6/2

Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-
7ab; Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday 6/3

**Memorial of Saint Charles Lwanga
and Companions, Martyrs**

Act 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11; 20-21; Jn
17:1-11a

Wednesday 6/4

Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a,
35bc-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday 6/5

**Memorial of Saint Boniface, Bishop
and Martyr**

Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a and
5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Jn 17:20-26

Friday 6/6

Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12,
19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19

Saturday 6/7

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5 and
7; Jn 21:20-25

Sunday 6/8

Pentecost Sunday

Vigil Mass: Gen 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b
or Ez 37:1-14 or Joel 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35,
27-28, 29, 30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39

Mass during the Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps
104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b
-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17; Jn 20:19-23
or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-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 through the human goods, the worthy human purposes, which people foster now."



- Suzanne Albright



St. Ambrose

Scripture Study

On Monday, June 2

Parish Activity Center

Room 5



The Feast of Ascension Year C 2025

Dear beloved Parishioners,
This weekend we celebrate that day when Jesus Christ, having risen from the dead and appeared to his disciples with his gift of peace and his command to preach to all the nations, ascended to heaven to be with the Father forever. The portion of his mission which required his physical presence here on earth had ended, but the mission was far from over. It was entrusted first to his disciples, then in turn to every baptized Christian.

Since Saint Luke wrote the Acts of the Apostles as well as his Gospel, and today's readings include the last two paragraphs of his Gospel and the first two paragraphs of Acts, we get to hear consecutive passages from scripture. In both, Jesus calls upon his disciples to be witnesses on his behalf all over the earth. But he does not leave them orphans. He will remain with them through the power of the Holy Spirit, who will come upon them before they depart from Jerusalem. Let us pray today for the faith, the courage and the wisdom to carry on Christ's mission in our world today.

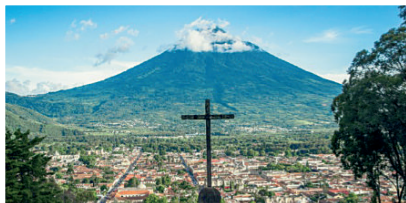
And speaking of the mission . . .

We continue to make impressive progress on the Bishops Annual Appeal 2025 campaign. We were able to reach our target in a very timely manner of three weeks.

You might remember that last year, from what we received back from the diocese, we focused on the Church and our Mary Garden. This year, the dollar amount over and above our goal will go towards some improvements in our St. Ambrose Parish Activity building (exterior painting, signage and new windows).

We are so impressed by the powerful family Spirit of St. Ambrose parishioners! If we continue to work together in this generous way, the Spirit of Jesus will make our parish shine and become more and more truly the best home for all of us.

May God bless you all!
Fr. Albert and Msgr. Mike



Food Lift Delivery Dates—2025

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

5/25/2025

Parish Stewardship

Weekly Goal\$ 7,025.00

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Because of the Memorial Holiday , the Parish Stewardship Report is not available. It will be seen in the next bulletin.



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To order more than one brick, use additional forms that are in the vestibule of the church.

Help Wanted/Volunteer/Giving Opportunities And something good for your soul !

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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 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-event

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.

CAREGIVER CONNECTION—DIOCESE OF KALAMAZOO

Are you a caregiver for someone with a disability? Do you sometimes feel alone or overwhelmed? We invite you to join us for our virtual gathering to build relationships, share experiences, and create a supportive community. We'll spend some time getting to know each other and share a brief reflection on the Sunday scriptures. We gather via ZOOM on the first Sunday of the month from 1 to 2 p.m. (**on holiday weekends we shift to the second Sunday**). Register online: diokzoo.org/personswithdisabilities or contact Veronica Rodriguez at 269-349-8714, ext 1240. Email: vrodri-guez@diokzoo.org

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

Sunday, June 1 The Ascension of the Lord

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

Monday, June 2

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

Tuesday, June 3

- 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, June 3

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

Thursday, June 4

- 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, June 6

- 9:15 AM **Mass** Church
- 7:00 PM **CORVETTE CLUB MTG** SAPAC

Saturday, June 7

- 4:00 PM—4:45 PM **Reconciliation** Church
- 5:00 PM **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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ADDRESS _____

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- ◇ I would like to enroll as an active member.
- ◇ Please change my address to the one shown above.
- ◇ 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 4 BAA Results

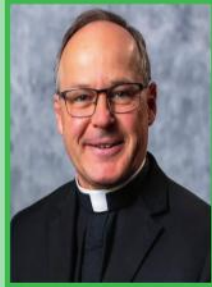
2025 Goal: \$65,990.00

Pledged: \$77,727.04

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Participation: 34%

Thank you so much!

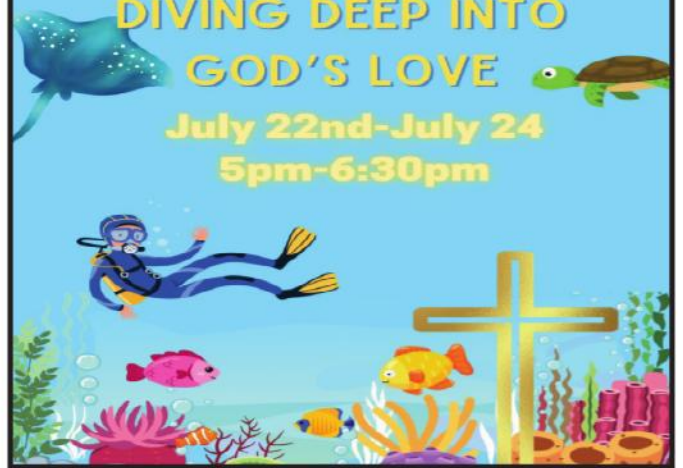


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**St. Ambrose Pilgrimage to the
Shrine of Christ's Passion on May 17, 2025**
If you missed this one,
watch for the next one!



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."

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We Remember In Our Prayers

Annette Dippel

Wife of Thomas, mother of Joshua, Seth and Crea
May her family and friends be comforted in the
knowledge of the Lord's love and mercy.

Rosary , June 5 at 6:30 p.m.
at Joldersma & Klein Funeral Home
Mass on Friday, June 6, 2025
11 a.m. at St Ambrose Church

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