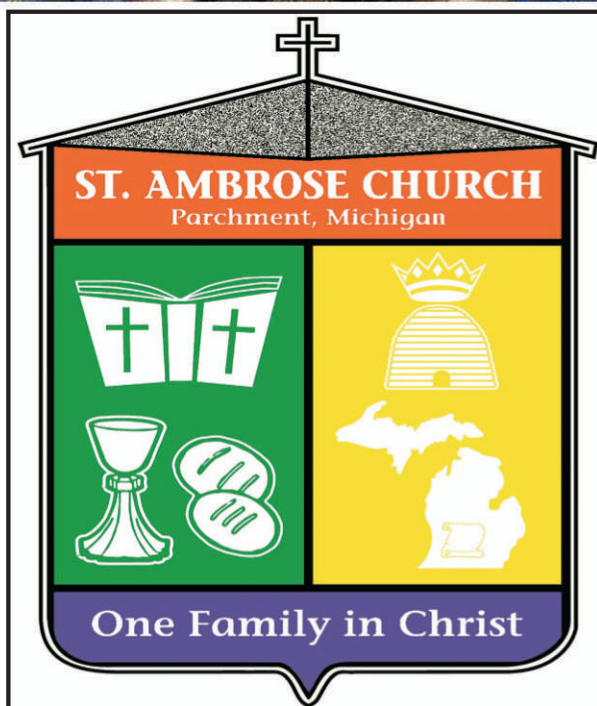


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Mission Statement

**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
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Parish Office Hours

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

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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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Sofia Rice, Part-time Office Help

Schedule of Masses

Friday9:15 AM
Saturday Evening.....5:00 PM
(Live Streamed)
Sunday.....9:00 AM
(Live Streamed)11:15 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday4:00 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 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 NOVEMBER 9, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS

Friday 11/7

9:15 AM

† **Rosella Walsh**

Req by Devon Swiat

Saturday 11/8

5:00 PM

Joan and Josep Pipp, Anniversary

Req. by Marilyn Thornburg

† **Ryan Andrew Dent, Birthday**

Req. by Mom and Chrissy

Sunday 11/9

9:00 a.m.

† **Ed Harkenrider**

Req. by Dave and Eileen Rutten

11:15 a.m.

† **Larry Loofboro**

Req. by Judy Loofboro

Friday 11/14

† **Robert Sattler**

Req. by Ann Marie James

Saturday 11/15

5:00 p.m.

† **Michael Conrod**

Req. by the Conrod Family

Sunday 11/16

9:00 a.m.

† **Mary Oneill**

Req. by Kathy Keagle

11:15 a.m.

† **Barbara Dumm**

Req. by Zion and Patrick Doran

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.**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 9, 2025

Sunday

FEAST OF THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA IN ROME

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

Monday

MEMORIAL OF SAINT LEO THE GREAT, POPE AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10; Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday

MEMORIAL OF SAINT MARTIN OF TOURS, BISHOP

Wis 2:23-3:9; Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19; Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday

MEMORIAL OF SAINT JOSAPHAT, BISHOP AND MARTYR

Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19

Thursday

MEMORIAL OF SAINT FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI, VIRGIN

Wis 7:22b-8:1; Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175; Lk 17:20-25

Friday

Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab; Lk 17:26-37

Saturday

Wis 18:14-16, 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Lk 18:1-8

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS IN NOVEMBER

Triennial National Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA: The mission of the Archdiocese is to support service members, veterans and the families in seeking sacramental preparation for the Sacraments, provide members with access to counseling from priests, and to receive the sacrament of penance. This second collection takes place the weekend of November 8th and 9th.

Kalamazoo Catholic Charities Heating Assistance Program: This second collection takes place the weekend before Thanksgiving (November 22nd and 23rd). The donations from the collection assists families who are find it hard to heat their homes during the winter. Families may begin applying for assistance in January of 2026.

Building Fund Envelope?? This envelope was included in the envelope packet in error. A "The Utility Fund" envelope should have been in the monthly mailed packet of envelopes. If you choose to use this envelope ("Building Fund"), donations will be used to off set the higher utility bills that the parish experiences during the colder months. There will not be a second collection.



MASS

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.



St. Ambrose

Scripture Study

On Mondays at 7:00 p.m.

Parish Activity Center

Hall

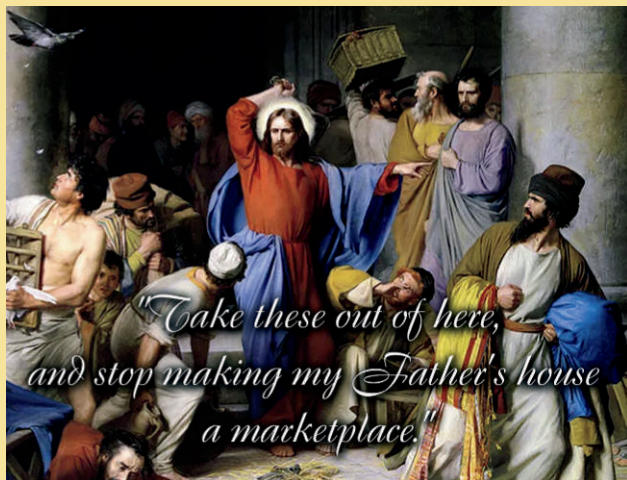
Dear Parish Family,

In the Gospel reading, Jesus drives out the money changers from the temple, declaring, *"Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up."* His words point beyond bricks and mortar to the temple of His body—and by extension, to the Church as His mystical body. Jesus is the true sanctuary where heaven and earth meet.

Then comes St. Paul (1 Cor 3) who reminds us that we are "God's building," with Christ as the foundation. Each of us is a temple of the Holy Spirit, called to holiness and unity. The Church is not just a structure, it is a living community, built of faith, love, and sacrament.

May our parish continue to be a spiritual home, **"One Family in Christ"** built on the foundation of Jesus, radiating life to all who enter.

Fr. Albert and Msgr. Mike



As we pray today we for an increase of spiritual gifts, we are reminded by the bishops' pastoral on stewardship that good stewardship of the Church "means cherishing and fostering the gifts of all, while using one's own gifts to serve the community of faith."

Thank you!

% of Goal: 136% **% of Families Participating: 48%**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE AND AREA

INFORMATION NIGHT on November 20, 2025. Chesterton Academy Knights of Our Lady is a Classical Education program in the Catholic tradition enrolling students in grades 9-12. We are located as an independent program on the campus of St. Philip Catholic Central High School in Battle Creek. We are eager to share what we have to offer with families of the Kalamazoo Diocese. To learn more, please visit our website at [Chesterton Academy Knights of Our Lady](http://ChestertonAcademyKnights.com).

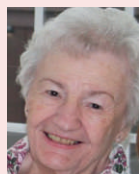
FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY HOLIDAY RAFFLE The Parchment Community Library will be selling raffle tickets from November 1 to December 3. Tickets: \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Prize drawing on Wednesday, December 3 at the Holiday Chocolate. You don't need to be present to win.

THE KALAMAZOO DIOCESE JAIL MINISTRY is asking for your help in providing stamped Christmas cards for inmates in area jails. St. Ambrose parishioners participate by providing stamped Christmas cards that are then given to inmates at the jail to send to family and friends. Please have a stamp on the envelope but do not seal the envelope. This brings joy to the inmates and those to whom they send the cards. We ask that you have the cards returned to the basket in the vestibule by Nov. 30.



Carlo Acutis Day at St Ambrose

CATHERINE LOUISE "KATIE" COOK



September 14, 1932

October 28, 2025

May her family and friends be comforted in the knowledge that their loved one dwells in the house of the Lord.

WEEKLY PARISH ACTIVITIES

Sunday, November 9

- 9:00 AM **MASS**—Church
- 10:00 AM **COFFEE & ROLLS**
- **RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES**
- 10:00 AM **OCIA - SAPAC ROOM 2**
- 11:15 AM **MASS**—Church
- 12:30 PM **4 PM CHRISTMAS EVE CHOIR**

Monday, November 10

- Noon **Bulletin Deadline**
- 7:00 PM **SCRIPTURE STUDY** -SAPAC Hall

Tuesday, November 11

- 7:00 PM **NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS** -Hall

Wednesday, November 12

Thursday, November 13

- 6:00 PM **CHOIR PRACTICE**—Church
- 7:00PM **CHRISTMAS CHOIRS**

Friday, November 14

- 9:15 AM **MASS, BENEDICTION, ROSARY**

Saturday, November 15

- 4:00 PM **RECONCILIATION**—Church
- 5:00 PM **MASS**—Church

REHEARSAL FOR THE CHOIR FOR THE CHRISTMAS EVE, 4:00 PM MASS

Dear students and parents, Christmas is coming fast! I would like to suggest the following rehearsal schedule for both students, parents and catechists who are willing to lead the music for the Mass and the Christmas pageant:

After the 11:15 Mass for (12:30-1:00) on the following Sundays:

November 16, November 23

NO Rehearsal on November 30 (Thanksgiving Weekend)

NO Rehearsal on December 7

(Feast of St Ambrose and Parish's 70th Anniversary Celebration)

Rehearsals on December 14th, December 21st.

Thanks for your consideration; hope to see many of you at our rehearsals. Thanks,
Beth, Music Director



Youth Group Halloween

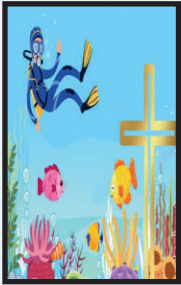


Youth Group Halloween



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ST AMBROSE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM



Class Schedule:

November 9	Classes Meet	10 00 am
	4pm Christmas Eve Choir	12:30 pm
November 16	Classes Meet	10:00 am
	4 pm Christmas Eve Choir	12:30 pm
November 23	Classes Meet	10:00 am
	4 pm Christmas Eve Choir	12:30 pm

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT & BOOKKEEPER

St. Ambrose Parish is seeking a motivated & positive individual to serve as the welcoming face of the parish to callers and visitors. This full-time, hourly position (35 hours a week) requires the ability to perform both secretarial and bookkeeping tasks in a cooperative and confidential manner. For more information go to the St Ambrose website, The Diocesan website or apply on line via Indeed.

ST AMBROSE FOODLIFT NEEDS

EVERY DAY:

Boxed Potatoes
Cake Mixes & Frosting
Canned Chicken or Tuna
Canned Corn, Peas, Carrots
Noodles, Spaghetti, Pasta
Peanut Butter
Paper Bags, no handles
Cereal
Crackers - Saltine, Graham
Spaghetti Sauce
Instant Coffee
Pasta Meals - Rice-A-Roni

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Canned Fruit
Canned Pasta Meals
Paper Towels
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Soup
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FOR THE HOLIDAYS:

Turkey Dressing Mix
Cranberry Sauce
Green Beans
Canned Pineapple
Canned Gravy
Baked Beans
Mushroom Soup
Cookie Mix

DELIVERY DATES: NOVEMBER 16 & DECEMBER 14



TRIENNIAL NATIONAL COLLECTION FOR THE ARCHDIOCESE FOR MILITARY SERVICES, USA

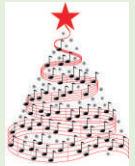
This collection is a significant initiative approved by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops in 2012. It aims to support Catholic military personnel, veterans, and their families through essential pastoral care and sacramental preparation. The collection is scheduled to be taken every three years on the Sunday before Veterans Day, with the next collection occurring on November 9, 2025. The AMS relies on private donations to sustain its ministries, which include the Co Sponsored Seminarian Program, which nurtures priestly vocations to serve both the Church and the military chaplaincy. The collection is a testament to the Church's commitment to the spiritual care of those who serve. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

NOTES FROM THE CHOIR

It's that time of year!! We have begun Christmas Choir rehearsals for the Adult Choir on Thursdays at 7 p.m. If you're looking for a short term commitment then this is the group for you. You need not know how to read music and if you learn better by ear make sure to bring your phone or tape recorder to record your parts for the songs. Most rehearsals will only last one hour!

If you have any questions, please see Beth. This choir will sing at the 7:00 Mass on Christmas Eve and the 10:00 Mass on Christmas morning. Hope to see you there!!!

Beth A. McElhone



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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:

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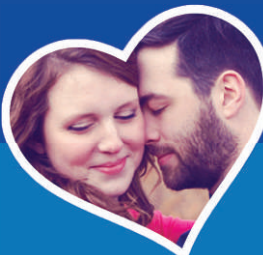
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