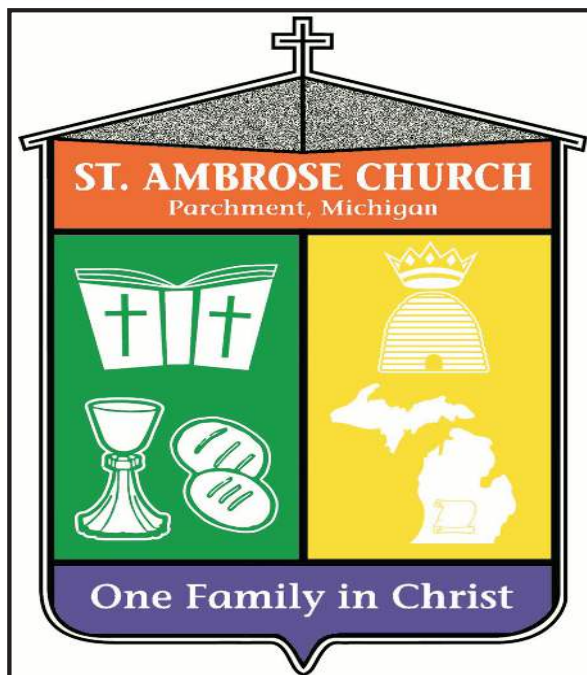
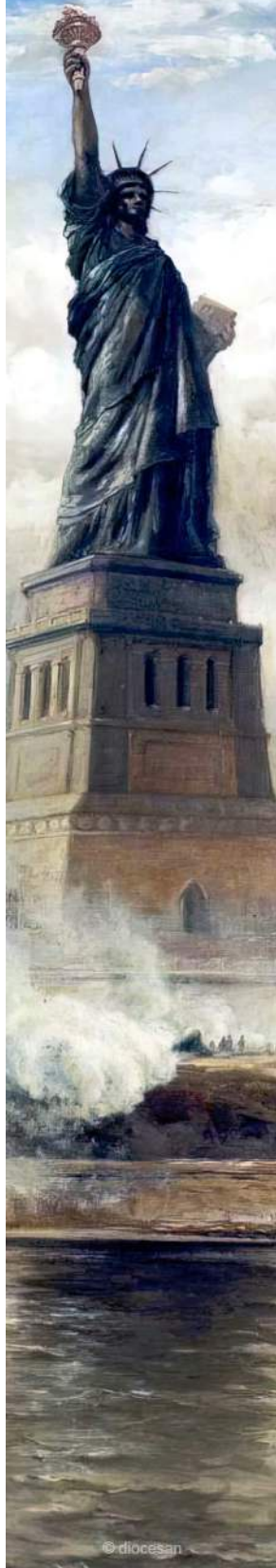


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INDEPENDENCE DAY



Mission Statement

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

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

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Parish Web Site.....www.stambroseparchment.com
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***Our bulletin, with the weekly insert, can be found on our
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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

**Monsignor Michael Hazard,
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msgr.hazard@gmail.com

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Beth McElhone, Director of Music Ministry

Colleen Heacock, OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults)
and Bulletin Editor

Cori Dupay, Religious Education Coordinator

Paulette Turbide, Facilities Janitorial

Sofia Rice, Part-time Office Help

Schedule of Masses

Friday9:15 AM

Saturday Evening.....5:00 PM

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Sunday.....9:00 AM

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.....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
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*Are you unable to attend Mass and long to receive the
Lord's true presence in the Eucharist? Homebound
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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.*

13th Sunday of Ordinary Time 6/28/2026

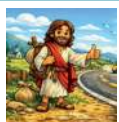
MASS INTENTIONS

- Friday 6/26** † **Norberta "Bert" Renauld**
Req. by Bob Renauld
- Saturday 6/27**
5:00 p.m. † **Carol Diegel**
Req. by John and Nancy Hornyak
- Sunday 6/28**
9:00 a.m. † **JoAnn Heath**
Req. by Sue and John Shorey
11:15 a.m. † **Barbara Dumm**
Req. by Zion & Patrick Doran
- Friday 7/3**
9:15 a.m. **Founding Members
of St Ambrose**
- Saturday 7/4**
5:00 p.m. † **Laura Hoogerheide**
Req. by Bill & Madeline Medonis
- Sunday 7/5**
9:00 a.m. **The Hubbard Family**
Req. by Christina Doretta
11:15 a.m. † **Marja Wisser**
Req. by Maxine & Theron Mosey

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. A \$10.00 Mass stipend is customary which can be dropped in the collection basket or mailed to the office, Attn: Marilyn **Thank you.**

Both the first reading and the Gospel today speak of hospitality and welcome. Our ministers of hospitality are a most visible example of using one's time and talents to welcome the people of God. But the Gospel assures us that all who give even just "a cup of cold water" to one of His lowliest ones will be rewarded.

-Suzann Albright



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Scripture Readings

For the Week of June 28, 2026

- Sunday** **Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a; Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19;
Rm 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42
- Monday** **Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles**
Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Gal 1:11-20;
Jn 21:15-19
Mass during the Day: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-3,
4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19
- Tuesday** Amos 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Ps 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8;
Mt 8:23-27
- Wednesday** Amos 5:14-15, 21-24; Ps 50:7, 8-9, 10-11,
12-13, 16bc-17; Mt 8:28-34
- Thursday** Amos 7:10-17; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 9:1-8
- Friday** **Feast of Saint Thomas, Apostle**
Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 20:24-29
- Saturday** Amos 9:11-15; Ps 85:9 and 10, 11-12, 13-14;
Mt 9:14-17
- Sunday** **Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Zech 9:9-10; Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14;
Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30

Job Posting - Administrative Assistant

St. Ambrose Parish is seeking a motivated & positive individual to serve as the welcoming face of the parish to callers and visitors. This part-time, hourly position (30 hours a week) requires the ability to perform secretarial tasks in a cooperative and confidential manner. For more information go to the St. Ambrose website (www.stambroseparchment.com) or the Diocesan Website (<https://www.dioceseofkalamazoo.org>) Applications are due by **JUNE 30, 2026** and can be directed to Fr. Albert at

Stambroseparchment@gmail.com



Take Note!

Thanks to the generosity of an anonymous donor, there is now an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) in the vestibule of the church. This device tells any lay person just what to do to restart or restore a normal heartbeat in an emergency. You will find it on the wall between the sacristy and the restrooms.

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

Theme: Life in Christ

Dear beloved Parishioners,

In today's Gospel, Jesus says, **"Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me."** At first, these words may sound difficult. Jesus is not asking us to love our families less; rather, He is inviting us to love Him first, for it is in Him that all our other relationships find their deepest meaning.

Through Baptism, we have been united with Christ in His death and resurrection. As St. Paul reminds us, we are called to walk in **"newness of life."** Our deepest identity is not found in what we do or even in whom we know, but in our belonging to Jesus Christ.

The hospitality shown to the prophet Elisha in the first reading and Jesus' praise for even the smallest act of kindness remind us that life in Christ is expressed through love, generosity, and service. When we welcome others, care for those in need, and offer simple acts of kindness, we make Christ present in our world.

May we place Christ at the center of our lives this week and joyfully live the new life He has given us through Baptism.



Have a blessed, joyful, and safe Independence Day celebration.
May God continue to bless our families, our parish, and our nation.

Fr. Albert and Msgr. Mike

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Goal\$ 7,854.14

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Sunday Collection	\$6,582.25
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August 23

September 20

October 18

November 15

December 13



Meet our new Religious
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Welcome Cori Dupay!

WEEKLY PARISH ACTIVITIES

Sunday, June 28 13th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

- 9:00 AM **MASS**—Church
- 11:15 AM **MASS**— Church

Monday, June 29

Bulletin Deadline for 7/5/2026 Past, due to Holiday

- 4:30 PM HALL IN USE—KINDLEBERGER ARTS FESTIVAL PLAY PRACTICE
- 7:00 PM **SCRIPTURE STUDY** -SAPAC Room 5

Tuesday, June 30

- 4:30 PM HALL IN USE—KINDLEBERGER ARTS FESTIVAL PLAY PRACTICE
- 7:00 PM **NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS**—Room 5

Wednesday, July 1

- 6:30 PM CORVETTE CLUB

Thursday, July 2

- 4:30 PM HALL IN USE—KINDLEBERGER ARTS FESTIVAL PLAY PRACTICE

Friday, July 3

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

Saturday, July 4

- 12-3:00 PM HALL IN USE: Kindleberger Arts Festival Practice
- 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION
- 5:00 PM **MASS**— Church

Sunday, July 5 14th Sunday of Ordinary Time

- 9:00 AM **MASS**
- 11:15 AM **MASS**— Church

LOOKING BACK...

DECREE OF ERECTION OF ST AMBROSE PARISH

The exalted office of Bishop and Chief Shepherd of souls in the diocese of Lansing, committed to Us by Holiness Pope Pius of blessed memory, the visible representative of Jesus Christ on earth, enjoins upon Us the duty of providing the best possible manner for the salvation of souls by the establishment of new parishes in the Diocese as conditions warrant and demand, according to the Sacred Canons of the Code.

After a careful study of the needs of the Catholics in Parchment and having consulted those who have interest in the establishment of a new parish in that territory, We by these present hereby erect according to the sacred law of the Church a new parish, to be known as the Parish of St Ambrose, the pastor of which is not irremovable, and the territory of which is to be determined later at a meeting of the pastors of the adjacent parishes, subject to the approval of the Bishop of the Diocese.

Given at Lansing, Michigan, on this Feast of SS Peter and Paul, this 29th day of June, 1955.

Joseph H Albers, Bishop of Lansing
Charles Keating, Chancellor

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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

NAME _____

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.

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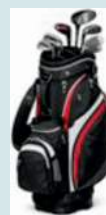
Open to anyone who is interested, but geared toward kindergarten through fifth graders. Youth who have already completed sixth grade are encouraged to join us as a program helper or a "buddy" to our youngest travelers. Cost for participants is \$15 per child or \$30 per family, though no one will be turned away for inability to pay.

Register now at

<https://www.stambroseparchment.com/vacation-bible-school-2025-1>.

Save the date!

The **2026 St Ambrose Golf Classic** is scheduled for Saturday, July 25th, beginning at 9 a.m. at Eastern Hills Golf Course. Make plans to get your four-some together for this fun event.



Registration forms are available in the vestibule and through the parish office. We would also be deeply grateful for anyone interested in sponsoring a hole, whether personally or through a business.



Teens: Check Website for Youth Group Updates

RSVP

 Individually for each event

Caregiver Connection

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 1st Sunday of the month from 1:00-2:00 p.m. On holiday weekends we switch to the 2nd Sunday.

July 12 August 2 September 13 October 4 November 1 December 6

Zoom links are sent out 1 week prior to gathering. RSVP to Veronica Rodriguez @ 269-349-8714 ext1240 or email below

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