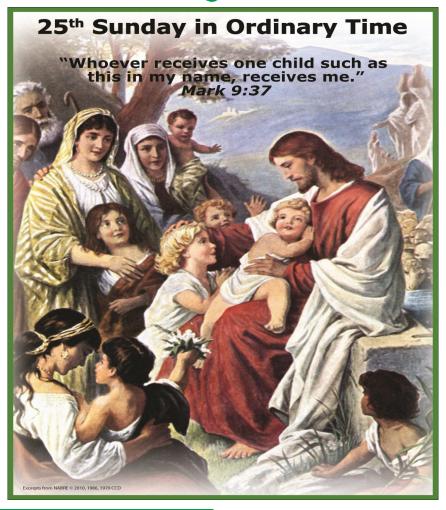
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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:30pm

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:30am & 5:30pm-Life Teen

Daily: Monday & Wednesday 6:30am

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00am

Communion Service: Friday 6:30am

Holydays and Holidays subject to change

(see bulletin)

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New Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9:00am-6:00pm Friday 9:00am-4:00pm Saturday & Sunday CLOSED

Pastor's Page

Spiritual Message and Sentiments of Gratitude From Fr. Dr. Charles Chukwunedum Anene

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OF THE YEAR (B)

THEME: A CALL TO SERVE GOD THROUGH HUMANITY

My dear beloved ones in Jesus & Mary,

Our vocations in life are multifaceted, they are all geared towards serving God through humanity. They are reaching across various missionary undertakings, health care, education, arts and culture, businesses, faith-based

alliances and government. Most of these vocational demands address the needs of children, in whose hands lies the future religious influences and phenomena of our time. Today's Spiritual Message reflects very much on Church Management as a Service. In human society, whenever people establish a group, the need for management arises; no enterprise can do without it, and the executives of any group are human beings. This fact creates a room for human failings, which include jealousy and strife. These people will manage the affairs in accordance with a pattern, which they are accustomed to within their own time and culture.



Thus, our Lord Jesus Christ, the Founder of the Church reminds us today that we are His human co-workers, and that His movement to establish the Kingdom of God on earth should

not be merely managed by human standards. Evidently, the Gospel states it specifically that the twelve apostles had been arguing about who was the most important person among them. Then, Jesus' words to them pertaining to the issue at stake gives us an idea of how He envisioned the management of the Church, right from the parish council level to the diocesan, and the Vatican levels. The FUNDAMENTAL characteristic nature of His Church Management is SERVICE. Therefore, since we are all members of the same Mystical Body of Christ, we are specially called to be always active in parish activities, with the guided intention that we desire to serve God through humanity. Hence, St. Peter says: "Each of you has received a special grace, so, like good stewards responsible for all these different graces of God, put yourselves at the service of others...." [1Pet 4:10ff].

SENTIMENTS OF GRATITUDE: Gratitude being thankfulness, counting our blessings, noticing simple pleasures, as well as acknowledging everything that we receive both from God and our neighbors, invariably, our goal is to turn thankfulness into a daily routine. Hence, in this regard, I express and display my sincere gratitude, to God, His Excellences: Edward B. Scharfenberger, and Howard J. Hubbard [Bishop Emeritus], Fr. Dr. Anthony Barratt [The Pastor, of St. Ambrose Parish], Helmut Neurohr and Frank Garceau [Permanent Deacons], the Diocesan Administrators, the members of both Pastoral and Academic Staff, as well as all the members of the Parish Family of St. Ambrose, for their Hospitality, wonderful Moral and Spiritual Supports. Those who gave me rides on various occasions, I ever remain grateful to you all. Be always assured of my prayer! May God bless and reward you abundantly through Christ our Lord. Amen!

Rev. Fr. Charles Chukwunedum Anene

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MISSION STATEMENT

We, the members of St. Ambrose Parish, Latham, New York believe that, through our faith and baptism, we have been called to give witness to the values of Jesus as expressed in the gospel and teachings of our Church. As individuals and as a Parish Family we strive to:

Develop our spiritual life, Spread the Gospel message, Respect the human dignity and rights of all persons Support family life: the role of married couples, singles, youth and children

Share our time, energy, talent and resources

Strengthened by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to make choices and decisions that will reflect and give evidence of what we say we believe and value as a Catholic Christian Faith Community.

Sacraments

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:00 PM or any time by appointment.

MARRIAGE

Congratulations! So that proper preparation may be made, please make an appointment with Fr. Anthony at least six months before the desired date. Either the bride or groom should be a registered parishioner of St. Ambrose parish.

BAPTISM

Congratulations! If you wish to arrange preparation for baptism, please call the Parish Office. Parents should be registered members of St. Ambrose parish.

RCIA

(Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)
For those inquiring into the Catholic Faith. Welcome!
Please contact the Parish Office for program details.

VOCATION

If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate or religious life, please contact Fr. Anthony.

PARISHES OF OUR LOCAL CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES

COLONIE St. Clare's	456-3112	Sat: 4:00pm/Sun: 8:30 / 10:30am
LATHAM Our Lady of the Assumption	785-0234	Sat: 4:30pm Sun: 7:30, 9:00 & 11am
LOUDONVILLE Christ Our Light St. Pius X	459-6635 462-1336	Sat: 4:00pm/Sun: 9:00 / 11:15am Sat: 5pm/Sun: 8, 10 & 12 noon

DIOCESE SPECIAL COLLECTION

Reason | Faith | Service | Leadership

Next weekend, at the Masses of September 26/27, parishes in the Diocese of Albany will take up the Annual Collection for the "Catholic University of America", which is the national University of the Catholic Church in the United States, located in Washington, D.C. It provides an academically rigorous education guided by the Catholic intellectual tradition to nearly 7,000 students every year. Over 4,000 students directly receive scholarship aid from this Collection, including many from our diocese. Please be generous.

As we are a tithing parish, a portion of our regular collection will be tithed toward this Special Collection.

ADOPT-A-STUDENT

Each year our school is approached by parents who strongly desire a Catholic education for their children but simply cannot afford one. You can make a difference in a child's life by sponsoring all or part of a child's tuition. Please consider helping a student in need to receive a Catholic Education. Thank you. Terri McGraw, School Principal 785-6453



FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Pre-K to Grade 6 Sunday Morning Faith Formation Classes Have Begun!!

If you missed book pick up or open registration, contact us or stop by and we can help!



Download our registration/informational packet at

<u>www.stambroselatham.com/</u> <u>faith-formation-news</u>

Contact us at: 785-1351 x322 or "FaithFormationAA@ Stambroselatham.com"

First Reconciliation,
First Communion...and beyond!

Confirmation 2016 It's NOT too late to begin!

<u>In 9th grade and 10th grade?</u> Register to begin formation today!

Registration packets are online and in the back of the Church!
Contact Mark:
youthministry@stambroselatham.com
518-785-1351 x309

Parish Festival THIS Sunday!



Begins after the

11:30am

Mass....goes on until

the 5:30pm Mass!

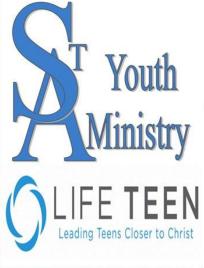
ALL ARE WELCOME!
RAIN OR SHINE!

DON'T WORRY IF YOU RSVP'd OR NOT!

Kickoff Meeting for all middle school youth 6th, 7th & 8th grade

September 22nd at 6:45pm in the Parish Center. Parents and youth are asked to attend this first meeting. Please come and see what great thins we have for your families and for your faith.





Kickoff Meeting
for all High
School Teens on
Sunday
September 26th
immediately
after the
5:30pm Mass.
Food, Faith and
Fun—all must
come!



Parent and teen meeting scheduled for October 15th at 7pm in the Parish Center for complete details about our mission trip to the Dominican Republic. If you are interested please contact the Lifeteen Office at 785-1351 x309 and get your name on the list. We will take only 23 teens and sign ups will close by October 15th. Passports will be required and can be obtained through the Post Office



A Call to Arms

Men's formation and action in the Albany Diocese

Calling all Men!!

Join the King's Men of Albany for a night promoting masculine spirituality in our diocese through prayer and fellowship.

September 26, 2015 6pm (arrive at 5:45pm)

Here in our Parish Center at St. Ambrose

Bishop Edward Scharfenberger will celebrate Mass for us and we will have a national speaker on men's issues and spirituality,

Mark Houck

Afterwards we will have Pizza, Wings Soda and Beer for fellowship. Please make plans to join us and celebrate our faith together.



AT ST. AMBROSE SCHOOL

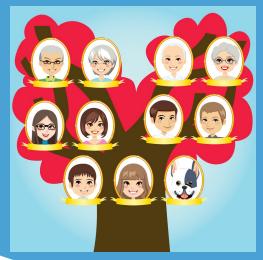
WE ARE "LEARNING TO BE ALL GOD WANTS

US TO BE."

Grandparents and Special Persons Day

On Wednesday, September 23rd, the St. Ambrose School Community will welcome friends and family to share in a special liturgy, enjoy a lovely breakfast with their favorite students and be treated to a special little show.

We also will honor Sr. Catherine Nelson, PBVM on the occasion of her 75th Jubilee at the 9:00 liturgy.





PARISH NURSE
NANCY ACEMOGLU, RN

Flu Shot Clinic

Thursday, September 24th



9am-12noon

To be held in the

Parish Center Lounge

(Registered Pharmacist on site)

(Covered by most Insurances)

MUST BE 18YRS OLD

Pneumonia Vaccine Available

To sign up please call

785-1351 x304

Walk-ins welcome

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE RETREAT

RENEWAL weekend October 2, 3 § 4 for those who have had a spousal loss through Death, Separation or Divorce. Come to a peaceful, beautiful setting and experience the power of Healing.

For more information please call

785-1351 x304

Limited space available.

This is a gift to your self.





Around the Parish

DIOCESAN MARRIAGE JUBILEE

The 43th Annual Marriage Jubilee
Celebration sponsored by the Office of Lay Ministry
Formation will be held Saturday, October 17th, 2015 at
2:00 PM at The Cathedral of the Immaculate
Conception, corner of Eagle St. and Madison Ave.,
Albany, New York.

Couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th or other special wedding anniversaries are invited to attend this celebration. Bishop Edward B. Scharfenberger will celebrate the Liturgy at 2:00 PM and greet couples and their guests at a reception in the gathering area at the Cathedral immediately following Mass. Please register through your parish office.



Cursillo

The Joyful Proclamation of Being Christian!

Have you ever heard of Cursillo?
Have you wondered what Cursillo is all about?
Are you interested in making a Cursillo weekend?

Announcing:

Men's Cursillo Weekend: October 8-11

Christ the King Spiritual Life Center, Greenwich, NY

Women's Cursillo Weekend: October 29—November 1 Dominican Retreat & Conference Center, Niskayuna, NY

> For more information please contact Harrilyn Beehner at 518-581-0742

THE DAY CHAPEL: A WONDERFUL ASSET FOR US!

Just a reminder that our Day Chapel (to the right side of the church) is open for prayer during the day. It is open



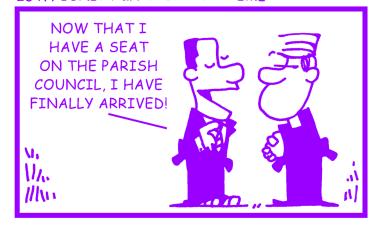
from about 5.50 am Monday to Friday. The chapel usually closes at around 5.00 pm (except on Fridays when we have Eucharistic Adoration and the chapel is

open until **midnight**). The chapel is a wonderful facility to have, especially as we have the Blessed Sacrament reserved there too; so do make use of it if you wish. Call in, even for just a few moments of prayer, peace, focus and reflection on the way to or coming back from school, work, shopping, running errands or whenever you are just passing by the church. Those few moments will certainly not be wasted...!

Fr. Anthony



25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





Around the Parish

GIFT BEARERS

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When you have a Mass said for a person or family and you would like to bring up the gifts at the offertory, please let the Ushers know when you arrive at church, and they will let you know when you are needed.

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) is federal regulations concerning patient confidentiality.

It is essential that when you or a member of your family is a patient in any of the area hospitals that you call the parish office to let us know.

Please also inform the hospital that you are a member of St. Ambrose Parish. Hospital visitation is done on a weekly basis and it is important to us that all our parishioners are visited.

Married couples come enjoy a DIOCESAN MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT RETREAT October 24th.
Call Tony and Joan @ 518-399-5406 for details.



We Are A Tithing Parish Following "God's Plan for Giving"

September 13, 2015 \$16,941.90 September 14, 2014 \$15,343.83

"Thank you for being so generous!"

Thank you to all who are responding so generously to our financial need. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Also, thank you to those who signed-up for electronic withdrawal. If you decide to sign-up for this option in the future, forms are available at the entrances to the church, or just call the Parish Office.

Many Thanks.

Are you struggling with your emotions, a loss, an addiction, a relationship or family issues? COUNSELING is available in the evenings at St. Ambrose.

A \$25 donation is appreciated.
Contact Dave Dobkowski, Ph.D.
at 859-4015 to make an appointment.

KEEP THE LEGACY ALIVE

Please remember St. Ambrose Parish in your will St. Ambrose Roman Catholic Church 347 Old Loudon Rd., Latham, NY 12110

ARE YOU REGISTERED IN THE PARISH?

People may consider themselves registered parishioners because they have been coming here for a while, were married here, received their sacraments here or attended St. Ambrose School. If you have not filled out a REGISTRATION FORM you are not in our census. REGISTRATION FORMS are available at the parish office or website www.stambroselatham.com or simply complete the REGISTRATION REQUEST below & drop it in the collection basket & we will mail you the form. Thank you.

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION/UPDATE REQUEST				
Name:				
Street:				
City:				
Zip:				
Phone No:				
Please Check				
☐ New Registration				
☐ Change of Address				
☐ Moving out of Parish				
☐ Want Envelopes				
☐ Name Change (Please contact Parish Secretary)				
Please cut out and drop it in the Collection Basket or mail to the Parish Office.				

SEPTEMBER CALENDARS & SCHEDULES

Sunday - September 20

12:30-5:30PM 10:15AM

PARISH FESTIVAL Gym/Parish Ctr NO Faith Formation—PLEASE DO COME TO THE PARISH FESTIVAL!!

After 5:30PM Mass Monday – September 21 Life Teen Promo Night-Parish Ctr

Monday — September 21 Tuesday — September 22

6:00-8:30PM Edge Kickoff-Parish Ctr

Wednesday - September 23—Grandparents Day
9:00AM School Mass-Church
11:00AM School Dismissal

Thursday — September 24

6:30-8:30PM AA, AL-ANON, ALATEEN-Mtg Rms
9:00-12 Noon
7:00PM FLU SHOT CLINIC-Parish Ctr Lounge
Prayer Group-Chapel

Friday - September 25

7AM-Midnight

Eucharistic Adoration-Chapel

Saturday — September 26 6:00PM

Bishop's Mass in the Church followed by a presentation by The King's Men in the Parish Ctr (see page 5 for details)

Sunday - September 27

After 5:30PM Mass

KICKOFF FOR LIFE TEEN-& CONFIRMATION in the Parish Ctr

After 5:30PM Mass

FAITH FORMATION SAFE ENVIRONMENT in the Parish Lounge

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Monday - September 21-St. Matthew

6:30 AM Parish Intention

9:00 AM Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption

Tuesday - September 22-Weekday

6:30 AM Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption

9:00 AM Parish Intention

Wednesday — September 23—St. Pius of Pietreicina

6:30 AM Parish Intention 9:00 AM School Mass

9:00 AM Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption

Thursday - September 24—Weekday

6:30 AM Communion Svc at Our Lady of the Assumption

9:00 AM Mary Priscilla Duda by Frances T. McDonald

Chris Clark by daughter Linda

Friday - September 25—Weekday

6:30 AM Communion Service

9:00 AM Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption

Saturday — September 26—Saints Cosmas & Damian

4:30 PM Sheldon Bell by Laureen Sharp

Bertha Connolly by Jim & Cindy Normile

Helen Falasco by Family

Sunday - September 27—26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Parish Intention

9:00 AM Richard Schmidt by Linda & John Estep

Joseph Garceau by Family

11:30 AM William Boyd by Ann & Jim McCauley

5:30 PM Life Teen - People of St. Ambrose

LITURGICAL ROLES FOR WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 27, 2015

Money Counters, <u>Sunday, September 27</u>
Team #8 — L. Girard, S. O'Brien, S. Trzcinski & D. Piusienski

MONEY COUNTERS, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28
TEAM #1 — TINA ZANDRI & RICHARD OSTIGUY

4:30PM	7:30AM	9:00AM	11:30AM	5:30PM
SACRISTAN:	SACRISTAN: Bob Lamiano	SACRISTAN: Fran Fiegler	SACRISTAN: Pat Rayball	SACRISTAN:
Sharon Burgess LECTORS:	LECTORS:	LECTORS:	LECTORS:	Lenora LeMay
#1-John Bruno #2-Michael Lupian	#1-Cecilia Pracher #2-Ben Nadeau	#1-Marion Rosenthal #2-Ann Medici	#1-Ruth Lapierre #2-Patricia Frank	Volunteers
ALTAR SERVERS: Michael & Michele Commerford	ALTAR SERVERS: Mr. Vincent Cook Mr. Larry Carter	ALTAR SERVERS: Madeline Stallmer, Abby Hallock, Michael Kendrick	ALTAR SERVERS: Nicholas Koroso, Paul Adams, Megan Mahar	ALTAR SERVERS: Volunteers
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USHERS: Volunteer, D. Mason, M. Commerford, J. Couch	USHERS: P. Szwedo, R. Haggerty, V & M DesChamps	USHERS: J. Estep, B. Johnson, T. Maleski, K. Fuchs	USHERS: D. Fuda, E. Fitzgerald, K. Cavanaugh, R. Selkis	USHERS: Volunteers
MEDIA MINISTRY: Sandi T.	MEDIA MINISTRY: Gail C.	MEDIA MINISTRY: Akhil J.	MEDIA MINISTRY: Rene M.	MEDIA MINISTRY: Tenn C.

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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BAPTISMAL PREPARATION		
BISHOP'S APPEAL (DDP)		
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2015

Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Jas 3:16--4:3/Mk 9:30-37

Monday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Mt 9:9-13 Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Lk 9:1-6 Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Lk 9:7-9 Friday: Hg 2:1-9/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

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