



# *Saint* **AMBROSE**

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

## **ROOTED IN CHRIST**

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We have been planning for weeks and preparing for the day when we would return to worship inside our church building. Someone came across a missalette that was open in the choir loft. March 15 was the last time we gathered in our church building. As we return next week, let us do so with an attitude of joy and gratitude. We want to provide a safe worship experience for as many people as possible.

We are asking for your patience as we continue to work toward the safest possible worship opportunity for as many people as possible.

Most importantly, we are asking for your prayers.

Questions or comments to [salatham@rcda.org](mailto:salatham@rcda.org)

## **The Plan**

**As we prepare to re-enter our indoor worship in October here is what you can expect from us:**

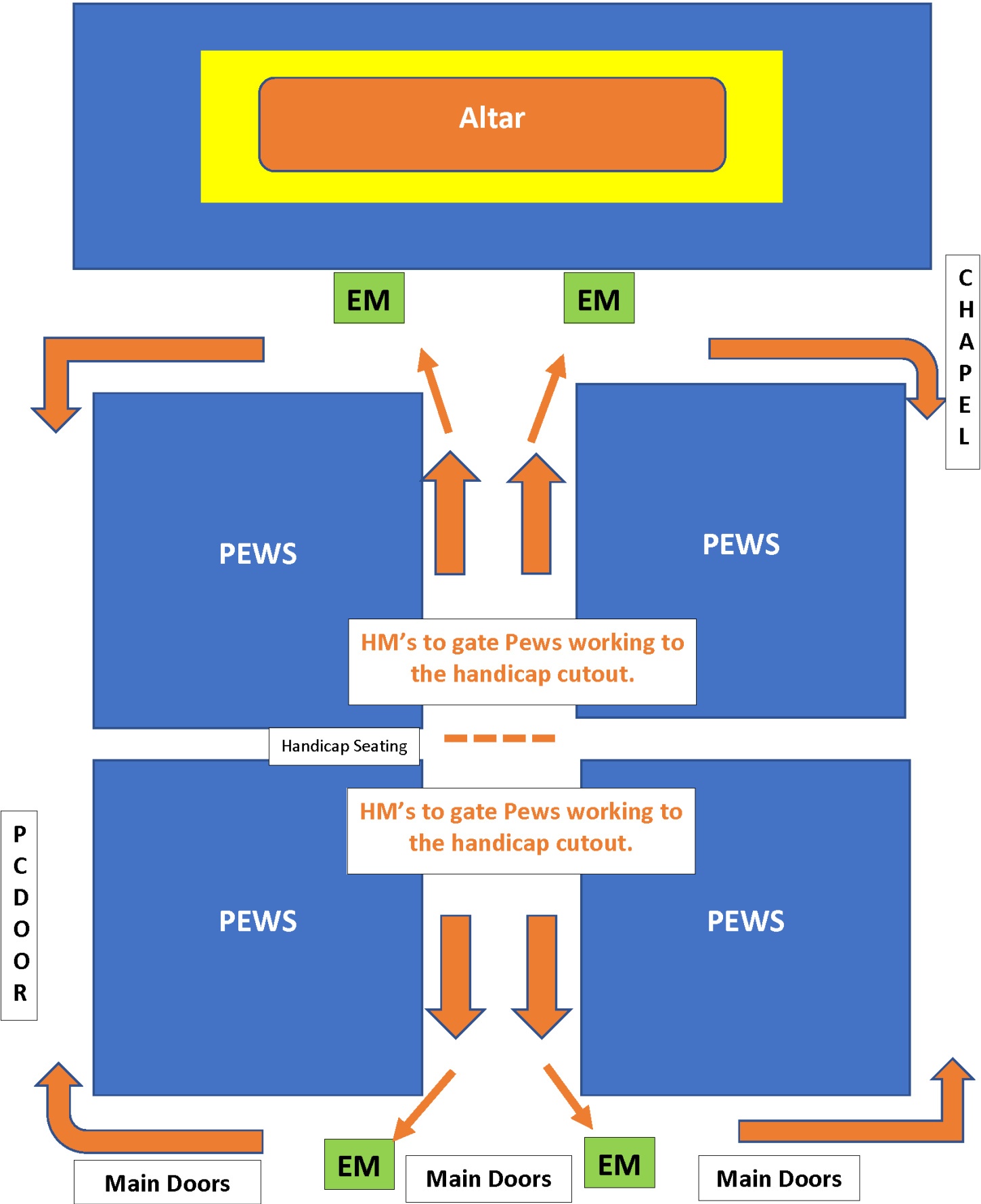
- We will be adhering to all the governmental and diocesan requirements for safety.
- We will be sanitizing the facility after each gathering.
- We are gathering information for contact tracing.
- We have marked off pews to encourage social distancing.
- We will be allowing people to overflow into the parish center for worship to encourage social distancing.

**As we prepare to re-enter our indoor worship in October here is what we are asking from you:**

- That you wear your masks at all times.
- That you socially distance from others.
- That you sanitize your hands.
- That you be joyful, patient and flexible.
- That you stay informed via social media, email and the bulletin.
- If possible register, in advance by filling out the COVID declaration form found on our website.
- That you remember we are doing the best we can to ensure a safe return to indoor worship in a warm and welcoming environment.

**Looking forward to gathering with you on  
October 4, 9 AM INSIDE the Church for Mass**

Communion Flow in Church



## SCHOOL UPDATE

# 2020 Race for Education



On Friday, October 23, 2020, Saint Ambrose School will be holding its annual *Race for Education*, our largest fundraiser of the year! Every dollar we raise goes directly to benefit our students. We need your help to reach our goal of **\$20,000!**

Students participate in a day of fun to celebrate our generous sponsors. Students will walk/jog around our school campus, plus have the opportunity to win a number of prizes based on participation!

We ask that family and friends join us in helping to raise funds in order to continue to provide quality education and affordable tuition. Each student will raise funds by asking for sponsors to contribute a *tax deductible* donation to our school. Students will be mailing letters to sponsors, but families are also more than welcome to share our Race for Education website for more information and to make online donations: <https://stambroselatham.com/race-for-education>. Please refer to the specific instructions contained in the attached material to complete mailing labels (due by Monday, September 28, 2020).

While we anticipate our race might look a little different this year due to the pandemic, we are also ecstatic to be able to host this community building event for our students. We could not provide the educational opportunity that our students deserve without the generosity of our families and friends.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at [lily.spera@stambroselatham.com](mailto:lily.spera@stambroselatham.com) if you have any questions.

Mrs. Lily Spera

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mrs. Lily Spera".

Principal



## FOLLOW OUR SCHOOL ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Facebook: @stambroseschoollatham

Instagram: @st.ambrose.latham

518-785-6453

Website: [www.stambroselatham.org](http://www.stambroselatham.org)

Lily Spera, Principal

Kelly Sano, Secretary



SEPTEMBER 27, 2020



**FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS**  
to honor & make reparation to the  
**IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY**

10am in the Chapel on 10/3/20

Please exercise social distancing; bring your mask & rosary.

**YOUTH MINISTRY**

**Sign up for  
High School Ministry  
TODAY!**

Program starts October 4th.  
Visit our website for program  
details:

[stambroselatham.com/ym](http://stambroselatham.com/ym)

**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am—4:00 pm  
Sunday TBD  
(Hours subject to change as we begin to  
slowly reopen)

**HAILEY'S CORNER**



Why do  
people keep  
coming back  
to Church?

Because  
Jesus is a  
great HOST!

26th Sunday of Ordinary Time

# Socktober

seeking donations of NEW children's socks toward

## CHRISTMAS STORE

DECEMBER 14, 2020

Providing for children ages birth to 18 to  
low-income residents of Latham & Cohoes

Formerly Giving Tree, this year the goal is to turn this annual tradition into a more dignified way of providing children with a gift at Christmas time. The Christmas Store model is based on research that shows that a healthy model of ministry to those lacking material resources includes empowering them to be part of the process. By hand-selecting and their children's gifts, those receiving help can maintain their dignity. Our goal is to serve 100 children with two toys, a book and socks. Beginning in October we'll be seeking donations to stock the Christmas Store.

donations may be brought to Church on  
Sunday or to the parish office Monday  
through Thursday

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# BLESSING OF ANIMALS

October 4th @ 10:30am  
St Francis Circle

Bring any pet,  
large or small,  
furry or non-furry  
(even stuffed ones are  
welcome).