

Saint **AMBROSE**

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

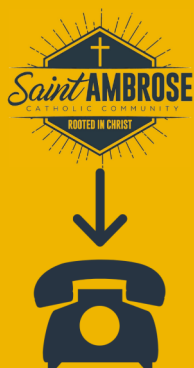
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3rd Sunday OF ADVENT

IF YOU WANT TO
STAY UPDATED,
BUT DON'T HAVE A
COMPUTER OR
INTERNET ACCESS,
GIVE US A CALL
AND WE CAN GET
YOU ON OUR
PHONE TREE

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Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesdays during Advent
11:00 AM to 2:00 PM
in Church

Masks must be worn at all times.
Social distancing is required.

Christmas Plans

As we rapidly approach Christmas Eve, we are putting the final touches on our preparation. We need your assistance and cooperation to make this happen.

As you know, Christmas Eve has been our biggest night of the year. If you have attended our Christmas Eve Vigil, then you know that this evening tends to be standing room only. As you will probably not be surprised to learn that gathering in the kinds of numbers we have in the past will be impractical if not impossible. We have made the decision that Christmas Eve Mass will be online only with a communion distribution opportunity following the stream of Mass. This was a difficult decision, but we're sure it's the right one. We will be streaming what is shaping up to be a spectacular Christmas Eve Mass, complete with all the beautiful music and decorations, and Christmas traditions you've come to expect. This will be followed by an opportunity for you to come to church and receive Communion.

We will be offering Masses on Christmas Day that you can attend in-person (8am & 10am, both in the Church and Parish Center). If you are planning on joining in-person on Christmas Day, we need you to register. That can be done a few ways: You can register online at our website www.stambroselatham.com and click on the button for the Christmas page at the bottom OR call the parish office and let them know which Mass you plan to attend and how many people you are reserving seats for.

Like we've done for some time, we'll need your assistance by filling out appropriate documentation as the date approaches.

We continue to invite you to:
Share: Please help us spread the word by

sharing with your friends and family about our plans for Christmas.

Serve: Can you assist us on Christmas Eve with Communion Distribution or on Christmas Day?

Prepare: Attending in-person worship in Christmas Day? We'll need you to sign up in advance.

Before we get to this week's cookie recipe, we have a little spoiler regarding next week's cookie recipe. Do you have a star or angel cookie cutter? If you need one, we have a limited number available. They will be available at the Sunday office on the weekend of 12/12 and 12/13. You will need one for the last Advent Cookie Recipe on 12/20.

Below is this week's cookie recipe. We will use the message from each week's reading to help us through this season of Advent as we wait for the sweetest gift of the season, the birth of our Lord.

Week three we hear about John in the Desert, spreading the news of the coming of the Lord. Let's use our Desserts to spread the joy of this season.

Holiday Gift Cookies (Dessert Cookies)

1 Box of yellow cake mix
1/2 Cup flour
1/3 Cup canola oil
2 Eggs
1(4oz) container of applesauce
1 6oz pkg. chocolate chips
1/2 Cup chopped pecans(optional)

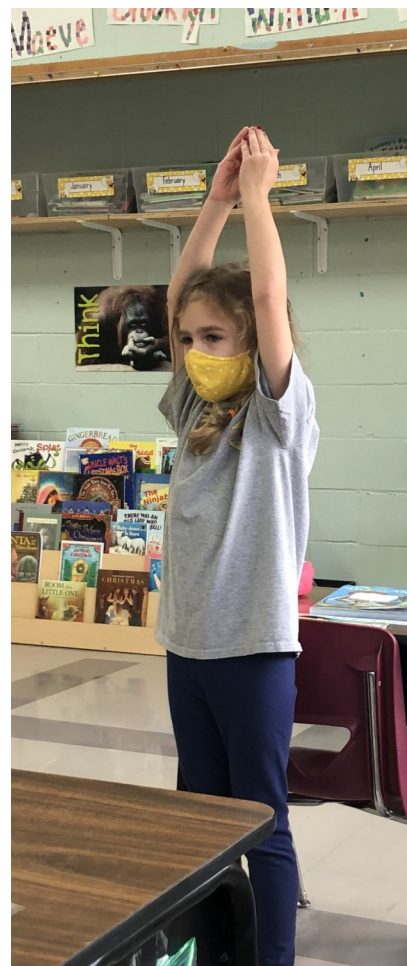
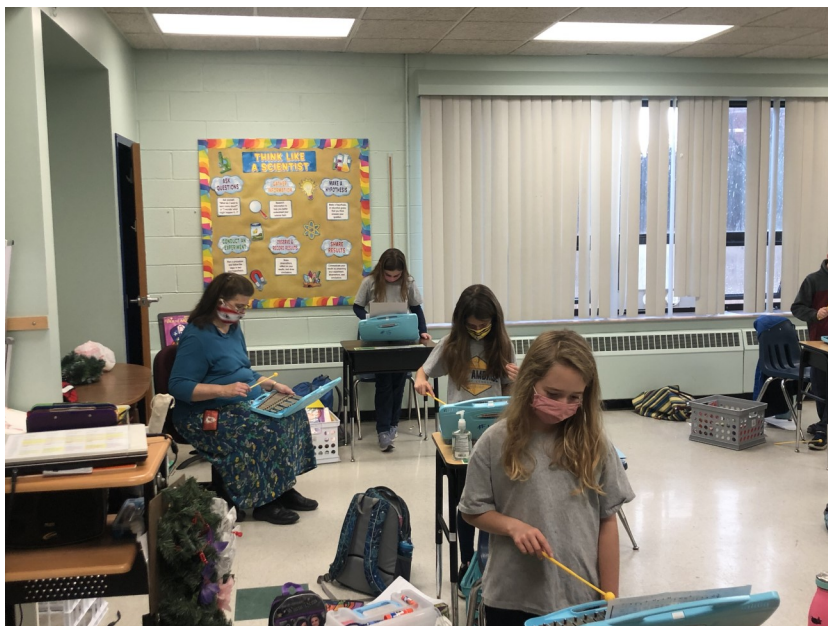
Preheat oven to 350 degrees
Mix and blend well the first 5 ingredients in a large bowl.
Stir in Chocolate chips and pecans.
Bake in 350 degree oven 12-14 minutes.
Enjoy!
Don't forget to post pics!

SCHOOL UPDATE

Prepare the Way

Advent reminds us that we can look ahead and get ready for the coming of Christ at Christmas. The students here at Saint Ambrose have been preparing for the coming of Christ by working on their Christmas Pageant.

This year will be "Teach the Children". Santa is reminding us the real meaning of Christmas. Students have been preparing their songs and dance for this entertainment. Kindergarten are representing the Fir Tree. 1st Grade are the sheep sing about the Good Shepherd. 2nd Grade represent the Candy Canes on the tree. Our 3rd graders will be telling the Good News "Hark! The herald Angels Sing". 4th grade will be playing the Glockenspiels "We Three Kings". 5th and 6th Grade will be telling the story and ending with "Silent Night" on their glockenspiels.



FOLLOW OUR SCHOOL ON SOCIAL MEDIA

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Lily Spera, Principal

Kelly Sano, Secretary



DECEMBER 13, 2020

COVID SELF-DECLARATION

Name: _____

Date: _____ Phone No: _____

Email: _____

All Family Members Accompanying you:

Have you traveled to countries outside the United States, visited states with high levels of COVID, or been in close contact with anyone who has traveled to those areas within the last 14 days? Yes or No

Have you had close contact with or cared for someone diagnosed with COVID-19 within the last 14 days? Yes or No

Have you experienced any cold or flu-like symptoms in the last 14 days (fever, cough, shortness of breath or other respiratory problem)? Yes or No

Due to state regulations, anyone circling Yes to ANY of the above questions is asked to not attend Mass.

I plan on attending 4pm Mass or 9am Mass

☐ I acknowledge all information is accurate.

MASS INTENTIONS

**Please remember these people
(living and deceased) in prayer this
week:**

Lucille Lonczak
Katherine & John Curran
Peter Falasco
Helen Falasco
Lillian Molnar
Emma Morris
Charles & Gloria Barber
Virginia & Ernest Iachetti
John J. Niedda
Pamela Scattareggia
Servillano Quiachon
Frank Sala
Charles Landauer

FR. BRIAN KELLY, PASTOR

OFFERTORY

Current Year

Previous Year

11/29/2020:

12/1/2019:

\$12,010.50

\$21,486.60

Reconciliation
Wednesdays 5-6 PM
Saturdays 2:30-3:30 PM

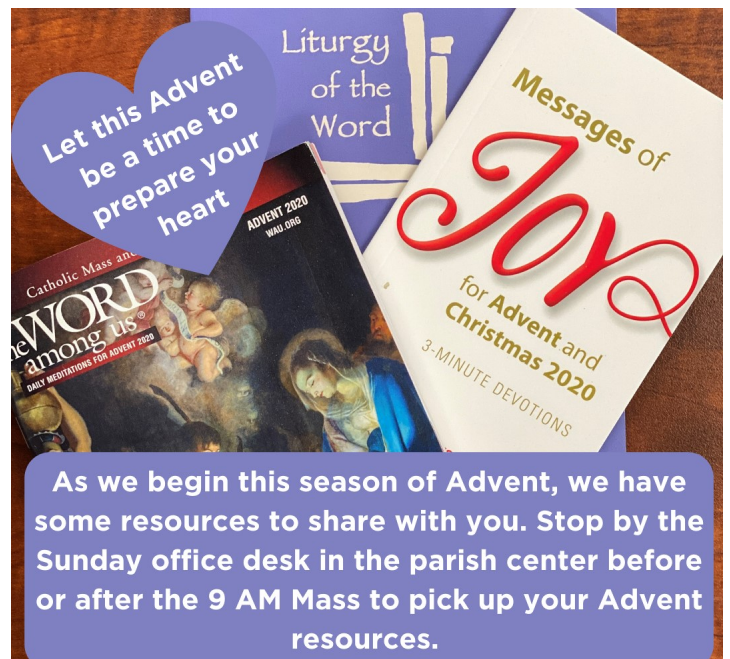
KEEP IN TOUCH

Website: www.stambroselatham.com

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Email: salatham@rcda.org

Are you receiving text and email notifications from St. Ambrose? Text the word ambrose to 84576 to opt in.



Let this Advent be a time to prepare your heart

Liturgy of the Word

Messages of Joy for Advent and Christmas 2020

3-MINUTE DEVOTIONS

As we begin this season of Advent, we have some resources to share with you. Stop by the Sunday office desk in the parish center before or after the 9 AM Mass to pick up your Advent resources.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday 9:00 am—4:00 pm

Sunday Before & After 9:00 am Mass