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~ A Welcoming Community Of Faith In The Heart Of Old Bridge ~

November 13, 2022

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"...Rather, we wanted to present ourselves as a model for you, so that you might imitate us." 2 THESSALONIANS 3:9

Most people who live a grateful and generous lifestyle don't go around bragging about it. But through their words and actions, others do take notice. They notice because of the joy and peace that results and others desire this in their own life. Know that the way you live your life may be the only interaction others may have with our Catholic faith.



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12

- 9:00AM -John La Cugna req. The Scognamiglio Family
- 9:00AM -Hannah Bannon req. The Bannon Family
- 5:00PM -Tony Trimarco req. Kathleen & Michael Vitale
- 5:00PM -Joseph Frizalone req. Family

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13

- 8:00AM -Nicholas Ruiz req. The Bocanegra Family
- 10:00AM -Mary McLaughlin req. The McLaughlin Family
- 10:00AM -Dan-Josef Bell req. Marge & Don Gallagher
- Noon -Thomas Murphy req. Lilly Mac & Family
- Noon -Elizabeth Mullan req. Patricia Corrigan

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14

- 6:30AM - In Thanksgiving for Eugene DeSello Birthday req. The DeSello Family

- 9:00AM -Antonio DeSello req. The DeSello Family

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

- 6:30AM -Matthew Gattuso req. The Hillier Family
- 9:00AM -Julio Rafael Rodriguez, Sr. req. Donnay Kingston

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16

- 6:30AM -Cresencia Garcia req. Lailani Macuray
- 9:00AM -Corby & Louise Grundman req. The Eldrenkamp Family

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17

- 6:30AM -Martha Hillier req. The Hillier Family
- 9:00AM -Richard Waligovska req. Rosemary Mulvaerton

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18

- 6:30AM -Michael Berardino req. Family
- 9:00AM -Lena Chiricolo req. The Chiricolo Family

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19

- 9:00AM -Elizabeth Mullan req. Mary J. Gill
- 9:00AM -Brendan Patrick Stapleton- Sawyer req. Mom
- 5:00PM -Mary Jean Smith req. Janice Young
- 5:00PM -Artie Caracciolo req. Marie Sangiovanni

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

- 8:00AM -Lucia Skibar req. The LaFlower Family
- 8:00AM -Cookie Sincavage req. Mr. & Mrs. George Wiliszewski
- 10:00AM -Florence Loewy req. The Ludeke Family
- 10:00AM -Grace Murnane O'Leary req. The Ludeke Family
- Noon -Bob Ippolito req. Wife Anna
- Noon -William L. Wilson req. Dora, Lou & Amanda Thievon

St Ambrose Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday

6:30AM and 9:00AM Mass

Saturday

9:00AM

confessions @ 3:45PM

5:00PM Vigil Mass

Sunday

8:00AM, 10:00AM and 12:00NOON

Memorials Available

If you would like to purchase memorials, kindly call the Parish Office during business hours and we would be happy to accommodate your request, based on date availability: *(All requests are for a one week time frame)*

Bread and Wine Offering	\$15.00
Sanctuary Lamp and Altar Candle	\$15.00

The following flower options are available:

Flowers for Blessed Mother	\$80.00
Flowers for St. Joseph	\$80.00
Altar arrangements (pulpit & lectern)	\$100.00 each
Large center arrangement "Rose for the Unborn"	\$375.00
	\$15.00

(to be placed at the tabernacle. The intention will read "Rose for the Unborn" donated in memory of/by.)

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: *If anyone is seriously ill at home, please notify the parish office. Do not wait until your loved one is at a critical point. The hospital visits are covered by each hospital's own chaplains. Our priests are assigned to Old Bridge Hospital for Tuesday and Wednesday.*

BAPTISM: *Call the Parish office to make arrangements for your child's baptism as early as possible. All baptisms are celebrated on a Sunday at 1:30PM in the Church (please note: Baptisms are **not** celebrated during the Lenten Season), and prior attendance at an instruction session for parents and godparents is required.*

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: *Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45pm or by appointment.*

MARRIAGES: *Arrangements must be made one year before the date of marriage.*

SAINT AMBROSE CHURCH

The collection for November 6th was not available at the time of print.

Thank you for your generous support.

CALENDAR RAFFLE NEWS

Congratulations to **Mae Wong** our calendar raffle winner for October 30th. Tickets are \$20 & are available at weekend Masses.



Please keep the sick of our parish in your daily prayers.

Michael Lombardo, & James Vella,
Nancy Stuart, Dawn Casey, Anna Martinez,
Patricia Sherman, Nina Biondi

St. Ambrose Culture of Life

....a Pro Life Ministry

We invite you to see the updated church display showing the 1-month progress of our adopted babies. It's not too late to sign up for this 9-month novena. Forms are adjacent to Our Lady of Guadalupe. Please continue to pray with us for them. Reflection: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hlh10Ik5e8>

Join Us this Tuesday, Nov. 15th in the St. Anthony Room at 7:00 pm [as we pray, learn, and share about how we might work together building a culture of Life.](#)

Join us each Fourth Saturday of the Month for 9:00 am Mass and a Rosary for Life after. Next Rosary Nov. 26th.

See how our adopted babies have grown. Use the QR code or type in the link.



Remembering St. Ambrose

Many people choose to support the mission of their church, upon their death, by remembering them in their will or trust. Your final donation to your church can be an eternal blessing if planned properly. Good intentions, however, are *not* a plan. Through your legal will and trust, you can determine how your assets or percentage of assets are to be distributed and directed toward a specific charity. If you would like to help your church, you are encouraged to speak with your attorney or financial planning agent, or call the parish office and we can point you in the right direction. May God bless you for your willingness to share and remember.

St. Ambrose Parish

As President Dwight Eisenhower said, "it is well for us to pause, to acknowledge our debt to those who pay so large a share of freedom's price". As we stand in grateful remembrance of their contributions, we invite you to thank these men and women for keeping us safe through their heroism and efforts. Today, say a special prayer for them, their families and loved ones. Be sure to take the time to say "thank you", or give a warm handshake to an active duty soldier or veteran. Most especially, please remember to pray for

Danny Vorsky	Nicholas Stragazzi
Peter Guarraci	Anthony Service
Matthew Kaplan	Michael Sanzone
Michelle Cordova	Fred Gros-pin
Timothy Pitak	Andy Siguenas
Marc Martinez	

"We beheld the Angel, holding a chalice in his left hand with the Host suspended above it, from which some drops of blood fell into the chalice. Leaving the (Host and) chalice suspended in the air, the Angel lay prostrate on the ground beside us and made us repeat three times:"

"Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I offer Thee the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of the same Son, Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for all the sacrileg- es, outrages, and indifference by which He Himself is offended. And through the infinite merits of His most Sacred Heart, and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg of Thee the conversion of poor sinners."- *The Angel of Fatima*

Saint Michael the Archangel,



defend us in battle.
Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host-by the Power of God-cast into hell, satan and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

Prayer of St. Ambrose Bishop and Doctor

O Gracious Lord Jesus, not presuming any merits of my own, but coming to You as a sinner, I place all my trust in your goodness and mercy and ask forgiveness for all my sins. It is to You, O God of Majesty and love, that I turn in my need, for you are the fount of mercy. To You, O Lord, I come quickly for You alone can heal me. Forget not, O Lord, that I am one of those whom You have created, and with Your own blood has redeemed. Strengthen my will so that my mind may be filled with only reverent thoughts and spur me on to doing works pleasing to you. Help me in my need and strengthen my trust in You. Keep me always aware of Your presence and my thoughts firmly centered on You. Amen.



STAY WITH ME, LORD

Stay with me, Lord, for it is necessary to have You present so that I do not forget You. You know how easily I abandon You. Stay with me, Lord, because I am weak, and I need Your strength, so that I may not fall so often. Stay with me Lord, for You are my light, and without you, I am darkness. Stay with me Lord, to show me Your will. Stay with me Lord, so that I hear Your voice and follow You. Stay with me Lord, for I desire to love You very much, and always be in Your Company. Amen

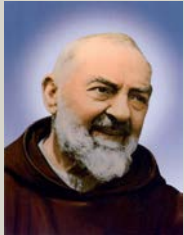
a little bit of reflection...

"I used to believe that prayer changes things, but now I know that prayer changes US and WE change things."
St. Teresa of Calcutta

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*"We often justify ourselves
by saying that we are
following our consciences,
when we are only
following our desires...
[W]e suit religion to
our actions, rather than
actions to religion..."*

St. Padre Pio Prayer Group of St. Ambrose Parish



*Come join us in prayer as we celebrate
Mass together in honor of St. Padre Pio
by Celebrant Fr. Jack C. Grimes. Mass
will be celebrated on Saturday, Novem-
ber 19th at 9:00 AM followed by veneration
of a first class relic of St. Padre Pio.*

.....a message from
from **Inspire Family Life Center**
(Rosanda Grau, Co-Founder
51 Mt Bethel Road Warren, NJ 07059)

Inspire Family Life Center was founded to meet the urgent needs of the thousands of at-risk and underserved women and families living in New Jersey, providing mothers and families who are facing unplanned or unexpected pregnancies with practical, emotional and spiritual support. Our doors are open to anyone in need of our services, including women who are not insured or in need of resources. Our Mission is to advance and defend all human life, born and unborn, by inspiring and empowering women and families to cherish LIFE by offering resources to encourage personal growth, family development, faith, and prosperity. We envision a world where abortion is overcome, and goodness, beauty & truth of life triumph.

Rosanda Grau from Inspire will be at all our Masses here at St. Ambrose on November 12 & 13 to address the congregation and share all the good news that is the Ministry of Inspire Family Life Center. Please prayerfully consider supporting Inspire through stewardship, prayer and donation. May God bless you for helping us achieve our goals and the mission God has placed in our hearts.

To learn more about Inspire, visit
www.InspireFamilyLifeCenter.com

RETROUVILLE

Stress In Your Marriage?

- Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage?
- Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse?
- Have you thought about separation or divorce?
- Does talking about it only make it worse?

RETROUVILLE is a Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages sponsored by the Office of Family Life, Diocese of Metuchen, NJ.

RETROUVILLE consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions. The upcoming weekend is **February 3 – 5, 2023**. All inquiries are confidential. For further information, please contact Rich Colasuonno 732-236-0671 or Annette Colasuonno 732-672-0748 or email 3024@helpourmarriage.org.

BLOOD DRIVE

**Most Holy Redeemer Parish
133 Amboy Road, Matawan, NJ 07747**

New Jersey Blood Services will be conducting a blood drive at Most Holy Redeemer Parish on Thursday, December 15, 2022, at 1:00 – 7:00 p.m. in Desmond Hall. At this time, the blood supply is critically low – PLEASE HELP.

To remain in compliance with the federal guidelines for social distancing.

- DONORS PRESENTING:
- Must wear a mask or face covering
- Will have their temperature taken
- Must be 14 days symptom-free if recovered from COVID-19
- May NOT donate if they have had a positive diagnostic test or experienced symptoms of COVID-19 in the last 14 days
- May NOT donate if they are currently on self-quarantine restrictions.

Please be aware that we DO NOT test for COVID-19. You should contact your health care provider if you want to be tested. Remember to eat, drink, and bring your Donor ID or ID with your name and photo.

The Parish School of Religion Program (PSR) is in need of volunteers to teach students with disabilities and help them prepare for the Sacraments. If anyone has special education experience please consider volunteering just 1 hour a week to help the children of the parish. Please call the Religious Education Office for more information at (732) 679-5580.



St. Ambrose Knights Breakfast support the following local charities: St. Ambrose School & HSA, St. Vincent de Paul, Camp Robin, Just4Kids (OBGSL), Brain Injured Children of Sayreville, Life Choices/St. Anne's Center, Ronald McDonald House, NJ Special Olympics, and Local Families in Need

Tired of cooking, Want someone to cook for you?

Come down and let us cook for you. Please join the St. Ambrose Knights of Columbus as we host our monthly 1st Sunday Breakfast. All food is cooked fresh to order. 8am to 12 pm

Cost: \$10 for adults \$6 for children
Location: 1 Frederick Place Old Bridge, NJ
Call 732-679-2230 for more details

Please join us on the following date in 2022

Jan. 2	Apr. 3	July 3	Oct. 2
Feb. 6	May 1	Aug. 7	Nov. 6
Mar. 6	June 5	Sept. 4	Dec. 4





**The Saint Ambrose
Altar Rosary Society**



Thanksgiving BAKE SALE



*Saturday, November 19th
After 5:00pm Mass
& Sunday, November 20th
After all Masses*

*Please support the
Altar Rosary Society
by purchasing some fresh baked goodies
for your
Thanksgiving Feast!*





THE ANNUAL THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

will be held on Saturday & Sunday

November 19 and 20

Some suggested items include:

potatoes/yams/gravy/rice

canned goods veg/fruit/tuna/soups

cranberry sauce

peanut butter/jelly pasta/sauce

cake mix/frosting jello/pudding

sugar flour

dinner rolls

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Sunday Nov. 20 Thank you

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