



ST. AMBROSE

— CATHOLIC CHURCH —

SUNDAY | AUGUST 28, 2022

22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Do not recline at table in the
place of honor. A more
distinguished guest than you
may have been invited.”
- Lk 14:8bc

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ABOUT ST. AMBROSE CHURCH

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August 28, 2022

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M.Div.

Director of Religious Education

Mrs. Mary Ellen Johns

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Mrs. Carol Deibert

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Ms. Barbara Bindie

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday | 5:00pm
Sunday | 8:30am, 10:30am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday-Thursday | 8:30am
First Friday | 8:30am

CONFESSION

Saturday | 3:30pm - 4:00pm

YOUTH PROTECTION

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ST. AMBROSE WEEK AT A GLANCE

August

30 (T) Cantor Practice Church 6:30PM

September

01 (Th) Rosary Guild R.M.R. 9:00AM

03 (Sa) First Saturday Adoration Church 3:30PM

R.M.R. = Rectory Meeting Room

STEWARDSHIP

FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022

Offering for Sunday 08/21/2022

Envelopes.....\$9,155.00

Online\$1,908.00

Total.....\$11,063.00

Online giving: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stambrose>

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 5. We will reopen at 9:30AM on Tuesday, September 6.

STEWARDSHIP CONFERENCE 2022 (Sept. 14-15)—This one-of-a-kind conference featuring nationally known speakers will deliver inspiring messages that will encourage you to stand FIRM in your faith. Set on the grounds of the beautiful Stone Gables Estate in Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania, you will have the opportunity to walk the Stations of the Cross, visit the Marian Grotto, and much more. Conference tickets include lunch. Options include a ride on the historic Harrisburg, Lincoln & Lancaster Railroad. For more information, please visit <https://StewardshipConference.org>.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY | WEEK 1, SEPTEMBER 3-4

LECTORS

5:00pm James Heller
Margaret Young

8:30am Alexandra Patrocino
Anita Vickers

10:30am Dana Seisler
Gretchen Sterns

GREETERS

5:00pm Teresa Heller
Kathy Wingle

8:30am Ethel Bergen
Leia Pereira

10:30am Nancy Griffin
Leanne Mengel

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

5:00pm Debra Ahrensfield
Anne Bizup
Meg Young

8:30am Tom Bizup
Bob Bylone, Jr.
Shelly Palmer

10:30am Deb Dasch
Natalie Grogan
Mindy Spolski



SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR 09-04-2022

"Let your face shine upon your servant; and teach me your laws." (Psalms 119: 135)

Reading I: Wisdom 9: 13-18 **Reading II:** Philemon 9-10, 12-17
Gospel: Luke 14: 25-33

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS OUR RECENTLY DEPARTED AND THEIR FAMILIES

Sandra Fox

Maria 'Teri' (Sieck) Sterner

Carol Marie Woznicki

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 29 The
Passion of St. John the Baptist
8:30AM LeRoy Scheffler

Tuesday, August 30
8:00AM Adoration
8:30AM Ann Marie DiCello

Wednesday, August 31
8:30AM John Sublousky

Thursday, September 01
8:30AM Intentions of Ed &
Joanne Wayman (55th
Wedding Anniversary)

First Friday, September 02
8:30AM Joane Mercuri Butera

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, September 03
5:00PM Mary Elizabeth Killian

Sunday, September 04
8:30AM Living and Deceased
Parishioners

10:30AM Betty and Al
Yackenchick

A Pilgrimage is a time of grace, indulgence and evangelization. On **Thursday, October 6, 2022**, Bishop Schlert will lead the Diocese on a Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. Plan to participate by making your bus reservations now. Make the Pilgrimage of 2022 a truly religious experience for you and your family. Call Barbara in the parish office for more details. The Pilgrimage theme is in celebrating the 60th Year of our Diocese.

Votive Lamps Week of August 28-September 03

Main Altar—For the Messengers of Hope Community

Main Altar—For Our Pro-Life Ministry

Lady Chapel—For Our PREP Mentors

Sacred Heart—For Our PREP Students

Immaculate Heart—In Loving Memory of Suzanne Renninger

Divine Mercy—For Peace in Eastern Europe

Divine Mercy—For Our Own Special Intentions

Military Candle—†John Sublousky, U.S. Army Korea and Vietnam

Our penny container will be in the vestibule next weekend. Please consider donating your pennies to the parish.

Healing Mass Join Father George Winne for a Healing Mass at Cathedral of Saint Catharine of Siena, 1825 West Turner Street, Allentown on Tues., September 13, 2022 at 7:00 PM. Praise and worship music begin at 6:30 PM. All are invited to attend.

Catholic Men's Conference "Warriors for Christ" is being offered by the Commission for Men on Sat., November 19, 2022 at DeSales University. Men of the Diocese of Allentown are invited to learn how to be a Catholic man in the world today and listen to keynote speakers Devon Schadt, Dr. Edward Sri, and Father Patrick Lamb. To learn more and view the flyer, visit the Commission for Men website **by clicking here**.

FAMILY PREP NEEDS YOU! Do you have a passion for sharing the love of Jesus? Consider serving as a program facilitator, tech coordinator or class mentor for grades 1,2,4,5 or 6 during the 2022-2023 Parish Religious Education Program. The Family program meets the first Sunday of the month (Oct, Nov, Jan, Feb, Apr) from 9:40-11:00 am. Program facilitators open each session with prayer and a large group discussion/activity. Mentors then accompany children to the classrooms for a youth-friendly activity while the adults remain in the parish center to watch a video or to enjoy a guest speaker. We also need tech coordinators of all ages to assist in Level 3, which meets twice a month on Sunday evening from 6-7:15 pm. To learn more about this opportunity, contact Mary Ellen in the Parish Office or email stambroseprep@comcast.net.

SWAHILI CATHOLIC MASS – Fr. Barnabas Shayo, A.J., will celebrate a Swahili Catholic Mass on September 11, at 2:00 pm, in St. Patrick Church. All are welcome to experience the African way of celebrating Mass. There will be African food and drinks at the Parish Center following Mass. Tickets are needed for the dinner because space is limited. Please RSVP by August 28 by calling Debbie at 570-622-1802, ext. 0.

Wedding Anniversary Mass The Diocese of Allentown celebrates the Vocation of Marriage by offering a Mass for married couples celebrating a milestone anniversary (5, 10, 15, 25, etc.). All attending couples are invited to renew their vows and thank God for the gift of the Sacrament of Marriage during the Annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass held each September. The 2022 Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday, September 18, 2022 at 2:00PM at the Cathedral of Saint Catharine of Siena, Allentown. Couples can register here: <https://www.allentowndiocese.org/anniversarymass>



A Trunk Full for the Food Kitchen! Thank you to everyone who donate each month to the Schuylkill Haven & Vicinity Council of Churches Food Pantry. Every month we send a trunk full of food to the pantry. Our next collection will be the **weekend of September 10-11**. Monetary donations can be made at anytime online. These items are always in demand: spaghetti sauce, elbow macaroni, Lipton or Knorr seasoning packets, noodle packets, canned meats, canned fruits, canned vegetables, canned beans, cereal by the box, crackers, cake or pancake mixes, canned milk, coffee, tea, hot chocolate, juice, non-perishable food products, and paper products.

Distractions

“DON’T PRAY at Mass. Pray the Mass.”

That piece of advice disoriented many Catholics in the 1960s when the Church invited us to take a different role at Mass. Catholics used to go to church carrying prayer books and rosaries so they could say their own prayers while Mass was going on. They were asked to set aside many of the prayers they used to say privately in order to take part in the prayer going on around them publicly. When you visit someone, you do not immediately pick up the phone to visit someone else. Having a conversation is good, but having the wrong one will distract us. While at Mass we don’t avoid prayer; we take part in a specific prayer.

Distractions come in many other forms, too. You will find people reading the bulletin, balancing their checkbook, cutting their nails, and adjusting their makeup during the homily, the Scripture readings, or the Eucharistic Prayer. Occasionally a cellular phone rings. Sometimes it belongs to the priest! If he answers it, you know that distractions have gotten way out of hand.

Sometimes we bring our own distractions. You may come to church with the intention of joining in the prayer, but your mind begins to wander to the events of the day ahead, the memory of the day past, the fears you harbor, the loves you enjoy, the appearance of the church or the behavior of worshipers.

Nonetheless, our common goal is to pray the Mass. It is hard, but two activities will help: preparation at home and concentration at church. At home, you can prepare for Mass by reading the Scriptures beforehand and making time for personal prayer. Then when you arrive at church, the skills you honed at private prayer will enhance your communal prayer. During the Mass, concentrate on the texts you say or sing. Think about the meaning of the words. Listen attentively when one of the ministers speaks. Observe the silences with reverence. Distractions will be fewer when our preparation and concentration grow stronger.



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