



# ST. AMBROSE PARISH

MARCH 10, 2024 | FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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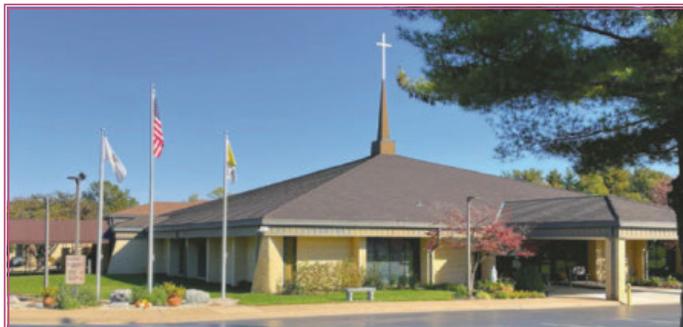
## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

### MONDAY - THURSDAY

8:30 A.M. - NOON and  
1:00 - 4:30 P.M.

### FRIDAY

8:30 A.M. - NOON and  
1:00 - 4:00 P.M.



ST. AMBROSE, GODFREY

### ST. MICHAEL, BELTREES



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... the followers of JESUS look to Jesus “mounted on a pole”, the CROSS, and through the power of God, experience healing through the forgiveness of sins.

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FOR GOD  
DID NOT SEND  
HIS SON INTO  
THE WORLD TO  
CONDEMN THE  
WORLD. JN 3:17



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Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Ambrose Parish Family,

This weekend marks the mid-way point of our Lenten Season, traditionally called "**Laetare**" (let us rejoice) Sunday. The Church marks this mid-way point by wearing rose-colored vestments instead of the usual Lenten violet.

The Word of God this weekend tells the story of Moses and the serpent mounted on the pole and God's power to heal those bitten by serpents so they might live. The connection with the Gospel is that the followers of **JESUS** look to Jesus "mounted on a pole", the **CROSS**, and through the power of God, experience healing through the forgiveness of sins.

In the *Mass for the **Second Scrutiny*** (celebrated at 10:30 a.m.) with our Elect, those preparing for the Easter Sacraments, we heard the story of the man born blind and how he was healed by Jesus. We prayed with our Elect that their eyes and ours will be opened to recognize our need for Jesus' healing. Lent is a time of reconciliation for the Baptized.

On Tuesday of this week, in addition to Mass at St. Ambrose, I will celebrate Mass at **Ashbury Village** at 3:00 p.m. The plan is to offer Mass at Ashbury on the second Tuesday of the month. Parishioners are welcome.

On the third Tuesday of the month, in addition to Mass at St. Ambrose, I will celebrate Mass at **Cedarhurst Senior Living** in Godfrey at 1:30 p.m. Parishioners are welcome.

Wednesday, March 13, is the St. Ambrose Day for **40 Days for Life** at the Hope Clinic in Granite City. Thanks to those who have volunteered to be a physical presence and witness to LIFE. Please continue to pray for a deeper respect for all human life, beginning in the womb.

The third and **final Scrutiny** with our Elect will take place at the 4:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday, March 16, 2024. Please continue to pray for those who are preparing for the Sacraments of Christian Initiation at Easter.



Fr. Steve

St. Ambrose will offer a **Communal Penance Service** NEXT SUNDAY, **March 17 at 3:30 p.m.**, concluding with the Sunday Evening Prayer and Rosary (for those who can stay). Frs. Frank and Louis and I will be available for individual confession and absolution. To prepare for the celebration of the Sacrament, please review the Examination of Conscience provided below.

**May God bless you as we enter this home stretch of Lent.**

## Sunday's Readings

### First Reading:

Early and often did the LORD, the God of their fathers, send his messengers to them, for he had compassion on his people and his dwelling place.

But they mocked the messengers of God, despised his warnings, and scoffed at his prophets, until the anger of the LORD against his people was so inflamed that there was no remedy. (2 Chr 36:15-16)

### Psalm:

Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you! (Ps 137)

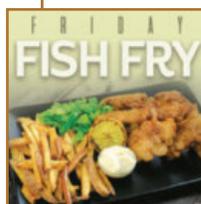
### Second Reading:

God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ. (Eph 2:4-5)

### Gospel:

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. (Jn 3:16)

**It's Hospitality Weekend ... join us after every Mass for snacks & fellowship!**



**Every Friday** during Lent from **4-7 p.m.** hosted by Godfrey Knights of Columbus at the McNicholas Club on Stamper Lane.

# PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

The Parish community of St. Ambrose and St. Michael Catholic Churches strive to live by God's Word. By sharing our God-given gifts of time, talent and treasure, we grow in our faith and in our love of God and one another. It is in Jesus Christ that we are one family in our homes and broader community through the sacraments, outreach, faith formation for all ages, and our sister parish San Juan Baptista In Guatemala.

## WEEK OF MARCH 11-17 MASS SCHEDULE

### DAILY MASS AT ST. AMBROSE

Monday at 5:30 p.m. followed by the Praying of the Rosary

Tuesday - Friday at 8:15 a.m.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND ADORATION

Wednesday at St. Michael at 7:00 p.m.

### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

 Saturday at 4:30 p.m.

Sunday at 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

### COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE

Sunday 3:30 - 4:00 p.m.

### COMMUNAL EVENING PRAYER

 Sunday at 4:00 p.m. followed by the Praying of the Rosary

### RECONCILIATION

Saturdays beginning at 3:30 in the Daily Chapel

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, March 9 at 4:30 p.m.**

*St. Ambrose Parishioners*

**Sunday, March 10 at 8:00 a.m.**

*David Gregory, Rena Lanham, and Crisangela Neidlinger*

**Sunday, March 10 at 10:30 a.m.**

*Doris Jun and Jeanne Rynders*

**Monday, March 11 at 5:30 p.m.**

*Dennis Olston*

**Tuesday, March 12 at 8:15 a.m.**

*Dale Fensterman*

**Wednesday, March 13 at 8:15 a.m.**

*40 Days for Life Campaign*

**Thursday, March 14 at 8:15 a.m.**

*John Carroll*

**Friday, March 15 at 8:15 a.m.**

*Pat Wheeler*

**Saturday, March 16 at 4:30 p.m.**

*Anita Wetzel and Mary Beth Reed*

**Sunday, March 17 at 8:00 a.m.**

*St. Ambrose Parishioners*

**Sunday, March 17 at 10:30 a.m.**

*Dale Krepel and Carolyn Davis*



We have a good problem! The upper parking lot is overflowing at the weekend Masses. However, cars are being parked in the fire lanes. If you are able, please park in the lower level to make space available in the upper parking lot for those that need it.

Never Park next to a yellow curb please.

Our next **St. Ambrose Women's Group** gathering is scheduled for **Wednesday, March 13, 9:00 a.m.** in the Community Center. One of our own Master Gardeners will share spring gardening tips and answer any questions you may have. Please join us!



**Baptism Preparation Session** is scheduled for this **Sunday, March 10th** at 11:30. Questions? Contact Deacon Jay



*Bible Study on Saturdays in the Pastoral Center*

**Men's 8:00 to 9:30 a.m. & Women's at 9:30 a.m.**

**Questions?** Contact Greg Mattingly at 618-466-2911 or [grgrymt1@icloud.com](mailto:grgrymt1@icloud.com)



Join us for weekly **Inquiry Sessions** each **Sunday** after the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

**Questions?** Contact Deacon Bill at 618-466-2921 x6 or email him at [deaconbillk@gmail.com](mailto:deaconbillk@gmail.com)

# EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE

## EVERYONE

### Responsibilities to God

Have I gone to Mass every Sunday? Have I participated at Mass as best I could?

Have I prayed every day?

Have I read the Bible? Have I studied the truths of our faith and allowed them to become more a part of the way I think and act? Have I read any spiritual books or religious literature?

Have I misused the name of God by swearing and cursing?

Have I been financially generous to the Church?

Have I participated in parish or religious activities?

Have I held resentments toward the Church or Church authorities? Have I forgiven them?

### Responsibilities to others and myself

Have I lied to or deceived anyone?

Have I been arrogant and stubborn?

Have I gotten angry or nurtured and held grudges and resentments?

Have I refused to forgive others—parents, relatives, employers, former friends, a former spouse? Have I cultivated hatred?

Have I read pornographic literature or looked at pornographic pictures, shows or movies?

Have I gossiped about others? Have I slandered anyone? Have I told lies about others?

Have I mocked or made fun of others?

Have I stolen anything? Have I paid it back?

Have I been selfish or spiteful toward others?

Have I been jealous?

Have I misused alcohol or drugs?

### Responsibilities to society

Have I been a Christian witness to those with whom I work or associate?

Have I allowed the Gospel to influence my political and social opinions?

Have I had a proper Christian concern for the poor and needy?

Have I been prejudiced toward others because of race, color, religion or social status?

## MARRIED COUPLES

### Responsibilities to my spouse

Have I cared for my spouse? Have I been generous with my time? Have I been affectionate and loving? Have I told my spouse that I love him or her?

Have I been concerned about the spiritual well-being of my spouse?

Have I allowed misunderstanding, miscommunication or accidents to cause anger and mistrust?

Have I spoken sharply or sarcastically to my spouse?

Have I committed adultery?

## PARENTS

### Responsibilities to children

Have I cared for the spiritual needs of my children?

Have I made sure my children attend Sunday Mass?

Have I taught my children the Gospel and the commandments of God? Have I prayed with them?

Have I corrected them out of love in order to teach them what is right and good?

Have I treated them with respect?

Have I undermined the role of authority in the eyes of my children by speaking negatively against God, the Church, my spouse or others who hold legitimate authority over them?

Have I been a good Christian witness to my children in what I say and do?

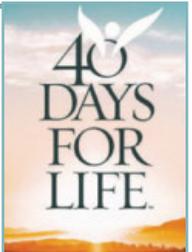
# ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEEKEND OF MARCH 16/17	Eucharistic Ministers	Servers	Ushers	Lector
<b>Saturday at 4:30 p.m.</b>	Nancy Blair Matthew Darr Stacey Eccles Leanne Ridolfi Thomas Schmidt Sue Stirnaman Linda Wickenhauser Kathleen Wittich	Dakotah Kelly Ryan Terry <b>VOLUNTEER NOW</b>	Delaine Dressman A. Wayne Hensley Cathy McCune Andrew Narup Sandra Willings	Carmen Serio
<b>Sunday at 8:00 a.m.</b>	Mary Erwin Carol French Patricia Kimbro Stephen Mikoff Joseph Miller Patrick Miller Laurie Milnor Carmen Serio	James Erwin Hunter Horton Leon Kerkemeyer	Terry Croxford Allan Daniel Clarence Davenport Anthony Joehl Paul Krueger Michael Stumpf	Flo Sievers
<b>Sunday at 10:30 a.m.</b>	Jennifer Baird Michael Bruns Mary Grant Arlene Mathus Charles Sethaler Patricia Steinmann Noah Wilkinson <b>VOLUNTEER NOW</b>	Charlotte Hendrickson Ella Schroeder Miles Schroeder	Robert Baird David Dornes Stephen Hieke John Kline David Stafford Samuel Wilkinson	Angie Nicholson



Join us on Wednesdays during Lent at St. Michael in Beltrees at 7:00 p.m. with Adoration

Join us in participating in the **40 Days for Life Campaign**. St. Ambrose's Vigil is scheduled for **Wednesday, March 13th**, from 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. at the Hope Clinic in Granite City. **Sign-up now** for a one-hour spot (or more!) Link is on our website or click here: <https://stambrosegodfrey.flocknote.com/signup/154378>




**St. Ambrose Catholic School**  
United in Faith and Community

**Why St. Ambrose?**

- Spiritual Growth
- Strong Community Support
- Academic Excellence
- Safety Conscious

**SCHEDULE A TOUR** [www.saintambroseparish.org](http://www.saintambroseparish.org)

Registration is now open!

Join us for **Faith Formation Tuesdays**. This program about *The Eucharist* is offered **every Tuesday at 9 a.m. following Mass and repeated in the evening at 6:30 p.m.**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS



St. Ambrose  
**BASKETBALL**  
HOOP IT UP RAFFLE

RAFFLE TICKETS  
1 FOR \$20 OR BUY 3 GET 1 FREE  
*On Sale Now!*

MARCH 17 Selection Raffle  
MARCH 21-22 First Round  
MARCH 23-24 Second Round  
MARCH 28-29 Sweet 16  
MARCH 30-31 Elite Eight  
APRIL 6 Final Four  
APRIL 8 Championship Game

ST. Ambrose Saints

VISIT [WWW.SABASKETBALL24.GIVESMART.COM](http://WWW.SABASKETBALL24.GIVESMART.COM) FOR MORE INFO

Tickets are on sale now through March 17th for our St. Ambrose Hoop It Up Basketball Raffle.

Visit [SABasketball24.givesmart.com](http://SABasketball24.givesmart.com) to purchase tickets & view complete details.

**We will also be selling them after all Masses on the weekend of March 16th & 17th**

JOIN US FOR THE  
MARQUETTE CATHOLIC  
BLUE & WHITE

# Gala

DINNER & AUCTION

**MARCH 16, 2024**  
at Marquette Catholic High School

5:30pm Silent Auction | 6pm Dinner | 8:30pm Live Auction

Ticket Prices  
\$60 per person  
includes dinner, dessert, & 2 drink tickets

\$25 Online Bidding Number  
for those who are unable to join us

rsvp by March 1st  
[marquettecatholic.org/auction](http://marquettecatholic.org/auction)  
or contact Mary Kline (314) 791-9853



All are welcome to a  
**A DAY OF LENTEN REFLECTION WITH THE  
ST. SERRA VOCATIONS CLUB**

**Wednesday, March 13, 2024**

Saint Ambrose Church & Community Center  
820 W Homer M. Adams Parkway, Godfrey, IL  
(Non-members are most welcome at our retreat!)

11:00 – 2:30

(confessions begin at 2:30)

Includes Mass, 2 Reflection Talks, Santino's Lunch & Confessions

Retreat Director: Father Tom Donovan

Topic: The Eucharist

COST for meal \$20.00 per person, **RSVP for a lunch required**

**PLEASE CONFIRM YOUR ATTENDANCE FOR OUR LENTEN DAY OF RETREAT BY MARCH 6** BY E-MAILING OR LEAVING A MESSAGE FOR CAROLYN AT [casimansky@gmail.com](mailto:casimansky@gmail.com) or 618-463-1793

## SAVE THE DATE

St. Ambrose Women's Group will be hosting their annual

## SPRING SALAD LUNCHEON & BASKET RAFFLE

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24TH**

**11 A.M. - 1 P.M.**

Community Center

Cost will be \$15

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Pray for the Sick, For those in our Military, for Caretakers of the Sick, and for all who are struggling ...*

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| Kate Baird Ashlock  | Linda Jun  |
| Brianne Barry   | Rachel Kirchner  |
|  Steven Blair, Jr., Navy | Robert Klaus, Jr.  |
| Rick Boyer  | Pat Klasner  |
| Carissa Burke   | Kraig Kline, Army         |
| Sharon Cadel  | Rachel Kuithe  |
| Doris Cress   | John Manio   |
| Steve Daniel  | James Manns  |
| Steve Darr  | Noel Merkle  |
| Ann Dooling   | Christopher Moore  |
| Ursula Dwyer  | Beverly Mosbarger  |
| Elaine Eberlin  | Freda Mullen   |
| Michelle Eberlin  | Donna Narrup   |
| Terry Eberlin   | Joyce Nichols  |
| Monica Ellebracht   | Margaret Nicholson   |
| Patti Freeman   | Marsha Norris  |
| Nina Giardina   | Joe P.   |
| Natalie Gordon  | Vern Phillips  |
| Walt Gregory  | Dr. Janis Robinson   |
| Ruth Guntren  | Dr. William Robinson   |
|  Haley Haar, Air Force | Larry Ruder  |
| Jody Hagen  | Danny Selby, Air Force  |
| Dan Hall  | Anthony Serio, Army     |
| Darlene Henke   | Nicholas Smith, Navy    |
| Emily Hollinger   | Sarah Stirton  |
| Cheryl Ingle  | Liz Stockhausen  |
| Melissa Jones   | Angie Wiener   |

**To be added to the Prayer List, please contact the Parish Office at (618) 466-2921 x2 or email Mary Jo at [mzykan@saintambroseparish.org](mailto:mzykan@saintambroseparish.org)**



**Roy J. Mossman**, 94, passed away on February 23rd at Jerseyville Nursing & Rehabilitation. Beloved husband to the late Mary Grace Dipiazza, father of three, grandfather of six, great-grandfather of eight, uncle, and friend. Roy was employed as an operator at Shell Oil Co. He was a devoted member of St. Ambrose Catholic Church for 69 years. His passion for the outdoors, especially caring for his gardens, was evident. He and his wife enjoyed extensive travel throughout the United States in their custom-built RV and delighted in dancing the jitterbug. A private graveside service will be held at Valhalla Memorial Park with Father Steve Janoski officiating. Memorials are suggested to St. Ambrose Parish & School, St. Jude's Children's Research, and/or Shriners' Hospital for Children.



**Beverly Ann (O'Connor) Stutz**, 84, passed away on March 3rd at home surrounded by her family. Beloved wife of the late Edward Paul Stutz, mother of five including parishioners David (Theresa) Stutz and Larry (Lori) Stutz, grandmother of fourteen including Andy (Johanna) Stutz and Adam (Andrea) Stutz, great-grandmother of seven including Jack, Aiden & Addison Stutz, sister of three including parishioners Connie (Bill) Bollini, Mary (Richard) Boyer, and Theresa O'Connor, and aunt of parishioner Robert (Jennifer) Baird. Beverly was a long-standing member of Our Lady Queen of Peace where she volunteered her skills in teaching various religion classes. She also volunteered with the Fosterburg Mothers Club and the Optimist Soccer Club. She enjoyed crafts of all mediums; including knitting, crocheting, painting & weaving.



Visitation & funeral Mass was held at OLQP on March 9th. Memorials are suggested to OLQP, American Diabetes Assoc., American Kidney Foundation or Unity Hospice.



If you have a friend or loved one sick or in hospital please let the



Please contact Tom Schmidt (retired grief and trauma counselor) at 618-219-0612 to discuss your options.

**Grief Share**, support for the loss of a spouse, parent, child, sibling, friend, pet, etc. meets every Monday at St. Ambrose from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. | **The Compassionate Friends**, support for the loss of a child, grandchild, or sibling meets the last Friday of the month at St. Ambrose from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

# NEIGHBORING NEWS

Please join us for **Mustard Seed Peace Project's** annual **TRIVIA NIGHT** | **Saturday, April 6th** | Doors open at 6:15 p.m. **at the Godfrey Knights of Columbus McNicholas Hall** | Tickets/Tables (8 people per table) can be reserved by **calling/texting 618-974-7418 or messaging our Facebook page**. We will accept cash, check or Venmo/PayPal at the door. Play starts at 7:00 pm. Please feel free to bring your own food/snacks and non alcoholic beverages. Alcoholic and other beverages can be purchased at the bar for those 21+. We can't wait to spend the night playing Trivia with you! We will be having basket raffles, door prizes, 50/50, and our FAMOUS DEAL OR DUD boxes!

## **Bethalto Knights of Columbus Chicken Dinner** **Sunday, March 17th** from 11:30 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

Dine In, All-You-Care-to-Eat: \$14 Adults, \$6 Children (ages 5-10)  
Drive Thru or Carry Out: \$14 for half chicken or five (5) chicken strips, and choice of three (3) sides  
Public Welcome | Proceeds go to Bethalto K of C Charities and OLQP Parish

## Madison County Catholic Charities Hosts **23rd Help On The Move Annual Fundraiser** | **Saturday, April 13** from 6 – 11 p.m.

The event will be held at Julia's Banquet Center, 101 Eastgate Plaza in East Alton, IL. The evening will include dinner, drinks, & DJ music, a \$10,000 raffle, and other activities. Dar Bryant from the Dream Center and John Rain from Norton Rain Insurance will receive awards for their outstanding service to our community. **Dinner tickets are \$50 each.** Raffle tickets are \$25 each or buy 2 and get 1 free. **Tickets may be purchased** on our [websitecc.dio.org](http://websitecc.dio.org) or by calling 1.618.462.0634.



Church Women United Wednesday Lenten services begin at noon and last 30 minutes, followed by lunch served at the Host Church. The lunch is homemade soup, sandwiches, dessert and a drink. A donation of \$5 helps to cover the cost of the lunch.

An offering will be collected at the end of the service to be split between two charities in the community, The Crisis Food Center and The Oasis Women's Center.

Scheduled events include:

- Wednesday, March 13 at Unity Fellowship Church, 1301 W. Delmar Ave., Godfrey.
- Wednesday, March 20 at Greater St. James M.B. Church, 2016 Belle St., Alton.
- Wednesday, March 27 at Deliverance Temple, 1125 E. 6th St., Alton.
- Good Friday, March 29 at 1st Presbyterian Church, 4th & Alby, Alton.

Kings House at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows Visitors Center - **I Want to See You** - Presenters: Fr. Salvador Gonzalez, OMI, Karen and Scott Seaborn

**Friday, April 19 at 4:00 pm through Sunday, April 21, at 2:00 pm**

This retreat centers on the story of the man born blind. Come and share the experience of being noticed by Jesus, touched, healed and called to witness to the new sight God's love provides.

Cost: \$400.00 per couple (includes lodging and meals). Register online at <https://kh.snows.org/events/> or call 618-397-0584.

**ATTENTION ALL LADIES:** Please mark your calendars for a gathering of all Parish ladies to share a half day of spirituality and friendship.

**Wed., March 20th Mass at 10 a.m. at SSPP**

GUEST SPEAKER: Fr. Jeff Holtman  
Light Lenten luncheon

Brief meeting updates regarding the Deanery and sharing of information.

Questions? Contact Sue Schwegel, Deanery President, at 618-466-4208 or 618-304-2916

**Do you like to paint and volunteer?** If so, please join us on **Tuesday 3/12/2024 from 6:30-8:30 pm** to paint furniture at Restore Decor in Edwardsville, IL.

We need 6 people ages 13 and up.

Enjoy getting to know other St. Ambrose Parishioners and supporting a great cause. Restore Decor supports families in need by selling restored furniture on Saturdays that is painted and sold by volunteers. 100% of the proceeds made from selling the furniture are given to the family in need. For more information visit their website:

<https://www.restoredecorwardsville.com/about>

Questions? Contact Maddie Croxford at 618-419-1616 or [mrcroxford@gmail.com](mailto:mrcroxford@gmail.com)



# ST. AMBROSE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

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## HELLO ST. AMBROSE COMMUNITY!

**Registration for 2024-2025 School Year Open** | On Friday, March 1, registration opened for the 2024-2025 school year. Timely completion of registration is essential in order for us to effectively plan for the next school year. If your child will not be returning, please let us know asap.

**St. Ambrose Receives Madison County Green Grant** | St. Ambrose continues to be a beneficiary of the Madison County Green Grant program. Recently we were awarded \$1,000 to continue developing our school garden. Those funds will be used for organic material and seed plants to begin our garden this Spring. Thank you to Mr. Robertson and his wife Rita, for their efforts to help prep our garden for planting. Mr. Robertson will be working in the garden this Spring with different grades during Character Counts classes.

**Competitive Canned Food Drive Begins Next Week** | To foster the Lenten practice of sacrifice and giving, and to support the local needy, St. Ambrose 5th grade, along with our Student Council, are sponsoring a competitive canned food drive. The competitive drive will also connect with the excitement of March Madness and be setup in a bracketed format. We have 15 classes and our staff for a 16 team bracket. The class that brings in the most items each week (per student) will advance to the next week. Parents, please do not feel obligated to participate each week. The winning class will receive an extra recess, homework passes, and book vending machine tokens. The "Final 4" classes remaining at the end of 2 weeks all receive an extra recess. The drive will begin Monday, March 11, and will go through Friday, Apr. 5.

**Spring Pictures** | Spring Pictures are Thursday, March 14. There are no order forms and all ordering will be done online. Students may dress down that day if they are having their picture taken.

**National Catholic Presenter, Jason Evert, presented to 7th and 8th grade students from our local Catholic Schools** | On Tuesday, March 5th, 7th and 8th grade students from St. Ambrose and our other local Catholic elementary schools met at St. Mary's middle school in Alton to hear nationally renowned speaker Jason Evert. Mr. Evert delivered a compelling talk on the importance of chastity and virtue.



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### Now thru March 17

Hoop It Up Basketball Raffle Tickets are on Sale

**March 1** | Registration is Open

**March 8** | End of 3rd Quarter | Spirit Wear Day

**March 14** | Spring Pictures

**March 15** | No School - Teacher In-service | Preschool Conferences 10-6 | Report Cards Open

### FROM THE DESK OF



**ROBERT BAIRD,  
PRINCIPAL**

**HAVE A  
GREAT  
WEEKEND!**

**Student Service Expectation Coming in 2024-2025** | Currently, our School Board is developing a plan to implement student service as an expectation for the 2024-2025 school year and beyond. Once the policy is finalized, it will be shared.

**Stations of the Cross during Lent** | During Lent, Stations of the Cross will be presented in the Church at 2:10. Living Stations of the Cross will be presented by the 8th grade during Holy Week on Tuesday, March. 26 at 2:00 p.m.

# SCHOOL NEWS

**English Language Arts Curriculum Adoption** | The ELA curriculum adoption committee has begun the process to select a new program for the 2024-2025 school year.

**St. Ambrose Alumni Association** | At recent meetings, group discussions have expressed how nice it would be to have a St. Ambrose Catholic School Alumni Association. We could not agree more and would love for passionate individuals to lead a project to develop an Alumni Association. If interested in this project, please contact Principal, Mr. Baird.

**Did You Know Most Families are Eligible for Illinois Tax Credits, specifically the Education Expense Credit?** For additional information, please see the Illinois Department of Revenue website at <https://tax.illinois.gov/questionsandanswers/answer.28.html>

**March Character Counts Family Resources Posted** | Family resources for the month of March highlighting the theme of CITIZENSHIP have been posted to the school website.

**Marquette Catholic HS Students to Complete Senior Mission Week at Local Parishes & Schools** | We are pleased to announce that several St. Ambrose alumni, currently in their Senior year at MCHS, will be completing their Senior Mission Week service project at St. Ambrose School. During the Senior Mission Week (March 18-22), MCHS connects Seniors with their grade schools and parishes for a week of service.



Thank you to the guest speaker for our February Character Counts "Fairness" themed assembly, Mr. Tom Roth!  
Mr. Roth is a St. Ambrose Parishioner, longtime educator, and former professional athlete. He is the Assistant Principal of Jersey Community High School and has many years of experience in education working with youths. Given Mr. Roth's experiences in education, and in his career as an athlete, FAIRNESS is something that is very important in his life.

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