

# St. Ambrose Church

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## *Pastoral Staff*

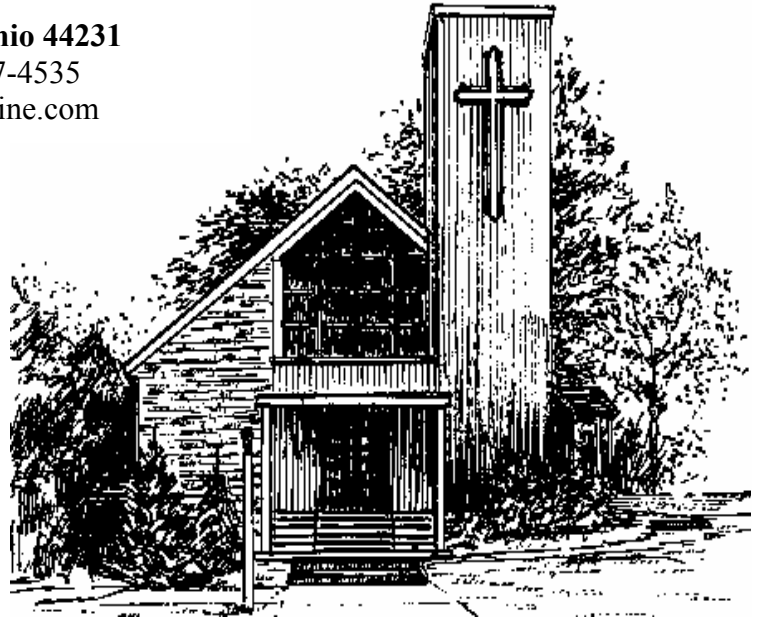
**Rev. Leo J. Wehrlin**  
*Pastor*

**Rev. Mr. Robert Rapp**  
**Rev. Mr. Gerry Scopilliti**  
*Permanent Deacons*

**Mrs. Jacqueline Kable**  
*CCD and Youth Ministry Coordinator*

**Ms. Jean Marvin**  
*Director of Music*

**Ms. Gloria Kuhn**  
*Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper*



## *St. Ambrose Parish Mission Statement*

*Through our baptism, we, the family of Saint Ambrose Roman Catholic Church, are chosen and called to be the body of Christ. As a community of faith, we gather to give thanks and praise to God through prayer, worship and the celebration of the sacraments. Gifted by God and guided by the Holy Spirit, we continue the mission of Jesus by sharing our faith and reaching out to others in justice, mercy and love. Together, we strive to grow stronger in our love for God and one another.*

### ***Sacrament of the Eucharist***

#### **Mass Schedule**

Saturday .....	5:00PM
Sunday .....	8:30 AM and 11:00 AM
	(Labor Day to Memorial Day)
Sunday .....	8:00 AM and 10:00 AM
	(Memorial Day to Labor Day)
Tues., Wed., Thurs. and Friday.....	8:00 AM
Holy Day .....	7:00 PM

### ***Sacrament of Reconciliation***

Confessions are heard every Saturday at 4:00 PM, or anytime by appointment. Communal Reconciliation services are celebrated during Advent and Lent.

### ***Sacrament of Baptism***

Please call the rectory to make arrangements for the celebration of Baptism.

### ***Sacrament of Marriage***

Engaged couples must contact the parish priest at least six months in advance of the intended wedding date. Marriage preparation includes sessions with the priest and with a Sponsor Couple.

### ***Sacrament of Confirmation***

Confirmation is celebrated every 2 years in the fall. Preparation sessions for candidates and their sponsors are mandatory.

### ***Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick***

Anointing of the Sick is available upon request. If hospitalized, please notify the rectory. The Eucharist is distributed regularly to the homebound by the priest and Eucharistic Ministers.

### ***Sacrament of Holy Orders***

Men who are discerning a vocation to the priesthood or permanent diaconate are invited to call the rectory or the Diocesan Vocation Office (330-744-8451). Women discerning a call to religious life are invited to call the rectory or the Diocesan Vocation Office.

### ***Religious Education Classes***

**CCD/Youth Ministry** ..... Sundays 9:30-10:45 AM  
(September thru April)

### ***Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults***

Adults desiring to become Catholic are invited to participate in the RCIA. The "RCIA Adapted for Children" is for children in the third grade or older who have not been baptized or celebrated their first Eucharist. For more information please contact the rectory.

### ***Parish Registration***

New parishioners are asked to please call or stop by the rectory to register. If you are changing your address or moving out of the parish please notify us.

**Bulletin Deadline:** Articles for the bulletin must be received no later than Monday of each week.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**Saturday, July 24, Sunday Liturgy**  
5:00 p.m. William Lawrence (Elizabeth Waterhouse)

**Sunday, July 25, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
8:00 a.m. John Demma (West Family)  
10:00 a.m. St. Ambrose Parishioners

**Monday, July 26, St. Joachim and Anne**  
No morning Mass

**Tuesday, July 27, Weekday**  
8:00 a.m. Genevieve Hrobak (Ed & Linda Hrobak)

**Wednesday, July 28, Weekday**  
8:00 a.m. St. Ambrose Parishioners (A. & R. Society)

**Thursday, July 29, St. Martha**  
8:00 a.m. Special Intention

**Friday, July 30, Weekday**  
8:00 a.m. Ken Gill (Nelle Buehner)

**Saturday, July 31, Sunday Liturgy**  
5:00 p.m. Georgia Kight (Family)

**Sunday, August 1, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
8:00 a.m. Mary Kearney (Beth Conway)  
10:00 a.m. St. Ambrose Parishioners

**Readings for the Week**

Monday: Jer 13:1-11; Mt 13:31-35  
Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22; Mt 13:36-43  
Wednesday: Jer 15:10; 16-21; Mt 13:44-46  
Thursday: Jer 18:1-6; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42  
Friday: Jer 26:1-9; Mt 13:54-58  
Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24; Mt 14:1-12  
Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23; Ps 90; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21

**Liturgical Ministers Schedule for July 31-Aug. 1****Saturday, July 31**

5:00 p.m.  
Altar Server: M. Schmidt  
Euch. Min.: B. Rapp, D. Prall, L. Stapleton  
Lector: D. Huzl  
Usher/Greeter: K. Trzeciak, D. Minisall  
C. Holdbrook

**Sunday, August 1**

8:00 a.m.  
Altar Server: B. & M. Gearhart  
Euch. Min.: G. Scopilliti, C. Gill, P. Goliass  
Lector: M. Best  
Usher/Greeter: J. Leonard, D. Best

10:00 a.m.  
Altar Server: P. & S. Enoch  
Euch. Min.: P. Bass, M. Szabaga, R. Coz  
Lector: K. Evers  
Usher/Greeter: J. Pesecky, J. White, T. Danku

**Bingo Workers for July 27**

G. Twardzik, C. Jewell, A. Bennett, R. Crane, F. Pawlus,  
J. Villegas, T. Gushura, P. James, V. McCarty

**Responsorial Psalm**

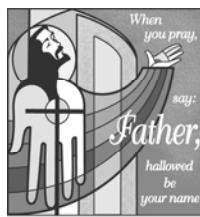
The Responsorial Psalm for this weekend is:  
(Psalm 138)

**Lord, on the day that I cried out for help  
you answered me, you answered me.**

**Listening to God**

Familiarity, in the case of the Lord's Prayer, probably hasn't bred contempt in most of us, but it certainly can breed a kind of inertia. The words we speak in prayer run the same risks as all our other human words: they can be spoken hastily, thoughtlessly, carelessly. In a manner parallel to the words we say in the Lord's Prayer--"forgive us as we forgive others"--today might be the day to invite God to "listen to us as well as we listen to you." Today might be the day to listen to the Lord's Prayer with newly attentive ears.

Let us learn from the example of Luke's Jesus, who would not instruct others how to pray until he himself had been a man of prayer. Moreover, listen carefully to the follow-up Jesus gives for the prayer itself. In our quick-fix society we must heed the call to persistence; in a world that puts glib explanations on difficult situations we must continue to seek and knock; in our all-too-humanness, we must be open to the patience, grace, and wisdom of the will of God. Do we want the Lord to listen to our voice? Maybe we can start by listening to God's.



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**Today's Readings**

First Reading -- Abraham bargains with God to spare the city (Genesis 18:20-32).

Second Reading -- Buried with Christ in baptism, we were also raised with him; all our transgressions are forgiven (Colossians 2:12-14).

Gospel -- Jesus speaks of God's sure response to those who pray (Luke 11:1-13).

**May She Rest In Peace**

We extend our sympathy to Elaine Stankus and family as they mourn the death of her mother, **Irene Bartko**. May she rest in peace, and may they experience the healing presence and peace of the Risen Lord in their lives.

**Annual Mission Co-Op Collection**

We welcome, Fr. Jose Chettoor, V.C., a Vincentian Missionary priest from India, to our parish this weekend to participate in our Annual Missionary Cooperation Plan. He is preaching at all the Masses and will make an appeal on behalf of the Vincentian Missions. The Vincentian Missionaries, all natives of India, need our help to carry out their many missionary, educational and charitable activities in their missions. They need our special financial support for the training of young men studying for priesthood. There will be a special collection today to help the Missionary work of the Vincentian Missionaries. We urge you to be very generous in your mission offering. Thank you very much for your prayers and generous financial support.

**Knights of Columbus July Social**

The men of the Knights of Columbus are reminded that their July social meeting will be held at the home of Dan Huzl this Monday, July 26. Grilled hot dogs and beverages will be provided beginning at 6:00 p.m. and activities will include horse-shoes, cornhole, and bocce ball. All Knights of Columbus members and potential members are invited to attend.

**2011 Mass Book**

The 2011 Mass book is now open. There are still Mass openings for **weekday** Masses for 2010.

### What are you doing on Tuesday nights?

Come play bingo with us in the church hall and support our parish's CCD and Youth Ministry programs. The doors open at 5:00 p.m. and Early Bird Bingo begins at 6:45 p.m. Regular bingo begins at 7:00 p.m. Your first packet (good for all evening with nine cards per game) is only \$13.00. Each additional packet is only \$3.00 more! Jackpots begin at \$400.00 and 48 numbers, and add one number and \$15.00 each week. Each regular bingo game pays \$25.00. Delicious food is available throughout the evening. Come and see how much fun you can have playing bingo with friends!

### St. Ambrose Bingo Needs You

We are in need of volunteers to work on Tuesday nights during Bingo. Floor workers, callers and kitchen help are needed. If you can work just one Tuesday every four weeks, please contact Vi McCarty at 330-527-4139 in the evening or email her at vmccarty1@neo.rr.com. Our bingo program helps to support our CCD and Youth Ministry program. Your assistance is very appreciated.

### Festival Committee

Those who served on the Chicken Dinner Festival Planning Committee are reminded that we will have a meeting this Thursday, July 29, at 7:00 p.m. in the church hall. At that time we will evaluate this year's festival and take a look at the festival's financial picture. Your presence and input are extremely important. Please make every effort to attend.

### Mark your Calendars

The Parish Social Life Committee will host a farewell reception on Sunday, August 15, after the 10:00 a.m. Mass for Amanda Scopilliti and our seminarian, Bill Meininger. Details will follow in the coming weeks.

### Parish Picnic

Mark your calendars now for our annual parish picnic, which will take place on Sunday, September 12, at the Village Park. More details will be coming.

**Last Sunday's Collection: \$2,544.00**

### CCD AND YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

#### CCD & Youth Ministry

CCD begins on Sunday, September 12, at 9:30 a.m. at JAG Elementary School and Youth Ministry begins on Sunday, September 19, at 9:30 a.m. in the church hall.

#### CCD and Youth Ministry Registration

Any student wishing to attend CCD (preschool-grade 8) or Youth Ministry (grades 9-12) and is not currently attending must fill out a pink registration form found in the church vestibule. Place the registration form in the collection basket, drop it off at the rectory, or mail it to the church. Please include a copy of the student's baptism certificate. (Preschoolers must be age four by September 30.) Questions? Call Mrs. Kable at 330-527-4105 or 330-527-4822.

#### Confirmation, Fall 2010

All eighth and ninth grade (and above) students who have received the sacraments of Baptism and Holy Eucharist and have completed eight years of religious instruction are eligible to receive this sacrament. Questions? Call Mrs. Kable at 330-527-4105 or 330-527-4822.

### THIS WEEK AT ST. AMBROSE PARISH

#### Sunday, July 25

8:00 a.m. Mission Co-Op Appeal (church)  
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8:00 p.m. AA (hall)

#### Monday, July 26

6:00 p.m. K of C Social (Huzl residence)

#### Tuesday, July 27

6:45 p.m. Bingo (hall)

#### Thursday, July 29

7:00 p.m. Festival Committee Meeting (hall)

#### Saturday, July 31

4:30 p.m. Praying the Rosary (church)

#### Sunday, August 1

8:00 p.m. AA (hall)

### High School Graduating Seniors of 2010

The annual Knights of Columbus Higher Education Scholarship will be chosen this summer. This scholarship of \$500 will be awarded to a graduating senior in this year's class, based on registered status of your family within St. Ambrose parish (and a regular attendee of the Youth Group). The scholarship will be used for any higher education that you pursue and will be distributed after a successful fall semester. Applications and guidelines are in the vestibule and will need to be returned by Sunday, August 15. A random drawing of successful applicants will take place in the church hall on Saturday, August 21, at the Knights of Columbus Steak Fry.



### Steak Fry!

Once again, the St. Ambrose Knights of Columbus Council is hosting their annual Steak Fry on Saturday, August 21, in the church hall. Plan on a great evening of steak, door prizes, cash bar, music and maybe some 50/50! Tickets are \$15.00 for a single and \$25.00 for a couple. Dinner will be served from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Mark your calendars!

### The Food Bank is in Desperate Need

The first Sunday of the month is always the time St. Ambrose parishioners show their generosity by "brown bagging" donations for the local food pantry. Due to current economic conditions more people than ever are turning to the local food bank, including some of our own parishioners. While the need is greater than ever the food pantry is struggling to keep up. So if you have never donated before, perhaps next weekend you will consider bringing a bag of non-perishable food or cleaning products. Just leave your bag in the vestibule as you arrive for Mass. Thank you for your continued acts of charity.



### School Supply Drive

Catholic Charities of Portage County is asking for donations of school supplies for area children who are in need. If you would like to donate items, please bring them with you to Mass any weekend between now and Sunday, August 15. We will make sure that they are delivered to the agency for distribution. Items needed are: pens, pencils, erasers, notebooks, notebook paper, binders, folders, rulers, crayons, markers, colored pencils, scissors, glue, glue sticks, lunch boxes, pencil boxes, book covers, book bags, etc. On behalf of the many children who will be helped by your generosity...thank you and God bless you.