

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES



Blessings to all our Partner Parish family members who are celebrating a birthday this week:

Amanda Skursky, Terry Steele, Melinda Wirgnoivcz, Stephanie Simpson, Gabriel Cornman, Patricia Lynn, Robert Sokolowski, Barbara Baker, Grant Strong, William Steffey, Wilma Gibler, Mary Burris, Janet Horrell, Linda Buczak, Vicky Vrabel



Pierogie Making—In preparation for St. Matthew's Lenten dinners, we will be making pierogies at 9:00 AM on Mondays. This takes place in St. Matthew's Social Hall and will continue through April 8th. Please join us! Any questions? Please call Esther @724-639-9256.

BIBLE STUDY



Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come by Jeff Cavins and Thomas Smith is an intriguing study that shows how the kingdom established by Christ in his Church is intimately connected with the kingdom of heaven. Here, you will discover what the mysterious figures and images of Revelation mean. You will see how Revelation is more than an apocalyptic vision of the "end times." It is a revelation of God as our Divine Bridegroom and the Churches his spotless bride, forever united in a heavenly, holy, and mystical marriage that we enter into every time we celebrate the Mass. Registration, purchase of study book,

and streaming option is available on-line at <https://ascensionpress.com/studies/36166/registration/new>. I have one extra study book available if someone prefers not to order on-line. The cost for the study book is \$24.95 plus tax and shipping. The first 6 bible study sessions will be Tuesdays, March 12 - April 16, 2019, at St. Ambrose Church Hall, 6:30 - 8:30 PM. The remaining 5 lessons will resume in the fall. Additional information may be obtained by calling Celine at 724 216 2313 or by emailing, steinmillerc@gmail.com

Around the Diocese

Transformation men's prayer gathering at Saint Vincent Basilica Crypt Feb. 18 - The Transformation men's prayer gathering will be held at Saint Vincent Basilica Crypt from 6:45-9 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 18. Gather with men from the diocese for an evening of fellowship, prayer and spiritual renewal. The evening includes leadership development, adoration, music, spiritual growth, reconciliation, small group discussions and prayer.

Saint James Parish – New Alexandria - Let's Go Back in Time to the 1950's - Sock Hop - Saturday, February 23, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. - Saint James Social Hall - \$20.00 Adult / \$10.00 Child Under 13 (Checks made out to Saint James Rosary Altar Society). Includes: DJ Spinning the hits of the 50's, All you can eat buffet of authentic meal of the 50's and much more! Prize for the Best Dressed in 50's style, 50's Trivia Game Prizes, Drag Races - Bet on your favorite driver to win! \$25.00 to Drive a car. Reservations are requested by **Sunday, February 17, 2019**. Please contact the Parish Office at 724-668-2829 to make your reservation. Sock Hop sponsored by the Saint James Rosary Altar Society.

St. Bartholomew, Crabtree—is sponsoring a Purse/Cash Bash in Marian Hall on Saturday, February 23rd at 12 Noon. Call 724-834-0709 for more information or tickets.

Christ the King Church, Leechburg - The Youth Ministry at St. Ferdinand Parish, Cranberry Twp., will be presenting **Living Stations at Christ the King Church, 125 Park Road, Leechburg, on Sunday, March 17th at 7:30 PM**. The youth ministry consists of teens in 8th through 12th grades. They travel to different churches on Sunday's throughout the Lenten season with their presentation. Please make plans to join us for their very inspiring depiction of the passion, death and resurrection of our Savior, Jesus Christ .

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St. Ambrose

Avonmore

St. Matthew

Saltsburg

St. Sylvester

Slickville

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February 10, 2019

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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Warm Welcome to All

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil:

5:00 PM—St. Ambrose

Sunday Masses

8:30 AM—St. Sylvester

11:00 AM—St. Matthew

Weekday Masses:

Mon.—8:30 AM, St. Sylvester

Tues.— 8:30 AM, St. Matthew

Fri.— 8:30 AM, St. Ambrose

PARISH OFFICES & HOURS

St. Ambrose, St. Matthew & St. Sylvester

P. O. Box 617

Avonmore, PA 15618

Monday—Friday

9:00 AM—1:00 PM

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Fax: 724-697-4484

St. Matthew Church Hall:

724-639-9338

St. Sylvester Rectory

Phone: 724-468-5794

Fax and church hall:

724-468-5765

Our Mission Statement

The Partner Parishes of St. Ambrose, St. Matthew & St. Sylvester, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, are committed to be witnesses of Christ in our local and faith communities . We invite one another to grow in a spirit of friendship and unity through the Word and the Eucharist. While striving to nourish our faith families, we encourage Evangelization, Service, Worship, Stewardship, and Leadership.

PASTORAL STAFF

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Diocesan Coat of Arms

Confessions: First Saturday of the month, 11:00-11:30 AM at St. Ambrose or by appointment with the Pastor.

Baptisms: Please contact the parish office to schedule a date and formation session..

Marriage: Please contact the office at least six months before the wedding date to schedule marriage preparation sessions..

Pastoral Care to the Homebound: Please contact the parish office..

Eucharistic Adoration: First Thursday of the month, 6-8:00 PM. All are welcome.

RCIA: If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Roman Catholic, please contact the parish office.

St. Vincent de Paul Hotline: Please contact the parish office. St. Vincent dePaul poor boxes are at entrances of all partner parishes.

Bulletin Deadline: Please submit bulletin information via email or in written form to Angela Palmiscno at the parish office by Wednesday noon.

Mass Intentions for the Week

	DATE	PLACE	TIME	INTENTION	OFFERED BY
Saturday	February 9	St. Ambrose	5:00 PM	+Christine Fillippini	<i>(Rachael Garzone)</i>
Sunday	February 10	St. Sylvester	8:30 AM	+Elizabeth Kurant	<i>(Tony & Judy Valore)</i>
	February 10	St. Matthew	11:00 AM	For the Parishioners	
Monday	February 11	St. Sylvester	8:30 AM	+Ines Stevenson	<i>(Mr. & Mrs. Michael Yazvac)</i>
Tuesday	February 12	St. Matthew	8:30 AM	+Mary Ashbaugh	<i>(Albin Kochanowski)</i>
Friday	February 15	St. Ambrose	8:30 AM	+Dolores Rabickow	<i>(Mr. & Mrs. Richard Tedeski)</i>
Saturday	February 16	St. Ambrose	5:00 PM	+Placito Franzi	<i>(John & Florence Ziemianski)</i>
Sunday	February 17	St. Sylvester	8:30 AM	For the Parishioners	
	February 17	St. Matthew	11:00 AM	+Helen Kochanowski	<i>(Rachael Garzone)</i>

PARTNER PARISHES STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Sunday Offertory: February 2-3

Weekly collection:	<u>St. Ambrose</u>	<u>St. Matthew</u>	<u>St. Sylvester</u>
	\$ 2,081.00	\$ 1,766.00	\$ 3,472.00



IN SYMPATHY: Our Partner Parish family extends their deepest sympathy to the family of Thomas Rossi, husband of Carol Rossi, parishioner of St. Ambrose, who died recently. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

SERVING OUR COUNTRY. Please pray for our men and women in the military:

TSGT Matthew Leightner, Maj. Matthew Starsnic, Ryan McCauley, Col. Ross Monta, John Newcomb, Daniel Henderson, Ryan Nagg, Master Sgt. Jeremy Morgan, Tech. Sgt. Justin Morgan, Tyler Carnahan, Bartholomew Marsh-Slavin, Charles M. Angell II, Cpt. Jacob Berg, SRA Phillip Berg, Brandon May, Tyler Kunkle (Afghanistan), Martin Novak, Jr., Glenn Dolfi, Sr.



Prayer Requests

OUR PRAYER LIST—FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Ally Anderson, Helen Bozo, Kip DeGlau, Janet Dobrosky, Glen Dolfi, Sr., Ronnie Edwards, Donald Gabor, Crysta Hixson, George Hollick, Wayne Jones, Sr., Valerie Leda, Gary Lemon, Marie Miller, Mary Musial, Joanne Neidehiser, Phyllis Orange, Matthew Petika, Ludwig Sharek, Steve Sieczkowski, Natalie Trawinsky, and all who need our prayers.



PARTNER PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, February 11, 2019

9:00 AM Pierogie Making, St. Matthew
6:30 PM Pastoral Council, St. Sylvester
7:00 PM Altar Rosary, St. Matthew

Wednesday, February 13, 2019

9:30 AM Food Bank, St. Ambrose (re-scheduled from 1/30)
6:30 PM Journey Together

Thursday, February 14, 2019

7:00 PM Knights of Columbus, St. Sylvester

Saturday, February 16, 2019

11:00 AM Confession, St. Sylvester

Sunday, February 17, 2019

6:00 PM Confirmation Sacramental Prep, St. Matthew

Confession will be held on
**Saturday, February 16th at
11:00 AM at St. Sylvester.**



**Your gift to the poor can bring the love
and peace of Jesus to those who live in
fear and doubt, loneliness and dread.**

“PARISH ASSEMBLY”

The Pastoral Council Members of the Partner Parishes will be hosting a “Town Hall” meeting at St. Matthew Church on February 17th following the 11:00 AM Mass in the Social Hall. The council will present what has been accomplished in the past year. Then, council will welcome your thoughts on what needs to be done in order to meet the future needs of the partner parish community. Parish assemblies for St. Sylvester will be held on March 3rd after Mass and St. Ambrose will be held on March 16th following the 5 o’clock Mass. Refreshments will be served.

EVENING FOR TEENS AND PARENTS WITH BISHOP MALESIC

Bishop Malesic will lead an evening for teens and parents “How do I make my faith a priority in this culture?” on Feb. 10 at Our Lady of Grace Parish, Greensburg. Teens will gather in the church at 6 p.m.; teens and parents will gather in the parish hall at 7:15. A social will follow. The event is open to students in grades 6-12 and their parents or guardians and is sponsored by Our Lady of Grace, St. Benedict and Holy Cross parishes. For information or to respond, call Katrina Coleman at 724-838-9480.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE WELL MEN’S CONFERENCE MARCH 30

The diocese’s Men’s Ministry Team will host THE WELL Men’s Conference on March 30 at Greensburg Central Catholic. The event includes workshops, open discussions, the sacrament of reconciliation and adoration, and it concludes with Mass celebrated by Bishop Malesic. The keynote speaker will be Mike McCoy, an Erie native who is a former Notre Dame and NFL football star. Register at www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/THEWELL.

DUE TO THE INCLEMENT WEATHER ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30TH, AVONMORE FOOD PANTRY HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH AT 9:30 AM AT ST. AMBROSE CHURCH. THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED DISTRIBUTION WILL STILL TAKE PLACE ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH. PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD! THANK YOU!



World
Marriage Day