

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES



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

Jeff Stonebraker, Josephina Switzer, Courtney Andree, Joshua Stonebraker, Susan Cyr, Paul Siczkowski, Joseph Speranza, Cody Deemer, Ivan Kapusta, Jr., Andrew Malarik, Jr., Matthew Malarik, Joseph Ott, III, Shawn Battistelli, Kayla Fox, Janice Rossi, Malea Veneziani, Chuck Colton, Victor Stackiewicz, Wayne Jones, Eleanor Palmiscno, Dorothy Tranchine



Happy Anniversary to all couples celebrating an anniversary this week:

Robert & Deborah Dobrosky, Gregory & Pamela Ulisse,



SQUARE DANCE WITH LIVE BAND!

Please join us for another evening of good old fashioned square dancing in St Sylvester's Social Hall! Saturday, March 2, dancing from 7:30-10pm, covered dish meal at 6:30pm. Please bring a dish to share, all proceeds benefit St. Sylvester Parish. Questions, or comments, please email: vfmcquaide@gmail.com

TRAINING SESSION FOR NEW AND EXPERIENCED EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Anyone interested in becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion at Mass or to the Sick is invited to a training session on **Monday, March 4th at 7:00 pm at St. Matthew Church**. All of our current Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are also encouraged to attend as we will be doing both training and reviewing of our procedures. We really need new Ministers in all three of our parishes. Please come and see what is involved.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

St. Bartholomew, Crabtree -Las Vegas Super Bingo will be held Friday, March 1st in Marian Hall. Doors open at 5:30 PM. Early Bird begins at 7:00 PM. For more info call 724- 837- 0197.

St. Edward Parish in Herminie (120 St. Edwards Lane) will sponsor a "Night at the Races" on Saturday, March 2nd at 7:30pm in the church hall. Doors open at 7:00pm. Horses are \$25 each and entitles the owner to 2 free admission tickets. The winner of each winning horse will receive \$40. *Only 100 horses will be sold.* The evening includes free food, beverages, beer, BYOB, and much more! (Must be 21 to attend). Basket Raffle and 50/50 will also be held. Admission at the door will be \$15 per person without purchasing a horse. Please call Dawna Kavel at 724-446-1802 for more information.

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 .

Christ the King Church, Leechburg—will be selling nut, poppy seed and apricot rolls for \$11.50 each, and Paska bread (round or braided/with or without raisins) for \$6.50 each. Deadline for roll orders is Monday, March 25th; deadline for Paska bread orders is Monday, April 1st. **To order, call 724-842-0623 or 724-845-8615.**

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, North Huntingdon— will be holding a 2 day Lenten Conference on Saint Peregrine, the patron saint of cancer patients. The conference begins on Sunday, March 24 at 6:30 pm in the church with a talk on Saint Peregrine, followed by a novena and concluding with reverence of a relic of Saint Peregrine. The conference continues on Monday, March 25 at 6:30 pm with an anointing Mass for cancer patients. This conference is open to anyone who is battling cancer and they are encouraged and most welcome to attend. The parish is located at 200 Leger Rd, North Huntingdon. For more information, contact the parish office at 724-864-6364.

St. Ambrose

Avonmore

St. Matthew

Saltsburg

St. Sylvester

Slickville

PARTNER PARISHES OF THE DIOCESE OF GREENSBURG

A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust

February 24, 2019

Website: partnerparishesmas.org

7th 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

Phone: 724-697-4129

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.

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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 23	St. Ambrose	5:00 PM	For the Parishioners	
Sunday	February 24	St. Sylvester	8:30 AM	+John Pishko	<i>(Diane Novak)</i>
	February 24	St. Matthew	11:00 AM	+Violeta Celani	<i>(Silvina & Mark Orsatti)</i>
Monday	February 25	St. Sylvester	8:30 AM	+Shirley Kempka	<i>(Karen & John Drozd)</i>
Tuesday	February 26	St. Matthew	8:30 AM	+Theresa DeLuca	<i>(Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Noca)</i>
Friday	March 1	St. Ambrose	8:30 AM	+Fr. Chet Raimer	<i>(Sharek Family)</i>
Saturday	March 2	St. Ambrose	5:00 PM	+Angelo & Theresa DeLuca	<i>(Eugene & Mary Battistelli)</i>
Sunday	March 3	St. Sylvester	8:30 AM	+John Perfetta, Sr.	<i>(Nick & Carol Alcorn)</i>
	March 3	St. Matthew	11:00 AM	For the Parishioners	

PARTNER PARISHES STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Sunday Offertory: February 16-17

Weekly collection:	<u>St. Ambrose</u>	<u>St. Matthew</u>	<u>St. Sylvester</u>
	\$ 1,118.78	\$ 1,457.30	\$ 2,389.00



IN SYMPATHY: Our Partner Parish family extends their deepest sympathy to the family of Henry Stapinski, 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.



OUR PRAYER LIST—FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Ally Anderson, Helen Bozo, Dorothy Burkett, Kip DeGlaue, 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, Sally Young, and all who need our prayers.



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.

PARTNER PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, February 25, 2019

9:00 AM Pierogie Making, St. Matthew

Wednesday, February 27, 2019

9:30 AM Food Bank, St. Ambrose

6:30 PM Journey Together, St. Sylvester

Saturday, March 2, 2019

11:00 AM Confession, St. Ambrose

6:00 PM Partner Parish Mardi Gras, St. Ambrose

7:30 PM Square Dance, St. Sylvester

Sunday, March 3, 2019

9:30 AM Parish Assembly, St. Sylvester

**Confession will be held on
Saturday, March 2nd at
11:00 AM at St. Ambrose**



Through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is able to assist families providing food, help with rent and utilities, etc. Thank You!

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

EASTER CANDY SALE

Beginning February 23rd through March 24th the Knights of Columbus will be taking orders for Sarris Easter Candy. Order forms will be available at the church entrances. Delivery will be on April 13th and 14th. Your support is greatly appreciated.



MARDI GRAS



St. Ambrose Parish will be hosting the next Partner Parish Social, which will be a Mardi Gras Dinner on Saturday, March 2nd at 6:00 pm (following the Saturday Evening Mass). Each year, one of our three parishes will host a Social Gathering to give everybody a chance to get together and share in some good food and fun. We will provide the meat, potatoes and drink, and individuals or families are asked to bring salads and your favorite desserts to share. Please plan to attend, and let us know by calling or emailing the parish office or by filling out this reservation slip. There will be beads, and a game with prizes! Invite friends and family!

Mardi Gras Dinner at St. Ambrose on March 2nd

Name _____ Phone _____

of Adults _____ # of Children under 13 _____