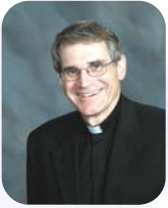




SAINT AMBROSE OF WOODBURY

Catholic Community

From Our Pastor



Next weekend there is a second collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. This has been described as the Church's response to the War on Poverty. Their motto is "a hand up rather than a hand out." The money that is collected goes to support projects that directly attack reasons for poverty or leads people permanently out of poverty. Currently, several people from our parish are on the board that determine which grant applications are funded. One recent recipient of such a grant is Elpis Enterprises. (Elpis is Greek for Hope). It is a Saint Paul-based 501(c)3 non-profit organization that provides job training, work experience and job placement for homeless or precariously-housed young people ages 16-23. Young people develop as individuals and potential employees by working in real enterprises gaining the skills, knowledge, and confidence necessary to overcome homelessness and become contributing members of our community.

At one time I was on the CCHD board, and learned a great deal about what might lead to poverty or keep someone in it. For example, in some parts of the cities home ownership, rather than renting, was difficult. Inability to own leads to more turn-over in a community and less interest and involvement in local problems. We funded a project which tried to support longer term rental or ownership to stabilize a community. Other issues dealt with rights of renters, or the ability of apartment owners to remove highly problematic renters who were making others unsafe. There were three criteria used in determining who got grants: first, it had to deal with institutional or structural change, not simply a service – i.e. a hand up toward self-sufficiency rather than a handout. The second was that the organization directing the program had to have a significant number of poor people (those directly affected) on its board – a principle that is called subsidiarity, which says many decisions are best made at the most local level. There needs to be real input from those affected. Finally, no project was to be funded for more than three consecutive years by the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, and a semi-annual report of their progress was necessary. This was done in order to be good stewards of the money that had been collected. If you are interested in really helping the poor in a more permanent way, this is a good collection for you to support, as I do.

continued on Page 4

Liturgy Schedule

Monday	8:00 AM Mass
Tuesday	2:30 PM Mass 5:30 PM Mass
Wednesday	8:00 AM Mass
Thursday	5:30 PM Mass
Friday	8:00 AM Mass
Sunday Vigil Mass/Saturday	4:00 PM
Sunday	8:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 5:00 PM

Mass Intentions

Sunday November 12, 2017

8:30 AM:	All Souls †
11:00 AM:	Rodolfo Ornelas †
5:00 PM:	Mass for Parish

Monday November 13, 2017

8:00 AM:	Dan & Ev Hamerski †
----------	---------------------

Tuesday November 14, 2017

2:30 PM:	Robert Hebert †
5:30 PM:	Timothy McCarthy †

Wednesday November 15, 2017

8:00 AM:	Daniel Burns †
9:15 AM:	Jerry Vierling †

Thursday November 16, 2017

5:30 PM:	Tom Eggert †
----------	--------------

Friday November 17, 2017

8:00 AM:	Herb Hames †
----------	--------------

Saturday November 18, 2017

4:00 PM:	Ken Malek †
----------	-------------

Sunday November 19, 2017

8:30 AM:	Evelyn Coleman †
11:00 AM:	Marian Koenig
5:00 PM:	Mass for Parish

Reconciliation

6:00 PM - Tuesdays

8:30 AM - First Friday of the Month

Saturdays before Mass

3:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Marriage & Baptism

Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements. Allow at least six months to prepare for marriage, three months for baptism.

Sick & Homebound

If you wish to receive communion because you are homebound, contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Services

Nursery during Sunday morning Masses. Hospitality following Sunday morning Masses in Fellowship Hall.

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ November 12, 2017

Our Parish Family

Baptisms

We welcome into the family of God and our Catholic Community:



Taylor Jeanne Bradis
Daughter of Jessica & Robert

Brecken Oakman Harris
Son of Gina & Nicholas

Evelyn Ruby Heidelberger
Daughter of Lindsay & Kyle



New Parishioners

We welcome the following new parishioners to our parish family:

Anne Forsyth-Gillette & Gregory Gillette
Child: Kipling

Social Media



- Facebook: Saint Ambrose of Woodbury
- Instagram: [saintambroseofwoodbury](https://www.instagram.com/saintambroseofwoodbury)
- Pinterest: Saint Ambrose of Woodbury
- Twitter: SaintAmbroseMN

Are You Registered?

Registration helps us keep you informed of important events especially regarding sacramental preparation for your children. If you don't receive mailings from the parish, you're probably not registered.

Also, please let us know when you move or when any of your phone numbers change. Having current emergency contact information (home, work, and cell) can make a critical difference if an emergency should arise with children in our school or faith formation programs.

Contact Information

Saint Ambrose of Woodbury

4125 Woodbury Drive
Woodbury, Minnesota 55129-9257

Phone: 651 768-3030 Fax: 651-714-9257

Website: www.saintambroseofwoodbury.org

Fr. Stan Mader, Pastor
frstan@saintambroseofwoodbury.org, 651-768-3005

Fr. Nicholas Froehle, Parochial Vicar
frfroehle@saintambroseofwoodbury.org, 651-768-3006

Deacon Rip Riordan, Parish Deacon
riordanr@archspm.org

Deacon Larry Amell, Pastoral Ministry
larry.amell@saintambroseofwoodbury.org, 651-768-3008

LeAnn Bauer-Staiger, Pastoral Ministry & Parish Operations
leann.bauer-staiger@saintambroseofwoodbury.org, 651-768-3009

Hector Bautista, Sr. High Youth Ministry & Confirmation
hector.bautista@saintambroseofwoodbury.org, 651-768-3022

Yvonne Blanchard, Faith Formation Administrative Assistant
yvonne.blanchard@saintambroseofwoodbury.org, 651-768-3015

Lisa Cressy, Director of Liturgy
lisa.cressy@saintambroseofwoodbury.org, 651-768-3007

Monica Hamer, Music & Liturgy Assistant
monica.hamer@saintambroseofwoodbury.org, 651-768-3018

Greg Hereford, Parish Business Administrator
greg.hereford@saintambroseofwoodbury.org, 651-768-3010

Marie Maki, Administrative Assistant
marie.maki@saintambroseofwoodbury.org, 651-768-3064

Dione Murray, Administrative Assistant
dione.murray@saintambroseofwoodbury.org, 651-768-3030

Marcy Nolte, Adult Education Faith Formation
marcy.nolte@saintambroseofwoodbury.org, 651-768-3016

Treva Peters, Administrative Assistant
treva.peters@saintambroseofwoodbury.org, 651-768-3001

Mary Reimann, Director of Music
mary.reimann@saintambroseofwoodbury.org, 651-768-3017

Janine Ricker, Elementary Faith Formation
janine.ricker@saintambroseofwoodbury.org, 651-768-3020

Brianna St. Amour, Jr. High FF & Jr. High Youth Ministry
brianna.stamour@saintambroseofwoodbury.org, 651-768-3021

Mike Thompson, Buildings & Grounds
mike.thompson@saintambroseofwoodbury.org, 651-768-3026

Patti Watkins, Director of Faith Formation
patti.watkins@saintambroseofwoodbury.org, 651-768-3011

Saint Ambrose of Woodbury School

Phone: 651-768-3000 Fax: 651-768-3080

Betsy Osterhaus-Hand, Principal
betsy.osterhaus-hand@saintambroseofwoodbury.org

Early Childhood Education Center

Phone: 651-768-3031 Fax: 651-768-3090

Anne Huber, Director
anne.huber@saintambroseofwoodbury.org

Stewardship

Sacrificial Generosity

November 6, 2017 - November 13, 2017

Adult Contributions	\$14,750.74
Children's Envelopes	\$55.36
Votive Candles	\$180.66
TOTAL	\$14,986.76

Special Collections:

Legacy of Faith	\$10,427.45
All Saints Day	\$1,823.95

Fiscal Year-to-Date Information

July 1st, 2017 - September 30, 2017

Sunday Stewardship Collected	\$431,647.00
Sunday Stewardship Budgeted	\$425,884.00
Difference	\$5,763.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Daily Word

Readings for the Week of November 12, 2017

Sunday: Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2-8/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13

Monday: Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-10/Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday: Wis 2:23--3:9/Ps 34:2-3, 16-19/Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11/Ps /Ps 82:3-4, 6-7/Lk 17:11-19

Thursday: Wis 7:22b--8:1/Ps 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175/Lk 17:20-25

Friday: Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-5ab/Lk 17:26-37

Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43/Lk 18:1-8

Saturday: Dedication: Acts 28:11-16, 30-31/Ps 98:1-6/Mt 14:22-33

Next Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-5/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

Calendar of Events

November 12 - November 19, 2017

Sunday

8:30 AM	Mass & Liturgy of the Word for Children
8:30 AM	Preschool Faith Formation
9:45 AM	RCIA Meeting (FH3)
9:45 AM	Elementary Faith Formation
11:00 AM	Preschool Faith Formation
11:00 AM	Mass
5:00 PM	Mass
6:30 PM	Confirmation Year 2 Small Group
6:30 PM	Junior High - Edge (GYM)

Monday

8:00 AM	Mass
6:30 PM	Boy Scouts - PLC Meeting (FH-2)
7:15 PM	Boy Scout Parent Meeting (PR)

Tuesday

9:00 AM	Wisdom Bible Study (SA1)
2:00 PM	Pray The Rosary (PR)
2:30 PM	School Mass
5:30 PM	Mass
6:00 PM	Reconciliation
7:00 PM	Catholic Teaching for Today

Wednesday

8:00 AM	Mass
9:00 AM	Children's Holy Hour
9:15 AM	Mass at Woodbury Health Care Center
5:30 PM	Joyful Noise/Teen/Jubilate/Schola
6:30 PM	Elementary Faith Formation
6:30 PM	Jr. High EDGE (Gym)
7:00 PM	Adult Choir

Thursday

9:00 AM	Women's Bible Study (St. Anne)
9:30 AM	Pray & Play
5:30 PM	Mass
6:00 PM	Pack 5 Parent Meeting
7:00 PM	Women's Book Study (Pingatore)

Friday

8:00 AM	Mass
9:30 AM	Walking with Purpose (Pingatore)

Saturday

8:00 AM	First Reconciliation Retreat (8:00 AM - 12:00 PM)
9:30 PM	Cuba Twinning Meeting (LCR)
3:00 PM	Reconciliation
4:00 PM	Mass

Sunday

8:30 AM	Mass & RCIA Rite of Welcome
8:30 AM	Liturgy of the Word for Children
8:30 AM	Preschool Faith Formation
9:45 AM	Elementary Faith Formation
9:45 AM	Parish Pastoral Council (LCR)
11:00 AM	Preschool Faith Formation
11:00 AM	Mass
12:00 PM	New Parishioner Brunch
12:30 PM	Adoration
5:00 PM	Mass
6:30 PM	Confirmation Premier Sunday
6:30 PM	Junior High - EDGE (GYM)

Wednesdays:

Exposition: following the

8:00 AM Mass
Benediction: 7:30 PM

Sundays:

Exposition: 1:00 PM
Benediction: 4:45 PM

Adoration

of the

Blessed Sacrament



From Our Pastor Continued

On Tuesday night this week we will be hosting the Prayer for Common Good at 7:00 PM in the Saint Francis Chapel, and the talk will be about the principle of the Common Good. There will be the opportunity to discuss various ways to promote the common good in roundtables after the prayer service.

Everyone is invited to the annual Woodbury Area Community Thanksgiving Service on Wednesday, Nov. 22nd at 7:00 PM. The service brings the community and churches together to give thanks for the blessings we enjoy. This year's service will be held at Woodbury Lutheran Church, 7380 Afton Road, Woodbury, MN 55125. Come and enjoy Thanksgiving hymns, music from a combined choir from area churches and a message for adults and children. This year's speaker is Rev. Paul Dean of Resurrection Lutheran Church, Woodbury. An offering for the Christian Cupboard Emergency Food Shelf will be received. The service is sponsored by the Woodbury Area Clergy Association.

The Saint Paul Seminary School of Divinity offers Master's Degree programs that prepare women and men for service and leadership in the Church and the world. They will have an Information Night on Tuesday, November 14th at the Archbishop Ireland Memorial Library on the seminary campus, near the University of St. Thomas. There will be an information session and refreshments from 5:00 - 6:00 PM. Those wishing to observe a class may do so from 6:15 - 9:15 PM. Join them to learn more about our graduate degrees for laity, career services, student life, admission requirements and financial aid options.

I will be away this week on retreat at the Franciscan Retreat House in Prior Lake, Minnesota. Please pray for me. I first went on this retreat (for priests) 25 years ago, and have returned there about 10 times. The format is largely silent, with a time for shared prayer in the morning along with a reflection by one of the retreat leaders. I will have an hour of one-on-one spiritual direction each day. Of course there is Mass every day.

The Franciscan Retreat House offers retreats throughout the year for men, women, and couples. I see they are having several Advent days of prayer, December 7th and 14th. They begin at 9:30 AM and end with Mass at 1:45 PM. They suggest a \$20 donation for the day with retreatants bringing their own lunch that day. It is about a 45 minute drive from Woodbury.

Fr. Stan Mader

School News

Kindergarten

Saint Ambrose of Woodbury Catholic School 2018-2019 Kindergarten events:

KINDERGARTEN SHOWCASE TOUR

Friday, November 17th, 2017 at 9:00 AM. Meet in the school office and see our students and teachers in action during the day.

KINDERGARTEN GINGERBREAD FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Wednesday, November 27th from 5:30-6:30 PM. Meet in the Kindergarten rooms. Families and siblings are welcome.

WINTER KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION NIGHT

Thursday, January 11th, 2018 at 7:00 PM in Fellowship Hall, parent only meeting. Please note this is an identical presentation as the Fall 11/2/17 meeting.

If you have questions about Saint Ambrose School or if you would like to schedule a tour, please call 651-768-3000. Please RSVP to these events by going to the school website at:

<http://saintambroseofwoodburyschool.org> and click on the prospective family link.

Faith Formation

FAITH FORMATION CLASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 12, 2017

- Preschool: 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM
- Elementary students grades K-5: 9:45 – 10:45 AM
- Junior High Edge: 6:30 – 8:00 PM
- Confirmation Year 2 Small Group: 6:30 – 8:00 PM, church

Wednesday, November 15, 2017

- Elementary students grades K-5: 6:30 - 7:45 PM
- Junior High Edge: 6:30 - 7:45 PM
- Senior High Youth Ministry: 7:00 – 9:00 PM, youth room

Sunday, November 19, 2017

- Preschool: 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM
- Elementary students grades K-5: 9:45 – 10:45 AM
- Junior High Edge: 6:30 – 8:00 PM
- Confirmation Premier Sunday: 6:30 – 8:00 PM, church

YOUTH NEWS

Hey Teens!! Please join us on Wednesday, November 29th at 7:00 PM for Uprising, our Saint Ambrose High School Youth Ministry Program which is open to all high school teens (grades 9-12). We will have music, food and fellowship and teens are invited to bring a friend for a night of fun, while learning more about your faith as we praise the Lord with music. For more information watch the bulletin or contact Hector at 768-3022.

Follow us on **Instagram** at *Ambrose_Uprising* and **Twitter** at *AmbroseUprising* for all your Confirmation and Uprising Needs!

IGNITE - JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH MINISTRY

On Friday, November 17th, 2017 from 5:15 - 10:00 PM there is a middle school event called Ignite being hosted at St. Peter's Catholic Church in North St. Paul. Saint Ambrose teens are invited to join other middle schoolers from across the Archdiocese for games, food, fellowship, a great speaker, Adoration, and Praise and Worship music. There will also be an opportunity for teens to go to confession throughout the evening. The bus will leave Saint Ambrose at 5:00 PM. For more information about how to register, contact Bri St. Amour at 768-3021 or by emailing her at brianna.stamour@saintambroseofwoodbury.org. **The last day to register is Monday, November 13th.**

FIRST RECONCILIATION RETREAT

Families are reminded that our First Reconciliation retreats conclude next Saturday, November 18th. Please check your calendar for the time you are scheduled to attend the retreat with your child. You will check in at the table in Oehlke commons and we ask that you allow two hours for your scheduled retreat. Please contact Patti Watkins at patti.watkins@saintambroseofwoodbury.org.

PREMIER SUNDAY

Come join us on Sunday, November 19, 2017, to hear Laura Sobiach speak from 6:30-7:30 PM. Laura is the author of the book *Fly a Little Higher* and the mother of Zach Sobiach who passed away from cancer in 2013. Laura has a powerful message about walking the road of cancer with her teenage son, Zach, and how her faith helped her get through the journey. Following Laura's talk we will have Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction which will end at 8:00 PM.

CATHOLIC MOM'S CONNECT

Are you looking to connect with a group of women from Saint Ambrose? We are looking at beginning a mom's ministry here at Saint Ambrose beginning in January, 2018. Informational meetings will be held on Tuesday, November 21st at both 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM. Select the time that works best into your schedule and come learn more about how you can grow in your faith while being a part of a fun social group! For more information please contact Patti Watkins at patti.watkins@saintambroseofwoodbury.org or Marcy Nolte at marcy.nolte@saintambroseofwoodbury.org.

CHILDREN'S HOLY HOUR

Families with young children- Come spend time with Jesus in the presence of the Holy Eucharist... and bring your kids! Children's Holy Hour is a family-friendly hour on Wednesdays during Eucharistic Adoration. There will be a small coloring table, children's books, and an expectation of "joyful worship" with young kids. Stop by for 5 minutes or the hour. It's a great way to introduce your children to the joy that is prayer in Eucharistic Adoration. All are welcome, with or without children. Every Wednesday from 9:00-10:00 AM in the Saint Francis Chapel.

PRAY THE ROSARY

All are welcome to pray the rosary every Tuesday at 2:00 PM before the school Mass in Father Pingatore room. Bring your favorite rosary or we will have extras for you to use. We look forward to growing with you in our Catholic faith at Saint Ambrose church and school.

Events & Announcements

CATHOLIC TEACHING FOR TODAY: FROM PRAYER TO ACTION

Join us on Tuesday, November 14th at 7:00 PM in the St. Francis chapel where we will gather here at Saint Ambrose for an evening of **Prayer for the Common Good**. The evening will include prayer and speaker Michael Griffin. Michael oversees parish social ministry at St. Olaf Catholic Church in Minneapolis. He has also spent time with Catholic Charities and worked with the Office for Social Justice. The evening will include round table discussions on various topics including refugees, care for creation and human trafficking. All are welcome to attend.



NEW PARISHIONER BRUNCH

The next new parishioner brunch is scheduled for Sunday, November 19th after the 11:00 AM mass. If you are a new parishioner, please join us! Call the parish office at 651-768-3030 to RSVP. Reservations are helpful, but not required.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR SISTER PARISH VISIT

There will be 17 parishioners from Saint Ambrose visiting our sister parish in Cuba this January. Each will be taking an "extra" checked suitcase in which to take items that Padre Yosbel says they could use in their outreach to his various communities. Please consider dropping items from this list off at the parish office at any time.

- Used laptops with power cords
- Children's clothes and shoes (ages 5-12, both genders)
- Battery-powered hand tools (saws, drills, sanders, screw drivers, etc)
- Used suitcases - **NO MORE ARE NEEDED**
- OTC medicines: ibuprofen, aspirin, Tylenol, Neosporin, children's vitamins, triple antibiotic with pain relief, sunscreen
- Old eye glasses and sunglasses
- Sports uniforms (team jerseys and shorts - high school age)
- Baseball and soccer shoes/cleats, baseball gloves, baseball caps
- Books for grade school and junior high age children (mainly Spanish but also some in English)
- Hotel size soaps & shampoos
- Sheets - twin & full size
- Spices in small containers

HELP NEEDED FOR 7th & 8th GRADE SCIENCE FAIR

Parents, grandparents and friends of Saint Ambrose: please consider volunteering to judge projects at our science fair on **November 28th**. Judges can sign up for a shift from 4:00-4:30, 4:30-5 or 5-5:30. As a judge you will listen to 8th graders present their experiment findings and explain limitations of their projects. It is great practice for our students to communicate with an authentic audience, to get feedback from our community and to share their science knowledge. Volunteers need to complete the Essential 3 for Volunteering (Virtus, Background Check and Code of Conduct). You do not need to have children in junior high to participate-all are welcome!

MEN'S CLUB PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Men's Club would like to thank everyone that supported last weekend's pancake breakfast. Over 2,000 hot pancakes were served complimented with eggs and sausages. A great community event which raised over \$1,200 to support the purchase of power tools for the rebuilding of our sister parish, San Miguel de Cubitas and Christmas presents for local teenagers.

FAIR TRADE SALE DECEMBER 2ND & 3RD

The Fair Trade sale will soon be here! Stop by and do a little Christmas shopping. Purchase unique gifts while helping people locally, nationally and from around the world become self-sufficient. The sale will be open after Saturday Mass and on Sunday after 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM Masses.

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS TIME

As you gather to thank God for the blessings of the past year, please consider coming to Mass. The word Eucharist means "thanksgiving." There is no better way to thank God than through participation in the Eucharistic sacrifice. We will have a special Mass here at Saint Ambrose at 9:00 AM on Thanksgiving Day (there will be *no* regularly scheduled 5:30 PM mass that day).



"The bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.'" - Mt 25:10b-12