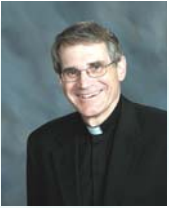




# SAINT AMBROSE OF WOODBURY

Catholic Community

## FROM OUR PASTOR



Congratulations to the children who will be celebrating their First Holy Communion this weekend! They are in the second group with our 204 First Communicants. At many of the Masses this weekend and next, we will need to reserve pews for them and their families. Please continue your graciousness in being bumped from your "usual" spot, and in welcoming all our guests. We always hope to see everyone again.

Today we have Catholic Home Missions Appeal, one of about 7 nationally sponsored collections. Right now, over 40 percent of dioceses in the United States are considered home missions because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support to this collection funds programs—such as religious education, seminary formation, and lay ministry training—to build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. More information can be found at [www.usccb.org/home-missions](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions).

This past week I have been to a conference sponsored by the National Federation of Priests Councils. In addition to meeting priests from around the country, praying and celebrating the Eucharist, we will be given statistical data and analysis about Catholic Parishes in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century; hear speakers on Millennials and Young Adults, and Immigration/Migration; receive a report on Vocations and Clergy and Religious Life; hear Bishop Robert McElroy speak on "The Pastoral Theology of Pope Francis," and discuss among ourselves issues for priests today. I've enjoyed this in the past, and hope to learn more at this convocation.

As mentioned here before, we will be launching a parish magazine, most likely in July. The timing depends on when advertising can be arranged. This would be an attractive, full color magazine which would go to all 3,600+ parish households. It will contain news about the parish as well as articles by nationally known writers. If interested in advertising, please call the associate publisher, David Babish at 612-986-5935.

Some data about Refugees: The number of refugees and internally displaced now stands at more than 65 million, the largest figure ever recorded. According to the UN Refugee Agency, more than half of the world's refugees come from just three countries ravaged by conflict – Syria, Afghanistan and Somalia (these figures do not include the 5.2 million Palestinians registered by the UN Relief and Works Agency). For front-line states such as Turkey, Pakistan, Lebanon, Kenya and the Democratic Republic of Congo, the pressures caused by massive influxes of people can be overwhelming. The cost to future generations is even more alarming: half

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## LITURGY SCHEDULE

Monday 8:00 AM Mass  
Tuesday 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 APRIL 30, 2017

8:30 AM: Hans Trausenecker †  
11:00 AM: Rose Taylor †  
5:00 PM: Mass for the Parish

### MONDAY MAY 1, 2017

8:00 AM: Ed Bruemmer †

### TUESDAY MAY 2, 2017

5:30 PM: Leo & Rose Hennessey †

### WEDNESDAY MAY 3, 2017

8:00 AM: Donald Betz †

9:15 AM: Mary Holisk

### THURSDAY MAY 4, 2017

5:30 PM: Jan Van Hulle †  
Debra Poire †

### FRIDAY MAY 5, 2017

8:00 AM: Bernice Rogers

### SATURDAY MAY 6, 2017

4:00 PM: Joseph Doffing †

### SUNDAY MAY 7, 2017

8:30 AM: Alex & Bozena Borkowski †

11:00 AM: Metty Sebastian †

5:00 PM: Mass for the 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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER ~ APRIL 30, 2017

## OUR PARISH FAMILY



### BORN INTO ETERNAL LIFE

Please remember in your prayers:

**JOHN CRAIG**  
who died on March 31, 2017

### BAPTISMS



*I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

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

**PATRICK DANE HAMMERSLEY**  
Son of Dan & Kelly

**LUCY ANNE HANNAHAN**  
Daughter of John & Jennifer



### CONGRATULATIONS

**CHRISTINE HESBY & CHRISTOPHER BOLINE**

Who were married on April 29, 2017  
At Saint Ambrose of Woodbury



### NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome the following new parishioners to our parish family:

Leah & Emmanuel Duvor

Bernadette & Richard Shearer

## OUR MISSION

Saint Ambrose strives to be an actively involved community which seeks to witness the Gospel of Jesus Christ to one another, as well as the greater community of Woodbury, through our **Worship, Education and Outreach.**

## SOCIAL MEDIA



Follow Saint Ambrose of Woodbury on Social Media!

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

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## STEWARDSHIP

### SACRIFICIAL GENEROSITY

April 16, 2017 - April 23, 2017

Adult Contributions .....	\$13,952.27
Children's Envelopes .....	\$81.25
Votive Candles .....	\$103.65
Hospitality .....	\$79.30
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$14,216.47</b>

April Direct Contributions	
General Stewardship .....	\$67,205.15
Legacy of Faith .....	\$14,116.90

Special Collections	
Legacy of Faith .....	\$250.00

#### Fiscal Year-to-Date Information

July 1st, 2016 - March 31, 2017

Sunday Stewardship Collected .....	\$1,429,139.99
Sunday Stewardship Budgeted .....	\$1,354,268.00
Difference .....	\$74,871.99

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

## DAILY WORD

### READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29; Joseph the Worker: Gn 1:26--2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24/Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16/Mt 13:54-58

Tuesday: Acts 7:51--8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab/Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a/Jn 14:6-14

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-17/Jn 6:60-69

Next Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-6/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL 30 - MAY 7, 2017

### SUNDAY

8:30 AM	Mass
8:30 AM	Preschool Faith Formation
9:45 AM	Symbolon
9:45 AM	Elementary Faith Formation
11:00 AM	Preschool Faith Formation
11:00 AM	Mass & First Eucharist Celebration
5:00 PM	Mass & Confirmation Rite of Sending
6:30 PM	Confirmation Year 2 Rehearsal

### MONDAY

8:00 AM	Mass
6:00 PM	First Eucharist Rehearsal (4:00 PM Mass)
6:30 PM	First Eucharist Rehearsal (8:30 AM Mass)
7:00 PM	First Eucharist Rehearsal (11:00 AM Mass)
7:00 PM	Boy Scouts (FH1,2)
7:00 PM	Education Advisory Council

### TUESDAY

5:30 PM	Mass
6:00 PM	Reconciliation

### WEDNESDAY

8:00 AM	Mass
9:15 AM	Mass at Woodbury Health Care Center
6:30 PM	Uprising - High School Youth Group
7:00 PM	Adult Choir (SFC/CH)

### THURSDAY

9:30 AM	Pray & Play (EDR)
5:30 PM	Mass
6:00 PM	HandS Meeting (LCR)
7:00 PM	Confirmation at the Cathedral of St. Paul

### FRIDAY

8:00 AM	Mass
9:45 AM	K-2 Prayer Service
7:00 PM	Parish School Gala

### SATURDAY

9:00 AM	Adult Spanish Class
3:00 PM	Reconciliation
4:00 PM	Mass & First Eucharist Celebration

### SUNDAY

8:30 AM	Mass & First Eucharist Celebration
9:45 AM	Symbolon
10:00 AM	Pre-School Faith Formation Concert (GYM)
11:00 AM	Mass & First Eucharist Celebration
5:00 PM	Mass
6:30 PM	Confirmation Year 2 Small Groups

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



#### Fridays:

Exposition following the 8:00 AM Mass  
Benediction: 9:00 PM

#### Sundays:

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

## FROM OUR PASTOR CONTINUED

of all refugees in 2015 were children. Not all these people are registered refugees, but perhaps 13-15 million are. The rest are not yet registered or are displaced within their country. That number of 65 million refugees and displaced means that about 1 in 110 people on earth right now currently are fleeing their home. That would correlate to roughly 600 people in Woodbury being on the run on any given day.

Venezuela has been in the news again lately. Thank you to those who have been supporting our Archdiocese's sister diocese of Ciudad Guyana in Venezuela. Some of you have done this by supporting Fr. Greg Schaffer personally, or by contributing to the Catholic Services Appeal. Others of you are helping the church in Venezuela by supporting another friend of mine, Bishop Juan Carlos Bravo. Both are very grateful to you. I know Bishop Juan Carlos has been using some of the money simply to feed the priests whose parishes cannot support them. Much of the money is used to pay the only four people who work at the chancery.

Faith Formation is winding down – the final classes for children are this Sunday. Thank you to the many, many catechists and aides who have helped this year. We will continue to assess all aspects of our faith formation, children, adult, and school going forward. We strive to have programs that lead to a strong relationship with Jesus while not neglecting the basic body of information that is also essential to the handing on of the faith.

On May 30th I celebrate 25 years as a priest. (Fr. Michael will celebrate one year on May 28th). I am working on a parish celebration of it on June 10th. On May 28th both Fr. Michael and I will be gone for the morning Masses. Fr. Dave McCauley, one of our former Pastors, will have Mass here. Fr. Michael will be attending several Masses of Thanksgiving of his seminary friends, and I will be in my hometown concelebrating with my cousin, Tim Sandquist, (my first cousin's son) who will have been ordained the day before. We'll give more information about my celebration here in a few weeks. We will be looking for some help. Thank you!

Fr. Stan Mader

## CUBA CORNER

The Saint Ambrose Cuba Committee continues to meet and plan for the future. We are in the midst of planning the visit from Cuba to our parish in October of this year as well as our visit to Cuba next January. These will both be fantastic opportunities for our parish! In October we are hoping to have three people from San Miguel come up to Woodbury. We need to do some fundraising to make this happen. There will be a



fundraiser as part of the Bishop Pates Gala for this purpose. Also, permission will need to be obtained from the government for this visit to be possible. Please say a prayer that all will go well!

-Fr. Michael

## FAITH FORMATION

### FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

#### Sunday, April 30

- Preschool Faith Formation: 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM
- Sunday Elementary Faith Formation: 9:45 AM
- Confirmation Year 2 Rite of Sending & Rehearsal

#### Thursday, May 4

- Confirmation at the Cathedral of St. Paul: 7:00 PM

### SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH

- **Steubenville Rochester:** Is a weekend-long Catholic youth conference, complete with music, speakers, entertainment, small groups, Eucharistic Adoration, and more. (Actually, it's kind of like a weekend-long concert with friends!) The conference will be held at the Mayo Civic Center in Rochester, MN and will be held July 14-16, 2017. This conference is for current high schoolers. We have a limited amount of tickets so please see Hector Bautista for more information or to register.
- **Extreme Faith Camp:** Is an Archdiocesan summer camp for middle schoolers to have fun and get to know Jesus Christ through prayer, Adoration, Mass and much more. This will be held at Big Sandy Camp in McGregor, MN June 26-30, 2017 and is for teens currently in grades 6-8. Teen leaders interested in helping at the camp need to currently be in grades 9-12.
- **Senior High Mission Trip:** This summer we invite all current 9-12 grade students to join us for a week long Catholic Heart Work Camp in Muskegon, Michigan. We will be leaving on Sunday, July 23rd and returning to Saint Ambrose on Saturday, July 29th. For more information and/or to register, please contact Hector Bautista at 768-3022 or email [hector.bautista@saintambroseofwoodbury.org](mailto:hector.bautista@saintambroseofwoodbury.org)
- **Summer Stretch:** Begins Wednesday, June 28, 2017 and is for students who are entering grades 7, 8, and 9 this coming fall. Students going into grade 10 are invited to join us as Tenors (Teen Leader in Training) and students going into grades 11 & 12 are invited to join us as small group leaders.
- **Vacation Bible School:** Children ages 3 (as of January 1, 2017) through 5th grade are invited to participate in "Created by God, Built for a Purpose" at VBS from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM beginning Monday, June 12, through Friday, June 16, 2017. Preschool aged children must be potty-trained and able to separate. Registration forms are available at the parish office.

## FUN & GAMES

### Puzzle

Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

Emmaus	Christ	village
talking	Moses	bread
Cleopas	Prophets	Simon

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## FATHER FLOOD



## EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### FIRST EUCHARIST MASSES

First Eucharist Masses continue this weekend, April 29/30 at weekend Masses and will continue through May 7, 2017. We congratulate the children and their families and we look forward to them joining us at the Table of the Lord. Please remember to keep these children in your prayers as we all grow deeper in our love for Jesus Christ during this beautiful Easter season!

### CONFIRMATION AT THE CATHEDRAL

The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place this coming Thursday, May 4, 2017, at 7:00 PM at the Cathedral of St. Paul. We ask that you pray that our 146 Confirmation candidates will feel the presence of the Holy Spirit in their lives in a very special way and that they will strive to follow in Christ's footsteps each and every day of their lives.

### ATTENTION GRADUATING SENIORS

Have you received the information we sent you in the mail about our upcoming Baccalaureate Mass on Sunday, June 11th at the 11:00 AM Mass? Remember to save the date and make plans to attend this special Mass with all your graduating friends. A reception honoring all of our graduates will immediately follow Mass in Fellowship Hall.

### EDGE NIGHT FOR 8TH GRADERS

8th Grade Edge Night will be held on Friday, May 19th from 5:00 PM - 10:00 PM. The theme of our EDGE night will be "Through the Storm" and we will be focusing on establishing a foundation of Christ before entering high school. The night will end with an hour of pizza and dodge ball. Any 8th grader is welcome to attend and registration forms are available in the kiosk outside the parish office or by contacting Bri St. Amour at 768-3021. Registration deadline is May 15th.

### INVITATION TO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Would you like to spend some quiet time with our Lord? Experience Eucharistic Adoration in the Saint Francis Chapel Fridays, 8:30 AM - 9:00 PM, and Sundays, 1:00 PM - 4:45 PM.

### 17/18 FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

Faith Formation registration packets were given out during Faith Formation classes last week. If you did not receive your packet for 2017-2018, please stop by the parish office to pick up your packet. If you have any questions, please contact Patti Watkins at 768-3011.

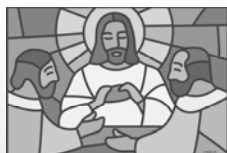
### AMBROSAINS

Looking for a FUN and SOCIAL group of new FRIENDS?! Calling anyone "55" or over to attend our Ambrosians gathering. Whether you are a NEW parishioner, or a longtime member, I would love to welcome you to CHECK OUT the "Ambrosians" evening gathering. We are a social group, growing with over 100+ members, formed to foster friendship among people 55 and over who are members, or spouses/friends of members of Saint Ambrose. This evening is for everyone, whether single, married or widowed. ALL are welcome. Our purpose is Socialization, Support and Service. I would love to invite you to attend our next Ambrosian gathering, to be held on Thursday, May 11th in Fellowship Hall. Social time: 6:00 PM. Dinner: 6:30 PM. The menu will include: chicken cordon bleu, roasted red potatoes, green beans almandine, caesar salad, fresh fruit, dinner rolls and a host of delicious desserts. COST IS: \$8/person! Please call in your reservations to Mike & Sue at 651-730-8536 or Sandra at 815-735-3509. We're sorry, but reservations can not be accepted after Monday, May 8th.

Warmly, LeAnn Stadt, Ambrosian President

### DOROTHY DAY PLACE POSTCARD CAMPAIGN

In January 2017, Catholic Charities opened Higher Ground Saint Paul, the first phase of the Dorothy Day Place project, an integrated service delivery model to prevent and end homelessness in our community. But there is more to be done, and we need legislators to support Phase 2, the Saint Paul Opportunity Center. Please stop by after the Masses on May 13th and 14th to find out how you can raise your voice to make the second phase of Dorothy Day Place a reality.



THEY SET OUT AT ONCE AND RETURNED TO JERUSALEM WHERE THEY FOUND GATHERED TOGETHER THE ELEVEN AND THOSE WITH THEM WHO WERE SAYING, "THE LORD HAS TRULY BEEN RAISED AND HAS APPEARED TO SIMON!" THEN THE TWO RECOUNTED WHAT HAD TAKEN PLACE ON THE WAY AND HOW HE WAS MADE KNOWN TO THEM IN THE BREAKING OF BREAD. - LK 24:33-35