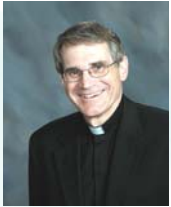




SAINT AMBROSE OF WOODBURY

Catholic Community

FROM OUR PASTOR



It is summer, we are through all the Sundays with doctrinal feasts and now celebrate Sundays in ordinary time until Advent. The Sunday readings of Ordinary Time are on a three year cycle. The gospel readings for this year will be from Matthew, the longest gospel, written with Jewish Christians in mind, drawing many images and patterns from the Old Testament. The gospel begins with

two chapters about Jesus' infancy, although this is a gospel in miniature – people choose sides about Jesus, and he is threatened by the powerful. This is the only gospel that tells of the visit of the Magi or the flight into Egypt. In many ways he is compared to Moses.

Once Jesus begins his public ministry, he teaches a great deal about the Kingdom of Heaven. In fact his theme is initially the same as that of John the Baptist. "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." (Matthew 4:17.) Many parables will begin with "The kingdom of heaven is like" Many people have pointed out five extended discourses by Jesus in the gospel according to Matthew. The first and most famous is the Sermon on the Mount, which is largely about this new age he is introducing, and what it is to be a disciple in it. As we begin the 12th week of Ordinary Time, we drop into his second discourse at Matthew 10:26-33. He has just selected his 12 apostles and is giving them instructions as he sends them out on their first mission. He is warning them of the difficulties of the life of a disciple and the inevitable conflict with the world. We will walk through this for a few weeks and then get into several weeks of parables about the kingdom of God.

Summer is also a time for a number of youth events. First to launch this week is Extreme Faith Camp, which is held at Big Sandy near McGregor in central Minnesota. This is for middle school children with some high school students taking on more of a leadership role. Last year 12 of our youth went. This year it is over 50 – 43 middle schoolers and 9 high school students will join Bri St. Amour and Hector Bautista from our staff. I will join them for a day or two as well. The great increase in numbers is a testament to the experience of last year's attendees, but also to the efforts of our middle school youth leader, Bri St. Amour. Thanks Bri!

Summer Stretch begins this Wednesday as well. Each Wednesday until early August youth will gather here, attend Mass at 8:00 a.m. (those

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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 JUNE 25, 2017

8:30 AM: Lorraine Meyer †
Cecelia Kelly †

11:00 AM: Mass for the Parish
5:00 PM: Augusta Daniel

MONDAY JUNE 26, 2017

8:00 AM: Joyce Caruso †

TUESDAY JUNE 27, 2017

5:30 PM: Virginia Vasilkos †

WEDNESDAY JUNE 28, 2017

8:00 AM: Jun Carag

11:00 AM: Carol Mader †

THURSDAY JUNE 29, 2017

5:30 PM: Agnes Jordan †

FRIDAY JUNE 30, 2017

8:00 AM: Anne Panlaner †

SATURDAY JULY 1, 2017

4:00 PM: Francas, Shannon
& Marie Babinski †

SUNDAY JULY 2, 2017

8:30 AM: Wayne Long †

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.

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ JUNE 25, 2017

OUR PARISH FAMILY



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

BAPTISMS

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

IVAN CHIGOZIE OZURUMBA
Son of Raphael & Justina-Joy



CONGRATULATIONS

EMILY KINSKY & BRIAN MARSHIK
Who were married on June 24, 2017
At Saint Ambrose of Woodbury



NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome the following new parishioners to our parish family:

Laura & Chris Devine
Children: Allison & Lettie

Virginia Stadler

ARE YOU REGISTERED?

Registration helps us keep you informed of important events especially regarding sacramental preparation for your children. The date you register also determines your priority for enrolling your children in Saint Ambrose School. 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.

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

June 12, 2017 - June 19, 2017

Adult Contributions	\$13,666.23
Children's Envelopes	\$25.95
Votive Candles	\$106.89
Hospitality	\$59.29
TOTAL	\$13,858.36

Special Collections	
Legacy of Faith	\$1,145.96

Fiscal Year-to-Date Information

July 1st, 2016 - May 31, 2017

Sunday Stewardship Collected	\$1,748,676.00
Sunday Stewardship Budgeted	\$1,666,192.00
Difference	\$82,484.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

DAILY WORD

READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Sunday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33

Monday: Gn 12:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 18-20, 22/Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday: Gn 13:2, 5-18/Ps 15:2-4ab, 5/Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/Ps 105:1-4, 6-9/Mt 7:15-20

Thursday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-5/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19/Day: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

Friday: Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22/Ps 128:1-5/Mt 8:1-4

Saturday: Gn 18:1-15/Lk 1:46-50, 53-55/Mt 8:5-17

Next Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Ps 89:2-3, 16-19/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE 25 - JULY 2, 2017

SUNDAY

8:30 AM	Mass
11:00 AM	Mass
12:00 PM	New Parishioner Brunch
5:00 PM	Mass

MONDAY

8:00 AM	Mass
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TUESDAY

5:30 PM	Mass
6:00 PM	Reconciliation

WEDNESDAY

8:00 AM	Mass (Summer Stretch attends) (CH)
8:30 AM	Summer Stretch
9:00 AM	Children's Holy Hour
11:00 AM	Mass at Stonecrest
6:30 PM	Uprising - High School Youth Group

THURSDAY

5:30 PM	Mass
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FRIDAY

8:00 AM	Mass
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SATURDAY

9:30 AM	Adult Spanish Class (LCR)
3:00 PM	Reconciliation
4:00 PM	Mass

SUNDAY

8:30 AM	Mass
11:00 AM	Mass
5:00 PM	Mass

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



Wednesdays: (5/24 through the Summer Months)

Exposition following the 8:00 AM Mass

Benediction: 9:00 PM

Sundays:

Exposition: 1:00 PM

Benediction: 4:45 PM

FROM OUR PASTOR CONTINUED

Wednesday Masses will be in the main church). Shortly after Mass they will go to do service throughout the community. Afternoons will be spent on fun events such as waterparks and conclude with a trip to Valley Fair.

Two other youth events are held this summer. One is the mission trip. We will be part of Catholic Heart Work Camp, which holds events in about 25 cities throughout the country. We will be on one that goes to Michigan. Each day begins with Mass and some inspirational video and talk, and then the teams, comprised of five teens and two adults, go into the community to paint buildings, clean yards, repair walls, supervise children, etc. In the evenings there is club time – music, talks, and parish youth group time. Along the way there is the opportunity for confession, prayer, adoration, etc. I've been on four of these mission trips and found them all worthwhile. The other event is closer to home. It is called Steubenville North and will be held in Rochester, Minnesota. Fr. Froehle will be joining the fifteen high school youth that will attend that more intensive retreat experience.

I was pleased to see 18 people attend the meeting about neighborhood groups. We will be forming a number of these this summer, and you may be getting a call or card from a fellow parishioner inviting you to their home for some gathering. I hope you respond positively. We are always better together than when we are apart.

The Men's Club is hosting their annual bean bag tournament this Thursday at 6:30. Please email sawmensclub.com@gmail.com for more information. This is for men only. No prize money, but substantial bragging rights at stake. A \$10 entry fee also covers for brats and beverages. No experience is necessary. As they note, luck and a good partner can get you a long way.

Fr. Stan Mader

CYCLES OF FAITH

"Even all the hairs of your head are counted. So do not be afraid." Can it really be true? Is our heavenly Father actually so aware of us? Does the Creator of the universe pay that much attention to me? Jesus says yes. God knows us far more intimately than we even know ourselves. And so, we have nothing to fear.

Being Christian isn't guaranteed to be easy. More and more even in our own culture, following the faith is being criticized and discouraged in the public square. Privately, we may struggle with the demands of the commandments or the ability to believe when we face the inevitable trials that come our way. But passages like this one in today's Gospel are a source of tremendous hope and consolation. We are loved beyond measure. We enjoy the care and concern of God in every situation, big and small. Truly we have no need to worry or be anxious because God is in control.

For our part, of course, Jesus asks us to trust him and stay faithful. He asks us not to apologize for our faith, especially publicly. "Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father." When we live our faith with confidence, it's a way of accepting the power and providence of God. But when we try to hide our faith away because we're afraid of causing problems, we only damage our relationship with the One who can actually solve them.

At the end of the day, the only really serious problem we need to worry about is losing our soul-and that, to be sure, is up to us. As the great French novelist Léon Bloy wrote, "There is only one tragedy in the end: not to have been a saint."

FAITH FORMATION

17/18 FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

Registration Information Packets were sent home with the youngest child in each family during Faith Formation classes in May. We would like to encourage you to send your registration form in as soon as possible so that we can begin to make plans for the fall. If you did not get your registration packet, you can pick it up at the main desk in the parish office.

SUMMER STRETCH

Summer Stretch begins this coming Wednesday, June 28, 2017. Teens (grades 6-8) need to be at Saint Ambrose no later than 7:50AM for morning Mass. Teen leaders should report to Fellowship Hall 1 no later than 7:30AM. For any questions please contact Patti Watkins at 768-3011.

EXTREME FAITH CAMP

Extreme Faith Camp will be held this coming week. We ask that you keep our 50 teens from Saint Ambrose who are attending the camp in your prayers as they spend this next week deepening their relationship with the Lord. Extreme Faith Camp is an Archdiocesan Catholic summer camp held at Big Sandy in McGregor, MN. At the camp the middle schoolers will have fun while deepening their relationship with Jesus through Mass, Adoration, prayer and much, much more. We look forward to hearing all about their fun filled week when they return this coming Friday, June 30th.



FUN & GAMES

Puzzle

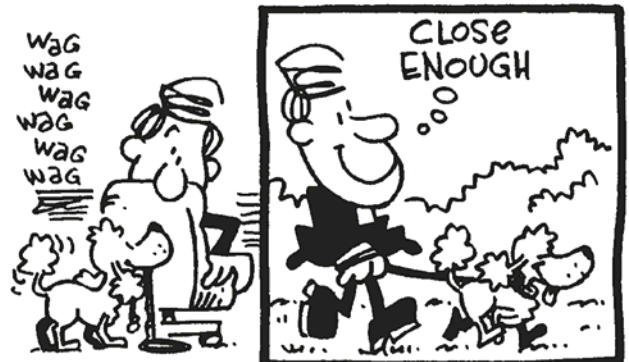
Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

BLESSED	ROCK	KEYS
SIMON	BUILD	KINGDOM
PETER	CHURCH	HEAVEN

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EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS

Do you struggle with Celiac disease or a gluten sensitivity? The Catholic Church does allow a low-gluten host to be used so that people who suffer in this way may still receive the Body of Christ. St. Ambrose offers a low-gluten (.01%) option for those unable to consume the standard host at Mass. Please contact Lisa Cressy in the parish office for more information about this alternative!

ARCHBISHOP FLYNN CATECHETICAL INSTITUTE

Come discover the plan that will transform your work, your marriage, your family, your community, your life! This fall, the Archbishop Harry J. Flynn Catechetical Institute will offer the two-year course in two different locations. Classes will be held at Mary, Mother of the Church in Burnsville on Monday evenings and at the Church of St. Andrew in Elk River on Tuesday evenings. Taught by some of the best instructors in the Twin Cities, such as Bishop Andrew Cozzens, Jeff Cavins, Deacon Joe Michalak, Fr. John Klockeman, Dr. Bill Stevenson, Fr. Peter Williams, Christina Smith, Alyssa Bormes, and more, the program follows the four pillars of the Catechism of the Catholic Church and will make sense of all things Catholic, deepen your faith, and lay out the roadmap to heaven. Classes are divided into four eleven-week modules with two Saturday morning formative sessions per module. Applications are now being accepted through July 1, 2017, for the class beginning in September. For more information and an application visit www.Clstudent.com or call (651) 962-5028.

QUO VADIS VOCATION CAMP

The Office of Vocations has opened registration for the first annual Quo Vadis Summer Camp being held at Saint John Vianney College Seminary on the University of St. Thomas campus. Quo Vadis Camp for Young Men will be July 9 – 12. Quo Vadis Camp for Young Women will be July 16 – 19. Camp will include Mass, Prayer, Talks, Confession, Rosary along with lots of fun and recreation! Camp is open to 12-17 year old men and women in the Archdiocese – space is limited! For more information and to register, please visit www.10000vocations.org.

SUMMER HOURS

We have started our summer schedule for adoration and parish office hours. Friday adoration has moved to Wednesday's for the summer months. The parish office will close at noon on Fridays for the summer months.

ECEC PROGRAM OPENINGS

Come join the fun and learning at the Saint Ambrose of Woodbury Early Childhood Education Center (ECEC)! The Saint Ambrose of Woodbury Early Childhood Education Center (ECEC) has limited availability in our 1/2 day, calendar school year program for Fall 2017. Our Caterpillar Room openings are for children 3-4 years of age (3 by 9/1/17 & potty trained) & meets on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. We would love for your family to join ours! If you would like to schedule a tour of our center or if you have questions about our programs, please call 651-768-3031 or 651-768-3032. We look forward to hearing from you!

ECEC JOB OPENINGS

The Saint Ambrose of Woodbury Early Childhood Education Center (ECEC) is currently looking for part time high school/college teacher's aides. We are looking for individuals who are high energy, creative, reliable, and self-directed to join our staff. Successful applicants will be responsible for helping the teachers maintain classroom management, reinforce afternoon routines and participate in small group and one-on-one activities as well as providing a safe and clean environment. Applicants must be at least 16 years of age. If interested, please contact Anne Huber, Director or Ann Marie Valento, Assistant Director at 651-768-3032 or 651-768-3031. Rate of pay: \$8.25 - \$9.50/hour; year round position. Hours: M – F, 3:30-5:30 or 6:00 PM.

CHILDREN'S HOLY HOUR

The Adoration Committee is excited to announce Children's Holy Hour, every other Wednesday, from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM beginning June 28. This will provide parents and guardians a stress-free time to introduce children to Jesus in the Eucharist without concern of disrupting others.



"ARE NOT TWO SPARROWS SOLD FOR A SMALL COIN? YET NOT ONE OF THEM FALLS TO THE GROUND WITHOUT YOUR FATHER'S KNOWLEDGE. EVEN ALL THE HAIRS OF YOUR HEAD ARE COUNTED. SO DO NOT BE AFRAID; YOU ARE WORTH MORE THAN MANY SPARROWS." - MT 10:29-31