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ST AMBROSE APPLEFEST News

Hello School Families!

Now that we are officially settled into the school routine, the excitement is building because Applefest is right around the corner. If you haven't checked out the official Applefest webpage yet, beat the Monday backpack rush and head over to www.saintambroseparish.org/applefest to secure your favorite items today!

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What is on the Order Form & Online Shop?

- Grand Raffle Tickets to win that \$5,000 grand prize (\$25 each ticket, or buy 4 and get 1 free!)
- Pulled Pork dinner orders
- AFest T-shirts & Bags to show your festival spirit
- NEW! Unlimited Play Wristbands for the Video Gaming Truck (Ages 8+ or experienced players). Variety of games, multiple players at a time, managed and rotated!

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DO THIS

KEEPING TRADITIONS
ALIVE WHILE COZYING
UP TO SOME NEW
THINGS ...

We are so ready to swap the usual weekend routine for a weekend of pure Applefest energy. We've been waiting since last year to come back and do this weekend up big again!

Live Music Schedule

- Friday Night: Rock out with Behavior Intervention
- Saturday: Rock out again with The Wherehouse Project Band

Non-Stop Festival Fun

- Adult Gaming: Pull tabs, Chuck-a-Luck, Black Jack, Bingo & more
- Apple Market: Homemade & seasonal goods
- Food & Treats: KC Spaghetti Dinner (Sat. Night), Food & Beer Tents, Jewel Ice Cream Truck (Friday night), and Lulus Shaved Ice (both nights)
- Main Events: Basket Raffle, Online Silent Auction, Talent Show, JBSD Performances, Piasa Martial Arts & More
- Just for Kids: Kids Games, Airbrush Tattoos, Face Painter, Balloon Artist, and the Godfrey Fire Truck
- Memorable Activities: Teacher Pie In The Face, Kids Pie Eating Contest, Highland Cows, and a Caricature Artist

SATURDAY 7 - 11PM



FRIDAY 7 - 11PM



Volunteers: It Is Go Time!

The success of Applefest depends on you. We are putting together an unforgettable weekend, but we cannot do it without a strong crew of volunteers!

Whether you are an adult ready to jump in, a middle schooler looking to help out (and earn service hours!), or a high schooler wanting to make an impact, we need your energy, your smile, and your hands right now.

Sign up TODAY! You will find all the sign-up links by scanning the QR code on the front or on our Applefest webpage. Every role matters. Let's make Applefest the best yet... together!

Calling All Pie Makers: The Great Applefest Bake! It is time to roll up our sleeves and bring the magic. The Women's Group is hosting our traditional Applefest Pie Baking day, and we need your hands, your smiles, and your pie-crust crimping skills. Whether you are a seasoned pastry pro or just want to hang out for a fun morning of community and conversation, come join the crew. The more, the merrier!

- When: Thursday, September 17, 2026
- Time: Starting at 8:45 a.m.
- Where: The Community Center

Let's fill the air with the smell of sweet cinnamon and apples. Come help us bake one of the absolute best parts of Applefest!



CLASSROOM BASKETS

Our classroom baskets are truly one of the stars of the basket raffle show each year! We would love each classroom to have a basket featured in raffle. Below are the themes for each room if you would like to send an item in with your student, or send a monetary donation toward building the basket:

- Preschool-Play Doh
- Kindergarten- Art Supplies
- 1st Grade- Outdoor Games/Toys
- 2nd Grade- Barbie
- 3rd Grade- Lego
- 4th Grade- Lego
- 5th Grade- Movie Night
- 6th Grade- Ice Cream Party Basket
- 7th Grade- St. Louis Sports/ Sports/ Baseball Cards
- 8th Grade- Family Game Night

APPLE TREES

Grab an Apple from our Donation Trees! Located at each of the three church entrances, simply pick an apple off one of the trees which features a specific item we would love to have donated to our star-studded basket raffle. THANK YOU!

While Friday and Saturday get a lot of the spotlight, **Sunday, September 20th** is truly one of the sweetest, most relaxing parts of the Applefest weekend. It is the perfect way to wind down, fill up, and see who takes home the big prizes!

Come hungry and get ready for a wonderful morning:
Pancake & Sausage Breakfast: Hosted by our wonderful Pastoral Council, join us right after the morning Masses for a delicious breakfast with your St. Ambrose family.

The Final Countdown (Noon): Keep those fingers crossed! Our basket raffle, online auction, and Grand Raffle all officially close at 12:00 p.m. sharp, and the winners will be drawn immediately after.

Don't skip out on the final day of the festival. Grab a plate, check your tickets one last time, and let's wrap up an amazing Applefest together!

Warmly, Your 2026 Applefest Chairs Mike & Lynne Adams

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