

St. Ambrose Church



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OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Thursday 9am to 4pm, Friday 9am to 2pm. After hours by appointment only.

WEEKEND HOLY MASSES:

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am and 11:00 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 8:30 am to 9:30 am

Wednesday 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm

Saturday 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm

Sunday from 8:00 am to 8:45 am; 10:15 am to 10:45 am

Fr. Gary Schlack - Pastor

Fr. Michael King, retired - in residence

Rev. Mr. Nick Cherri - Deacon

Rev. Mr. Paul Klaassen - Deacon

Barbara Roy - Administrative Assistant

Myra Klaassen - Parish Ministry

Sarah Kwiecinski - Youth Ministry

Sandy Figueiredo - Sacristan/Custodian

Carol Renner - rectory housekeeper

PARISH SCHOOLS: St. Anne School 519-621-8920
Holy Spirit School 519-621-8973

St. Vincent de Paul School 519-740-0678
Monsignor Doyle High School 519-622-1290

BAPTISM - The Baptism Preparation Program for parents is required before a Baptism date is scheduled.

MARRIAGE - Contact the parish office at least 12 months in advance, as Marriage Preparation is required.

VISITS and COMMUNION TO THE SICK - Inform the parish office of hospitalization or home confinement.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - for assistance with food vouchers, leave a message at 519-623-8764

- St. Vincent de Paul Value Store 519-629-0103

First Saturday Promise:

"Behold, my daughter, my Heart encircled with thorns, with which ungrateful people pierce It at every moment by their blasphemies and ingratitude. Give me consolation, you, at least; and make known on my behalf that I promise to assist at the hour of death, with the graces necessary for salvation, all who on the First Saturday of five consecutive months: 1) confess their sins, 2) receive Holy Communion, 3) recite five decades of the Rosary, 4) keep me company for fifteen minutes meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary, 5) and have the intention of making reparation to my Immaculate Heart."

(Our Lady of Fatima's message to Lucia)

First Saturday Masses are held at 8:00 am each month at St. Ambrose Church.

What is Transubstantiation?

When the disciples sat down with Jesus at the Last Supper, they were preparing to celebrate the Jewish Passover with him. Jesus, however, had something more in mind.

“While they were eating, Jesus took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and giving it to his disciples said, ‘Take and eat; this is my body.’ Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, ‘Drink from it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed on behalf of many for the forgiveness of sins.’” (Matthew 26:26-28)

Something happened at that last meal that Jesus celebrated with his disciples, something that had never happened before: Ordinary bread and wine were transformed into the body and blood of Jesus, the Second Person of the Holy Trinity. I’m sure the disciples didn’t fully understand what had just happened, nor what would happen when they went on to celebrate “Last Suppers” with the early Christian community. Yet they believed and had faith in the Lord’s words, even though they didn’t fully understand them.

For Catholics today, not much has changed. We believe that at every Mass, bread and wine become Jesus — His body, blood, soul and divinity — even though we can’t fully understand how it happens. The miracle of the Eucharist is a mystery, something that human reason and intelligence can never fully grasp.

However, our Catholic faith is a reasonable one, and we can’t simply leave this mystery a complete mystery; we have to do our best to make sense of it, albeit incompletely. This is why transubstantiation is such an important term for us to understand in explaining to others what we believe about the Eucharist.

Transubstantiation is the term that attempts to explain how bread and wine can become the body and blood of the Lord without losing their exterior appearance. While the word was first used in the 11th century by Hildebert of Lavardin, the archbishop of Tours, it was at the Council of Trent (1545–1563) that it became authoritative church teaching.

The Council of Trent declared: *“Because Christ our Redeemer said that it was truly His body that He was offering under the species of bread, it has always been the conviction of the Church of God, and this holy Council now declares again, that by the consecration of the bread and wine there takes place a change of the whole substance of the bread into the substance of the body of Christ our Lord and of the whole substance of the wine into the substance of His blood. This change the holy Catholic Church has fittingly and properly called transubstantiation.”* (CCC 1376)

With the Eucharist, the bread and wine (taste, texture, appearance) do not change, the substance (the essential “bread-ness” and “wine-ness”) does change. It still looks, feels and tastes like bread and wine, but it has truly become Jesus. This is what the Catholic Church means by *transubstantiation*.

Transubstantiation is a miracle, the mystery of the Eucharist. Like the apostles, we have faith in the Lord’s words, that He meant what He said; but, also like the apostles, we will never fully understand those words.



Tuesday, November 14

8:00 am – In thanksgiving from Purita Avilla

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30 – 9:30 am

Wednesday, November 15

1:00 pm – Prayers for the Sick - everyone welcome. Please enter through parking lot side door.

7:00 pm Mass + SOULS IN PURATORY – Maria Correia

+ MARIA NGUYEN – Thanh

+ PAULO FERREIRA – Myra

+ DECEASE ANCESTORS of Theresa Tran

+ ROCCO ZANGRILLI – Bice and Frank

- Intentions of Shirley and Tony Borges and family

CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm

Thursday, November 16

8:00 am + ZBIGNIEW & HALINA WYGANOWSKI - Yolanta

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30 – 9:30 am

Friday, November 17

8:00 am + KOZDRON, GORBARCZYK, ORGANISCIAK & SALINITRI FAMILIES

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30 – 9:30 am

Saturday, November 18

CONFESSIONS at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm

5:00 pm + HELENA & JOSE REGO – Maria and John Correia

+ MANUEL & EMILIA MOREIRA – their family

+ MANUEL DeVARGAS – Maria

+ TINA FERNANDES – Trish and Matt Gerth

- for the intentions of Barb Hiller

Sunday, November 19

9:00 am + DECEASED FAMILY OF BICE & FRANK RINALDI

11:00 am – for the intentions of all parishioners

CONFESSIONS: 8:00 to 8:45 am and 10:15 am to 10:45 am

The Annulment Process...the facts and myths

If you are divorced and have considered applying for a Church annulment (Declaration of Nullity) this would be a good presentation to attend:

Presented by Deacon Joseph Di Loreto, of the Diocese of Hamilton, on Thursday November 23 at 7pm at St. Michael Parish, 80 University Ave W., Waterloo in their Parish Centre (basement)

Deacon Joseph Di Loreto, the Administrative Officer and Auditor of the Marriage Tribunal for the Hamilton Diocese will present an overview of the Annulment process. He will clarify the steps, dispel the myths, share facts and answer your questions.

Register by emailing: parish@stmichaelw.ca or phone 519-884-9311

Christmas Assistance Programs

If you, or someone you know, could use a little extra help at Christmas this year, assistance can be registered through the Region of Waterloo: www.christmashampers.ca or call to register 519 742-5860. Registration from November 1st to November 30th.

As an alternative for help with Christmas:

If you are a part of the St. Ambrose Church community (parish and schools) you can leave a voice message at the phone number of the "Society of St. Vincent de Paul" which is a volunteer group of the Church at 519-623-8764. The person returning your phone call will show as an *unidentified caller* on your phone. You can also email your request to: stambrose.ssvp@gmail.com

Church Bulletin Advertising

Liturgical Publications, who prints our weekly bulletin free for the parish, will be renewing the advertisements for our Church bulletin. The advertising will begin in February 2024. If you have a business that would like to advertise on the back of our bulletin, please contact their office directly at 1-800-268-2637.

Thank you to the business who currently use this advertising feature!

"Daughters of the King" St. Ambrose Parish ladies' group will meet on Tuesday, November 21; December 5th and 19th, at 7:00 pm in St. Ambrose Church Hall. All ladies are welcome to join us!

Questions?

Email Myra at myra@stambrosecambridge.ca



Families, couples, individuals invited to light the Advent Wreath Candles

Yes, it's almost that time of the year again! Advent begins December 3rd. Families, couples and individuals are invited to participate in the lighting of the candles on the Advent Wreath at weekend Masses.

There are **sign-up sheets** will be at the back of the Church next week, Nov 18/19. Thank you!

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High School Youth Group Upcoming Meeting Dates

The high school youth group will meet on the first and third Monday for the months of November and December. We will meet from 6:30-8pm in the church hall on November 6th and 20th, and December 4th and 18th. Young people in grades 9-12 are welcome to join anytime!

2024 Church donation envelopes

IF YOU ALREADY USE CHURCH DONATION ENVELOPES, then another set will be automatically prepared for you and it will be available for pick-up in December.

IF YOU ARE NOT using church donation envelopes, and would like to do so for 2024, please contact the parish office within the next two weeks to have this arranged.

2024 Sunday Missals will be available for purchase for \$5.00, in the Sacristy or parish office.

2024 Religious wall calendars will be available for \$4.00, in the Sacristy or parish office.

Pasta and Trivia Night fundraiser to support Cambridge students and families – at St. Benedict C.S.S. on Friday, November 17th, doors open at 6pm, dinner at 6:30 pm. Tickets: 519-578-3660 Ext. 2474. Get a team together to join the fun! Sponsored by St. Benedict School and the Catholic Community Foundation of Waterloo Region. \$50.00 / person. Tax receipt available for a portion of the ticket.

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