

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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY)



TODAY

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 7
St. Ambrose Church
3:00 – 4:00 pm

In 2000, Pope John Paul instituted Divine Mercy Sunday which is celebrated on the Second Sunday of Easter. It arises out of a series of apparitions which Saint Faustina received. To celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday everyone is invited to join us for the Divine Mercy Novena and music.

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In a series of revelations to St. Maria Faustina Kowalska in the 1930s, our Lord called for a special feast day to be celebrated on the Sunday after Easter. The Lord expressed His will with regard to this feast in His very first revelation to St. Faustina. The most comprehensive revelation can be found in her Diary entry 699:

“My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and a shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day are opened all the divine floodgates through which graces flow. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My mercy.”

In all, St. Faustina wrote of 14 revelations from Jesus concerning His desire for this feast.



Tuesday, April 9

8:00 am + ANN & FRANK DeSOUZA - Theresa

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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

Wednesday, April 10

1:00 pm – Prayers for the Sick - everyone welcome.

Please enter through parking lot side door.

7:00 pm Mass + SOULS IN PURATORY

+ DEMETRIUS & ELENA RAYOFF

+ MARIA LURDES MONTEIRO MELO & FAMILY

- for the intentions of Shirley and Tony Borges

- Special intention of a friend - Yolanta

CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm

Thursday, April 11 – St Stanislaus

8:00 am + DECEASED FAMILY of Maria & Silvino Chaves

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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

Friday, April 12

8:00 am + WAYNE McCLUNG - Maureen

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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

Saturday, April 13

8:00 am – Healing of the Family Tree Mass

CONFESSIONS at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm

5:00 pm + EDWARD OUD – Dave Johnston

+ MILDRED KAVANAGH - Julie

+ FRANCISCO FARIA – his wife

+ DIANE MURPHY-NEUSTEAD – Marg Peterman

+ DECEASED FAMILY OF John and Maria Correia

Sunday, April 14 – Third Sunday of Easter season

9:00 am – for the intentions of all parishioners

11:00 am + MANUEL FERNANDES – his family

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





Sacrament of First Holy Communion

Over the next few weeks, the Grade 2 students from our parish schools and catechism students will be receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. Please keep these students, their families and teachers in your prayers. All Masses will be held at our Church.

St. Anne School Saturday, April 13th at 11:00 am
Holy Spirit School Saturday, April 20th at 12:00 noon
St. Vincent School Saturday, April 27th at 1:00 pm

High School Students Invited to hear a Guest speaker

The St. Ambrose high school youth group will host Keturah Dumaine from the Canadian Centre for Bio-Ethical Reform to give a presentation on Pro-Life Apologetics 101. Students in Grades 9-12 are invited to come learn how to effectively communicate the pro-life position with clarity and compassion! Join us on Tuesday, April 9th from 6:30-8pm in the church hall. For more information and to RSVP, please contact Sarah Kwiecinski at youth@stambrosecambridge.ca. This is a free event, and we will be grateful to accept donations to support our youth ministry.

Thank you for your continued financial contributions to St. Ambrose Parish!

Several parishioners have been using the online donation portal called "CanadaHelps". The link to this portal can be found on our parish website:
stambrosecambridge.ca

Are you looking for employment? Visit the Diocese of Hamilton website for employment opportunities:

hamiltondiocese.com/job-opportunities

Be A Man men's group meets weekly on Saturday mornings, in St. Ambrose Church Hall from **7:00 am to 8:30 am**. All men welcome, 18 years and older. Come and join us for good conversation, fellowship and coffee and muffins. For info call Joe - 519-241-607.

(Will not be held Saturday April 27th due to an off-site retreat day.)

Thank you to our Volunteers

On behalf Father King and our parishioners, thank you to our choirs, Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, altar servers, ushers, those who had their foot washed on Holy Thursday, and decorators for volunteering many hours over the course of Holy Week and Easter weekend. Thank you to our staff who gave extra hours as well. It is only through a coordinated effort that we are able to provide our parishioners with such beautiful liturgies!

Fr. Gary

Prayers for the Sick

Wednesdays at **1:00 pm**, in the Church, everyone is welcome to join with other parishioners to pray for those among us who are suffering from illness and who need our prayers for healing and strength. This is weekly prayer gathering, but you can attend when available. Please use the church side door on the parking lot side. (the door closest to the elevator entrance.)

The Diocese of Hamilton is the ecclesiastical "head office" of the Parishes in a geographical area, and has 119 parishes within the Diocese. It contains is the office of the Bishop of Hamilton and the other administrative offices. They host programs and events in which parishioners can participate. Check their website often for updates:

hamiltondiocese.com

Mom & Tots Pray & Play: Do you want to introduce your child/children to Eucharistic Adoration? Do you need some quiet time praying with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament? If so, this program is for you. Bring your children to adoration, and when you're ready you can drop them off to enjoy supervised play with other children for the remaining time while you adore alone. This will be held the LAST Wednesday of each month from 10:00-11:30am in the Adoration Chapel and Children's Liturgy room at St. Ambrose Church. Registration is required, please email momtotsprayplay@gmail.com. Please register for the upcoming date of **Wednesday, April 24, 2024**

Coffee Sunday – April 21st, please join us in the Church Hall for refreshments after 9am and 11am Masses.

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