

St. Ambrose Church



210 South Street, Cambridge ON N1R 2P4 519-621-2013

Email: stambrose@golden.net Website: stambrosecambridge.ca

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. Paul Klaassen - Deacon

Barbara Roy - Administrative Assistant

Myra Klaassen - Parish Ministry

Rose Capistrano - 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.



**Jubilee Year 2025
Pilgrims of Hope**

What Is a Jubilee Year?

A Jubilee Year is traditionally proclaimed by the Universal Church every 25 years. It is a particular year set aside to encourage the faithful to embark on pilgrimages, to repent of their sins and forgive the sins of others, and to renew a focus on the spiritual life. In the Hebrew tradition, as recorded in Leviticus, a Jubilee was celebrated every 50 years with the freeing of slaves and the forgiveness of debts. In 1300, Pope Boniface VIII instituted the first Christian Jubilee, and since then the Church has designated each new Jubilee as a special year of grace and forgiveness, offering the faithful an opportunity to obtain a plenary indulgence.

The 2025 Jubilee will be centered on the theme “**Pilgrims of Hope.**” As His Holiness Pope Francis so beautifully expressed it: *“We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us, and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and far-sighted vision.”* The Jubilee begins on December 24, 2024, with the official Opening of the Holy Door of Saint Peter’s Basilica, and runs to January 6, 2026, the Feast Day of Epiphany, with the Closing of the Holy Door.

The Jubilee Year will offer the faithful opportunities to participate in various jubilee events at the Vatican and in their own dioceses. The great tradition of opening the Holy Door will begin when Pope Francis opens the Holy Door of St. Peter’s Basilica on December 24, 2024. Other holy doors will be opened at the Rome basilicas of St. John Lateran, St. Mary Major and St. Paul Outside the Walls. For pilgrims who cannot travel to Rome, bishops around the world are expected to designate their cathedrals or a popular Catholic shrine as special places of prayer for Holy Year pilgrims, offering opportunities for reconciliation, indulgences and other events intended to strengthen and revive our faith.

The official website of the Jubilee year is
www.iubilaeum2025.va/en

Canada’s National Shrines are renowned places of pilgrimage. During the Jubilee Year 2025, pilgrims are invited to make a special effort to visit the shrines to pray for peace and to experience a renewed joy that springs from Christian hope.



Tuesday, October 1

8:00 am – Intentions of Arsenio and Estrella Pontalba

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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

Wednesday, October 2

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

Please enter through parking lot side door.

7:00 pm Mass + SOULS IN PURATORY

- The intentions of Lucia
- + DECEASED PEREIRA & DeALMEIDA FAMILIES
- + JOSE MELO – Antonio Melo and family
- + BRUNA COCCA – Anna Magnone
- In thanksgiving for children and grandchildren

CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm

Thursday, October 3

8:00 am – intentions of Tony and Shirley Borges & family

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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

Friday, October 4

8:00 am + ANTONIO PEREIRA – Manuel and Anna Silveira

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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

Saturday, October 5

8:00 am – Healing of the Family Tree Mass

CONFESSIONS at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm

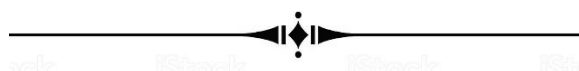
- 5:00 pm + ROBERT RANN – Mary Cooper
- + BILL NORMORE – Lana and family
- + ANIBAL LOURO – his wife
- + ANDREW DOBBIN – Doreen
- + QUINTINO CORVAGLIA – his wife

Sunday, October 6 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am – for the intentions of all parishioners

11:00 am + BERTHA SANDINO – her family

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





Alpha Series

St. Ambrose will host the Alpha Film Series, starting Friday, October 4 at 6:30 pm. Alpha was filmed from all around the world and features many inspiring stories and interviews. Join Nickey Gumbel, Toby Flint and Gemma Hunt as they unpack the basics of the Christian faith in a way that everyone can relate to. Each Alpha evening begins with a sit-down meal in the parish hall at St. Ambrose Church. Alpha is an excellent program for someone who is not a Christian but would like to learn more about the basics of the Christian faith. It is also for Christians who are looking to reconnect with the practice of their faith as well as connecting with the faith community.

Please register your attendance by phoning the parish office 519.621.2013 or email stambrose@golden.net



St. Ambrose welcomes new Altar Servers

There will be a practice on **Saturday, October 5th** from 2:30 until 4:30 pm. We are looking for children who have received their First Communion, and who can attend Masses regularly on weekends.

Please contact Juanjose Hernandez (519-636-8791) or the parish office 519-621-2013

Marian Residence Retirement Home, located in the Preston area of Cambridge, it is the perfect option for Senior Catholic Living. Owned and operated by the Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate. Occupancy is available. For more information, please email info@marianresidence.ca or phone 519-653-0363.

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 The upcoming date is **Wednesday, October 30th**.



Youth in grades 6 to 12 are invited to gather together on **Monday, October 7 from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm** in the church hall. Kids will then be divided into age groups. **Join us** to grow in faith, make new friendships, and have fun! Our new youth minister, Rose Capistrano, looks forward to meeting you. For information please email Rose at youth@stambrosecambridge.ca



Society of St. Vincent de Paul Thanksgiving Food Drive October 5/6

In celebration of Thanksgiving, parishioners are kindly asked to share with those who are less fortunate. We ask parishioners to bring non-perishable food items to Church next weekend October 5/6. Thank you!

St. Ambrose Parish Daughters of the King Ladies' Group Tuesday, October 1 at 7:00 pm

St. Ambrose Church Hall. All ladies are welcome to join us for prayer, reflection and spiritual growth.

Jubilee Year 2025 – Preparation Study/Reflection at St. Anthony Daniel Parish, 29 Midland Drive Kitchener

In preparation for the Jubilee year of 2025, Pope Francis has asked us to revisit the teachings of the Second Vatican Council. One of the most important documents is the Dogmatic Constitution on the Church: *Lumen Gentium* (The Light of the Nations). Join others for a study/reflection on this important document of the Council. **Saturday Mornings - October 19, 26, November 2, 9.** Begins with 9:00 am Mass followed by a presentation in the Parish Life Centre (finish by 11:00 am). The *Lumen Gentium* document can be found on the Vatican website.

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