

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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

FIRE SAFETY PLAN – Occupants Procedures

At the request of the Diocese of Hamilton, we are to provide parishioners with the following fire safety information. **We will hold a “fire drill” at the conclusion of each Mass next weekend – Dec. 7/8**

UPON DISCOVERY OF SMOKE OR FIRE:

1. Calmly notify all occupants in the immediate area of the fire condition.
2. Alert the supervisory staff of the fire condition.
3. Leave the building immediately by the nearest and safest exit,
4. Call the fire department from a safe location by dialing 911, giving your name and say there is a fire at:

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IF YOU ARE NOTIFIED ABOUT A SMOKE OR FIRE SITUATION:

1. Leave the building immediately by the nearest and safest exit.
2. Call the fire department from a safe location by dialing 911, giving your name and say there is a fire at:
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EVACUATION MEETING PLACE:

1. Once you have evacuated the building in either of the above two scenarios, proceed to the Church parking lot away from the Church proper to allow access for emergency vehicles.
2. This location is the designated meeting place for all staff and visitors in the event of an emergency evacuation.

IF YOU REMAIN IN THE BUILDING:

1. If the exit corridors or stairwells cannot be used due to excessive smoke, heat or fire you should remain in your office/room or take refuge in adjoining office/room.
2. Keep smoke from entering the office/room by closing the door.
3. Keep low to the floor where air is cleaner.
4. Call 911 and advise the Fire Department of your location.
5. Do not evacuate upward as there is no access to the roof area.

Fire Drill at our Church – in accordance with the new policy of the Diocese of Hamilton, our parish will hold a fire drill at the conclusion of all Masses on the **weekend of December 7/8**.

There will be NO BELL, and NO ALARM rung. Father Gary will announce that there is a “fire drill” and then parishioners will be asked to leave the building in an orderly fashion, after the concluding prayer of Mass.

MEETING FOR PARISH USHERS – both new and current:

Deacon Paul Klaassen welcomes all ushers to a meeting on **Monday December 1st at 7:00 pm** in the Church hall. This will be to provide ushers on the procedure for the fire drill, and to provide other important information on usher ministry.

Emails inviting ushers to this meeting were sent on Nov 26th.



Tuesday, December 3

8:00 am + ANTONIO NORDELO & FAMILY

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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

Wednesday, December 4

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

Please enter through parking lot side door.

7:00 pm + SOULS IN PURATORY

+ MARIA LURDES MONTEIRO MELO & FAMILY

+ MARK CHAVES, RICK OLIVEIRA, ANTONIO CHAVES

+ SALLY PUIM – Anna Dias

- Intentions of Tony & Shirley Borges & family

CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm

Thursday, December 5

8:00 am + MARIA dosREIS CABRAL – Anna and family

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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

Friday, December 6

8:00 am + DECEASED REGO and CORREIA FAMILIES

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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

Saturday, December 7

8:00 am – Healing of the Family Tree

CONFESSIONS at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm

5:00 pm + MARIE ARANHA – her family

+ MARIA CONCEICAO & ANTONIO FIGUEIREDO – Manuel

+ MARK VALENTINO CHAVES – Ilda Oliveira

+ MANUEL BRAGA MELO – his family

+ GERTRUDE CHAVES MELO – her family

+ MANUEL FREITAS – his family

+ DOMENIC BELLISSIMO – his family

+ CARMEL FORMIGLIO – her family

Sunday, December 8 – 2nd Sunday of Advent

9:00 am + ROBERT RANN – Doreen and Tony

11:00 am – intentions of all parishioners

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

BAKE SALE



Sunday December 15, 2024

St. Ambrose Youth Ministry will be having a bake sale fundraiser on Sunday, December 15th in the church hall after the **9am and 11am Masses**. Come enjoy a cup of coffee, and purchase some goodies, while supporting youth programming! (*Free coffee and tea*)

Donations of baked goods and raffle prizes (new items only or gift cards) will be appreciated! Baking/prizes can be brought to the church hall on Saturday, December 14th in the afternoon, or before Sunday Masses. Kindly label items that that have nuts/peanuts/gluten free. Thank you!

Catholic Young Adults Night

St. Basil's Church (50 Palace Street, Brantford)
Saturday, December 7th, 2024,
Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), Social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm); Praise night with Vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm); Compline (9:00pm)
Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our Diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations

Heartache to Healing - Coping with Christmas

Wed. Dec 4 7pm to 8:30 pm

**St. Michael Parish (Parish Centre hall)
80 University Ave. W., Waterloo, ON**

Grieving the loss of a loved one at any time is difficult but it can seem all the worse as we approach the Christmas season. Join us as we watch a video and discuss ways to cope while still being able to find joy in each moment, trusting that there will be brighter days ahead.

Emergency Pastoral Ministry at Cambridge Memorial

Hospital If you or a loved one need a priest for Emergency Ministry (Anointing of the Sick) please call our parish office. After hours emergency on call ministry can be accessed by calling 519-404-5344. After an emergency visit please let our office know when someone is in hospital so that we can arrange a visit, bring communion, or help to facilitate this ministry. Be assured of our parish's support in every moment of need, we or one of the local on call priests, will do our best to respond as soon as possible.

Day of Mercy – All Day Confessions

will be held:

Saturday December 21st from 9am to 4pm
St. Ambrose Church

Life in the Spirit Seminar at St. Ambrose Parish

Saturday Dec. 7 and Sunday, Dec. 8

Deadline to sign-up is Dec. 4th

Deepen your relationship with God. Learn to yield to the action and grace of the Holy Spirit. Begin to experience God working in you and through you! Facilitated by Fr. Bill Trusz.

Please register by contacting the parish office 519.621.2013 or email stambrose@golden.net

Dec. 7th – Mass at 8am. Program from

9:00am to 5:30 pm in the Church hall.

Dec. 8th – Mass at 9am. Program from 10am to 3 pm. Cost is \$25.00/pp. Cash only upon arrival. Lunch, tea, coffee will be provided or you can bring your own lunch.

St. Ambrose Parish

“Daughters of the King” Ladies’ Group

Tues. December 2, at 7:00 pm

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

If you have any questions, please email Myra at myra@stambrosecambridge.ca



Youth in grades 6 to 12 are invited to gather for our Youth Group on **Mon. December 1st, from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm** in the church

hall. **Join us** to grow in faith, make new friendships, and have fun! Our youth minister, Rose Capistrano, looks forward to welcoming you.

For information, please email Rose at youth@stambrosecambridge.ca

De Mazenod Door Outreach Centre in Hamilton is kindly asking for the following, in order that they can prepare gift bags for those in need:

New socks, gloves, scarves, hats, and soap bars – for men/women/children. As well as \$10.00 Tim cards or grocery store cards. Donations can be dropped off at St. Ambrose office or church. Deadline for donations is Thursday December 12. (*please label your donation*)

2000 Hail Mary Devotions – December 14, 2024, Mass at 8am, followed by praying of the Rosary all day. Join in for the day, an hour, or a few minutes!

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