

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. 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.

Works of Mercy

When we, as Catholics, serve others, we give witness to Jesus Christ. As acts of love that help us care for the needs of others, the Works of Mercy are an opportunity for Catholics to give witness to Christ. Jesus entrusted His followers the responsibility of caring for others. One way that Catholics fulfill this responsibility is by performing the **Works of Mercy**.

Mercy is one of the fruits of charity, which enables us to show love and compassion to those who are suffering in any way, whether in mind, body, heart, or soul. The Works of Mercy are divided into two categories: The Corporal Works of Mercy (dealing with the body) and the Spiritual Works of Mercy (dealing with the mind, heart, and soul).

The Corporal Works of Mercy are acts of love that address the physical and material needs of others. The Corporal Works of Mercy are:

- Feed the hungry.
- Give drink to the thirsty.
- Clothe the naked.
- Visit the imprisoned.
- Shelter the homeless.
- Visit the sick.
- Bury the dead.

The Spiritual Works of Mercy address the needs of peoples' minds, hearts, and souls. The Spiritual Works of Mercy are:

- Admonish the sinner. (Give correction to those who need it.)
- Instruct the ignorant. (Share our knowledge with others.)
- Counsel the doubtful. (Give advice to those who need it.)
- Comfort the sorrowful. (Comfort those who suffer.)
- Bear wrongs patiently. (Be patient with others.)
- Forgive all injuries. (Forgive those who hurt us.)
- Pray for the living and the dead.

Mercy is a theme found in Scripture in the Old Testament, but Jesus elevated our understanding of mercy in the New Testament. Jesus made it clear that a path of discipleship towards eternal life involves caring for others. He identified himself as the one whom his disciples would love and care for: *"Whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me"* Matthew 25:40. Jesus asks us to see Him in every person we meet, especially in those who are suffering in need. He asks us to care for each person in a spirit of loving service knowing that we are really loving and caring for Christ, who, through the Holy Spirit, lives on in every person.

All the Works of Mercy are practical ways for disciples of any age to live out the Catholic faith using their gifts, talents, and treasure. But performing just one of the Works of Mercy has an impact on the world. Jesus invites his followers: *"Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me"* (Matthew 25:31-32)



Tuesday, November 19

8:00 am + MARIA & JOAO CHAVES and DECEASED FAMILY
- Maria Chaves

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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

Wednesday, November 20

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

Please enter through parking lot side door.

7:00 pm + SOULS IN PURATORY

- + MADALENA deFARIA – Fatima and Tony
- + JOAO S. & MARIA CABRAL – Anna and family
- + AHMED AL-HAMDAN – Lisa
- + MARIA EVA BOTELHO – Paul and Linda
- + HAROLD MacKINNON – Myra and Paul
- + MARIA MOURA BAIROS – Joe and Ilda

CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm

Thursday, November 21

8:00 am + JOHN FARIA – his grandsons

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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

Friday, November 22

8:00 am + ISOBEL MARGARET MacLACHLAN – Grace

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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

Saturday, November 23

CONFESSIONS at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm

5:00 pm + LUCIA CHELLI – Carmen and Frank

- + THERESA DOBBIN – May Ryan
- + MANUEL DeVARGAS – Maria
- + SHEILA ABRAHAM – her husband
- + MANUEL DIAS SR. and MARIA DIAS – Anna Dias

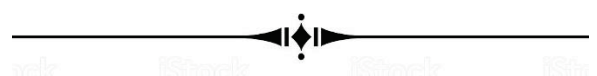
Sunday, November 24 – Solemnity of Christ the King

9:00 am – for the intentions of all parishioners

11:00 am + DECEASED FAMILY & FRIENDS of

Patience & Sunday

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



NOVEMBER 17, 2024

Life in the Spirit Seminar at St. Ambrose Parish
Saturday Dec. 7 and Sunday, Dec. 8

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 4:30 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. November 19, 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

BLESSED IS SHE! ADVENT RETREAT FOR WOMEN

Experience how God calls you personally during this Advent season, to become his sacred presence to others; and how your Advent this year can re-create the Song of the Magnificat in your own heart.

Monday December 2, 2024, 6:30 pm at
St. Mary of the Visitation Church, 16 Cooper Street,
Cambridge. Retreat Leader: Simone Robinson
Suggested Donation is \$15.00

Just a reminder... on the last weekend of each month the St. Vincent de Paul Society have their donation boxes at the church exits. Your financial support of those in need is greatly appreciated! There are requests from families and individuals almost daily asking for help with food. Their collection boxes will be at the church exits **November 23/24**.

Student Links is a mentorship initiative from Community Living Ontario that works with high school students between the ages of 14 and 21, who identify as having an intellectual disability. Student Links helps students explore their interests in the community and possible roles for themselves after high school, by connecting them with experts in the community. For more information about enrolling a student, or acting as a potential expert/mentor please contact: ehumphreys@communitylivingontario.ca



Youth in grades 6 to 12 are invited to gather for our Youth Group on **Monday, November 18, 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 meeting you. **Mon. Nov 25th** will be a **sports night** at Langs Community Centre in Preston. For information, please email Rose at youth@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 1st. Families, couples and individuals are invited to participate in the lighting of the candles on the Advent Wreath at weekend Masses during Advent.

There are **sign-up sheets** will be at the back of the Church today and next weekend. Thank you!

Prayer for the Conversion of Our Loved Ones

Dear Saint Monica, you were once the mournful mother of a prodigal son. Your faithfulness to prayer brought you and your son so close to God that you are now with him in eternity. By your intercession and God’s grace, your son St. Augustine became a great and venerable Saint of the Church. Please take my request to God with the same fervor and persistence with which you prayed for your own son.

(Mention your intentions here)

Above all, dear Saint Monica, pray for me that I may, like your son, turn from my sin and become a great saint for the glory of God. Amen.

THE ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE AT MOUNT MARY RETREAT CENTRE, ANCASTER – Come Home for Christmas, takes place on Sunday, December 1, 2024, from 1 p.m.- 4 p.m. Activities for children include cookie decorating, face painting, and ornament making. Local vendors will sell small items. Refreshments for all. No entry fee. Donations of unused socks, gloves, hats, scarves and soap, for DeMazenod Door Outreach are welcome

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