

St. Ambrose Church



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

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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.

Christ the King

On the last Sunday of each liturgical year, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, or Christ the King.

Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925 with his encyclical **Quas primas** ("In the first") to respond to growing secularism and atheism. He recognized that attempting to "thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law" out of public life would result in continuing discord among people and nations. This solemnity reminds us that while governments come and go, Christ reigns as King forever.

During the early twentieth century, in Mexico, Russia, and some parts of Europe, militant secular regimes threatened not just the Catholic Church and its faithful but civilization itself. Pope Pius XI's encyclical gave Catholics hope and the assurance that Christ the King shall reign forever. Jesus Christ "*is very truth, and it is from him that truth must be obediently received by all mankind*" (Quas primas, 7).

Christ's kingship is rooted in the Church's teaching on the Incarnation. Jesus is fully God and fully man. He is both the divine Lord and the man who suffered and died on the Cross. One person of the Trinity unites himself to human nature and reigns over all creation as the Incarnate Son of God. "From this it follows not only that Christ is to be adored by angels and men, but that to him as man angels and men are subject, and must recognize his empire; by reason of the hypostatic union Christ has power over all creatures" (Quas primas, 13).

The Church calls us to acknowledge Christ's kingship with our whole lives: He must reign in our minds, which should assent with perfect submission and firm belief to revealed truths and to the doctrines of Christ. He must reign in our wills, which should obey the laws and precepts of God. He must reign in our hearts, which should spurn natural desires and love God above all things, and cleave to him alone. He must reign in our bodies and in our members, which should serve as instruments for the interior sanctification of our souls, or to use the words of the Apostle Paul, '*as instruments of justice unto God.*' -Quas primas, 33

Today, religious freedom for many people means that we can believe whatever we want in private, but when we enter the public square or the marketplace, we may not speak of anything that relates to our faith. However, the Church acknowledges the reign of Christ, not only privately, but publicly. **This solemnity encourages us to celebrate and live out our faith in public.** "*Thus, by sermons preached at meetings and in churches, by public adoration of the Blessed Sacrament exposed and by solemn processions, men unite in paying homage to Christ, whom God has given them for their King*" (Quas primas, 26).

We love Jesus in our private lives, but we shrink from acknowledging the kingship of Christ in social life. When we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, we declare to the world, and remind ourselves, that Jesus is the Lord of the Church and of the entire universe.



Tuesday, November 26

8:00 am – the intentions of Todd and Bernadette

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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

Wednesday, November 27

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

Please enter through parking lot side door.

7:00 pm + SOULS IN PURATORY - Huyen

+ ROY HARRIS – Fatima and Tony

+ JOSE MELO – Antonio Melo and family

+ ANTON LE TUAN – Huyen

- Intentions of Nonya Ngwaba

CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm

Thursday, November 28

8:00 am – for the intentions of our bishops, priests and religious – Maria Pock

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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

Friday, November 29

8:00 am + DECEASED FAMILY of Doreen Lehnan

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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

Saturday, November 30

CONFESSIONS at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm

5:00 pm + MILDRED KAVANAGH – Dale

+ AURORA CALCAO – her family

+ DALIA OLIVEIRA – Ilda Oliveira

+ FRANCISCO FARIA – his wife

+ ROY HARRINGTON – Phyl and Michael

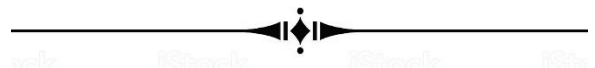
+ MARC VILLENEUVE – Margie Gagne

Sunday, December 1 – First Sunday of Advent

9:00 am – for the intentions of all parishioners

11:00 am + ANIBAL LOURO – his wife

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



**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.



For 2025:

IF you are NOT currently using Church donation envelopes and would like to do so for 2025, please contact the parish office to have this arranged.

Parishioners who are actively donating using Church envelopes will automatically be given a new set. These will be available in early December.

CURRENTLY, PLEASE WRITE YOUR NAME AND FULL ADDRESS ON YOUR ENVELOPES. The parish office will be verifying parishioner information. Thank you.

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 Monday** 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 Monday, November 25.

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 vocation.



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

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

Sign-up sheets are at the back of the Church today.

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

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Catholic Faith on Demand

FREE for parishioners to sign-up. Your family will appreciate the quality entertainment and the enriching Catholic faith content – movies, podcasts, music, audio, e-books, etc.

Register for free:

1) Go to their website **formed.org** and then click **“formed for parishes”**

2) you'll be directed type-in our parish name, and city in the tab: **“find your parish”**

Then follow the on-screen instructions.

Rediscover the Meaning of Advent with Rooted

In just 7 minutes a day, you can experience peace and spiritual growth with **“Rooted: Rediscover the Jesse Tree.”** Dive into Scripture, reflect on Christ's ancestors, and prepare your heart for Christmas. Don't miss this chance to bring the true spirit of Advent into your life!

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.

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