

# 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.

## FOR THE HOSPITAL/HOSPICE/PATIENTS

Need a Catholic Priest? Please call 519-404-5344

Priests are available 24/7, for emergency ministry, e.g. 'Anointing of the Sick' or 'Last Rites'

For non-emergency ministry please contact your local parish or the hospital/hospice spiritual care team.

**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.

## Saint Paul VI (Pope) – Feast Day May 29<sup>th</sup>

Born near Brescia in northern Italy, Giovanni Battista Montini was the second of three sons. His father, Giorgio, was a lawyer, editor, and eventually a member of the Italian Chamber of Deputies. His mother, Giuditta, was very involved in Catholic Action.

After ordination in 1920, Giovanni did graduate studies in literature, philosophy, and canon law in Rome before he joined the Vatican Secretariat of State in 1924, where he worked for 30 years.

In 1954, Fr. Montini was named archbishop of Milan, where he sought to win disaffected workers back to the Catholic Church. He called himself the “archbishop of the workers” and visited factories regularly while overseeing the rebuilding of a local Church tremendously disrupted by World War II.

In 1958, Montini was the first of 23 cardinals named by Pope John XXIII, two months after the latter’s election as pope. Cardinal Montini helped in preparing Vatican II and participated enthusiastically in its first sessions. When he was elected pope in June 1963, he immediately decided to continue that Council, which had another three sessions before its conclusion on December 8, 1965. The day before Vatican II concluded, Paul VI and Patriarch Athenagoras revoked the excommunications that their predecessors had made in 1054. The pope worked very hard to ensure that bishops would approve the Council’s 16 documents by overwhelming majorities.

Paul VI had stunned the world by visiting the Holy Land in January 1964, and meeting Athenagoras, the Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople, in person. The pope made eight more international trips, including one in 1965, to visit New York City and speak on behalf of peace before the United Nations General Assembly. He also visited India (1964), Colombia (1968), Uganda (1969), and seven Asian countries during a 10-day tour in 1970.

Also in 1965, he instituted the World Synod of Bishops, and the next year decreed that bishops must offer their resignations on reaching age 75. In 1970, he decided that cardinals over 80 would no longer vote in papal conclaves or head the Holy See’s major offices. He had increased the number of cardinals significantly, giving many countries their first cardinal. Eventually establishing diplomatic relations between the Holy See and 40 countries, he also instituted a permanent observer mission at the United Nations in 1964. Paul VI wrote seven encyclicals; his last one in 1968 on human life—*Humanae Vitae*—prohibited artificial birth control.

Pope Paul VI died at Castel Gandolfo on August 6, 1978.

He was also a committed disciple of Jesus Christ who understood that the Church was called to model Jesus’ teaching to “*let the greatest among you be as the youngest, and the leader as the servant*” (Lk 22:26). In a dramatic gesture, during the Second Vatican Council, he descended the steps of the papal throne, ascended to the altar, and laid the papal tiara on it. Later, the tiara was sold and the money was given to charity. No pope since has worn a tiara.



### Tuesday, May 27

8:00 am + SOUL OF JOHN BAPTIST – Theresa Tran

**CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am**

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

### Wednesday, May 28

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

Please enter through [parking lot side door](#).

**7:00 pm + SOULS IN PURATORY**

- intentions of Lucia
- intentions of Nonye Ngwaba
- in thanksgiving from Theresa Tran
- for the intentions of Chris and Ben McCabe
- + MARIA do CARMO & ANTONIO FIGUEIREDO
- + SEBASTIAN MANI

**CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm**

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm**

### Thursday, May 29 – Saint Paul VI

8:00 am + LUCIA INCITTI – Myra and Paul Klaassen

**CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am**

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

### Friday, May 30

8:00 am – intentions of Fr. Michael King

**CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am**

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

### Saturday, May 31

**CONFESSIONS at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm**

**5:00 pm + LUCIA & LUIGI INCITTI – Sam and Elisa**

- + TONY SOUSA – his family
- + MARIA ALBUQUERQUE – her family
- + ROMAN COVE – Dietrich family
- + ED CHATEAUVERT – Paul, Min and Luona

### Sunday, June 1 – Ascension of the Lord

**9:00 am + CESARE CETRA – Cetra family**

**11:00 am – for the intentions of all parishioners**

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





## Vacation Bible Week St. Ambrose church hall

Dear parishioners, August 11 to 15 from 1pm to 4pm we would like to host a vacation bible week for children, at our parish. We would require sufficient volunteers to facilitate this program. If you would like to help or have questions, please email our youth coordinator:

Rose at [youth@stambrosecambridge.ca](mailto:youth@stambrosecambridge.ca)

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**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](mailto:momtotsprayplay@gmail.com) Please register for the upcoming date of **Monday, May 26**.

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The **Society of St. Vincent de Paul** operates a **Thrift Store** that has supported those in need for many years. This spring, the Thrift Store is in need of donations of gently used furniture, housewares (particularly microwave ovens & casserole dishes), and walkers.

The Thrift Store is located at 75 Dundas St. N. in the Canadian Tire Plaza in Galt. We are open from Monday to Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Phone: 519-629-0103. Come in and say "hi" to our friendly staff, drop off your gently used donations, and browse through our SSVP Thrift Store for interesting finds.

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### Young Adults Night

**Vocation Director of the Diocese of Hamilton**, Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to celebrate Pentecost by attending an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. This is being held at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church (934 Highway #8, Stoney Creek) **Saturday, June 7th, 2025**. Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), Social with food (7:30-8:00pm) Praise & worship (8:00-9:00pm), Compline (9:00pm) For more information, please contact: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

**Skilled Trades Licensing & Employment Program.** Our parish St. Vincent de Paul Society has expanded its mandate to assisting those in need. This initiative empowers refugees and newcomers in Ontario with prior skilled trades experience to obtain the necessary licenses and access the support they need to secure meaningful employment in their field or to establish their own businesses. For more information, please call the St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Ambrose phone number: 519 623-8764 and leave your name and phone number along with the reason for your call.

Or email [stambrose.ssvp@gmail.com](mailto:stambrose.ssvp@gmail.com)

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### CAMBRIDGE RIGHT TO LIFE: Coffee & Dessert Evening

Come join us on **Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup> at St. Ambrose Parish Hall**, 210 South Street, from **7:00-9:00pm** for the screening of Life on Film: Featuring **Chapter 3 of "MAiD in Canada – Ethics & Euthanasia"** with the Kooman Bros.

Hear compelling viewpoints from doctors, psychiatrists, bioethicists, legal counsel and more about the medical ethics of euthanasia plus the harrowing true story of Jean Swenson, an inspiring survivor of an accident that paralyzed her from the neck down. **Doors open at 6:45. Free will offering. Please call 519-623-1850 to reserve your seat!** Please encourage others to attend. Thank You.

Please also consider joining us Friday May 30<sup>th</sup> for our mini-Life Chain from 7-8:00 pm on Hespeler Road @ Dunbar, to witness for the unborn.

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### WALKING PILGRIMAGE TO MIDLAND: AUG 2-9, 2025

Those who walk the Guelph-to-Midland pilgrimage find it to be a unique and grace-filled experience. For eight days pilgrims pray, sing, laugh, and share stories with others as they journey. Participate for 1 day, a weekend or the full 8 days! Cost \$400 for 8 days or \$75 per day. We carry your gear, provide 3 meals and snacks daily, and cover entry and camping fees. You bring your tent, chair and personal gear/clothing in a duffle bag. To register or for more information go to [www.ignatiusguelph.ca](http://www.ignatiusguelph.ca) (under programs - Guelph Walking Pilgrimage) NOTE registration deadline June 30 2025.

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The following items are collected at the church by a representative of the **St. Vincent de Paul Society** and distributed to local groups:

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