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

PARISH SCHOOLS: St. Anne School 519-621-8920

Holy Spirit School 519-621-8973

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

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

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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.

Feast of Saints Peter and Paul - June 29th

On June 29 the Church celebrates the feast day of both Saints Peter & Paul. As early as the year 258, there is evidence of a tradition of celebrating the solemnities of both Saint Peter and Saint Paul on the same day. Together, the two saints are the founders of the "Holy See of Rome", through their preaching, ministry and martyrdom there.

Peter was a bold follower of the Lord. He was the first to recognize that Jesus was "the Messiah, the Son of the living God," and eagerly pledged his fidelity until death. In his boldness, he also made many mistakes, however, such as losing faith when walking on water with Christ and betraying the Lord on the night of His passion.

Yet despite his human weaknesses, Peter was chosen to shepherd God's flock. The Acts of the Apostles illustrates his role as head of the Church after the Resurrection and Ascension of Christ. Peter led the Apostles as the first Pope and ensured that the disciples kept the true faith.

St. Peter spent his last years in Rome, leading the Church through persecution and eventually being martyred in the year 64. He was crucified upside-down at his own request, because he claimed he was not worthy to die as his Lord. He was buried on Vatican hill, and St. Peter's Basilica is built over his tomb.

St. Paul was the Apostle of the Gentiles. His letters are included in the writings of the New Testament, and through them we learn much about his life and the faith of the early Church

Before receiving the name Paul, he was Saul, a Jewish pharisee who zealously persecuted Christians in Jerusalem. Scripture records that Saul was present at the martyrdom of St. Stephen.

Saul's conversion took place as he was on his way to Damascus to persecute the Christian community there. As he was traveling along the road, he was suddenly surrounded by a great light from heaven. He was blinded and fell off his horse. He then heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He answered: "Who are you, Lord?" Christ said: "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting."

Saul continued to Damascus, where he was baptized and his sight was restored. He took the name Paul and spent the remainder of his life preaching the Gospel tirelessly to the Gentiles of the Mediterranean world.

Paul was imprisoned and taken to Rome, where he was beheaded in the year 67. He is buried in Rome in the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls.

In a sermon in the year 395, St. Augustine of Hippo said of Saints Peter and Paul: "Both apostles share the same feast day, for these two were one; and even though they suffered on different days, they were as one. Peter went first, and Paul followed. And so, we celebrate this day made holy for us by the apostles' blood. Let us embrace what they believed, their life, their labors, their sufferings, their preaching, and their confession of faith."



(The parish office will be CLOSED on Monday June 30th.) No Mass on Monday

Tuesday, July 1 – Canada Day 8:00 am – int. of Rosemary Johnston – Anneliese & Klaus CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30 – 9:30 am

Wednesday, July 2

7:00 pm + SOULS IN PURATORY

- + IMILIA LUZ NORDELO and FAMILY
- + MARIA FATIMA MEDEIROS Matilda

CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm

Thursday, July 3

8:00 am + DOREEN ALLICOCK, KAY NORMORE,
PAT and BILL BENHAM – Theresa and Marie
CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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

Friday, July 4

8:00 am + SOUL OF JOSEPH – Theresa Tran

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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

Saturday, July 5

8:00 am -Healing of the Family Tree Mass

CONFESSIONS at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm

5:00 pm + EMILIA MOREIRA – Filomena

- + FRANCISCO FARIA his wife
- + JOHN BYRNE Michelle

Sunday, July 6

9:00 am – for the intentions of all parishioners 11:00 am + TERESINHA ANDRADE – her husband CONFESSIONS: 8:00 to 8:45 am and 10:15 am to 10:45 am

Are you away for the weekend, or didn't get to Sunday morning Mass? St. Clement Church, at 745 Duke Street, Cambridge (Preston area) offers a Sunday afternoon Mass at 4:30 pm. This fulfills your Sunday Mass obligation.



Thank you, Myra Klaassen, as you retire!

In 2014, St. Ambrose Parish hired Myra Klaassen RN, to work as a parish nurse and parish minister to the sick. Myra is now retiring as of July 1st.

As a parish nurse, Myra visited the sick in their own homes, as well as nursing homes. She would pray with them, brought them Holy Communion, and strived to bring them joy and encouragement. She was also an advocate for the health needs of the sick, as well as spiritual guidance, especially if there was no family available to do so.

Over the years many people have expressed their appreciation for Myra's gentleness and compassion, as well as finding strength from her faith and spirituality.

I sincerely thank Myra for her many years of service to our parish and wish her all the best and many blessings as she begins retirement.

Fr. Gary



VBS: Anchored in Faith

In August our parish will host a vacation bible week for children, the week of <u>August 18 to 22</u>, 1 pm to 4pm for children 7 to 11 years.

For more information, please email Rose at vouth@stambrosecambridge.ca

Grandparents and high school students welcome as volunteers! Scan QR code for the registration form.



Brochure is available on our parish website under "Youth and Schools" tab. Deadline is July 18th.

Thank you to the 11am choir and everyone involved in the Corpus Christi celebration last Sunday! Even as hot as it was that day, the outdoor procession went ahead! It was a beautiful expression of our parish's devotion to the Blessed Eucharist!

There will be **NO BULLETIN PUBLICATION** during the remainder of July. There will be a bulletin for the month of August. There will be Mass schedules available in print, posted on bulletin boards, and on our website.



Courtesy of the Knights of Columbus Council Galt 2184, our parish will have the **Pilgrim Icon of the Sacred Heart of Jesus,** at our parish on Sunday July 6th at 9am and 11 am Masses, and Tuesday

July 8th at the 8:00 am Mass.

Prayer for Our Country July 1



God our Father, Giver of life, we entrust Canada to Your loving care.

You are the rock on which this nation was founded. You alone are the true source of our cherished rights to life, in our home and native land. Reclaim this land for Your glory and dwell among Your people.

Send Your Spirit to touch the hearts of our nation's leaders. Open their minds to the great worth of human life and the responsibilities that accompany human freedom. Remind Your people that true happiness is rooted in seeking and doing Your will

Through the intercession of St Joseph, Patron of Canada, may we inspire each other with our potential as individuals and as a nation, that a new spirit of forgiveness, caring and honesty be borne in our nation.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen

Our Parish Youth Groups... Enjoy your summer! See you September

Our two Youth Groups of our parish will take a **break during July and August.** Thank you, Rose, for ministry to the youth of our parish this year! They had faith-filled fun and appreciated all you have done for them!!

Summer Marian Days at Basilica of Our Lady 28 Norfolk St. Guelph

Saturday July 5

9:00 am - Holy Hour and Confessions

10:30 AM - Mass and Rosary Procession

12:00 noon - Tea & Coffee Available in the Parish Hall – You are welcome to bring your lunch.

Bishop Matthew Ustrzycki will be the presider.

Saturday August 2^{nd} - same times and format as above. The celebrant will be Bishop Gerard Bergie.

Daughters of the King Parish Ladies' group will not be held during July and August. Gatherings will resume in September.



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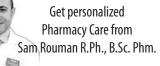
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