

St. Ambrose Catholic Church

Fr. Michael Machacek, Pastor

Fr. Brian Shea, In Residence



Mission Statement:

In Christ we are all things, He is everything to us. If you have wounds to heal, He is a physician; if fever scorches you, He is a fountain. Would you punish evil doing, He is justice, If you need help, He is strength; if you fear death, He is life; if you hunger, He is food.

- St. Ambrose

MASS TIMES

Sunday Liturgy
Saturday (Vigil) 4:30 pm
Family Mass with Youth Choir
Sunday 9:00 am Cantor & Organ
11:00 am Choir & Organ

Daily Mass

Monday-Friday 8:00 am (no Mass Tuesdays)

Devotions

Holy Hour Eucharistic Adoration
First Friday 8:30 am - 9:30 am
"Can you not watch an hour with me?" Matthew 26:40
Holy Rosary Monday - Saturday 7:30 am
Divine Mercy Chaplet Monday - Saturday 8:30 am
Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Wednesdays 8:45 am

BECOME A FRIENDLY VISITOR!

Under the direction of the pastor, Friendly Visitors serve those in the parish and surrounding community who are in need of social interaction. Must attend a 1 day training session when available.

PARISHIONERS

Please contact the parish office to update address/phone #s or to volunteer in ministries.
Office Hours: Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri 9:30 am - 3:30 pm
Closed Tues, Sat, Sun

To schedule an appointment, please call the office during business hours. (If planning to drop in between 12:00 noon & 1:00 pm please call before)

New Parishioners: Welcome to St. Ambrose! Registration Forms and Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) Forms can be found on our website at www.stambroseparish.com or you can email stambroseET@archtoronto.org

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:45-4:15 pm (or by appointment)

Marriage

Couples wishing to arrange a wedding must contact the Pastor One year in advance and be registered with the parish. Please do not set the date until you have met with the Pastor. Marriage Information Guidelines can be found on the parish website, under "Forms".

Baptism

Baptisms for infants and young children are celebrated every 3rd Sunday of the month, immediately following the 11:00 a.m. mass. Baptism Registration and Preparation Instructions can be found on the parish website, under "Forms".

Anointing of the Sick and Care for the Elderly & Shut-Ins

If you or a loved one are in a hospital and wish for a visit from a priest for the sacrament of the anointing of the sick, please contact the Nurses' station and ask them to contact the "Priest on call". For other locations, please contact the parish office. Those who are confined to their homes by illness, infirmity or age, who would like to receive communion, please contact the office.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Servers, Children's Liturgy, Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, Lectors, Lay Pastoral Visitors, Friendly Visitors, Greeters, Ushers, St. Ambrose Choir and Youth Choir, Catholic Women's League, Knights of Columbus & Honouring God's Creation Society

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MASSES & INTENTIONS  JMJ

Monday, August 25, St. Louis, St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest

8:00 a.m. Thanksgiving for Bernabe Buenaventura
req. by G. & B. Buenaventura

Wednesday, August 27, St. Monica

8:00 a.m.

Thursday, August 28, St. Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

8:00 a.m.

Friday, August 29, The Passion of St. John the Baptist

8:00 a.m.

Saturday, August 30

4:30 p.m. † Alenka Markez, req. by Sonia Markez

Sunday, August 31, XXII Sunday of Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. † John O'Mara, req. by C. & K. McAuliffe
† Elizabeth Shultz, req. by C & K McAuliffe
Carleen's Birthday, req. by Querubin family

11:00 a.m.

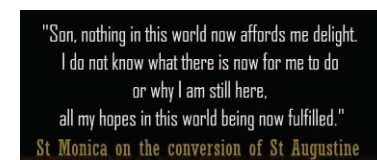
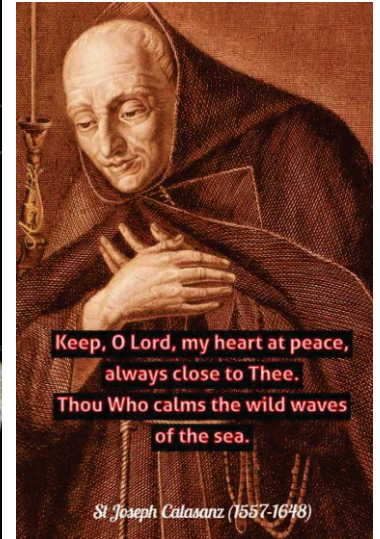
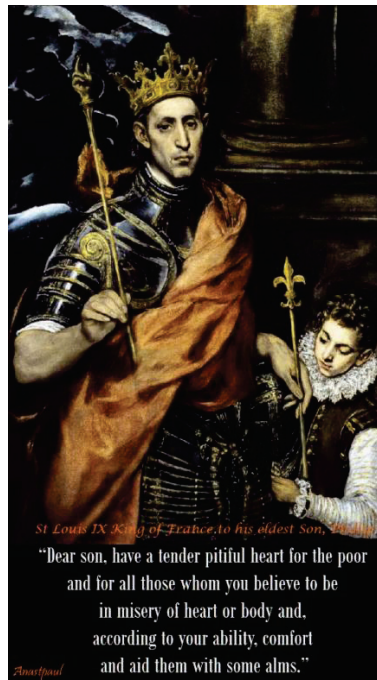


ST. AMBROSE CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Children between the age of 3 and 9 years old are invited to attend during 11 am

Mass on selected Sundays starting September 14th. For schedule and more information, please email st.ambrosechildrenliturgy@gmail.com.

Please save the date for our first Movie event on Sunday, October 5th at 12:00 noon. Stay tuned for more details. **Volunteering Opportunities for High School, University students and adults** St. Ambrose Children's Liturgy is looking for Assistant teachers (University students or adults) and helpers (High School students) who can assist regularly on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month. Police check would be required for the Assistant teachers position. Volunteering hours will be provided for high-school students. If you're interested, please contact st.ambrosechildrenliturgy@gmail.com

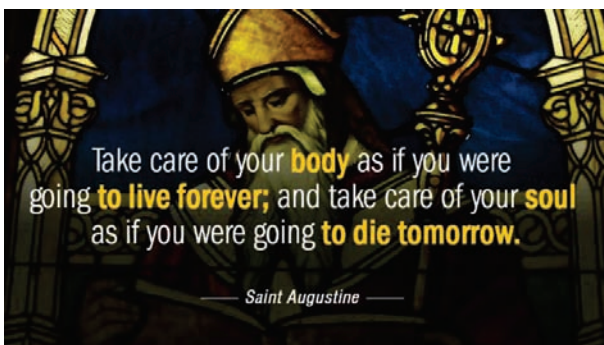


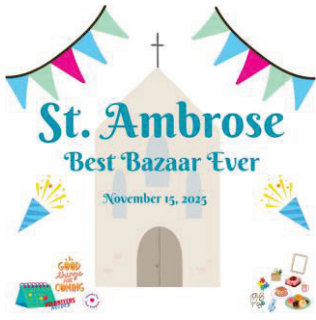
When **St. Monica** was praying for her son's conversion, for more than 15 years - she prayed, fasted, and also asked clergy to talk with him -- to argue with him- they assured her it was useless after so many years. As It turned out, **Nothing is impossible with God.**

St. Monica's prayers made a difference, & eventually, her son, **St. Augustine**, converted & became a great & venerable Saint of the Church. Her husband and mother-in-law, who

were both pagan, also converted. *Dear Saint Monica, pray for us, that we may, like your son, turn from our sins and become great saint for the **glory of God.***

St. Ambrose played an integral role in the conversion of St. Augustine- through his preaching and pastoral guidance as the Bishop of Milan. St. Augustine was initially drawn to St. Ambrose's eloquent speaking style & became captivated by his sermons & theological insights. These encounters, coupled with St. Ambrose's example of a holy life, ultimately led St. Augustine to seek baptism from him.





ST. AMBROSE BEST BAZAAR EVER 2025

Saturday, November 15th
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
(Sunday, November 16
Parishioners only) after 9:00
am mass to 10:45 am & after
11:00 am mass to 1:00 pm

Donation drop off weekends & times

October 18th, 19th, 25th & 26th

November 1st and 2nd

On Saturdays between 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. and

On Sundays before and after each mass

Friday, November 14th, Bring Baked Goods TBD - 7 pm

Setup Schedule

12:00 noon Saturday, October 18th - South wall

7:00 pm Monday, November 3rd - Complete setup

10:00 am Tuesday, November 4th - Begin unpacking,
sorting, and cleaning

Take down

7:00 pm – Monday, November 17th

Garbage, alternate donation removal - TBD, but will
be the week of November 17th

*Volunteers greatly appreciated & needed especially
for setup, take down, and day of. We would
appreciate assistance of volunteers to help receive
donations during the drop off hours. If interested,
please talk to Kevin, the man who opens the church
door for the Sunday 9:00 am Mass or email
stambroseET@archtoronto.org with Bazaar Volunteer
in your Subject line. Thank you 😊*



St. John the Baptist

*I baptize you with water
for repentance, but he
who is coming after me is
mightier than I, whose
sandals I am not worthy
to carry; He will baptize
you with the Holy Spirit
and with fire.. The Gospel of
St. Matthew, 3:11*

**PARISH BUILDING UPDATE
FROM FR. MICHAEL**



My dear parishioners, we have
come to the time in which we
look forward to addressing some
long-standing property and
building projects for our parish.

First, work on the parish parking lot is expected to
begin in September, with the work being completed in
4-5 weeks. This work will include removal of all
existing asphalt, as well as a rehabilitation of the
foundation of the parking lot. The area of the parking
lot closest to Browns Line will be paved with regular
grade asphalt, with the rest of the lot paved highway
grade asphalt will be used. The entire lot will be
regraded to ensure that water does not flow towards
the church or the rectory. Once the work is finished,
the TCDSB will use the perimeter of the lot as a bus
loop for St. Ambrose school now that portables
occupy their bus loop. This explains their significant
financial contribution to help fund this project.

Other parts of the project include a new drainage
system that will be installed on the west side of the
property, and the floor of the garage will be replaced.

Second, some major masonry and repair work on both
sides of the garage, inside the garage, on the back
landing and back staircase, windows will be resealed
and the chimney on the south side of the roof of the
church will be removed.

Third, we have engaged an engineering firm, RJC, to
do a thorough examination of the concrete staircase
leading to the main church entrance. Their report will
include their recommendations regarding the scope of
work required to rehabilitate or replace the staircase.

Fourth, the renovation of the rectory kitchen, dining
room and main hallway by the offices is currently
taking place. A big thanks to our parishioner, Joe
Grande and the high school students who did a
fabulous job on the demolition of the old cabinets, the
framing for the doors, the kitchen, dining room and
hallway floors and their initial paint priming. Also, a
big thank you to the kind person who is paying for this
entire project!

Let us Pray for a just peace in the world





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