

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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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ASSES & INTENTIONS  JMJ

Monday, August 4, St. John Vianney, Priest

8:00 a.m.

Wednesday, August 6, The Transfiguration of the Lord

8:00 a.m. † Parker Bowyer, req. by C. & K. McAuliffe

Thursday, August 7, St. Sixtus II, Pope & Companions, Martyrs, St.

Cajetan, Priest

8:00 a.m. † Lorenzo DiFranco, req. by Enza DiFranco

Friday, August 8, St. Dominic, Priest

8:00 a.m. † Emilio Alcaraz, req. by the Family
† Dora Tomsic (5th Anniversary of Death)
req. by Anita Marn

Saturday, August 9, St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin & Martyr, BVM (Edith Stein)

4:30 p.m. † Michele Ford Tessier, req. by M. Gombita

† Maria Irene & † Arnindo DoSantos
req. by Manuel Matos

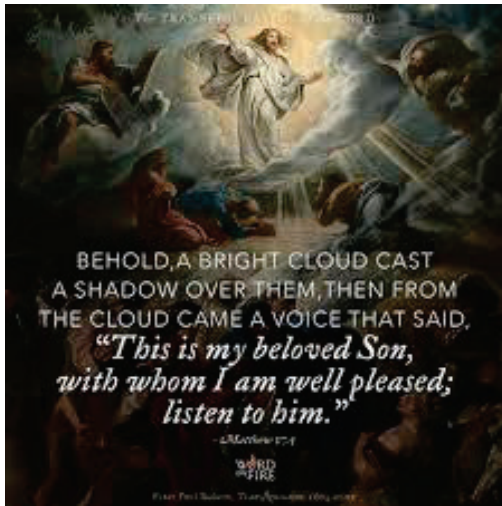
† Nina Guay, req. by Pauline Kent & family

Sunday, August 10, XVIII Sunday of Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. † Antonio Sacchetti, req. by Wife & Family

† Francesco & † Michelina Caronchia
req. by † Maria Caronchia

11:00 a.m.



BEHOLD, A BRIGHT CLOUD CAST A SHADOW OVER THEM, THEN FROM THE CLOUD CAME A VOICE THAT SAID, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."

Matthew 17:1-3

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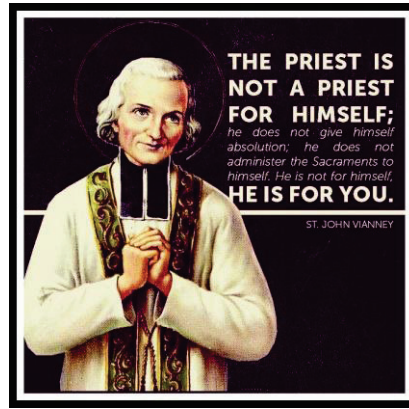


"A man who governs his passions is master of the world.

We must either rule them, or be ruled by them.


It is better to be the hammer than the anvil."

St. Dominic

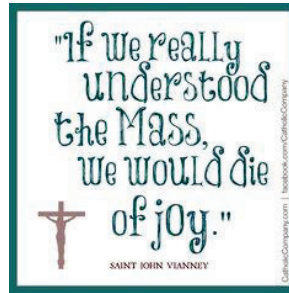


THE PRIEST IS NOT A PRIEST FOR HIMSELF; he does not give himself absolute; he does not administer the Sacraments to himself. He is not for himself, HE IS FOR YOU.

ST. JOHN VIANNEY

The Priesthood is the love of the heart of Jesus... 

St. John Vianney, Patron Saint of Priests



"If we really understood the Mass, we would die of joy."

SAINT JOHN VIANNEY

Prayer for Priests by St. Therese of Lisieux

O Jesus, eternal Priest, keep your priests within the shelter of Your Sacred Heart, where none may touch them.

Keep unstained their anointed hands, which daily touch Your Sacred Body.

Keep unsullied their lips, daily purpled with your Precious Blood.

Keep pure and unearthly their hearts, sealed with the sublime mark of the priesthood.

Let Your holy love surround them and shield them from the world's contagion.

Bless their labors with abundant fruit and may the souls to whom they minister be their joy and consolation here and in heaven their beautiful and everlasting crown. Amen.

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PEARSON AIRPORT CHAPLAINCY Drop in to

spend some prayerful time in the Terminal 1 or Terminal 3 Chapels (both located before Security on Level 1 Arrivals). Regular Mass Schedules: Terminal 1- Saturday at 5:30 pm; Sunday at 10:00 am; Monday-Friday at 1:00 pm and Terminal 3 – Saturday at 4:00 pm; Sunday at 8:00 am; Monday-Friday at 4:00 pm



Lives of our Patron Saints St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

(Edith Stein)

"The deeper someone is drawn to God, the more he has to get beyond himself in this sense, that is, go into the world and carry divine life into it."

Saint Edith Stein M... Brooklyn, NY Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matará Province of the Immaculate Conception



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.

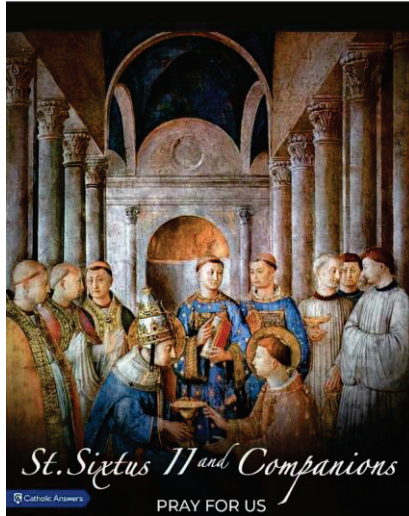
Fourth, the renovation of the rectory kitchen, dining room and main hallway by the offices is currently taking place. A big thanks to our parishioner, Joe Grande and the high school students who did a fabulous job on the demolition of the old cabinets, the framing for the doors, the kitchen, dining room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

OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED: The week of August 4th *The parish secretary, Gabriella will be away on vacation and the phones/email will not be monitored.*

CATHOLIC MARTYRS OF THE DAY AUGUST 7th

Saint Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions PRAY FOR US!

Pope Sixtus II (died 6 August 258) was the Pope or Bishop of Rome from 31 August 257 until his death on 6 August 258. He was martyred along with six deacons (Januarius, Vincentius, Magnus, Stephanus, Felicissimus and Agapitus), including Lawrence of Rome during the persecution of the Catholic Church by Emperor Valerian.



"Do not receive Christ in the Blessed Sacrament so that you may use Him as you judge best but give yourself to Him and let Him receive you in this Sacrament, so that He Himself, God your Saviour, may do to you and through you whatever He wills."
St Cajetan



PILGRIMS OF HOPE

Archdiocese of Toronto Jubilee Pilgrimage to the Martyrs' Shrine - Sunday, August 24, 2025_ All are welcome and encouraged to attend the Archdiocese of Toronto's Jubilee Pilgrimage

to the Martyrs' Shrine in Midland on Sunday, August 24, 2025. The program will include *opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Holy Mass with Cardinal Leo, a rosary procession, Eucharistic Adoration, Benediction and Fellowship.* Please visit: www.archtoronto.org/jubilee for more information.

You are always most welcome at any of our 200+ Catholic Churches throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto. You may also be interested in a visit to one of our [Jubilee pilgrimage churches.](#)

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