

# *St. Ambrose Catholic Church*

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## *prepare the way...*



# **ADVENT**

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT December 24, 2023

## MASS INTENTIONS

<i>Mon Dec 25 – Christmas Day</i>		<i>Sat Dec 30</i>	
8:00 am	<b>No 8:00 am Mass</b>	4:30 pm	<b>+Joseph MacDonald (Lydia Sherlock)</b>
9:00 am	<b>No Intentions</b>		<b>+Bernice Feeney (Theresa Bridel)</b>
11:00 am	<b>+Hope Venneri (Family)</b>		<b>+Therese LaMontagne (Lucien &amp; Phyllis Boulet)</b>
	<b>+Natale Bozzo (Friends)</b>		
	<b>+Maria Alda Matos (Family)</b>		
<i>Wed Dec 27</i>		<i>Sun Dec 31</i>	
8:00 am	<b>For the Poor</b>	9:00 am	<b>+Rosa &amp; +Matteo Pinto (Family)</b>
<i>Thurs Dec 28</i>			
8:00 am	<b>Pro Populo</b>		
		11:00 am	<b>Pro Populo</b>
<i>Fri Dec 29</i>			
8:00 am	<b>+Joseph MacDonald (Lucia DiFranco)</b>		



**The Sanctuary Lamp burns for 7 days  
in memory of Lucia Cacciacarro**



### **THE ADVENT WREATH**

**4<sup>th</sup> Candle – (purple) THE ANGEL CANDLE OR CANDLE OF LOVE –** The angels announced the good news of a Savior. God sent his only Son to earth to save us, because he loves us! (John 3:16-17)

**5<sup>th</sup> Candle – (white) “CHRIST CANDLE” –** The White candle reminds us that Jesus is the spotless lamb of God, sent to wash away our sins! His birth was for his death, his death was for our birth! (John 1:29)



**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: Dear Parents,** If your child is celebrating their Confirmation in 2024 there will be a **Mandatory Meeting + Registration drop off with payment on Saturday, January 27, 2024 @ 11:00am in the church.** As part of their

catechism preparation children who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation are required to attend mass. If your child attends Private/Public School please call the office for more information. To register go to the website at [www.stambroseparish.com](http://www.stambroseparish.com) **Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on May 18, 2024 @ 11:00am.**

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**SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Dear Parents, If your child is celebrating their 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion in 2024 there will be a **Mandatory Meeting + Registration drop off with payment on Saturday, February 24, 2024 @ 11:00am in the church.** As part of their catechism preparation children who will be receiving the Sacrament of 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion are required to attend mass. If your child attends Private/Public School please call the office for more information. To register go to the website at [www.stambroseparish.com](http://www.stambroseparish.com) **Sacrament of 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion will be celebrated on Saturday, April 27, 2024 @ 10:30am.**



### **CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE & SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD**

#### **CHRISTMAS EVE**

**Sunday, Dec 24, 2023  
7:30pm & 11:00pm**

#### **THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS,**

#### **MARY & JOSEPH**

**Sunday, Dec 31, 2023  
9:00am & 11:00am**

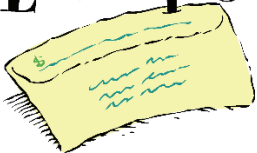
#### **CHRISTMAS DAY**

**Monday, Dec 25, 2023  
9:00am & 11:00am**

#### **SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD**

**Monday, Jan 1, 2024  
9:00am & 11:00am**

### **Offering Envelopes**



#### **WEEKLY OFFERING ENVELOPES**

Weekly Offering envelopes are set up for those who are already registered. For those who do not have envelopes and would like to obtain them, please call the parish office. If you had envelopes in the past and did not regularly use them, we have reclaimed those numbers and can potentially belong to someone else. We ask that you please, do not take envelopes if you will not use them regularly. Please consider using Pre-authorized Giving – call the parish for details. Envelopes will be under your last name not your envelope number. **DO NOT USE YOUR 2024 ENVELOPES UNTIL JANUARY 2024: always include your name and full address on each envelope.** Thank you for supporting St. Ambrose.

