

# St. Ambrose Catholic Church

Fr. Donatello Iocco, Pastor



## 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 10 am - 3 pm  
Closed Tues, Sat, Sun

## New Parishioners

Welcome! To register please call the office or email [rose@stambroseparish.com](mailto:rose@stambroseparish.com).

## SACRAMENTS

### Reconciliation

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

### Marriage

Couples wishing to arrange a wedding are required to contact the parish 1 year in advance and must be registered parishioners. The date needs to be confirmed with the pastor. A Marriage Preparation Course is required and can be taken at any parish. Request for Marriage forms are found on the parish website. Please contact the parish office for more information.

### Sacrament of Baptism

People seeking Baptism for their children must be registered in the parish for at least three months, and must speak to the Pastor after Mass. Baptism is celebrated every 3rd Sunday of the month. Baptism forms are found on the parish website.

### Sacrament of the Sick and Care for the Elderly & Shut-ins

For the Anointing of the Sick please call the parish office to arrange a visit by the Priest. Those confined to their homes by illness, infirmity or age, who would like to receive Communion contact the office.

### Religious Instruction

Sacramental Preparation is offered to all registered and active parishioners. Information is provided through bulletin and pulpit announcements.

## PARISH MINISTRIES

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

WE WELCOME YOU TO JOIN US!



## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT February 25, 2024

# MASS INTENTIONS

<i>Mon Feb 26</i>		<i>Sat Mar 2</i>	
<i>8:00 am</i>	<b>Pro Populo</b>	<i>4:30 pm</i>	<b>+Joseph MacDonald (Ida Falcone)</b>
			<b>+Estrellita Papag (Family)</b>
			<b>+Donata Maria Falcone (Family)</b>
<i>Wed Feb 28</i>		<i>Sun Mar 3</i>	
<i>8:00 am</i>	<b>For the Sick</b>	<i>9:00 am</i>	<b>+Pavel, +Stefania &amp; +Anna Pavlovski</b>
			<b>+Jan &amp; +Teresa Sitarski (Family)</b>
<i>Thurs Feb 29</i>			<b>+Rubinio Agonoy (Family)</b>
<i>8:00 am</i>	<b>For the Poor</b>		<b>+Donato Antonio D'Alia (Rose Brar &amp; Family)</b>
			<b>+Anello De Nicola (Maria Checchia)</b>
<i>Fri Mar 1</i>			
<i>8:00 am</i>	<b>For the Unborn</b>	<i>11:00 am</i>	<b>Pro Populo</b>
<i>7:00 pm</i>	<b>Stations of the Cross</b>		



**The Sanctuary Lamp burns for 7 days  
in memory of Ricciotto & Alba Rizzuti**



**STATION OF THE CROSS will be held every Friday  
during Lent until Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**

**DAYS OF PENANCE DURING LENT** – The time of Lent and all Fridays of the year are, throughout the universal Church, day and times especially appropriate for spiritual exercises; penitential liturgies; pilgrimages as signs of penance; voluntary self-denial, such as fasting and almsgiving. Abstinence from meat are to be observed on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday. All persons who have completed their fourteenth year are bound by the law of abstinence. All adults (eighteen years or older) are bound by the law of fast up to the beginning of their sixtieth year. Pastors and parents are to see to it that minors who are bound by law of fast of abstinence are educated nevertheless in an authentic sense of penance. It is for the conference of bishops to determine more precisely the observances of fast and abstinence and to substitute in whole or in part for fast or abstinence other forms of penance, especially works of charity and exercises of piety and missionary works.

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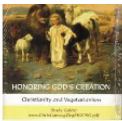
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**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:** Dear Parents, as part of their catechism preparation children who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation are required to attend mass. **Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on May 18, 2024 @ 11:00am.**



**SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Dear Parents, 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. **Sacrament of 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion will be celebrated on Saturday, April 27, 2024 @ 10:30am.**



### **HONORING GOD'S CREATION: GO VEGAN FOR LENT!**

*The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and fating together, and a little child lead them. Isaiah 11:6*

The season of Lent is upon us, consider going Vegan for Lent! It is the easiest way for Christians to honor God and all living beings!

How to Go Vegan? The Best resources for Fun and Easy Transition:

<https://www.kinderworld.org/how-to-go-vegan>

<https://simple-veganista.com>



### **Second Sunday of Lent - February 25, 2024**

If you need examples of persons responding to God's call, look at Abraham and Sarah - called in old age to leave their country and have a child. Then Abraham was asked to sacrifice that child. What faith! Answering God's call to be a priest, brother, sister or deacon is also taking a great risk. If you are willing, and think God is calling you to a Church

vocation, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

