

# 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](http://www.stambroseparish.com) or you can email [stambroseET@archtoronto.org](mailto: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, September 22


8:00 a.m. †Toti De Vera, req. by Nanette De Vera  
 9:15 a.m. St. Ambrose Catholic School Mass

Wednesday, September 24

8:00 a.m.

Thursday, September 25

8:00 a.m. †Jose & †Asuncion Magsalay, req. by Family  
 Deceased members of the Pagdato Family  
 req. by Betty Deblois & Family

Friday, September 26, Saints Cosmas & Damian, Martyrs 

8:00 a.m. †Cipriana Costelo  
 req. by G. & B. Buenaventura

Saturday, September 27, Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest

4:30 p.m. †Phyllis Boulet, req. by Lucien Boulet  
 †Ivanka Markovic, req. by Mary Markovic

Sunday, September 28, XXVI Sunday of Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. †Marguerite Maugras (Veronneau)  
 req. by Carol & Kevin McAuliffe  
 †Maria & †Giuseppe Farace  
 req. by Tony & Rosa Farace

11:00 a.m. †Maria Ruscitti,  
 req. by Julia & Giuseppe Poto




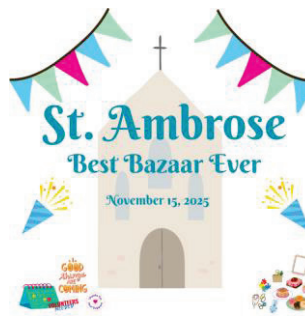
*The Marian Lamp burns for 7 days in  
 Memory of †Ivanka Markovic*

**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. Please join us for **Thanksgiving Lunch and Movie on Sunday October 5<sup>th</sup> at noon**. This is a free event for children & their families. We'll be playing "Giving Thanks" short movie by EWTN. Pizza, croissant, pumpkin pie & snacks will be served. Please RSVP by Sunday September 28th at <https://forms.gle/SeZMNAtJo9gTPsFK7>

**Volunteering Opportunities for High School, University students and adults** We are looking for Assistant teachers (University students or adults) and helpers (High School students) who can assist regularly during children's liturgy and on special events. Police check would be required for the Assistant teachers position. Volunteering hours will be provided for high-school students. Please contact [st.ambrosechildrenliturgy@gmail.com](mailto:st.ambrosechildrenliturgy@gmail.com) for more info.

*Let us Pray for a just peace in the world* 



**ST. AMBROSE BEST BAZAAR EVER 2025**

**Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**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 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>, November 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 On Saturdays between 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. and  
 On Sundays before and after each mass  
 Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, Bring Baked Goods TBD - 7 pm

**Setup Schedule**

12:00 noon Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup> - South wall  
 7:00 pm Monday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> - Complete setup  
 10:00 am Tuesday, November 4<sup>th</sup> - Begin unpacking, sorting, and cleaning

**Take down**

7:00 pm – Monday, November 17<sup>th</sup>  
 Garbage, alternate donation removal - TBD, but will be the week of November 17<sup>th</sup>

***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](mailto:stambroseET@archtoronto.org) with Bazaar Volunteer in your Subject line. Thank you ☺***

**RCIA** The Rite to Christian Initiation of Adults, known as RCI, is a program that prepares adults who are not members of the Roman Catholic Church, to be either baptized or else received into the RC Church, as well as making their 1<sup>st</sup> Communion & Confirmation. If you are an adult who is interested, please go to [www.stambroseparish.com/forms.html](http://www.stambroseparish.com/forms.html) to register. Fill the form out, and then send it to Fr. Michael at [fr.michael@live.ca](mailto:fr.michael@live.ca) Classes are on Wednesday evenings from 7:30-8:30 pm at the Church, starting on Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. The program will conclude with the Easter Vigil on Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

**Pax Christi** and the Basilian Center for Peace, Justice, & Ecological Integrity are sponsoring a Peace Walk

commemorating the 80th Anniversary of the Atomic Bombings of Hiroshima & Nagasaki that occurred in August of 1945. The walk seeks to raise awareness during this current time of new wars all over the world that both threaten global peace & also possible nuclear war. It also seeks to encourage Canada's government to sign the **TPNW**, the United Nations **Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons**. 94 nations thus far have signed & the Vatican was one of the first signatories to this treaty under Pope Francis. Pope Francis was the first Pope in history to state that even the possession of nuclear weapons was immoral! Please come & join us for this walk **September 27 starting at 9 AM-4:00 PM** from Markham & Kingston Rd to Toronto City Hall's Peace Garden. Please see the poster at the back of the church for more info & QR code with details. You can also speak to Greg Gillis, one of our parishioners who is a member of Pax Christi. Thank you for your kind support!

- **September 26 – LifeTeen** (Grades 9 and up)
- **October 3 – EDGE** (Grades 5–8)

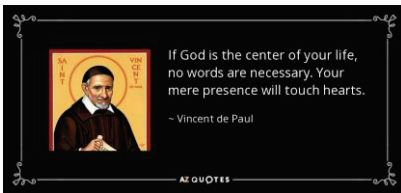
Let us continue to walk together in Christ as we grow in faith and community. 🙏 ✨ We are still looking for parishioners who would be willing to **help with meals, volunteer their time, or support us through donations**. Every contribution makes a difference in the lives of our youth. For more details, please contact: **Agnes Mirga** [AMirga@archtoronto.org](mailto:AMirga@archtoronto.org) or the Office Mon or Wed.

### GOOD SHEPHERD MINISTRIES FOOD DRIVE


provides food for the poor in our city. As Thanksgiving approaches, we are trying to help them out by encouraging you to donate food items. Due to the parking lot construction this year, items can be dropped off in the Narthex until the *Thanksgiving* weekend. *\*Please do not bring any perishable items.* **Please see our Bulletin Boards at the front and side entrances of the church for most needed items.** Financial donations are also welcome by visiting: <https://goodshepherd.ca/ways-to-give/> Thank you for your support!

### FIRST COMMUNION/RECONCILIATION

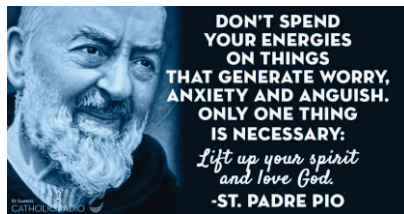
**Registration** for First Communion/Reconciliation for our young children who are in grade 2 (or older) will begin ONLINE, **\*Monday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm** By visiting [www.stambroseparish.com](http://www.stambroseparish.com) then clicking on "SACRAMENTS" and then click on "FIRST COMMUNION/RECONCILIATION". **\*N.B. Link will not be available until Sept 29<sup>th</sup> at 1pm.** Please complete the form & then submit online. If you are unable to do so, then print the form and then bring it to one of the two information meetings in October. Parents can attend either of the information meetings on Monday, October 20<sup>th</sup> or Wednesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, both at 7 pm, and in the parish hall. At the information meeting you will need to bring a **photocopy of your child's baptism certificate** as well as **\$50** (cash preferred, or else cheque made out to "St. Ambrose parish"). For parents who have children who were not baptized or else baptized in another Christian denomination, please speak with Fr. Michael at the conclusion of either information meeting.



**St. Vincent de Paul**  
**Pray for us**  
**Ora pro nobis**

 **ROSARY RALLY** This year's Rosary Rally will be held on Saturday, October 11, 2025 at 12:00 noon, in front of St. Ambrose Church. Everyone is invited to pray the Rosary in public, for Peace & for our own personal intentions. Please leave your name & telephone number in the registration folder provided in the church vestibule. Five prayer leaders are needed to lead a decade in 5 different languages, including English. We hope you can join us!

**St. Padre Pio**  
**Pray for us**  
**Ora pro nobis**  
**September 23**



### LAKESHORE YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE

We are blessed and thankful for the many families who joined us last Friday for our **EDGE program**. Over **80 youth** came together for a night filled with faith, friendship, and joy. **Upcoming Sessions:**

- **September 19 – LifeTeen** (Grades 9 and up)

*"Blessed are those who endure in peace for by You, Most High, shall they be crowned."*

**-St. Francis of Assisi**





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