

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

WE WELCOME YOU TO JOIN US!

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TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES & INTENTIONS JMJ

Monday, September 8, [Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary](#)

8:00 a.m. † Emilio Alcaraz

Wednesday, September 10

8:00 a.m.

Thursday, September 11

8:00 a.m. † Elizabeth Agnes Wilson (Cooper)
req. by Carol & Kevin McAuliffe
† Frank Falcone, req. by B. DeBlois & Family

Friday, September 12, [The Most Holy Name of Mary](#)

8:00 a.m. † Anne (Hanna) Armstrong (La Ronde)
req. by Carol & Kevin McAuliffe

Saturday, September 13, St. John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

4:30 p.m. † Albert Joseph La Rose
req. by Carol & Kevin McAuliffe
† Nina Guay, req. by Muriel Arsenault & Family & John
Thanksgiving for Blessings Received
req. by Myrna Jacobo

Sunday, September 14, [The Exaltation of the Holy Cross](#)

9:00 a.m. † Bridget Deasy, req. by C. & K. McAuliffe
† Francesco Del Vicario
req. by Antonietta Meffe & Family
† Jacek Sitarski, req. by Krystyna Sitarski
† Lucia Di Risio, req. by Medeiros/
Matsuyama Family
11:00 a.m. 30th Anniversary of Linda & Jeff Smart
† Otmar Eschelbacher, req. by Linda & Jeff Smart & Family
† Frank Falcone
req. by Sonny & Beth Udasco



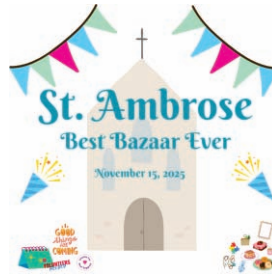
ST. AMBROSE CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Children between the age of 3 and 9 years old are invited to attend during 11 am Mass on selected Sundays starting September 14th. Please join us for **Thanksgiving Lunch and Movie on Sunday October 5th at noon**. This is a free event for children and 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 for more info.

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

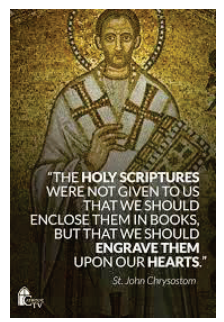
Setup Schedule

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 😊





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 on September 15 or 22, with the work being completed in about 5 weeks, weather permitting. 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, major masonry & repair work has been done on both sides of the garage, inside the garage, on the back landing & back staircase, & windows were resealed. The chimney on the south side of the roof of the church will be removed in the coming week.

Third, we have received a report from an engineering firm, RJC, who did a thorough examination of the concrete staircase leading to the main church entrance. Their report contains recommendations regarding the scope of work required to rehabilitate or replace the staircase. We anticipate this project will be done next year.

Fourth, the renovation of the rectory kitchen, dining room and main hallway by the offices is 90% completed. 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. The help of 2 other adult volunteers is deeply appreciated. Finally, 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



The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Honours Christ's Cross, an instrument made sacred by the Lord's offering of Himself upon it for our salvation.

LAKESHORE YOUTH MINISTRY RETURNS THIS SEPTEMBER!

With gratitude to God, we are blessed to announce that our Lakeshore Youth Ministry will begin a new year of faith, friendship & community this fall. **Friday, Sept 12 – EDGE (Grades 5–8) at 6 PM.** **Friday, Sept 19 - LifeTeen (Grades 9–12) at 6 PM**_On these evenings, we also invite parents to join us for an informative session about the mission of our youth ministry, how we accompany young people in their journey of faith, and the many opportunities for families to be part of this ministry. We are also seeking adults and young adults to join our Core Team and help lead this ministry in service to our youth and parish. If you are interested, please email AMirga@archtoronto.org or contact the office.

DEACON ALAN MORRIS We are happy to share the news that Deacon Alan Morris is celebrating a milestone birthday this coming week – you can ask him the number! As he approaches this milestone, he received a letter from Cardinal Leo, Archbishop of Toronto, thanking him for his service to St. Ambrose & the other parishes he served at in the past, as well as inviting him to retire if he so wished. Thankfully for us, Deacon Alan has indicated his willingness to continue serving, for which I, and the parish community are thankful. To Deacon Alan and his wife, Olivia, God bless 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 1st Communion & Confirmation. If you are an adult who is interested, please go to www.stambroseparish.com and click on Forms on the homepage, then click on R.C.I.A. form. Complete the form & send it to Fr. Michael by emailing Fr.Michael@live.ca Classes are on Wednesday evenings from 7:30-8:30 pm at the Church, starting on Wednesday, November 5th. The program will conclude with the Easter Vigil on Saturday, April 4th, 2026.



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