

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

### New Parishioners

Welcome! To register please call the office or 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 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!

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## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Saturday, September 7

4:30 p.m. (+) Joe Kucan, req. by Janice Simons  
(+) Chris Buklin, req. by Michelle Tkach

#### Sunday, September 8, XXIII Sunday Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. (+) Luigi & (+) Ersilia DePalma, req. by Carmela Paoletti  
(+) Franco & (+) Giuseppe Caronchia  
req. by the Family

11:00 a.m. (+) Emilio Alcaraz, req. by the Family  
(+) Ann Hennesey, req. by Rose Machacek

#### Monday, September 9, St. Peter Claver, Priest

8:00 a.m. (+) Stephen McKay, req. by Catherine Brown

#### Wednesday, September 11

8:00 a.m. Friends & Families of Parishioners

#### Thursday, September 12, The Most Holy Name of Mary

8:00 a.m. (+) Anthony Laksmana, req. by the Parents

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

8:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received  
req. Myrna Jacobo

#### Saturday, September 14, Exaltation of the Holy Cross

4:30 p.m. (+) Michelina Maraio, req. by Family  
(+) Joan McKenny  
req. by Carole & Alex Mezzavilla

#### Sunday, September 15, XXIV Sunday Ordinary Time

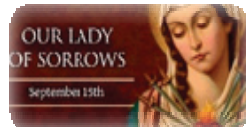
9:00 a.m. (+) Franco & (+) Giuseppe Caronchia, req. by the Family

11:00 a.m. (+) Deceased members of the Costa Family  
req. by Manuel & Maria Costa & family

(+) Viviane, (+) Doc & (+) Mitch Dawkins, req. by the Family

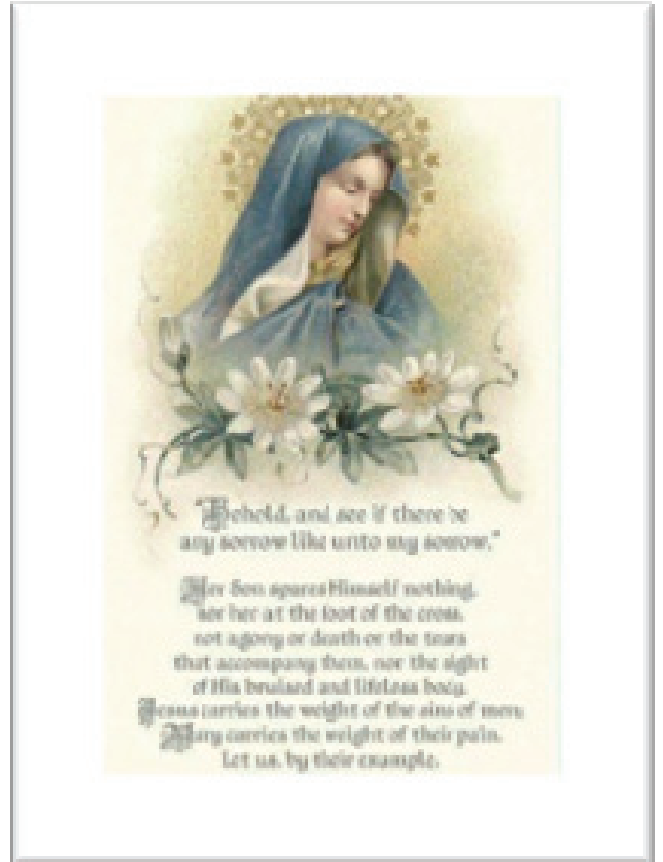
### OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS

*Immediately following August's devotion to the Immaculate Heart, and preceding October's devotion to Our Lady of the Rosary, September is an ideal time to strengthen our connection to Our Lady.*



#### Our Lady's seven sorrows

- ♥ **The First Sword of Sorrow:** Simeon announces the suffering destiny of Jesus (Luke 2:34-35)
- ♥ **The Second Sword of Sorrow:** Mary escapes into Egypt with Jesus and Joseph (Matt 2:13-15)
- ♥ **The Third Sword of Sorrow:** Mary seeks Jesus lost in Jerusalem (Luke 2:41-51)
- ♥ **The Fourth Sword of Sorrow:** Mary meets Jesus as He carries His Cross to Calvary (cf. Luke 23:26-31)
- ♥ **The Fifth Sword of Sorrow:** Mary stands near the Cross of her Son Jesus (John 19:25-27)
- ♥ **The Sixth Sword of Sorrow:** Mary receives into her arms the body of Jesus taken down from the Cross (cf. John 19:38)
- ♥ **The Seventh Sword of Sorrow:** Mary helps place the body of Jesus in the tomb (cf. John 19:39-42) [2]



### HANDICRAFT HOLY LAND CHRISTIANS

On the weekend of Sept 7-8, we will welcome our special guest Maria representing "Handicraft Holy Land Christians", who after all the masses will briefly address the issues and concerns regarding the Christian presence in the Holy Land. Christians in the Holy Land graciously ask your support through conscience prayers and will have many unique hand carved olive wood religious art pieces made by these families in Bethlehem available for purchase after every mass.

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SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

## WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER EXPERIENCE

September 20, - September 22, 2024

(Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga)

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CONTACT: Christian & Elizabeth Arroba at:

416-554-4439 or 416-554-7062

[christian.elizabeth.arroba@wwme.org](mailto:christian.elizabeth.arroba@wwme.org)



## ST. AMBROSE BEST BAZAAR EVER

Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>

10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Parishioners can bring donations to the church hall on the weekends:

**Sept. 7 & 8, 14 & 15, 21 & 22**

**Saturdays from 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.**

**and Sundays from 8:00 am - 12 noon**

Donations accepted: Nearly New, Christmas, Craft, Country Craft, Jewellery, Toys & Puzzles. Tambola & Silent Auction prizes.

**N.B.:** NO Furniture, Clothing or Books will be accepted.

Conveners phone numbers are:

Marg: 416-259-3096

Kevin: 647-224-1514

*Volunteers always needed & much appreciated*

Thank you fellow parishioners for your continued support to the Best Bazaar Ever

*The Bazaar Committee*

## SUMMERTIME & THE PRAYING IS EASY – SILENT IGNATIAN RETREAT FOR MEN & WOMEN

September 20, 2024 - September 22, 2024

Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre, Pickering

*Silent Ignatian Retreat for Men and Women.*

*"Summertime and the Praying is Easy."*

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18. Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

As we go camping, hiking, fishing, surfing—we can always encounter God. Prayer and Pleasure are complementary not competitive. It is not a question of When, How and Where—but as a sales slogan says, "Just do it."

Directed by Fr. Michael Coutts, SJ. Retreat begins Friday evening, arrival 7 p.m. and runs until Sunday with lunch. The suggested offering is \$260.00/person.

To register or for more information go to:

[www.manresa-canada.ca](http://www.manresa-canada.ca)

## ANNOUNCING MANRESA'S 75th ANNIVERSARY

You are invited to a BBQ celebrating 75 years of Manresa

Jesuit Spirituality Centre in Pickering



September 15, 2024 (1:30 - 4:30 pm) 2325 Liverpool

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Hamburgers, Hotdogs, cold drinks ... Enjoy music on our beautiful grounds. Walk our Labyrinth, Rosary Lane & trails. Bring your own lawn chairs & picnic blankets. Games for children. Rain or Shine. *No RSVP Req'd. Come and join us, and bring your family.*

## RCIA AT ST. AMBROSE

Any adults who are interested in becoming members of the Roman Catholic Church, or any adult Catholic members of our parish who are wishing to complete the sacraments of initiation, are invited to join our parish RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults).

The RCIA meetings will start at the end of October, and will be held twice per month, in person, with Fr. Michael, and conclude at the end of April.

To register, please go

to [www.stambroseparish.com/forms.html](http://www.stambroseparish.com/forms.html)

and then click on "R.C.I.A. Form". Fill the form out, and then send it to Fr. Michael at [fr.michael@live.ca](mailto:fr.michael@live.ca)



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