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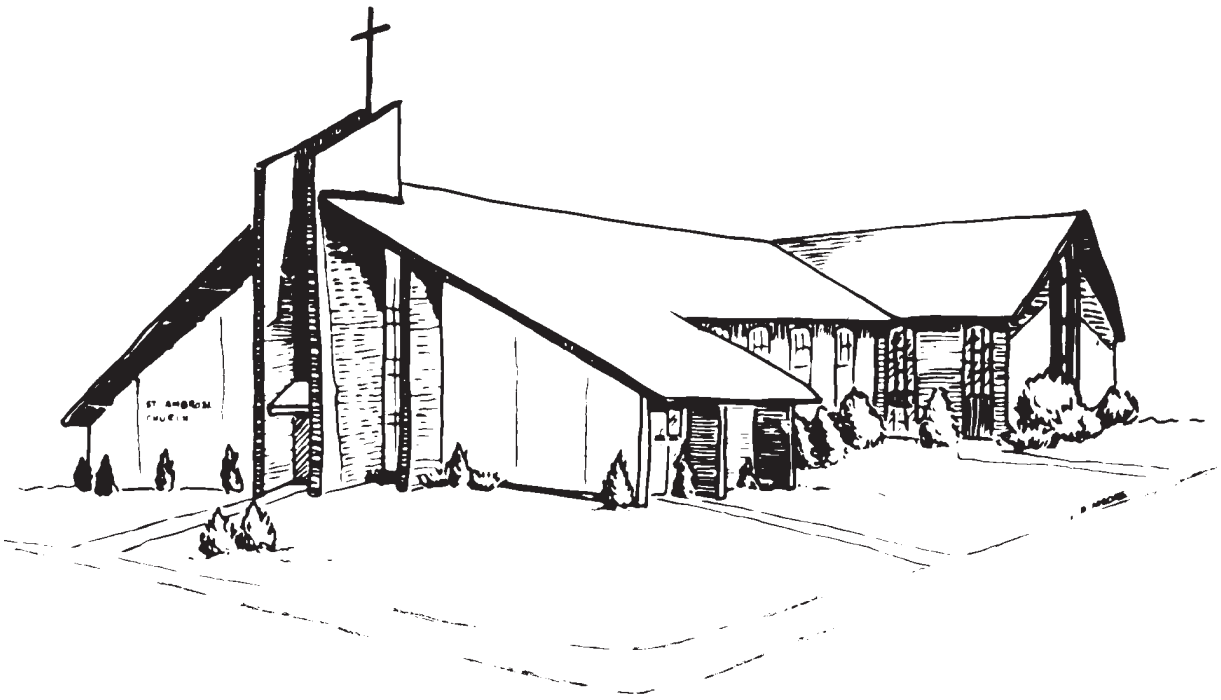

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OFFICE HOURS
Monday to Thursday 9am to 4pm
Friday 9am to 2pm

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

BAPTISM

Please contact the parish office for information on booking a Baptism date and the dates of upcoming Baptism preparation meetings.

MARRIAGE

Adequate preparation including Marriage Preparation Course is required.
Contact the parish office at least 12 months in advance.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

- Tuesday to Friday from 6:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.
- Saturday from 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.
- Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK

Please inform us of hospitalization or confinement to home due to illness.

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Saint Faustina and the Divine Mercy of Jesus

In 2000 Pope John Paul instituted Divine Mercy Sunday which may be celebrated today, the Second Sunday of Easter. It arises out of a series of apparitions which a Polish nun, Sr. Faustina, received. Sr. Faustina was born in Poland in 1905. When she was twenty years old, she entered the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy where she lived for the next thirteen years until her death on October 5th 1938. She was beatified by Pope John Paul II in 1993 and canonized in 2000.

When canonizing her the Pope said, "*Today my joy is truly great in presenting the life and witness of Saint Faustina to the whole Church as a gift of God for our time. By Divine Providence, the life of this humble daughter of Poland was completely linked with the history of the 20th century, the century we have just left behind. In fact, it was between the First and Second World Wars that Christ entrusted his message of mercy to her. Those who remember, who were witnesses and participants in the events of those years and the horrible sufferings they caused for millions of people know well how necessary was this message of mercy."*

In February 1931 Saint Faustina saw Jesus dressed in a white garment. He held one hand raised in blessing and the other hand touching His garment at the breast as in the Divine Mercy pictures. From that point on his garment, two rays of light emanated, one red and the other pale. Jesus said *"Paint a picture according to the vision you see and with the signature, 'Jesus I trust in You.' I desire that this picture be venerated first in your chapel and then throughout the whole world."* Later Jesus explained, *"The rays represent the Blood and Water which gushed forth from the depths of my Mercy when My agonizing heart was pierced on the cross. The pale rays symbolize the water which cleanses and purifies the soul: the red rays represent the blood, which gives new life to the soul."* (1 John 5:6) Jesus said the greater the sinner the greater the mercy. *"Summon all those to confidence in the incomprehensible depth of my mercy for I desire to save all. The well of mercy was opened wide with a lance on the cross for all souls. I do not exclude anyone."* Jesus said, *"Tell ailing mankind to draw close to my merciful heart and I will fill them with peace. Mankind will not find consolation until it turns with confidence to my mercy and love."*

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday, April 26
(*please note there is no evening Mass tonight***)**
9:00 am + ANN & FRANK DeSOUZA RODRIGUES & DECEASED CORREIA FAMILY – Marie and Theresa

6:30 pm – First Confession for St. Anne School grade 2 students

Wednesday, April 27
7:00 pm – Intentions of Fr. Clement Onwunata
- Intentions of Desiree Lew
- Intentions of Monica Martin and family
- intentions of Marlowe Kohlmaier
+ PAZ DULAY – Espie and family
+ FRANCISCO ALVES – Julieta
+ JAN JAGIELLOWICZ - Yolanta

CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm
*** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm**

Thursday, April 28
7:00 pm + SHARON FEAVER
CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm
*** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm**

Friday, April 29
7:00 pm + SOULS IN PURGATORY
CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm
*** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm**
Prayers for the Souls in Purgatory at 6:30 pm

Saturday, April 30
1:00 pm – First Holy Communion for St. Anne school Grade 2 students

CONFESSIONS at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm
5:00 pm + MANUEL DeVARGAS – Maria
+ JOAO ROSA – Laudalina
+ DECEASED CHVAES FAMILY – Maria and Silvino
+ RAY KELLY SR – Teresa and Nick
+ BARB MURRAY – Barb and Tom
+ MARIA BRAGA MONTEIRO & ANTONIO NORDELO – Fatima

Sunday, May 1
9:00 am + EMILIA & MANUEL MOREIRA - Rosa
11:00 am – for the intentions of all parishioners
CONFESSIONS: 8:00 to 8:45 am and 10:15 am to 10:45 am

Divine Mercy Sunday - April 24
St. Ambrose Church
3:00pm – 4:00pm
TODAY

To celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday everyone is invited to join us for the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and beautiful music on this day.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Next week, on May 1st and 5th , the Sacrament of Confirmation will be confered upon the students who have chosen to receive the Sacrament. Bishop Lobsinger will be the celebrant.

May 1st at 1:00 pm – St. Vincent de Paul Grade 7s
May 1st at 3:00 pm – Holy Spirit Grade 7s
May 5th at 7:00 pm – St. Anne Grade 7s

Online Donations for St. Ambrose Parish

Parishioners are able to donate to St. Ambrose Church through a diocesan approved program called "CanadaHelps".

How does it work??

- go to our parish webpage www.stambrosecambridge.ca
- click on the "donate now" icon

Follow the directions on the website on how to set-up recurring monthly donations, or to make a one-time donation.

- **Important** - CanadaHelps will also provide the donation receipt by email. (not the parish)

Marvelous Mystery:
The Mass Comes Alive CAT CHAT Summer Program
Hosted by the Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate

Will be held July 11 -15, 2022 at St. Ambrose Parish in Cambridge Ontario for children ages 6-11. Join us as we discover the beauty of the Holy Mass with faith, fellowship and fun! The cost is $120/ child. To register, please contact Sr. Maria Immaculata by email: retreats@solisisters.ca Registration ends June 15th 2022. We have 35 spots available so register soon!

High-school volunteers welcome - please contact Sr. Maria Immaculata by email: retreats@solisisters.ca

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Prayers for the Sick – Every Wednesday at 1:30 pm in the Church. Please use the church side door on South Street

ReStart – Starting over after separation or divorce with support, care and tools for your journey.

We invite you to check out the Diocesan website at: **hamiltondiocese.com** Then look for the tab at the top that says "Family and Youth" to see the programs offered and to find out dates of the new program for 2022. If you have questions, call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249

Declaration of Nullity (Church Annulments)

The Church is aware of the painful reality of divorce experienced by so many. The complex process surrounding annulments represents the Church's commitment to uphold biblical teaching "*What God has joined together, no one may divide*" (Gen 2:24; Mt 19:6; Mk 10:9) on the one hand, and to find just and pastoral ways to assist those in broken marriages on the other.

"Annulment" is an unfortunate word that is sometimes used to refer to a Catholic "declaration of nullity." Actually, nothing is made null through the process. Rather, a Church tribunal (a Catholic church court) declares that a marriage thought to be valid according to Church law actually fell short of at least one of the essential elements required for a binding union.

A valid Catholic marriage results from five elements: (1) the spouses are free to marry; (2) they freely exchange their consent; (3) in consenting to marry, they have the intention to marry for life, to be faithful to one another and be open to children; (4) they intend the good of each other; and (5) their consent is given in the presence of two witnesses and before a properly authorized Church minister. Exceptions to the last requirement must be approved by church authority.

Information on annulments is available on the Diocese of Hamilton website **www.hamiltondiocese.com/annulments** or please book an appointment with Father Gary at the Parish Office.

Precious and Priceless Retreat
Hosted by the Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate

Will be held July 7th-10th at St. Ambrose Parish in Cambridge Ontario for women ages 15-18. Join us as we dive into the beautiful gift of our femininity according to St. John Paul II's *Letter to Women.* There will be guest speakers, fellowship and time for prayer. The cost is $200 for each retreatant which includes meals and recreational activities. To register, please contact Sr. Maria Immaculata by email: retreats@solisisters.ca
Registration ends June 15th, 2022.

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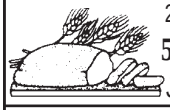

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