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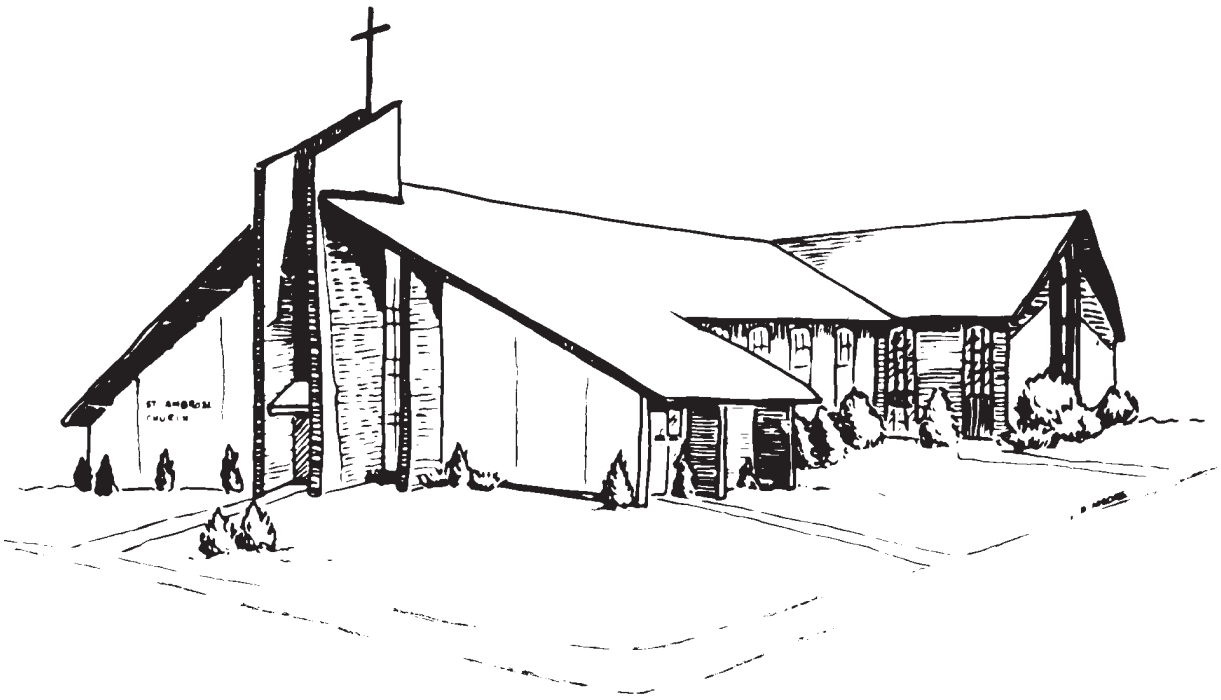

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Monday to Thursday 9am to 4pm
Friday 9am to 2pm

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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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The Beatitudes

Some of us learned the Beatitudes during our early school days, and we have all tried, let's hope, to take them to heart in the intervening years, and put them into practice. Our world has changed a lot since our Lord proclaimed these words of divine wisdom in Galilee, but unfortunately, life in this world is still a struggle against poverty, privation and persecution. In this respect it has changed very little, if at all, for the greater part of the human race.

Today, there are millions in the underdeveloped continents who are continually on the borderline of starvation through no fault of theirs. And in the developed countries there are many thousands who are in dire need because of the injustices inflicted by others.

The early Christians suffered tortures and death for professing the faith of Christ, but they felt privileged to be called on to imitate their Divine Master. Even today, there are millions of Christians who are suffering for the same cause.

To all of these, to the poor, the despised, the persecuted, Christ gave the promise of an eternal reward which would repay a thousand-fold the short-lived sufferings of this life. It was this promise that gave the strength to so many, and is still giving the strength to thousands, to persevere in their faith and in their trust in God, no matter what their earthly circumstances may be.

While consoling the underprivileged, Christ has positive commands for those of His followers who are in a position to carry them out. "Blessed are the merciful," He says. That is to say: those who will show mercy and compassion for the suffering of others, can rest assured that God will be merciful to them. The contrary is equally true and certain. The person who shuts their eyes and heart to the hungry, the oppressed, and the needy cannot expect mercy and forgiveness. A second command, which would make life on earth more tolerable for all, is "Blessed are the peace-makers." The vast majority of people desire peace. They hate war, which brings nothing but misfortune and sufferings to all sides. If only the peace-loving people of the earth could make their voices heard, life's journey would be made so much easier for all. Life for all of us has enough of sadness, trials and catastrophes without adding the human-made sufferings and afflictions of war.

"What can I do?" you may well ask. You can begin by removing from your own heart every racial attitude or prejudice. Think before speaking or acting – ensure actions are done with kindness, peace and consideration of others.

Tuesday, February 15
7:00 pm + JORGIANA MELO, and DECEASED FAMILY and SOULS IN PURGATORY - Tina
CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm
*** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm**

Wednesday, February 16
7:00 pm – the intentions of Bernadette
- intentions of Lourdes and Rafael Daza
- intentions of Carla Valentina
- intentions of Blanco and Judith Rincon
+ TADEUSZ NAWROT – his family
- intentions of Shirley and Tony Borges

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

Thursday, February 17
7:00 pm + MARK VALENTINO CHAVES – Maria and Valentino Pagliaroli
CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm
*** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm**

Friday, February 18
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, February 19
CONFESSIONS at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm
5:00 pm + MARY McLENNAN – Beryl Stortz
+ RADJOKA & KRESO SIMIC – Mila and Slobodan
+ MARIA PEREIRA – Joe Silveira
+ GRAHAM & NEIL BOWDRING – Kennedy family
+ LEO ANSARI – Christina and Maria Freitas
+ JOE MANNI – Trish and Matt Gerth

Sunday, February 20
9:00 am + FRANCESCA NAPOLI – Cetra family
11:00 am – for the intentions of all parishioners
CONFESSIONS: 8:00 to 8:45 am and 10:15 am to 10:45 am

Prayers for the Sick at St. Ambrose Church

Weekly on Wednesdays at 1:30 pm. Please use the church side door Chapel entrance on South Street

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2022 Sunday Missals – some parishioners have been asking to purchase their own. If you would like to order one, please contact Barb at the parish office and if we have enough interest, another order will be place.

2021 charitable donation receipts are available to be picked up at the main entrance area during weekend Masses. If you would like yours mailed, please contact the parish office.

CanadaHelps receipts will be available from your online account.

The **Catholic Community Foundation of Waterloo Region** invites you to join in on a virtual event – "Tech Meets Parenting: A Balancing Act" on Thursday February 24th from 7:00pm-8:00pm. This family-focused event will explore our relationship with technology. We will discuss the importance of and tactics around being a good role model and setting boundaries at all ages. Space is limited, register today! **www.ccfowr.org/speaker-series**

Senior Kindergarten and Junior Kindergarten registration is taking place at the schools of the Waterloo Catholic District School Board. Please contact your local school for details on how to register your child. If your child is already attending JK, there is no need to register for senior kindergarten.

Waterloo Catholic District School Board is hiring. Please visit their website for a list of current employment opportunities. **wcdsb.ca/careers/**

RETROUVAILLE: A LIFELINE FOR TROUBLED MARRIAGES is a program designed to support struggling marriages. It can even be of assistance to couples who have separated but are willing to work on their relationship. COVID has challenged many couples, but this program is highly successful in helping couples to reconnect and move forward together. The next session is scheduled for March 11th - 13th and there are still spots available.

(retrouvaille is a French word which means to re-unite or reunion and is pronounced *reh-troov-eye)*

retrouvaillehamilton.com

Thank you for the donations!

Thank you to everyone for their continued financial donations to the parish – by using church envelopes; CanadaHelps online donations; or cash.

Your generosity is much appreciated.

February 14 is the feast day of St. Cyril (his original name was Constantine) and Methodius, who were brothers that grew up in Thessalonica (now Macedonia) as sons of a prominent Christian family, in the 800's AD. They promoted Christianity among the Slavic people and influenced the religious and cultural development of all Slavic peoples, and received the title "the Apostles of the Slavs".

Cyril and Methodius believed in the importance of celebrating liturgy in our own language, rather than Latin or Greek.

Today, Ukraine could certainly use the intercession of Saints Cyril and Methodius for the safety of their people.

Prayer: Saints Cyril and Methodius, watch over all missionaries and peoples but especially those in Slavic countries. Help those that are in danger in the troubled areas.

Reel Justice online Film Festival

February 24, 2022 7:00 – 9:00 PM for "After the Storm: Building the Pope Francis Village", part of the Reel Justice Film Festival! The film documents the transformational journey of 550 families in Tacloban, Philippines following the devastation of Super Typhoon Haiyan in 2013. In the aftermath of this natural disaster, Development and Peace – Caritas Canada, supporting local organizations, transformed a piece of land into new homes, a new community, and new lives. The Reel Justice Film Festival is a partnership between Development & Peace and the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives. Visit us online at reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com to view the 2022 schedule or to secure your spot at any of the virtual screenings!

Youth ministry online learning - There are spaces open for new learners in the upcoming cycles of the Youth Ministry Certification program. If you are interested in participating in Relational Ministry with Youth - A Canadian Perspective please visit:

www.hamiltondioceselearns.com to register.

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