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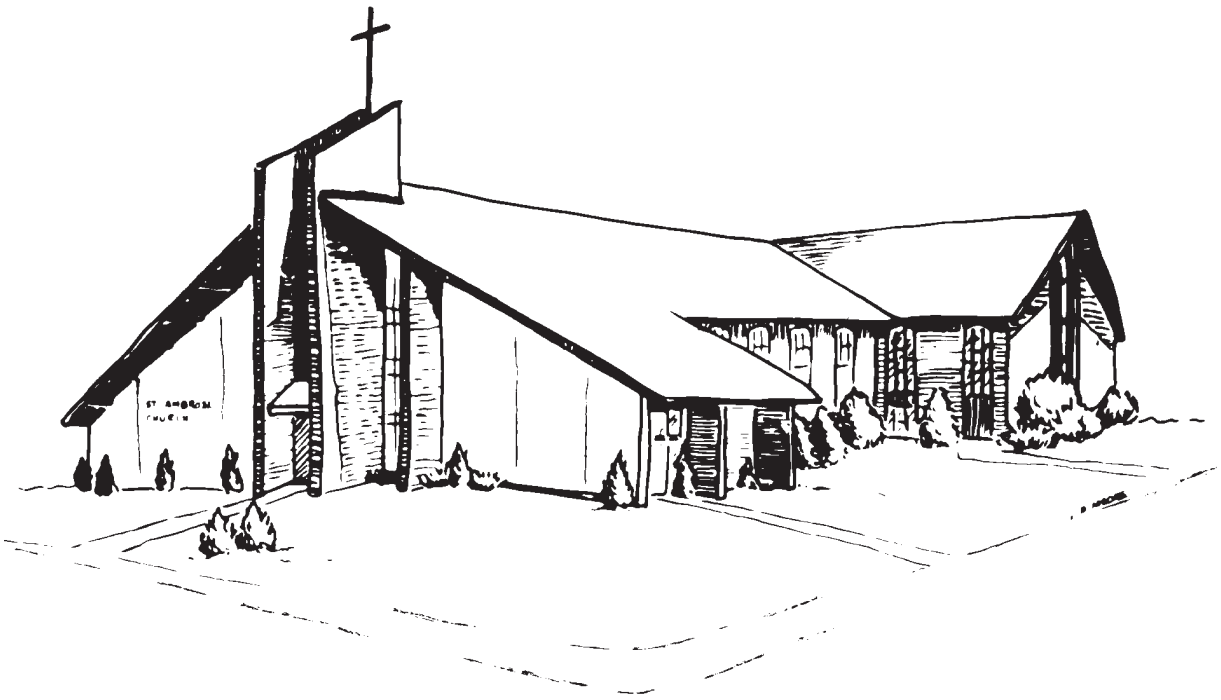

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OFFICE HOURS
Monday to Thursday 9am to 4pm
Friday 9am to 2pm

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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Wedding at Cana

This Sunday we begin the liturgical season of "Ordinary Time". *Ordinary Time* refers to all of those parts of the Catholic Church's liturgical year that are not included in the major seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter. Ordinary Time, therefore, encompasses two different periods in the Church's calendar, since the Christmas season immediately follows Advent, and the Easter season immediately follows Lent.

Occasionally, however, we will read from John's Gospel. This is true of today's Gospel reading, which describes His first miracle.

Early in Jesus's ministry, there was a wedding celebration in the village of Cana in Galilee. Jesus and his mother were invited. During the celebration, the wine supply ran out. Mary must have known the bride and groom well and didn't want anything to bring down the excitement. She went to Jesus to inform him that there was no more wine. Mary knew Jesus was special and could help. However, Jesus politely replied that His time hadn't arrived yet. So, Mary, still hoping that He would do something, told the servants to listen to Jesus and do whatever He says.

This miracle was a product of Christ's generosity. Although it was not yet time for Christ to begin His public ministry, He generously agreed to help out with His gift of a miracle by turning water into wine. Through this, Christ taught us exactly how we should use our gifts for the good and growth of God's people. Also, another important lesson we should learn from today's gospel is the role the Blessed Virgin Mary played in this miracle. She had the gift of prayer or "intercession". She knew that Her Son would not refuse her anything good. So, she immediately interceded on behalf of her people.

The only thing that Mary demanded from the servants was their obedience to the commands of Christ. She did not need to demand for anything more than this because she knew that her gift of intercession and her position as the Mother of Christ was a free gift from God for the enlightenment of her people. Therefore, by using her position and gift of intercession very well, Mary participated effectively in the ministry of Christ.

We are, therefore, called upon today to emulate both the example of Christ and Mary who used their gifts for the growth and edification of the people of God. Also, we must constantly ask Our Lady for intercession as those at the wedding did. Most importantly, we must be ready to take her advice: "*Do whatever He tells you to do*!"

Tuesday, January 18
7:00 pm – Intentions of Sandra Palmer and family
CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm
*** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm**

Wednesday, January 19
7:00 pm + ROCKY & DOMENICA GUGLIELMI – George
+ GRACE MILNE – St. Ambrose Ladies' Group
+ ALL SOULS – John Pham
+ MARIA dosREIS CABRAL – Anna and Manuel Dias
CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm
*** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm**

Thursday, January 20
7:00 pm – Intentions of Roco Scarfone and family
CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm
*** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm**

Friday, January 21
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, January 22
CONFESSIONS at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm
5:00 pm + KATA & MILAN GRIZELJ – Mila and Dan Eljuga
+ DECEASED CRESPO FAMILY – Liliana
+ ANN & BILLIE McDONALD – Kenney family
+ DECEASED CHAVES FAMILY – Maria & Silvino
+ KATARINA TOMAS – Manuela deAlmeida

Sunday, January 23
9:00 am + DANI CETRA – Cetra family
11:00 am – 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

Myra Klaassen will be leading Prayers for the Sick and will also pray the Rosary, on Wednesdays at 1:30 pm. Please use the church side door Chapel entrance on South Street. Everyone welcome

The Pope's Prayer Intention for January:
https://thepopevideo.org/

How is it possible that many religious minorities currently suffer discrimination or persecution?
How can we allow that in this society, which is so civilized, there are people who are persecuted simply because they publicly profess their faith? Not only is it unacceptable; it's inhuman, it's insane.
Religious freedom is not limited to freedom of worship—that is to say, that people can have a worship service on the day prescribed by their sacred books. Rather, it makes us appreciate others in their differences and recognize them as true brothers and sisters.
As human beings, we have so many things in common that we can live alongside each other, welcoming our differences with the joy of being brothers and sisters.
And may a small difference, or a substantial difference such as a religious one, not obscure the great unity of being brothers and sisters.
Let us choose the path of fraternity. Because either we are brothers and sisters, or we all lose.
Let us pray that those who suffer discrimination and suffer religious persecution, may find in the societies in which they live the rights and dignity that comes from being brothers and sisters.

- *Pope Francis*

STORIES OF A GENERATION WITH POPE FRANCIS is the title of a warm, uplifting and inspirational series on NETFLIX. The series is based on the Pope's 2018 book, Sharing the Wisdom of Time, published by Loyola Press. The series showcases stories from people over 70 years of age, from all quarters of the globe, including the Pope himself, as they impart their life experiences to young filmmakers. Each of its four one-hour episodes is devoted to a central theme: "Love", "Dream", "Struggle", and "Work".

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 Vision for Catholic Youth Ministry – A Canadian Perspective or Relational Ministry with Youth - A Canadian Perspective, please email: **nmccowell@hamiltondiocese.com**

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Year of Amoris Laetitia (The Joy of Love)
Family Speaker Series

The Diocese of Hamilton Speaker Series is the highlight of the 2022 Year of Amoris Laetitia Family. It will feature a monthly topic related to family from January through to June, held virtually on Zoom. The topic covered each month is free and open to all but please register your attendance to receive the link.

Remaining dates are January 19 and 26, 2022 from 7:00-8:30 PM

The Joy and Struggles of Family: Revealing the Wisdom in Pope Francis's Amoris Laetitia

Bishop Wayne Lobsinger (Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Hamilton) will be joining us on January 12th and 19th, and Mrs. Teresa Hartnett (Director of Family Ministry, Diocese of Hamilton) will lead on the 26th

https://amorislaetitia.hamiltondiocese.com/speaker-series/

Bible Sunday - The Diocese of Hamilton celebrates Bible Sunday on January 23, 2022. Bishop Crosby has chosen the third Sunday of Ordinary Time each year as our day to emphasize how #TheBibleSpeaks and how #WeListen. We encourage you to visit our Diocesan webpage dedicated to Bible Sunday 2022. Here you will find resources for adults, youth and children to help foster a relationship with God's living Word: www.hamiltondiocese.com/thebiblespeaks

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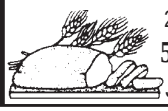
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