St. Ambrose Church

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Thursday 9am to 4pm, Friday 9am to 2pm. After hours by appointment only.

WEEKEND HOLY MASSES:
Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am and 11:00 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 8:30 am to 9:30 am
Wednesday 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm
Saturday 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm
Sunday from 8:00 am to 8:45 am; 10:15 am to 10:45 am

Fr. Gary Schlack - Pastor
Fr. Michael King, retired - in residence
Rev. Mr. Nick Cherri - Deacon
Rev. Mr. Paul Klaassen - Deacon
Barbara Roy - Administrative Assistant
Myra Klaassen - Parish Ministry
Sandy Figueiredo - Sacristan/Custodian
Carol Renner - rectory housekeeper

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PARISH SCHOOLS:

St. Anne School	519-621-8920	St. Vincent de Paul School	519-740-0678
Holy Spirit School	519-621-8973	Monsignor Doyle High School	519-622-1290

BAPTISM - The Baptism Preparation Program for parents is required before a Baptism date is scheduled.
MARRIAGE - Contact the parish office at least 12 months in advance, as Marriage Preparation is required.
VISITS and COMMUNION TO THE SICK - Inform the parish office of hospitalization or home confinement.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - for assistance with food vouchers, leave a message at 519-623-8764
- St. Vincent de Paul Value Store 519-629-0103

First Saturday Promise:
"Behold, my daughter, my Heart encircled with thorns, with which ungrateful people pierce It at every moment by their blasphemies and ingratitude. Give me consolation, you, at least; and make known on my behalf that I promise to assist at the hour of death, with the graces necessary for salvation, all who on the First Saturday of five consecutive months: 1) confess their sins, 2) receive Holy Communion, 3) recite five decades of the Rosary, 4) keep me company for fifteen minutes meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary, 5) and have the intention of making reparation to my Immaculate Heart."
(Our Lady of Fatima's message to Lucia)
First Saturday Masses are held at 8:00 am each month at St. Ambrose Church.

Christian Guidance for Dads

As Catholic men, you have a responsibility to be strong fathers and husbands, leaders in our parishes, good stewards in our communities and humble followers of Christ.

Be a Man of Prayer. Children will be much more likely to pray if they see their parents doing so. Work on developing a daily prayer routine with the goal of at least an hour a day devoted to prayer. Sound difficult? Think about how much TV we watch a day or answering email. Consider how much time we spend in our cars each day and how much time we devote to exercise. We have more than enough time for prayer if we schedule it and integrate it into our day. Imagine the powerful influence we can have on children if they see us on our knees in prayer each night at family prayer time.

Understand Our True Vocation. For those of us blessed to be married and have children, we must recognize that helping our families get to heaven and being good husbands and fathers—not our business careers—is our real vocation. Ask yourself: "Is my work serving my family? Or is my family serving my work?"

Invest Time. Children need our time. Put down the smartphone; turn off the TV; cancel the golf outing. Let's spend more time with our kids! In the absence of a father's time with his family, you can bet there are countless bad influences ready to take his place and guide his children in the wrong direction. To paraphrase author-theologian Scott Hahn, wrote that in our modern age the father or mother who is willing to walk out of the office after forty hours in order to have more time with his/her family is the real hero.

Be Courageous. Christians are meant to stand out, not blend in. Blending in speaks to conforming so that our faith becomes part of the mainstream … and we need to fight the culture. These are difficult times, and we have a responsibility to love and defend Christ, be great role models for our families and stand up for our faith.

Practice Detachment. Are we too focused on acquiring toys, bigger houses, nicer cars or the next promotion? We need to let go of the things that get in the way of our prayer lives, Mass attendance, charitable giving, volunteering, time with our families and certainly our relationships with Christ.

Love your Wives. Husbands, love and cherish your wives, plain and simple. Our children will learn to love others by how they see Mom and Dad love each other. Remember to say, "I love you" to your wives and your children as often as possible. "The most important thing a father can do for his children is to love their mother." So said Theodore Hesburgh.

Many blessing to all Fathers today, and always.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday, June 18
8:00 am – in thanksgiving from Josephine & Francis Villamil
CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30 – 9:30 am

Wednesday, June 19
1:00 pm – Prayers for the Sick - everyone welcome. Due to the construction in the Church, the Chapel will be used for prayers this week.
7:00 pm + SOULS IN PURATORY
- intentions of Tony and Shirley Borges
+ MARIA LURDES MONTEIRO MELO & FAMILY
+ SAMANTHA DeSOUSA – her parents
+ NELIA VARGAS SILVEIRA – Zelia B.
+ JOSEPH PUIM MONTEIRO, WIFE & SONS

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

Thursday, June 20
8:00 am + KOZDRON, GORBARCZYK, SALINITRI, and ORGANISCIAK FAMILIES
CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30 – 9:30 am

Friday, June 21
8:00 am – the intentions of Arsenio & Estrella Pontalba
CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30 – 9:30 am

Saturday, June 22
CONFESSIONS at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm
5:00 pm + JOE PENNEY – Jerome & Doreen
+ MARIA LOPES – her family
+ DOREEN & SHAWN – Margaret
+ BOB RANN – Joanne MacKinnon
+ BILL NORMORE – Marc Villeneuve
+ MARIA NGUYEN - Thanh

Sunday, June 23
9:00 am – the intentions of all parishioners
11:00 am + RICARDO OLIVEIRA – Ilda Oliveira
CONFESSIONS: 8:00 to 8:45 am and 10:15 am to 10:45 am

In appreciation of Deacon Nick Cherri

Next weekend we will celebrate the gift of ministry Deacon Nick has provided to St. Ambrose Parish, as he will be retiring June 26th. Please join us after Masses next weekend, June 22 and June 23, to wish Nick well, and enjoy for refreshments in the Church hall.

On June 10, 2006, **Nicholas Cherri** was ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacon, at the Cathedral in Hamilton.

This occurred after five years of study for the Permanent Diaconate, which he undertook with his wife Teresa. This was the first group of permanent deacons to be ordained for the Diocese of Hamilton.

Since his ordination, Deacon Nick has been generous with his ministry to our parish in various ways. Nick visited the shut-ins, both in their home and in nursing homes, bringing them the Holy Eucharist. He was involved in Baptism preparation and provided the Sacrament of Baptism for children in the parish. Nick has ministered to those who have lost a loved ones through prayers at the funeral home; and officiated at weddings. Nick will continue to attend St. Ambrose Parish.

The Marian Residence, in Preston, is a seniors' home operated by the Sisters of our Lady Immaculate. They would like to **welcome new volunteers** to assist with activities for the seniors. If you would like to volunteer, please email Sister Mary Benedicta.

Email to: volunteers@marianresidence.ca or call at 519 653 0363

Young Adults Night

Fr. Mark Morley, Vocation Director, invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music, at St. Catherine of Siena Church (620 Rymal Road East, Hamilton)

Saturday, July 6th, 2024

Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm)
Talk/Tour of the Church (7:30pm - 7:45pm)
Social with food (7:45-8:15pm)
Praise Night (8:15pm-9:00pm)
Compline (9:00pm)

Our Lady of the Cape Pilgrim Statue At St. Ambrose Church

The National Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of the Cape will be at St. Ambrose Parish, 210 South Street, on **Tuesday, July 9** with Holy Mass at 7:00 pm. It will include a formal consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary, veneration of the Statue of Our Lady of the Cape, blessing of rose petals, prayers for the graces of our fallen away family members and loved ones to return to the Eucharist.

An all-night vigil will be held immediately after Mass, from 8pm to 8am the next morning, at which time there will be Mass on Wednesday July 10th at 8:00 am. Everyone is welcome!

"Daughters of the King" St. Ambrose Ladies' group will next meet on Tuesday, June 18 from 7pm to 9pm in the Church Hall. All ladies are welcome, and bring a friend!-

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Mom & Tots Pray & Play: Do you want to introduce your child/children to Eucharistic Adoration? Do you need some quiet time praying with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament? If so, this program is for you. Bring your children to adoration, and when you're ready you can drop them off to enjoy supervised play with other children for the remaining time while you adore alone. This will be held the LAST Wednesday of each month from 10:00-11:30am in the Adoration Chapel and Children's Liturgy room at St. Ambrose Church. Registration is required, please email momtotsprayplay@gmail.com Please **register** for the upcoming date of **Wednesday, June 26, 2024**

Prayer Intention for June 2024

Let us pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys fraught with danger and violence, may find welcome and new living opportunities.

- Pope Francis

New Pastor for St. Mary of the Visitation Church in Hespeler. as of June 26th, Father David Reitzel will be installed as the new pastor. Current Pastor, Father Ed Henhoeffer, will move to St. Anthony Daniel Parish in Kitchener.

The right to life is not a woman's issue. The Lord is the giver of life and only He can make choices about life. It is always a reward to have life…..only the Lord gives and takes life. Let us pray for the sanctity of "all" life, from conception to natural death.

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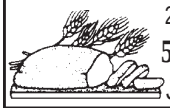

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