

# 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:

Monday 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm

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 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. Paul Klaassen - Deacon

Barbara Roy - Administrative Assistant

Rose Capistrano - Youth Ministry

Sandy Figueiredo - Sacristan/Custodian

**PARISH SCHOOLS:** St. Anne School 519-621-8920  
Holy Spirit School 519-621-8973

St. Vincent de Paul School 519-740-0678  
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.

## FOR THE HOSPITAL/HOSPICE/PATIENTS

Need a Catholic Priest? Please call 519-404-5344

Priests are available 24/7, for emergency ministry, e.g. 'Anointing of the Sick' or 'Last Rites'

For non-emergency ministry please contact your local parish or the hospital/hospice spiritual care team.

**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.



**The feast of the Annunciation of the Lord** (*March 25*), now recognized as

a solemnity, was first celebrated in the fourth or fifth century. Its central focus is the Incarnation: God has become one of us. From all eternity God had decided that the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity should become human. Now, as written in the Gospel of Luke 1:26-38, the decision was realized. The God-Man embraces all humanity, indeed all creation, to bring it to God in one great act of love. Because human beings have rejected God, Jesus will accept a life of suffering and an agonizing death: "No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends" (John 15:13).

Mary has an important role to play in God's plan. From all eternity, God destined her to be the mother of Jesus and closely related to Him in the creation and redemption of the world. We could say that God's decrees of creation and redemption are joined in the decree of Incarnation. Because Mary is God's instrument in the Incarnation, she has a role to play with Jesus in creation and redemption. It is a God-given role. It is God's grace from beginning to end. Mary becomes the eminent figure she is only by God's grace. She is the empty space where God could act. Everything she is she owes to the Trinity.

Mary is the virgin-mother who fulfills in the Old Testament, Isaiah 7:14, in a way that Isaiah could not have imagined. She is united with her Son in carrying out the will of God (Psalm 40:8-9; Hebrews 10:7-9; Luke 1:38).

Together with Jesus, the privileged and graced Mary is the link between heaven and earth. She is the human being who best, after Jesus, exemplifies the possibilities of human existence. She received into her lowliness the infinite love of God. She shows how an ordinary human being can reflect God in the ordinary circumstances of life. She exemplifies what the Church and every member of the Church is meant to become. She is the ultimate product of the creative and redemptive power of God. She manifests what the Incarnation is meant to accomplish for all of us.

*"Behold: I am the handmaid of the Lord, let it be done to me according to Thy Word."*



**Monday, March 23**

7:00 pm + JOAN O'DACRE – Cecilia and Aldwin  
*Confessions 6pm to 6:45 pm*  
*Catechism video program after Mass.*

**Tuesday, March 24**

8:00 am + ELLA & WALTER NAWROT – Maria DaSilva

**CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am**

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30 – 9:30 am**

**2:30 pm** – Prayers for the Sick. Everyone is welcome to join us in the Church. Please use the parking lot side door.

**Wednesday, March 25** – The Annunciation of the Lord

7:00 pm + SOULS IN PURATORY – Ana & Maria Silveira  
 + FRANK CEKAN – Daniel  
 + JORGIANA MELO & DECEASED FAMILY – Tina  
 - intentions of Thanh  
 - intentions of Lalaine Galera - Michelle

**CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm**

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm**

**Thursday, March 26**

8:00 am + KOZDRON, GORBARCZYK, SALINITRI FAMILIES  
 And DIANE AND VICTOR

**CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am**

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30 – 9:30 am**

**Friday, March 27**

8:00 am + MARIA NGUYEN - Thanh

**CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am**

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30 – 9:30 am**

**6:30 PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**Saturday, March 28**

**All day Confessions 9:00 am to 5:00 pm**

**5:00 pm** + HERMANO CASTELO – Antonio

- + MARIA ALBUQUERQUE
- + PIERINA MAGLIOCCO – her husband
- + MILDRED KAVANAGH – Gerry
- + MARIA POCK – Maria and John Correia

**Sunday, March 29** – Passion (*Palm*) Sunday

**9:00 am** + JAMES DAVIDSON JUNIOR – his wife

**11:00 am** – intentions of all parishioners

**CONFESSIONS: 8:00 to 8:45 am and 10:15 am to 10:45 am**



**Mom & Tots Pray & Play:** Do you want to introduce your child/children to Eucharistic Adoration. Bring your children to adoration, and when you're ready, leave them to enjoy supervised play time with other children for the remaining time while you pray alone. This is held the LAST Monday 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](mailto:momtotsprayplay@gmail.com) Please register for the upcoming date of **Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**

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**Needs of the Church in the Holy Land  
Special collection on Good Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>**

In his writings, Saint Paul frequently mentions the generosity of the different Christians communities that he set up in favour of the Holy Church, "*it is a blessing to assist the faithful of Jerusalem*" (2 Cor 8,3-4).

The **Good Friday collection** helps to maintain the Church of the Holy Land by providing educational, pastor and social support of Catholic youth and families committed to living their faith in the land where Christ lived, and maintaining the Holy Sites so important to all Christians.

The Christian minority of the Holy Land, is less than 2% of Israel's population.

Donations can also be made online by visiting their website at [www.commissariat.ca](http://www.commissariat.ca) and then click "Support Us".

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**Palms** will be available at the conclusion of Masses next weekend, on Passion (*Palm*) Sunday.

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**Pope's Prayer Network** [www.popesprayer.va/](http://www.popesprayer.va/)  
Pray together, change the world!

Together, we are a global community, moved by the cries of humanity and drawn to walk together toward hope.

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**Just a reminder... on the last weekend of each month the St. Vincent de Paul Society** have their donation boxes at the church exits. Your financial support of those in need is greatly appreciated! There are requests from families and individuals almost daily asking for help with food. This will be next weekend, March 28/29.

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**Our schedule for Holy Week is available on our parish website** [stambrosecambridge.ca](http://stambrosecambridge.ca)

**Day of Mercy and Forgiveness**

**All Day Confessions**

Saturday, March 28 from 9:00 am to 5:00pm

Father Gary and Father Michael will alternate to hear individual Confessions:

Fr. Gary Schlack – from 9am to 11:30 am

Fr. Michael King – from 10:30 am to 1:00 pm

Fr. Gary Schlack – from 1pm to 3:30 pm

Fr. Michael King – from 2:30pm to 5:00 pm

"When faced with the gravity of sin, God responds with the fullness of mercy. Mercy will always be greater than any sin, and no one can place limits on the love of God who is ever ready to forgive." - Pope Francis

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**4th Annual Catholic Men's Retreat**

When we ask about joy in your life, the most common answers are family, friends and fun. But is God in your joy? Come join the 4th Annual Catholic Men's Retreat on Friday, April 10th and Saturday, April 11th to discover "Living a life of joy".

Fr. Paul Pearson of St. Philip's Oratory in Toronto lead us with a sense of humour and down-to-earth discussions. The cost is only \$35 which includes a Wine and Cheese social for registrants and a guest following Mass on Friday evening, and talks, fellowship and lunch on Saturday.

For more information and to register go to

[www.beamanbrant.ca](http://www.beamanbrant.ca)

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**Help Not Harm: Take Action to Support Bill C-218**

Write your Member of Parliament Today! Visit [HelpNotHarmCanada.ca](http://HelpNotHarmCanada.ca) where you can e-mail your Member of Parliament (MP), asking for their support of Bill C-218 (The Right to Recover Act), which would amend the Criminal Code to prevent Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) from being provided when mental illness is the sole underlying condition. Without this change, MAiD will be available for those suffering from mental illness alone beginning in March 2027.

Chances are you know someone struggling with mental illness — a family member, friend, or colleague. As Catholics and Canadians, we are called to offer care, hope, and protection — not death — to those who are suffering and most vulnerable. Visit [HelpNotHarmCanada.ca](http://HelpNotHarmCanada.ca) today and ask your MP to support Bill C-218

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