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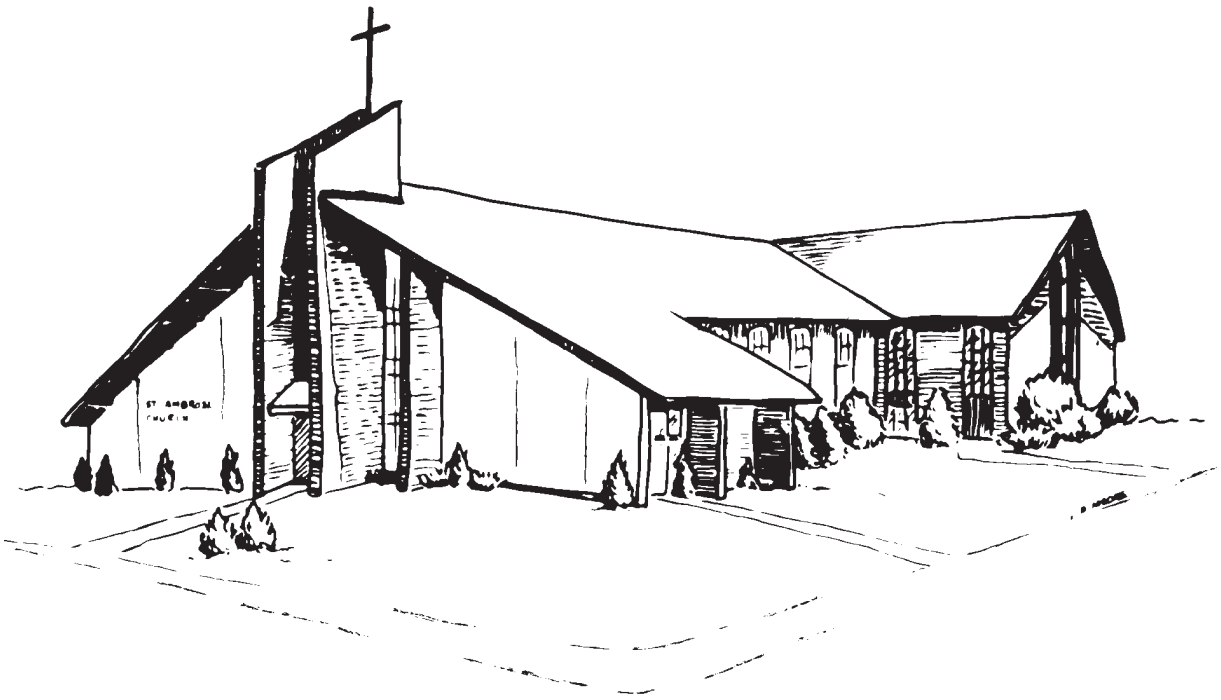

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OFFICE HOURS
Monday to Thursday 9am to 4pm
Friday 9am to 2pm

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.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

(519) 623-8764 - for assistance with food, clothing, etc.
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SCHOOLS

St. Anne	519-621-8920
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Msgr. Doyle High School	519-622-1290
Holy Spirit School	519-621-8973

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Selwyn Langlois 519-621-2580

As we are half-way through Lent, we'll review the upcoming events of Holy Week, beginning with…

An Explanation of Holy Thursday:

Jesus shared the final meal with His disciples, called the Last Supper, on the night before he was crucified. The institution of the Holy Eucharist occurred during this meal, as indicated from the gospel excerpt below:

Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you; for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you I shall not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom" (Matthew 26:26-29 RSV)

Since Scripture and Tradition tell us that Jesus was crucified on a Friday, Jesus shared the important Last Supper with his apostles on a Thursday. The synoptic gospels (Matthew, Mark, and Luke) seem to suggest that the Last Supper was a Passover Meal. However, John's gospel suggests that Jesus was crucified *before* the Passover Meal, on the Day of Preparation. Perhaps the Last Supper was done in anticipation of the Passover Meal, or was a Kiddush or some other religious meal. The gospel of John does not record the Institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper, while the synoptic gospels do. However, John's gospel records Jesus washing the disciples' feet. Holy Thursday traditions are derived from all four gospels.

Therefore, Holy Thursday commemorates the **Institution of the Holy Eucharist** and the **Sacrament of Ordination**. The Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday begins the ***Triduum***, which is the three-day commemoration of the heart of the Christian faith: Christ's death and resurrection. The Triduum includes Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and reaches it high point at the Great Easter Vigil (Saturday night). Various traditions and customs are associated with Holy Thursday, such as the washing of feet, reconciliation and Eucharistic adoration. After the Holy Thursday evening Mass, the altar is cleared of all cloths and adornments, the holy water fonts are emptied, and the Blessed Sacrament is carried through the church in procession to a place of repose. Traditionally, the *Pange Lingua* (the last two stanzas which are known as *Tantum Ergo*) is sung during this procession. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for an extended period of time is then held. The Consecrated Hosts from Holy Thursday Mass are then used for Good Friday, as there is no "Mass".

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday, March 29
7:00 pm + PEARL POKOCKY – Doreen and Tony
CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm
*** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm**

Wednesday, March 30
7:00 pm – Intentions of Cesar and Nena Francisco & family
+ RICARDO OLIVEIRA – Antonio and Maria Chaves
+ LUCY & OLIVER LANGLOIS – Grace
- the intentions of Shirley & Tony Borges
- for those suffering emotionally, spiritually or physically – Maria Correia
CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm
*** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm**

Thursday, March 31 (*notice the Mass time change*)
9:00 am + DECEASED FIGUEIREDO FAMILY – Sandy & Maria
7pm – meeting for parents of Grade 2 students
CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm
*** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm**

Friday, April 1
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 2 – First Saturday
9:00 am + PASQUA & BENEDETTO PANICCI – Bice & Frank

CONFESSIONS at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm
5:00 pm + HELEN ASH – Maria DaSilva
+ MARY McLENNAN – Mary Smith
+ JOE MANNI – Gail and Frank Escobar
+ GENEVIEVE DWYER – Willie and Vern
+ MARIA daGLORIA PINHEIRO – Zelia Bento
+ DOMENIC BELLISSIMO – his family

Sunday, April 3 – 5th Sunday of Lent
9:00 am + DECEASED FAMILY OF JOHN & IRONDINA
11:00 am – for the intentions of all parishioners
CONFESSIONS: 8:00 to 8:45 am and 10:15 am to 10:45 am

Parent Information Meeting Regarding
First Reconciliation and
First Holy Communion
Thursday, March 31 at 7:00 pm

Parents of Grade 2 children of our parish schools *(St. Anne, St. Vincent de Paul and Holy Spirit)* are asked to attend this meeting, which will provide information on the preparation and reception of the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion.

Lenten Daily Video Reflections,
available on your smart phone or computer

During Lent, Dr. Tim Gray, the President of the Augustine Institute, will offer a free video presentation on the daily readings of the Mass. Each presentation is about 4-5 minutes in length and gives an explanation of the Scriptures for the day, as well as concrete ideas as to how to apply them in your life. Dive deeper into the Season of lent. To access the website go to **www.formed.org**
(*If you already previously signed-up, just sign in as usual*)

1. Click "sign up"
2. Click "sign up as a parishioner"
3. Enter "N1R2P4"
4. Click "St. Ambrose Parish"
5. Click "Next"
6. Enter your name and address
7. Click "Sign up"
8. Click on the Search icon (small magnifying glass symbol up in the left corner)
9. Type in "daily reflections for Lent"

Canadian Food for Children (CFFC) requests your help.

The Catholic parishes in our area have always been so generous with donations to CFFC, particularly of clothes, housewares, school supplies, bedding and hygiene goods.

With the onset of the pandemic two years ago, our donations drastically diminished. With Spring now here, is it time to clean out? Do you have drawers and cupboards that need emptying? Are you moving and/or downsizing and want to get rid of items?

The warehouse is located at 843 Guelph Street in Kitchener and is open on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 12:30 to 3:00pm to accept your donations. If desired, the "Wish List" can be accessed by emailing pinn@golden.net

Thank you in advance for helping us clothe and provide for the poor in so many Third World Countries.

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

***Altar Servers – welcome back or join up**, please.*

Father Gary welcomes back prior altar servers and new children who would like to begin altar serving. Please contact Father Gary or Barb at the parish office stambrose@golden.net or phone 519-621-2013.

Prayer Service for Ukraine
St. Anthony Daniel Church 29 Midland Drive
Kitchener **Monday, April 4 at 7:00 pm**

Prayers will be facilitated by Fr. Myroslav Shmigelsky of St. Sophia Ukrainian Orthodox Church, and Fr. Myroslaw Tataryn Pastor of Holy Transfiguration Ukrainian Catholic Church, Kitchener and Nativity of the Mother of God (St. Mary's) Ukrainian Catholic Church, Cambridge.

Everyone is welcome.

Domestic Church Information Session

"Domestic Church" is a long-term formation program for Sacramentally married couples seeking to grow in holiness together, and with other couples. Learn more by contacting us or attending the information session:

Saturday April 2, 2022. Information session at 10:15am in St. Ambrose parish hall after 9:00am Mass.

For: Engaged and sacramentally married couples seeking to grow in holiness together and want to learn more about Domestic Church.

Children are welcome. Snacks will be provided.

Contact: Marta & Jacek Nawrot, 519-896-8979, domestic.church.ontario@gmail.com

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Volunteer Gardeners

The parish is looking for volunteers with "green thumbs" to do some gardening for the rectory and Church (no grass cutting involved). Teenagers welcome! It would involve cleaning out the dead debris after the winter, and maintain the garden beds. If you would like to help, please contact Barb at the parish office.

Pro-Life Prayer Vigil - Thursday, March 31, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in front of Freeport Hospital, 3570 King St. E., Kitchener, for babies being aborted.

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