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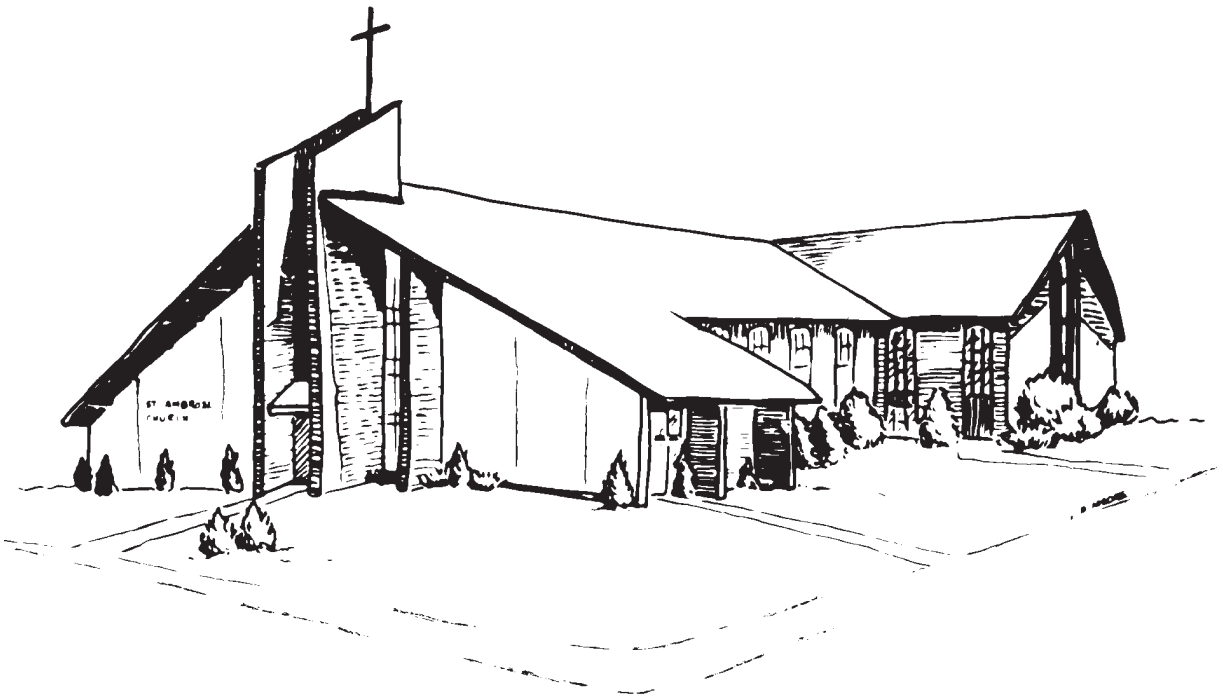

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Barbara Roy - Administrative Assistant
Myra Klaassen - Parish Ministry
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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

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.

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday 9am to 4pm
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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.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK

Please inform us of hospitalization or confinement to home due to illness.

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Brothers and Sister in Christ,

Last month, Pope Francis welcomed Indigenous representing various Indigenous communities to Rome. In his remarks on the final day of their visit, the Holy Father expressed his indignation, shame and sorrow at the role Catholics played in the abuses of the residential school system.

Pope Francis' remarks acknowledged the pain and sorrow he heard in the stories of those who attended residential schools and spoke of the path forward between the church and Indigenous peoples. The Holy Father said, "*I wish to tell you that the Church stands beside you and wants to continue journeying with you. Dialogue is the key to acknowledge and sharing, and the Bishops of Canada have clearly stated their commitment to continue advancing together with you on a renewed, constructive, fruitful path, where encounters and shared projects will be of great help.*"

In living out this commitment to accompany our Indigenous sisters and brothers who are suffering, the Diocese of Hamiton has established the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund. This fund, which is part of a Canada-wide $30 million commitment, will support Indigenous-led initiatives of healing and reconciliation. Both the Diocesan and national fund will be overseen by a board comprised of Indigenous members.

Diocese of Hamilton is committing $4 million to this fund, which will support projects both local and national in scope. This commitment from the Diocese is firm, such that any donations you make will support these projects over and above our $4 million commitment. I humbly ask for your generosity in support of this initiative. May God, the Creator of all, bless this journey we will take together toward a relationship of trust, healing and reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.

Sincerely in Christ and Mary Immaculate,

+ Douglas Crosby, OMI
Bishop of Hamilton Diocese

For more information, please visit the Diocesan website at
www.hamitondiocese.com

Tuesday, May 10 – please note time change for Mass
9:00 am + JEANNIE ESCOBAR – her parents
6:30 pm – First Reconciliation for grade 2 students

Wednesday, May 11
7:00 pm+ PETER TRAN – John Pham
+ JOSEPH NGUYEN – Thanh Nguyen
– intentions of Romeo and Cleofe Daza and family
- For family peace and unity – from Purita Avilla
+ JORGIANA MELO and DECEASED FAMILY and ALL SOULS – Tina

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

Thursday, May 12
7:00 pm – for the intentions of Bernadette
CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm
*** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm**

Friday, May 13 – Feast of Our Lady of Fatima
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, May 14
1:00 pm – First Holy Communion for grade 2 students of Holy Spirit School

CONFESSIONS at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm
5:00 pm – intentions of Colette Kocso – Adwin & Cecilia
+ ELIAS KOCSO – Aldwin and Cecilia
+ JOAO MEDEIROS – Teresa and family
+ OLGA TOWNSEND – Barb Hiller
+ WILLIAM DAWSON – Mary Horvath
+ MURIEL & JAMES HERTNER – their family
+ MANUEL AMARAL – Manuel and Theresa

Sunday, May 15
9:00 am + TADEUSZ NAWROT – his 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

FATHER ALBERTO FERREIRA, is the new **Pastor of Our Lady of Fatima Parishes**, in both Kitchener and Cambridge.
From Mozambique, Father Alberto was appointed to the Parishes last June, but COVID restrictions impeded his arrival until recently. Welcome to the neighbourhood!

Returning! Community Support Connections-FREE Gentle Exercise Classes:
St. Ambrose Parish is happy to re-host SMART exercises on Tues/Thurs 11:15pm-12:15pm beginning on Tuesday May 17th. (This program had previously been held prior to the pandemic.)
This is a drop in, No Registration Required.
The SMART classes will help you to stay active, build better balance, and improve health of your body, mind and spirit as you join other members of our community in a fun, relaxed atmosphere, in our parish hall.
Community Support Connections requests that every participant complete a Physical Activity Readiness Questionnaire and Waiver form prior to begin their SMART classes. If you are interested in attending, you can contact **Myra Klaassen** to arrange to pick up these forms and complete in readiness for your first day. It is requested that you wear masks until you begin exercise.

Wedding Anniversary Mass 2022 Registration - The Wedding Anniversary Mass, which would normally have been scheduled for June of 2022, will not occur this year due to the continued concerns around COVID-19.
We invite you to register your 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 plus years of marriage on the Diocesan website at **hamiltondiocese.com** and we will be happy to send you the certificate you would have received from Bishop Crosby at the Mass. The Wedding Anniversary Mass is listed on the home page under "Upcoming Events".

The Office of Youth Ministry is pleased to present "*Accompanying Forward – An Afternoon with Roy Petitfils*" on May 27 at 1 pm for a virtual conversation about accompanying young people as they try to navigate their new realities and their mental health. Roy is a Catholic author, speaker and psychotherapist with more than 25 years of experience ministering to youth and young adults in parishes, dioceses, and schools. Registration can be on the Diocesan website under Youth Ministers Events and Resources
www.hamiltondiocese.com

May God bless our dear Mothers!
Happy Mother's Day

Ordination to the Permanent Diaconate

In response to the call of the Holy Spirit, 5 years ago Paul and Myra Klaassen entered the discernment process for consideration of Paul's long held interest in learning about service to the Church as a Deacon.
It has been a journey taken together, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit and a community of excellent instructors, mentors, and fellow participants in the diaconate program, resulting in solid formation and appreciation of our Catholic faith and a commitment to serve in proclaiming the Good News, sharing the Light and Love of Christ.

The prayers and influence of many faithful have brought us to a time of great celebration and thanksgiving.
On Saturday June 4, 2022 at 11am at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton, **Paul Klaassen** will be ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacon by (Most Rev.) Douglas Crosby, OMI, Bishop of Hamilton.
If you are discerning the CALL, we would invite you to check out www.hamiltondiocese.com for more information.

Publication of Banns of Ordination

Mr. David Paul Klaassen is scheduled to be ordained to the Permanent Diaconate at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. If anyone knows of a serious cause why this ordination should not take place, please notify your parish priest.
Let us all pray that Mr. David Paul Klaassen will be a good and faithful servant of the Lord and His Church.

Why is May the Month of Mary?

This Christian custom of dedicating the month of May to the Blessed Virgin arose at the end of the 13th century. In this way, the Church was able to Christianize the secular feasts which book place at that time.
The practice became especially popular among the members of the Jesuit Order — by the 1700s it took hold among their students at the Roman College and later it was publicly practiced in the Gesu Church in Rome. From there it spread to the whole Church.
May is the height of spring with blooming flowers and trees. This new beginning and new birth in nature reminds us of the life Mary gave to Jesus. Without Mary giving birth to Jesus, all the events that followed: Jesus' life, death, and resurrection wouldn't have happened. So, it's believed that May (when nature is showing signs of life) is the ideal month to honour the woman who gave life to our Savior.

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