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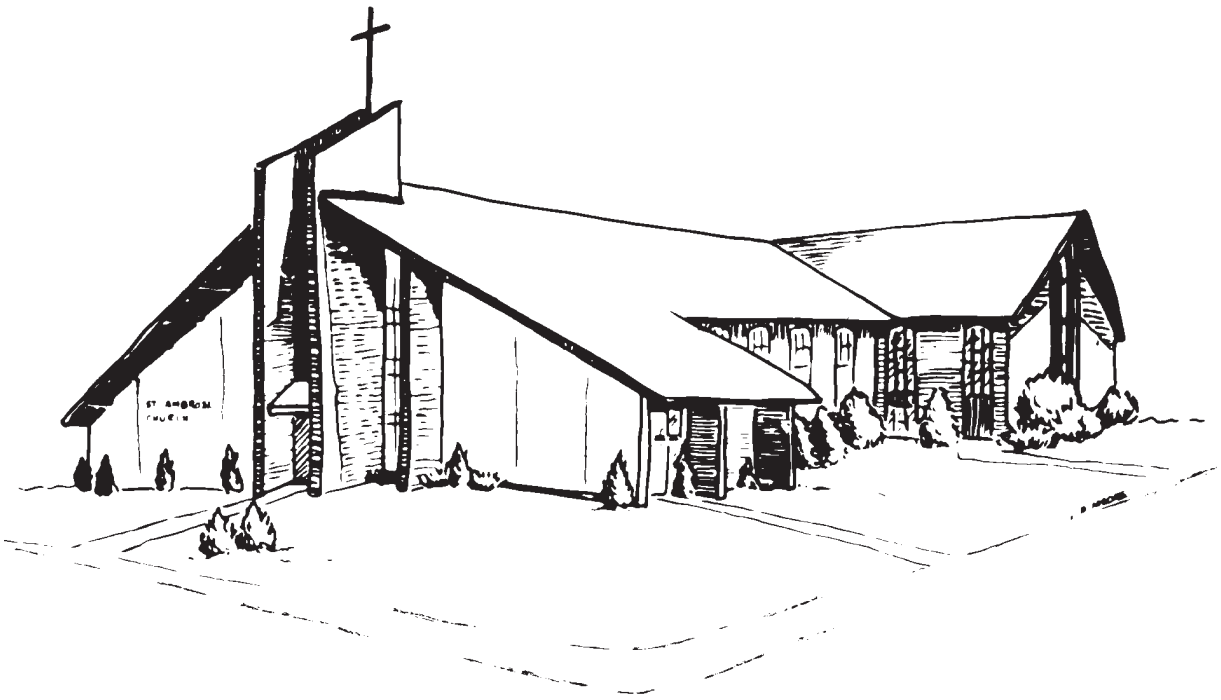

Fr. Gary Schlack - Pastor
Fr. Michael King, retired - in residence
Rev. Mr. Nick Cherri - Deacon
Rev. Mr. Paul Klaassen - Deacon
Barbara Roy - Administrative Assistant
Myra Klaassen - Parish Ministry
Carol Renner - Housekeeper
Sandy Figueiredo - Sacristan/Custodian

SUNDAY MASSES

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

- Tuesday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.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
Friday 9am to 2pm

BAPTISM

Please contact the parish office for information on the baptism preparation program, which is required before a date is booked.

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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(519) 623-8764 - for assistance with food, clothing, etc.
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Solemnity of Christ the King

On the last Sunday of the liturgical year, Catholics celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, a solemnity established in the 20th century. This feast is designed to give special recognition to the dominion Christ our Lord has over all aspects of our lives. But why and how did it come about? And why is it so important today?

When Pope Pius XI begin his episcopate in 1922, much of the world was in shambles after WWI. Governments were in economic chaos; unemployment was rampant and people in many places were literally starving to death. Dictators were taking over governments. In all these developments, the new Pope Pius XI saw that people were denying Christ in favor of a lifestyle dominated by secularism, material advantage and false hope created by the tyrants.

The pope issued the encyclical *Quas Primas,* which added the feast of "Our Lord Jesus Christ the King" to the annual Church liturgical calendar at the end of October.

He realized that he had to address the political and economic forces that were crowding out the kingship of Jesus. As a start, he dedicated his reign as pope to "The Peace of Christ in the Kingdom of Christ" (Pax Christi in Regno Christi). In his encyclical, the pope noted that the continuing disorder of that era, what he called "the plague of society," had long been festering and was the result of nations rejecting Christ. Later in the encyclical the pontiff pointedly reminded national governments, "*Christ, who has been cast out of public life, despised, neglected and ignored, will most severely avenge these insults; for His kingly dignity demands that the State should take account of the commandments of God and of Christian principles, both in making laws and in administering justice, and also in providing for the young a sound moral education*" (No. 32).

The pope instructed the faithful to use this annual celebration as a time to consecrate themselves, or renew their consecration to, the Sacred Heart of Jesus, explicitly tying the celebration to devotion to the Sacred Heart and to the living Christ in the Eucharist. He also called for Catholics to make reparations for the widespread atheism being practiced in many countries.

In 1969, Pope Paul VI took steps to enhance the witness of the feast day. To emphasize Christ's universal reign, he changed the name of the celebration to the feast of "Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of All" (*omini Nostri Iesu Christi universorum Regis*) He also changed the date to the last Sunday in the liturgical year, emphasizing even more strongly the connection between Christ's kingship and His second advent (coming) to judge the world. In addition, the pope raised the feast to the highest rank of celebration on the Church calendar, that of a "solemnity."

Today, peace still eludes us; social, political, and economic orders are shaking; and nations continue in many ways to reject the light of the Gospel. We can be grateful, then, for the chance to celebrate each year the Solemnity of Christ the King — for the world needs now, more than ever, our witness to His rule over all things.

Tuesday, November 22 – St. Cecilia
8:00 am + JOHN FARIA – Their grandsons
CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30 – 9:30 am

Wednesday, November 23
7:00 pm + SOULS IN PURATORY
+ SHEILA ABRAHAM – her husband
+ EVELINO TOSTE – Julieta
+ JOAN JEWELL – St. Ambrose Ladies Group
+ MANUEL & MARCELINA SILVEIRA – Zelia B.
+ HENRY BERGMAN and Deceased family of Barb and George Andrade
CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm

Thursday, November 24
8:00 am – for the intentions of Ian MacLean
CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30 – 9:30 am

Friday, November 25
8:00 am + SOULS IN PURGATORY – Thanh Nguyen
CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30 – 9:30 am

Saturday, November 26
CONFESSIONS at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm
5:00 pm + FREDERICK LITTLEJOHN – Carmel Kavanagh
+ DONNA LaCROIX – Selwyn and Jackie
+ ELIAS KOCSO – Cecilia and Aldwin
+ WESLAW JAKUS – Grace
+ IRONDINA CANTO – Eduarda and Jose Tavares
+ KEVIN BURNS – Christine Burns

Sunday, November 27
9:00 am – for the intentions of all parishioners
11:00 am + DECEASE FAMILY and FRIENDS of Patience and Sunday John
CONFESSIONS: 8:00 to 8:45 am and 10:15 am to 10:45 am

Prayers for the Sick
Weekly on Wednesdays at 1:00 pm
In the Church. Use the chapel entrance on South St.

This Monday, November 21st at 7pm
What is HOSPICE?

Join us at St. Ambrose Parish Hall on Monday November 21st, at 7pm as we welcome Susan Flemming RN, Clinical Lead, for Lissard and Innisfree Hospice.

This is an informal presentation and discussion where you can receive answers to your questions, such as What Is Hospice care? When Should I consider Hospice? Costs and Applying for Hospice Care, and any other questions you may have….

Refreshments will be available

All are welcome, please advise if you plan to attend to myra@stambrosecambridge.ca and if there are any other questions you would like answered.

Families, couples, individuals invited to light the Advent Wreath Candles

Families, couples, and individuals are invited to participate in the lighting of the candles on the Advent Wreath at weekend Masses.

There are **sign-up sheets** at the back of the Church this week and next week. Thank you! Advent begins next weekend, November 27.

RESTART: Refresh, Renew Revive – A gathering for separated and divorced individuals offering learning, support, and fun! These get-togethers offer continual support and insights for people on their journey through the divorce/separation process and beyond. Held the 2nd & 3rd Fridays of each month, you can join in-person (700 King St. West, Hamilton), or by ZOOM. No registration required, but for ZOOM link please contact Sarah at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com, or 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

Vocations – Is God Calling You?

"*They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks*." If God is calling you to be a priest, religious, deacon, or consecrated virgin contact Fr. Mark Morley, director of vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. Email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com or website www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

The Jesuit Community of Guelph OPEN HOUSE

You are invited to a celebration of Advent on Sunday, December 4 from 3-5pm with the Jesuit Community. This gathering will be held at **Loyola House** (Ignatius Jesuit Centre)**, 5420 Hwy 6 N, Guelph**. Light snacks and beverages will be available. We hope to see you there! For more information call 519 824 1250 or email reception@ignatiusguelph.ca

Youth Minister Employment Opportunity

St. Ambrose Parish in Cambridge is looking to hire a full-time **youth minister** (35 hours/week). It will be a 1-year contract renewable year by year. The successful applicant will be required to establish and run a youth group for grade school students and a separate youth group for High School students. The job will also require visiting in schools during the daytime as well as running the youth groups on a weeknight or Saturday evenings. The summer hours will be part-time. This position offers a competitive rate of pay with benefits and requires a commitment to work flexible hours.

For full information please go to the link below, or visit our parish website.
www.hamiltondiocese.bamboohr.com/careers/139

Coping with the Holidays
... when someone you love is gone

Christmas is an especially challenging holiday to cope with and the Family Ministry Office offers a special workshop on the first Sunday of Advent each year to help you cope with the season.

Sunday, November 27th, 2022 from 1:00 - 3:00 PM

Held at the Chancery Office, 700 King Street West, Hamilton ON L8P 1C7 (beside the Cathedral)

To Register: please call 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or you may register via email at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com

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Planning for 2023 – Donation envelopes:

If you do not currently use Church donation envelopes, but would like to do so for 2023, please contact Barb at the parish office to have this arranged.

2023 Donation envelopes will be available to parishioners at the beginning of December.

If you are currently actively using Church envelopes, another boxed set will be automatically provided for you.

We are looking for a grass cutting volunteer for our Church for next year.

A very kind parishioner who has been volunteering for several years cutting the church lawn and trimming the hedges has retired. If you can help with this, please contact the parish office.

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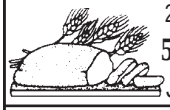

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