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 from 8:30 am to 9:30 am
Wednesday 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm
Friday 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 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	Guardian Angels School	226-790-9134
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.

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.

Saints Simon and Jude's Story
Feast Day Oct 28

Jude is so named by Luke and in the Acts of the Apostles. Matthew and Mark call him Thaddeus. He is not mentioned elsewhere in the Gospels, except of course where all the apostles are mentioned. Scholars believe that he is not the author of the Letter of Jude. Actually, Jude had the same name as Judas Iscariot. Evidently because of the disgrace of that name, it was shortened to "Jude" in English.

Simon is mentioned on all four lists of the apostles. On two of them he is called "the Zealot." The Zealots were a Jewish sect that represented an extreme of Jewish nationalism. For them, the messianic promise of the Old Testament meant that the Jews were to be a free and independent nation. God alone was their king, and any payment of taxes to the Romans was a blasphemy against God.

As in the case of all the apostles except for Peter, James and John, these two men who are really unknown, and we are struck by the fact that their holiness is simply taken to be a gift of Christ. Jesus chose some unlikely people to be His apostles: a former Zealot, a former (crooked) tax collector, an impetuous fisherman, two "sons of thunder," and a man named Judas Iscariot.

It is a reminder that holiness does not depend on human merit, culture, personality, effort, or achievement. It is entirely God's creation and gift. God needs no Zealots to bring about the kingdom by force. Jude, like all the saints, is the saint of the impossible: Only God can create His divine life in human beings. And It is God will for all of us.

The courage to be called Christians
Both were arrested and taken to the Temple of the Sun, with the sentence imposed on them was to worship the goddess Diana, and to deny Christ. In refusing, it is said that Jude Thaddeus declared pagan idols false, and that at the same time two horrible demons came out of the temple, destroying him. Frightened, the people watching the scene are said to have attached ferociously the two Apostles, who are brutally killed. Their relics are kept in the Basilica of Saint Peter.

Saint Jude is the patron of desperate situations. Saint Jude, intercede for our world in need of healing.

At the back of our church is a statue of Saint Jude, recently installed on the wall.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday, October 27
8:00 am + FRANCISCO FARIA – his wife
CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30 – 9:30 am

Wednesday, October 28
7:00 pm + SOULS IN PURATORY
+ FRANK CEKAN – Daniel
+ JORGIANA MELO & DECEASED FAMILY
+ BASIL AND LUCILLE O'DACRE
+ JOAO and MARIA FITA – Deb and Mark
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CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm

Thursday, October 29
8:00 am + HERMANO CASTELLO – his family
CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30 – 9:30 am

Friday, October 30
7:00 pm + DECEASED FAMILY of Silvino & Maria Chaves
CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm

Saturday, October 31
CONFESSIONS at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm
5:00 pm + PAUL LOOSEMORE – Teresa and Nick
+ MARIA ALBAQUERQUE
+ JOAKIM BUCKO – Olenka
+ MILDRED KAVANAGH – Dale
+ PETER BADER – Peggy Rann
- intentions of Lucy
- intentions of Maria and John Correia

Sunday, November 1 – All Saints Day
9:00 am – intentions of all parishioners
11:00 am + PAUL LOOSEMORE – Dorothy and Gary
CONFESSIONS: 8:00 to 8:45 am and 10:15 am to 10:45 am

St. Ambrose Youth Sports Night – Monday, Oct 26th,
5pm to 7pm at Langs Community Centre
1145 Concession Rd, Preston.
$5.00 per student. 14 to 18 year olds welcome!

AI and Human Dignity: Pope Leo's Vision for Technology
November 25, 2026

The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis invites you to explore Pope Leo's first encyclical, *Magnifica Humanitas,* and our call to protect human dignity in an age of technological revolution.

This workshop will be offered online or in-person. The workshop will be recorded as well.

Wednesday, November 25th, 2026 (1:00 – 3:00pm)
Chancery Office (700 King St. West, Hamilton ON, L8P 1C7)

Contact the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis at catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com or (905) 528-7988 ext. 2339 if you have any questions. To register, visit their website at hamiltondiocese.com and then go to "Events"

Catechetical Course for the Preparation of the Sacraments for Children/Teens

These programs are interactive parent-child, home study programs, designed to assist families whose children are enrolled in public or private schools, are homeschooled, or for other reasons unable to attend Catholic Schools. There are programs for every age from Kindergarten through to high school, including programs specially designed to assist children preparing for the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation. Please visit the website:

Hamiltondiocese.com then the go to the "Evangelization and Catechesis" section for more information on how to register. (Or call our parish office for more info.)

Mom & Tots Pray & Play: Introduce your child/children to Eucharistic Adoration at our parish. Bring your children to adoration, and when you're ready, leave them to enjoy supervised play time with other children, while you pray in solitude in the Chapel. 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 Please register for the upcoming date of **October 26th**.

A day for your marriage! Keeping your marriage healthy and strong requires love, but also time spent fine tuning your relationship and reconnecting. Join us on **Saturday, November 21st at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in Waterdown** for a day to reconnect for our enrichment day: Discovering New Paths for Your Married Love. We will share new ways to deepen your relationship and give you time with the one you love! Registration can be found online at **hamiltondiocese.com**, under Upcoming Events, or contact Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or e-mail familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com

Legion of Mary

Legion of Mary initial meeting at St Ambrose Parish

The meeting to "Come and Learn" more about the Legion of Mary has been **changed to Tuesday, October 27 at 7:00 pm** in the Parish Hall at St. Ambrose Church, due to a significant show of interest. All those who expressed an interest are encouraged to attend.

40daysforlife.com/kitchener
Daily until Nov. 1st

Sign-up online for a specific hour to pray for mothers and unborn children, across the street from Freeport Hospital in Kitchener.

Sign up can also be done by phoning 519-598-1588 **or** emailing: 40dayskw@gmail.com

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Sacrament of Confirmation Registrations due Nov. 1st

A reminder that students who are requesting to receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation** are required to send in their **registration** forms to the parish office by email or on the paper form.

Novena of Surrender to the Divine Will

Are you anxious, worried, or fearful? This may be the result of wanting to control things in our lives that we have no control over. If you wish to find real peace, then we need to let God be God, to trust Him completely, to surrender ourselves unconditionally to His Divine Will for us.

This the great challenge in the spiritual life but it can be accomplished with His Grace. If interested in growing in your trust in God please do an internet search for "Novena of Surrender to the Divine Will" by Fr. Dolindo Ruotolo, and pray it daily.



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