

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
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.

Saint Jerome's Story – Feast Day Sept 30th

Most of the saints are remembered for some outstanding virtue or devotion which they practiced, but Jerome is frequently remembered for his bad temper! It is true that he had a very bad temper and but his love for God and His Son Jesus Christ was extraordinarily intense; anyone who taught error was an enemy of God and truth, and Saint Jerome went after him or her with his mighty and sometimes acerbic pen.

He was above all a Scripture scholar, translating most of the Old Testament from the Hebrew. Jerome also wrote commentaries which are a great source of scriptural inspiration for us today. He was an avid student, a scripture scholar, a exceptional letter-writer and a consultant to monks, bishops, and pope. Saint Augustine said of him, *"What Jerome is ignorant of, no mortal has ever known."*

Saint Jerome is particularly important for having made a translation of the Bible which came to be called the "Vulgate". It is not the most essential edition of the Bible, but its acceptance by the Church was fortunate. The Council of Trent called for a new and corrected edition of the Vulgate, and declared it the authentic text to be used in the Church.

In order to be able to do such work, Saint Jerome prepared himself well. He was a master of Latin, Greek, Hebrew, and Chaldaic. He began his studies at his birthplace, Stridon in Dalmatia (modern day area of Croatia). After his preliminary education, he went to Rome, the centre of learning at that time, and then to Trier, Germany, where the scholar in him was obvious to those around him. He spent several years in each place, always trying to find the very best teachers. He once served as private secretary to Pope Damasus.

After these preparatory studies, he traveled extensively in Palestine, marking each spot of Christ's life with an outpouring of devotion. Mystic that he was, he spent five years in the desert of Chalcis so that he might give himself up to prayer, penance, and study. Finally, he settled in Bethlehem, where he lived in the cave believed to have been the birthplace of Christ. Jerome died in Bethlehem, and the remains of his body now lie buried in the Basilica of St. Mary Major in Rome.

Thank you to our parishioners who are using our CanadaHelps donation platform!

QR code links are posted on our parish bulletin boards, and the link on our parish website.

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No Mass on Mondays

Tuesday, September 29

8:00 am + ALHANDRINA FIGUEIREDO - John

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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

Wednesday, September 30 – St. Jerome

7:00 pm + SOULS IN PURATORY

+ FRANK CEKAN – Daniel

+ HERMANO CASTELLO – his family

+ ROSZALIA AND ALEXANDER ANGI

+ SA AND LEONA JOAQIM – Mihaljo

- intentions of Bernadette and Todd

CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm

Thursday, October 1 – St. Thésèsa of Lisieux

8:00 am – intentions of Lucia

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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

Friday, October 2 – Holy Guardian Angels

7:00 pm – for the safety of children and grandchildren

CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm

Saturday, October 3

8:00 am – for the intentions of all families

CONFESSIONS at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm

5:00 pm + PETER PAOLONE – Maralyn

+ JOHN HUMSTON – Cecilia and Aldwin

+ MARC & RITA VILLENEUE – Marg

+ PAT BROWN

- For the intentions of Lucy

Sunday, October 4

9:00 am – for the intentions of all parishioners

11:00 am + ERMELINDA ROSA – Maria DaSilva

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





**Saturday, October 3rd
Rosary Procession**

Celebrant: Bishop W. Lobsinger



Please join us for our second annual candlelight Marian procession on **Saturday October 3rd following the 5:00 pm Mass.** Countless saints have spoken of the importance of the Rosary and devotion to the Mother of God, as a great weapon to counter the difficulties of our times. Please join us in asking Our Lady's intercession for our parish, our families and our world. Invite your family and friends to join us!

Youth Sports Night – Monday Sept 28 at Langs Community Centre, Concession Road in Preston from 5pm to 7pm. Cost is \$5.00 to play. Come on out to join us!! Facilitated by our Youth Minister, Rose Capistrano. Email for more info: youth@stambrosecambridge.ca

Walk With Jesus: Retreat For Parents Who Have Experienced the Death of a Child. The loss of a child is a most challenging event in the life of any parent. This grief is acute and challenging. The Diocese of Hamilton invites you to join us for this healing day. Whether the loss is recent or some time ago, we know this day will help to restore your inner core. The retreat will be offered from 9 am to 4 pm on Saturday, October 10 **OR** Saturday, November 7th. The \$20 fee includes lunch. Registration is required for set up and lunch. You can register on the Diocesan home page at hamiltondiocese.com under upcoming events (look for the date retreat of the date), or by calling the office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

Marian Day at Basilica of Our Lady (last date for 2026)
28 Norfolk St. Guelph

Bishop Joseph Dabrowski, will be the presider.

Saturday October 3, 2026:

9:00 am - Holy Hour and Confessions

10:30 AM - Mass and Rosary Procession

Optional: The basilica's annual **Regina Caeli Tea** will be held following the rosary procession. Tickets are \$25.00 each, must be purchased in advance

Call the basilica 519-824-3951 or email ourlady@churchofourlady.com

Everyone invited for this Marian Event
Sunday, October 4, at 7 PM at St. Ambrose Church Hall

Join us, as we will view the video of Fr. Donald Calloway's conversion story. He is a member of the Congregation of Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception. Before his conversion to Catholicism, he was a high school dropout who had been kicked out of a foreign country, institutionalized twice, and thrown in jail multiple times. Let's learn how he turned his life around to welcome the Lord, and our Blessed Mother who guided him. **Deacon Paul Klaassen will facilitate this evening.** We will conclude the evening by praying the Holy Rosary. Everyone is welcome!

Legion of Mary

Father Gary is looking to start a **Legion of Mary** at our Parish. This is a Lay Apostolate for men and women looking to serve Jesus through Mary by helping Father with Ministry in our Parish. There will be sign-ups after the Masses on weekend of October 3/4 and October 10/11. A representative will be available to answer questions, or speak with Father Gary.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Our Children's Liturgy program has resumed, and children from JK to Grade 2 are welcome. This is held at our 11am Sunday Mass. At the beginning of Mass, the children are invited to follow the facilitators to the downstairs liturgy room, and then return to the Church during the offertory.

Thank you to the ladies who will generously donate their time to facilitate the program again this year!

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 September 28th.

The following items are collected at the church by a representative of the St. Vincent de Paul Society and distributed to local groups. Please leave items in the box at the back of the Church.

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