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, and Friday from 8:30 am to 9:30 am Wednesday 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm Saturday 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm Sunday from 8:00 am to 8:45 am; 10:15 am to 10:45 am

PARISH SCHOOLS: St. Anne School 519-621-8920

Holy Spirit School 519-621-8973

Fr. Gary Schlack - Pastor

Fr. Michael King, retired - in residence Rev. Mr. Paul Klaassen - Deacon

Barbara Roy - Administrative Assistant

Myra Klaassen - Parish Ministry

Rose Capistrano - Youth Ministry

Sandy Figueiredo - Sacristan/Custodian

Carol Renner - rectory housekeeper

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 Feast Day – September 29th

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 could use a venomous writing, 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 sarcastic 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 thorough scholar, a prodigious letter-writer and a consultant to monk, bishop, 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" (translated from Hebrew to Latin; and Greek to Latin). It is not the most critical edition of the Bible, but its acceptance by the Church was fortunate. As a modern scholar says, "No man before Jerome or among his contemporaries and very few men for many centuries afterwards were so well qualified to do the work." 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, in Dalmatia. After his preliminary education, he went to Rome, the centre of learning at that time, and thence to Trier, Germany, where the scholar was very much in evidence. 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.



(No Mass on Monday)

Tuesday, September 30

8:00 am + ALFRED McCABE – Gerry and Loretto O'Brien CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30 - 9:30 am

Wednesday, October 1

7:00 pm + SOULS IN PURATORY

- + ROSA PEREIRA her family
- + RICARDO OLIVEIRA Ilda Oliveira
- + ALIN FIGUEIREDO John
- + SEAN HUMSTON Aldwin and Cecilia
- intentions of Zack and Natalie

CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm

Thursday, October 2

8:00 am – Living and deceased family and friends of Theresa and Marie

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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

Friday, October 3

8:00 am – for the intentions of the Wehrle family CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30 - 9:30 am

Saturday, October 4 – First Saturday

8:00 am – Mass for Healing of the Family Tree

CONFESSIONS at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm

5:00 pm + DR. CARMELO SCINE - Anneliese

- + MARIANNA DYCHA
- + LORI NEWHAM
- + FILOMENA TEIXEIRA parish staff
- + IRINA CHARTCHENKO

Sunday, October 5 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am – for the intentions of all parishioners 11:00 am + TERESINHA ANDRADE - her husband

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





Saturday, October 11 Rosary Procession

Please join us for our first

annual candlelight Marian procession
on Saturday October 11th following the
Countless saints have spoken of the

5pm 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!

Note from Father Gary: Thank you to Cambridge Garden Centre

I would like to wholeheartedly thank Cambridge Garden Centre for the beautiful transformation of our parish landscaping and gardens. Tony Fernandes and his men worked to remove many damaged and overgrown bushes, in order to plant new ones. This will make our landscaping much easier to maintain in the coming years. Thank you to Joe Chaves who has been watering the trees and plants.

Father Gary

Please register for a weekly hour online at **40daysforlife.com/kitchener**

We invite you to join together with a million volunteers across North America who will simultaneously participate in 40 consecutive days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. This peaceful vigil will be held across the street from the entrance to Freeport Hospital in Kitchener, between 7am and 7pm, daily.

Mom & Tots Pray & Play: Do you want to introduce your child/children to Eucharistic Adoration. Bring your children to adoration, and when you're ready, leave them to enjoy supervised play time with other children for the remaining time while you pray alone. 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 <a href="mailto:moments.mome

Nationwide Life Chain taking place Sunday, October 5th on Hespeler Road, Cambridge, from 1:30 to 2:30 (near the Value Village Plaza) Please, join us as we pray for the sanctity of all life!

R.C.I.A. – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Thursday October 2, 2025

This program is for non-Catholics interested in learning about the Roman Catholic faith, as well as for all adult Catholics who have not yet received the sacraments of Confirmation. This program of instruction will begin Thursday October 2, 2025 at 6:30 pm. Evenings will start with a free meal in the parish hall, followed by video presentations on the Catholic faith. There will also be an opportunity for group discussions and time for questions and answers.

Please register your attendance by phoning the parish office at 519-621-2013 or email stambrose@golden.net

Marian Day at Basilica of Our Lady 28 Norfolk St. Guelph

Bishop Douglas Crosby OMI, will be the presider.

Saturday October 4, 2025:

9:00 am - Holy Hour and Confessions

10:30 AM - Mass and Rosary Procession

<u>Optional</u>: Their annual **Regina Caeli Tea** will be held following the rosary procession. Tickets are \$25.00 each, and to purchase, call the basilica 519-824-3951 or **email** ourlady@churchofourlady.com

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy has resumed at our 11:00 am Mass. Children from JK to Grade 2/3 are welcome. The children will be invited to join the facilitator at the beginning of Mass, then everyone will proceed downstairs to the Children's Liturgy room. They will return upstairs at the offertory part of the Mass, to sit as a group in the front pews. No sign-up required.

Knights of Columbus Meeting

The next Knights of Columbus Galt Council # 2184 meeting will be held at **10am on Saturday, October 4** at St. Patrick Church in the parish hall. All men over the age of 18 are welcome to attend.

Future meetings will be: Thursday, November 6 at 7 pm and Saturday, December 6 at 10 am

The parish ladies' group "Daughters of the King" will **not** be held October 7th, but will gather again on Tuesday, October 21st at 7pm in the Church Hall.



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