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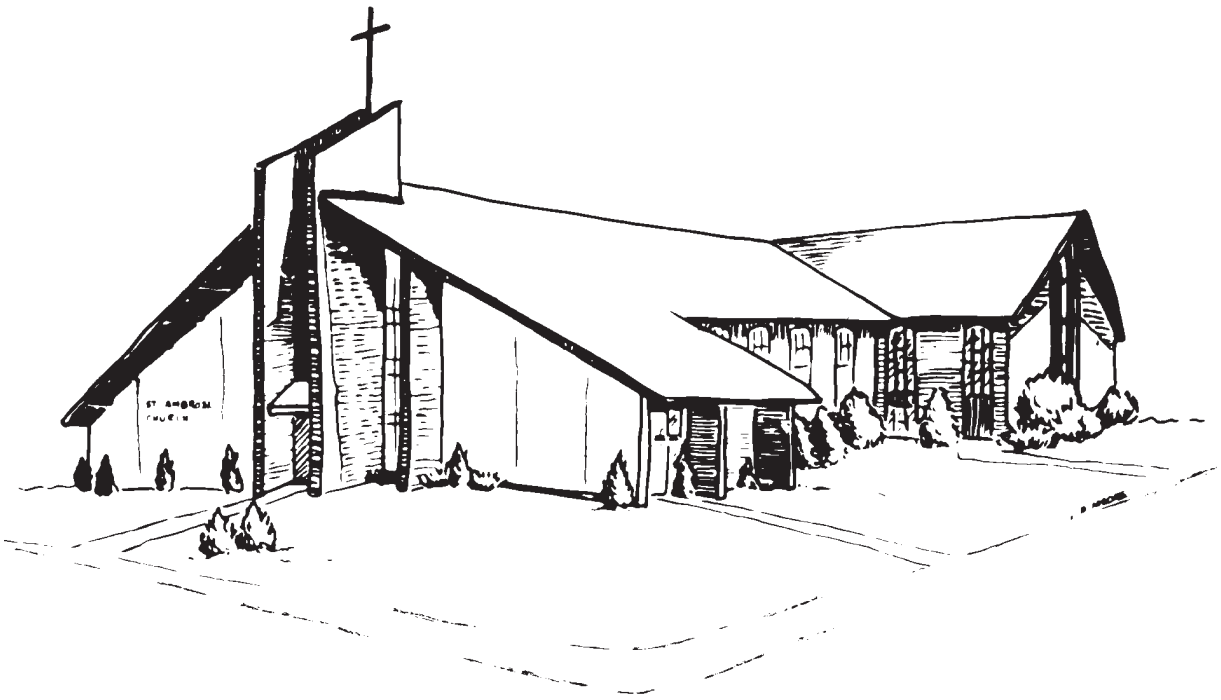

Fr. Gary Schlack - Pastor
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Rev. Mr. Paul Klaassen - Deacon
Barbara Roy - Administrative Assistant
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Carol Renner - Housekeeper
Sandy Figueiredo - Sacristan/Custodian

SUNDAY MASSES

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

- Tuesday to Friday 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.

SCHOOLS

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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 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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Our Lady of Sorrows
September 15

The title, **Our Lady of Sorrows**, given to our Blessed Mother focuses on her intense suffering and grief during the passion and death of our Lord. Traditionally, this suffering was not limited to the passion and death event; rather, it comprised the seven sorrows of Mary, which were foretold by the Priest Simeon who proclaimed to Mary "*This child [Jesus] is destined to be the downfall and the rise of many in Israel, a sign that will be opposed and you yourself shall be pierced with a sword so that the thoughts of many hearts may be laid bare"* (Luke 2:34-35).

These seven sorrows of our Blessed Mother included the flight of the Holy Family into Egypt; the loss and finding of the child Jesus in the Temple; Mary's meeting of Jesus on His way to Calvary; Mary's standing at the foot of the cross when our Lord was crucified; her holding of Jesus when He was taken down from the cross; and then our Lord's burial. In all, the prophesy of Simeon that a sword would pierce our Blessed Mother's heart was fulfilled in these events. For this reason, Mary is sometimes depicted with her heart exposed and with seven swords piercing it. Each new suffering was received with the courage, love, and trust that echoed her statement, "let it be done unto me according to Thy word" first uttered at the Annunciation.

Saint Ambrose, in particular, saw Mary as a sorrowful yet powerful figure at the cross. Mary stood fearlessly at the cross while others fled. Mary looked on her Son's wounds with pity, but saw in them the salvation of the world. As Jesus hung on the cross, Mary did not fear to be killed, but offered herself to her persecutors.

As we honour our Blessed Mother, our Lady of Sorrows, we honour her as the faithful disciple and exemplar of faith. Let us pray as we do in the opening prayer of the Mass for this feast day: Father, as your Son was raised on the cross, His Mother Mary stood by Him, sharing His sufferings. May your Church be united with Christ in His suffering and death and so come to share in His rising to new life. Looking to the example of Mary, may we, too, unite our sufferings to our Lord, facing them with courage, love, and trust.

Our new weekday Mass schedule begins:

Tuesday, September 13
8:00 am – for the intentions of Bernadette
CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

Wednesday, September 14
7:00 pm - Intentions of Shirley & Tony Borges
+ SOULS IN PURGATORY – Filomena Teixeira
+ TADEUSZ NAWROT – his family
+ RITA RUDOLPH – Grace
+ JOSEPH TRAN – Theresa Tran
+ AURORA CALÇAO – her family
CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm
*** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm**

Thursday, September 15 – Our Lady of Sorrows
8:00 am + FRANK & MARIA PERIERA – Elsa and Manuel
CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

Friday, September 16
8:00 am + SYLVIA IDA DIAGRE – St. Anne School staff
CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

Saturday, September 17
CONFESSIONS at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm
5:00 pm – intentions of the Paiva family – Ines Camara
+ MARIA CANTO – Dina & Steve
+ JEANNIE ESCOBAR – her parents
+ ALBERT KERN – Gloria & Jerry Majich
+ CATHERINE DECKER – Sonia & Gerry Brisson & family
+ MARIA ISABEL and MANUEL CANTO - Virginia

Sunday, September 18
9:00 am + JOSEPH NGUYEN – Thanh Nguyen
11:00 am – for the intentions of all parishioners
CONFESSIONS: 8:00 to 8:45 am and 10:15 am to 10:45 am

Wednesday afternoon prayer group – will not be held during all of September. The prayer group will resume meeting the first week of October.

Calling All Men!

- Do you need a reboot?
- Is there some stubborn bad habit you just cannot seem to conquer?
- Do you want to grow closer to God, to your spouse, to your children and to your friends?

Then "Exodus 90" may be for you. More than 60,000 men from around the world have journeyed through *Exodus* with their fellow brothers. Single men, married men, priests, bishops, Christian and non-Christians alike.

Exodus 90 is a 3-month spiritual exercise based on prayer, asceticism and fraternity. An information meeting will be held at St. Ambrose Church, 210 South Street, Cambridge on Tuesday, September 20 at 7:00 pm. All are welcome! Learn how to become the best version of yourself that you can be!

If you have questions, please contact Father Gary.

A Workshop for the Discovery of "Your" Spiritual Gifts

Do you sometimes feel that there might be more to your spiritual life? Have you ever wondered what difference it really makes that you are Catholic? If these questions linger in your head, then you should discover your Spiritual Gifts more deeply.

In the New Testament, we read several times about the use of spiritual gifts. But what are they, and how can they help us live a life closer to GOD – and more fulfilled?

This is what we are going to find out in the course "**CALLED AND GIFTED":**

We will meet 5 times online to watch short videos together, and then to discuss in small break-out groups what we have learned. You will also take the Spiritual Gift Inventory – and get the results instantly.

Your financial investment? The cost for the course is $150.00. We ask that each participant to pay $75.00 and the parish will pay the other $75.00.

Financial assistance is available for anyone who really wants to take the course but cannot afford it.

Starting date will be September 22nd and we meet on Thursdays from 7:00 – 9:00 pm on line.

Registrants and interested people are asked to contact the parish office by phone 519-621-2013 or email stambrose@golden.net

Liturgical Ministry is one way to fulfill your baptismal call to God, His people and the Church. St. Ambrose Parish would like to welcome those who hear the call to ministry in such areas as: Lectors, or Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist. Preparation workshops for those interested in being a Lector or Extraordinary Minister will be held in September/October.

Students in grade 4 and older are invited to become altar servers. For more information, please contact the parish office.

Thank you for your continued financial contributions to St. Ambrose Parish!

Several parishioners have been using the online donation portal called "CanadaHelps". The link to this portal can be found on our parish website.

www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/st-ambrose-parish/

Children's Liturgy of the Word

For many years, our parish has been blessed to have dedicated volunteers who would facilitate this program at Sunday Masses. **We are in great need of volunteers** before we can resume this program in the Fall. There is a workshop for volunteers being held in on **Saturday Sept 24** at St. Anthony Daniel Parish Hall in Kitchener. Please contact the parish office to register.

CAMBRIDGE RIGHT TO LIFE 40TH ANNUAL WALK FOR LIFE

Saturday, September 24, 2022

Meet at the Galt Legion (4 Veterans Way)

Registration: 9:30 am and Walk: 10 am – 12 Noon

If you would also like to join the walk, there are sponsor sheets at the back of the Church.

If you are unable to join the walk, please sponsor our **Deacon, Nick Cherri**, who will participate. His sponsor sheets are at the back of the church.

Employment Opportunity

Do you love to cook? Do you find joy in nourishing others through good food? If so, we'd love to meet you! Marian Residence Retirement Home in Cambridge, ON is looking for a **Sous Chef**!

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