

# 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

## 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

**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

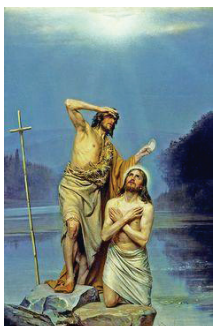
## First Saturday Promise:

*"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.

## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



Today, the Church celebrates the Feast of **the Baptism of Our Lord**. This brings to an end the season of Christmas. The Church recalls Our Lord's second manifestation or epiphany which occurred on the occasion of His baptism in the Jordan. Jesus descended into the

Jordan River to sanctify its waters. The event takes on the importance of a second creation in which the entire Trinity intervenes.

In the Eastern Church this feast is called Theophany because at the baptism of Christ in the River Jordan God appeared in three persons. The baptism of John was a sort of sacramental preparatory for the Baptism of Christ. It moved people to repentance and induced them to confess their sins. Christ did not need the baptism of John. Although He appeared in the "substance of our flesh" and was recognized "outwardly like unto ourselves", He was absolutely sinless and impeccable. He conferred upon the water the power of the true Baptism which would remove all the sins of the world: "Behold the Lamb of God, behold Him Who takes away the sin of the world".

Many of the incidents which accompanied Christ's baptism are symbolical of what happened at our own Baptism. At Christ's baptism the Holy Spirit descended upon Him; at our Baptism the Trinity took its place in our soul. At His baptism Christ was proclaimed the "Beloved Son" of the Father; at our Baptism we become the adopted sons and daughters of God. At Christ's baptism the heavens were opened; at our Baptism heaven was opened to us. At His baptism Jesus prayed; after our Baptism we must pray to avoid sin.

### PRAYER:

*Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed Him to be Your Son, anointing Him with the Holy Spirit:  
grant that we may be faithful to our call as Children of God, listening to you, guided by Your Spirit, to fulfil our unique and definite purpose. Amen.*



### Tuesday, January 14

8:00 am + ANTONIO & MARIA CONCEICAO FIGUEIREDO

**CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am**

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

### Wednesday, January 15

1:00 pm – Prayers for the Sick - everyone welcome.

Please enter through parking lot side door.

**7:00 pm** + SOULS IN PURATORY – Theresa Tran

+ MARIA MOURA daROSA – Maria DaSilva

+ MANUEL & MARCELINA SILVEIRA – Zelia

+ GIL THOMAS ALMAZON – Ernie Daza

- in thanksgiving from Ha Vu

- Intentions of Fr. Bill Trusz

- Intentions of Nonya Ngwaba

**CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm**

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm**

### Thursday, January 16

8:00 am – intentions of Isobel & Brian Bolt

**CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am**

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

### Friday, January 17

8:00 am – ints. of Nick, Paula, Bianca, Victoria

**CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am**

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

### Saturday, January 18

**CONFESSIONS at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm**

**5:00 pm** + FRANK ROSANO – Myra and Paul

+ EDUARDA LOPES – Trish and Matt Gerth

+ CATHERINE DECKER – Gerry & Sonia Brisson

+ CARMELA FORMIGLIO – Chelli family

+ DECEASED TEIXEIRA & PEREIRA FAMILIES

- intentions of Teresa Civiarese

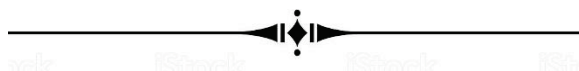
- intentions of Myra Jumeau

### Sunday, January 19

**9:00 am** + WILHELMINA DONKERS – Teresa & Nick

**11:00 am** – for the intentions of all parishioners

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





### Open for business!!

#### Our new accessible washroom

After many months, our new main floor accessible, washroom is available to use. The washroom has automated features.

IMPORTANT to know – to open the door of the washroom, please use the **PUSH BUTTON** on the right side of the door. This will automatically open the door.

If the button light is GREEN the washroom is available. If the button light is RED that means the washroom is occupied.

**TO LOCK THE DOOR** while in the washroom, please PUSH THE RED BUTTON on the wall inside.

The water faucet is automated. Simply put your hands under the faucet to activate it.

This washroom construction was arduous and often a frustrating process! There were many building permits and inspections required. This meant it had to meet Ontario specifications.

**We thank Matt Gerth, and his staff, of Armoured Touch** for facilitating this project, with great patience!



**Meeting for Parents of Grade 2 students, regarding the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Reconciliation** – Tuesday, January 28, 2025 at 6:30 pm.

At this meeting, sacramental information will be provided and the registration forms will be handed out to the parents. This meeting is for all parents of grade 2 students of our parish schools – St. Anne, St. Vincent de Paul and Holy Spirit.

**Mom & Tots, Pray & Play:** Do you want to introduce your child/children to Eucharistic Adoration? Do you need some quiet time praying with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament? If so, this program is for you. Bring your children to adoration, and when you're ready you can drop them off to enjoy supervised play with other children for the remaining time while you adore alone. This will be 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](mailto:momtotsprayplay@gmail.com) Please register for the upcoming date of **Monday, January 27**.

**St. Ambrose Ladies' group, "Daughters of the King"** will meet on **Tuesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>** in the Church Hall, 7pm to 9pm. You're welcome to invite a friend to join us! All ladies are welcome.



Youth in grades 6 to 12 are invited to gather for our Youth Group on **Mon. January 20<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm** in the church hall. **Join us** to grow in faith, make new friendships, and have fun! For information, please email Rose at [youth@stambrosecambridge.ca](mailto:youth@stambrosecambridge.ca)

**Be A Man men's group meets weekly on Saturday mornings**, in St. Ambrose Church Hall from **7:00 am to 8:30 am**. All men welcome, 18 years and older. Come to join us for good conversation, fellowship and coffee and muffins. For info call Joe - 519-241-6070

#### Attention: Knights of Columbus:

Membership fees for the year 2025 are now due, as we will have State and Supreme per capita assessments and insurance premiums to pay in January.

Regular members – \$50, Honorary Members – \$20  
Cheques should be made payable to – Knights of Columbus, Galt Council # 2184

We ask that you address an envelope to KofC 2184 and place it in the collection basket at church.

Please ensure that your name is included, as well as any changes in address or email contact. In addition, our new Grand Knight, Deacon Terry Osmar would be happy to welcome you to our meetings, now held on the last Wednesday of alternate months, beginning Jan. 29 at 7:00. Thank you for your support.

**Annual 2024 donation receipts** will be available in two weeks. If you require your receipt earlier, please contact the parish office to obtain it.

#### Lift Jesus Higher Rally 2025

Saturday, March 29, 2025 - 9 AM - 5:30 PM

Toronto Convention Centre (North Building)

Adult Tickets \$ 39 / Youth Tickets \$ 25

There is bus leaving from Guelph at 7:00 AM and returning at approximately 7:00 PM. Bus cost and departure location are incomplete at this time. For information call Tina 519-222-6283

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