

St. Ambrose Church

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*Father, You revealed Your Son to the nations
by the guidance of a star. Lead us to
Your Glory in Heaven by the Light of Faith.*

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



Following Christmas, Epiphany celebrates the manifestation of Jesus Christ, and one of the primary biblical stories referenced during this season is of the wise men visiting Jesus after His birth.

Epiphany challenges us to renew our appreciation of the commitment God has made to us by becoming human. In the person and life of Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh, God has demonstrated beyond all doubt how much he loves us and shares his life with us. God shares his life with us especially through the Church and the sacraments. In the person and life of Jesus Christ, God has embraced human nature completely and he has become one with it. This is the mystery of Christmas and it remains true for all time and for all God's people everywhere.

The Feast of the Epiphany invites us to consider once again the real meaning of Christmas and to respond accordingly. The wise men, in presenting Jesus with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh, acknowledged Him as Saviour of all people. The feast invites us to ask: what gift can we present to Jesus that acknowledges Him as our Saviour?

Surely the most appropriate gift we can give our Lord is striving to live a life that imitates His teachings and examples. Therefore, the Epiphany is an ideal time to reflect on the practice of our Catholic faith so that, during the coming year, we will 'show' the world the glory of the Saviour, who has redeemed us from sin and who gives us life through His Church and the celebration of the sacraments.

Prayer for the Epiphany: O God, who on this day revealed Your Only Begotten Son to the nations by the guidance of a star, grant in Your mercy that we, who know You already by faith, may be brought to behold the beauty of Your sublime glory. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.



Tuesday, January 7

8:00 am + LEONCIO AVILLA – his wife

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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

Wednesday, January 8

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

Please enter through parking lot side door.

7:00 pm + SOULS IN PURATORY – Doreen Lehnen

- intentions of Todd and Bernadette

- intentions of Christine & Ben McCabe – Johnson family

+ JORGIANA MELO & DECEASED FAMILY – Tina

+ BOB RANN – Gertie and Martin

+ PETER TRAN – Theresa Tran

CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm

Thursday, January 9

8:00 am + MARIA daGLORIA – Zelia B.

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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

Friday, January 10

8:00 am + WILHELMINA DONKERS – Teresa and Nick

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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

Saturday, January 11

8:00 am – Healing of the Family Tree Mass

CONFESSIONS at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm

5:00 pm + MARC & RITA VILLENEUVE – Margie

+ MANUEL deVARGAS – Maria

+ JOAO & MARIA CHAVES & FAMILY – Silvino & Maria

+ FRANCISCO FARIA – his wife

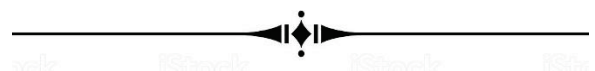
+ JOSEPH & MARY DUFFY – Gert and Les

Sunday, January 12 – Baptism of the Lord

9:00 am – for the intentions of all parishioners

11:00 am + FERNANDA SILVEIRA – her parents

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



JANUARY 5, 2025

CORRECTION – Daughters of the King Ladies’ group will NOT meet on Tuesday January 7th. Instead, they will meet on Tuesday, January 21st.

Domestic Church Christmas Social

Please join the Domestic Church for a Christmas party on **Saturday January 25 after 5pm Mass**. Come share in the joy of the season with potluck, social, and fun. This event is organized by the domestic church and is open to both Domestic Church families and St. Ambrose parish community. Please RSVP on the sheet in the sacristy.



Youth in grades 6 to 12 are invited to gather for our Youth Group on **Mon. January 6th and Mon. January 20th**, 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


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

Emergency Pastoral Ministry at Cambridge Memorial Hospital If you or a loved one need a priest for Emergency Ministry (Anointing of the Sick) please call our parish office. After hours emergency on call ministry can be accessed by calling 519-404-5344. After an emergency visit please let our office know when someone is in hospital so that we can arrange a visit, bring communion, or help to facilitate this ministry. Be assured of our parish’s support in every moment of need, we or one of the local on call priests, will do our best to respond as soon as possible.

Church bulletin advertising

Liturgical Publications, who prints our weekly bulletin free for the parish, will be renewing the advertisements for our Church bulletin. The advertising will begin in February 2025. If you have a business that would like to advertise on the back of our bulletin, please contact their office directly at 1-800-268-2637.

Thank you to the businesses who currently use this advertising feature.

Thank you!! Many thanks to our parish choirs for leading us in beautiful music to celebrate this joyful and holy season. 

Thank You, as well, to our lectors, extraordinary ministers, altar servers and ushers for your assistance at our Masses during the holidays. Our parish has generous volunteers!

YOUNG ADULTS’ NIGHT Fr. Mark Morley, Vocation Director, invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations on Saturday, February 1st - Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night with vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) at St. Michael’s Church, 80 University Avenue West, Waterloo. If you have questions, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS – SAVE THE DATE! Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2025? Then you are cordially invited to join Bishop Crosby and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 1, 2025, at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration will be available online in January at hamiltondiocese.com

SUPPORT FOR YOUR MARRIAGE – Does your marriage feel like it is more trouble than joy, does it feel stagnant or disconnected? Is it stressful? The solution is Retrouvaille (*which means reunion in French*) – whose one purpose is to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves. It is designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. For struggling couples, including those who may be considering separation or divorce. The next Retrouvaille weekend is March 7-9, 2025. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email 1013r@helpourmarriage.org

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