

Mass Intentions for the Week

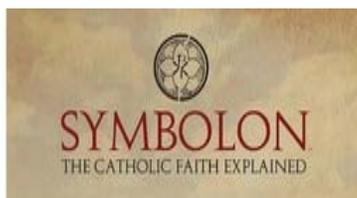
Saturday Sept 19 th , 2015		Sunday Sept 20 th , 2015	
4:30 p.m.	+David & +Humberto Furtado +Ildefonso Orino	9:00 am	+Amato Santangela +Antonio Attanasio +Giuseppe Cambria +Nino Curro +Mario Filice
		11:00am	Souls in Purgatory

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Registration for First Communion & Confirmation.

If you didn't have a chance to register in the spring please go to www.stambroseparish.com and fill in the registration form. Please drop off completed form after Sunday mass or during office hours. Note Confirmation will be for children who are in grade 7 and 8 this year. Then going forward Confirmation will be received when child is in Grade 7. Please register soon, deadline will be Oct 10th, 2015. Date for First Communion is SAT APRIL 2nd, 2016 @ 11:00am & Confirmation will be celebrated on SAT APRIL 23rd, 2016 @ 11:00am. Children are encouraged to attend Saturday Family Mass celebrated at 4:30pm.



Our new evangelization program is mandatory for all those who will register for our RCIA program. \$50 registration fee includes two workbooks. Moreover, anyone interested in growing in their Catholic Faith is also welcome to join us on this exciting spiritual journey. Online registration is now open, or see Father Donatello after mass. www.stambroseparish.com (click faith formation)

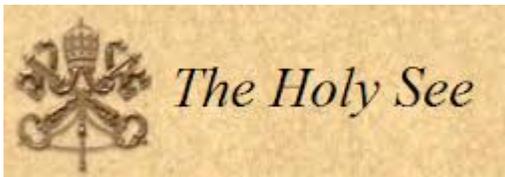


St. Ambrose Annual Bazaar will take place on **Saturday October 24th** from 9:30am to 3:00pm & **Sunday** from 10am to 1:30pm



Please visit our new website! www.stambroseparish.com

You will find sacrament forms, copies of our bulletin etc. Parents and students are encouraged to visit our website for First Communion and Confirmation forms and other information regarding sacraments. Also, learn more about ministries within our parish and how you can join or volunteer.



Vatican II facts and commentaries - Nostra Aetate_(In our Age), one of the Council's three Declarations, was promulgated 28 October 1965. It is a Declaration on the Relation of the Church to Non-Christian Religions.

In referring to Hinduism and Buddhism Nostra Aetate (NA) states "The Catholic Church rejects nothing of what is true and holy in these religions---. Yet she proclaims and is in duty bound to proclaim without fail, Christ

is the way, the truth and the life" (NA2). About Islam the document states that the church has a high regard for the Muslims. "Although not acknowledging him as God, they venerate Jesus as a prophet, his virgin Mother they also honour" (NA3). The document gives the greatest emphasis to Judaism. "The Church--acknowledges that in God's plan of salvation the beginning of her faith and election is to be found in the patriarchs, Moses and the prophets". The council spoke out against anti-Semitism. The document challenges the prejudice that Jews are responsible for the death of Christ, "Even though the Jewish authorities ---pressed for the death of Christ, neither all Jews indiscriminately at that time nor Jews today, can be charged with the crimes committed during his passion ". The Church " deplores all hatreds, persecutions, displays of antisemitism leveled at any time from any source against the Jews --and indeed "any form of persecution against whomsoever it may be directed" (NA4). The council rejected all forms of discrimination "the church reproves as foreign to the mind of Christ any discrimination---on the basis of race, color, condition of life, or religion" (NA5).



Archdiocese
of Toronto

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED! EMERGENCY REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT CAMPAIGN "PROJECT HOPE" In response to this global humanitarian crisis, Cardinal Thomas Collins has announced today the launch of "Project Hope," a special emergency appeal to respond to the tragic Syrian situation. The 100-day campaign will have a target of \$3 million and a goal of settling 100 refugee families within the Greater Toronto Area as soon as possible. The effort will also require 100 volunteer committees to assist with settlement services. The archdiocese will prioritize refugees fleeing war and violence in areas of greatest need, including Syria and Iraq,

regardless of religious affiliation. Cardinal Collins spoke of the need to take action: "May this initiative on the eve of the Year of Mercy, spark a culture of care, love and mercy in our community. To welcome the stranger, clothe the naked and feed the poor is at the heart of our faith. Let us put these words into action." This crisis demands immediate action and our priority is to engage as many people as possible in order to welcome refugee families as quickly as possible. We plead with each of you to give as much as you financially can to reach the goal set by the Diocese.



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, as we begin our journey together at St. Ambrose parish. I would like to thank you for your warm welcome and kind smiles. I would like to offer a prayer that St. Ambrose composed. It reminds us of who we are as disciples of Christ and helps us focus our attention on our mother Mary, who will always point us in the right direction... towards our Saviour Jesus Christ! Prayer of St. Ambrose to Imitate the Blessed Virgin Mary

May the life of Blessed Mary be ever-present to our awareness. In her, as in a mirror the form of virtue, and beauty of chastity shine forth. She was a virgin, not only in body, but in mind and spirit. She never sullied the pure affection of her heart by unworthy feelings. She was humble of heart. She was serious in her conversations. She was prudent in her counsels. She preferred to pray rather than to speak. She united in her heart the prayers of the poor. And avoided the uncertainty of worldly riches. She was ever-faithful to her daily duties, Reserved in her conversations, and always accustomed to recognize God as the Witness of her thoughts. Blessed be the name of Jesus! Amen