

St. Ambrose Catholic Church

Fr. Michael Machacek, Pastor

Fr. Brian Shea, In Residence



Mission Statement:

In Christ we are all things, He is everything to us. If you have wounds to heal, He is a physician; if fever scorches you, He is a fountain. Would you punish evil doing, He is justice, If you need help, He is strength; if you fear death, He is life; if you hunger, He is food.

- St. Ambrose

MASS TIMES

Sunday Liturgy
Saturday (Vigil) 4:30 pm
Family Mass with Youth Choir
Sunday 9:00 am Cantor & Organ
11:00 am Choir & Organ

Daily Mass

Monday-Friday 8:00 am (no Mass Tuesdays)

Devotions

Holy Hour Eucharistic Adoration
First Friday 8:30 am - 9:30 am
"Can you not watch an hour with me?" Matthew 26:40
Holy Rosary Monday - Saturday 7:30 am
Divine Mercy Chaplet Monday - Saturday 8:30 am
Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Wednesdays 8:45 am

BECOME A FRIENDLY VISITOR!

Under the direction of the pastor, Friendly Visitors serve those in the parish and surrounding community who are in need of social interaction. Must attend a 1 day training session when available.

PARISHIONERS

Please contact the parish office to update address/phone #s or to volunteer in ministries.

Office Hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday - 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Closed Tuesday, Saturday, Sunday & Statutory Holidays
To schedule an appointment, please call the office during business hours. (If planning to drop in between 12:00 noon & 1:00 pm please call before)

New Parishioners: Welcome to St. Ambrose! Registration Forms and Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) Forms can be found on our website at www.stambroseparish.com under the **Contact** tab or you can email stambroseET@archtoronto.org

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:45-4:15 pm (or by appointment)

Marriage

Couples wishing to arrange a wedding must contact the Pastor One year in advance and be registered with the parish. Please do not set the date until you have met with the Pastor. Marriage Information Guidelines can be found on the parish website, under "Sacraments".

Baptism

Baptisms for infants and young children are celebrated every 3rd Sunday of the month, immediately following the 11:00 a.m. mass. Baptism Registration and Preparation Instructions can be found on the parish website, under "Sacraments".

Anointing of the Sick and Care for the Elderly & Shut-Ins

If you or a loved one are in a hospital and wish for a visit from a priest for the sacrament of the anointing of the sick, please contact the Nurses' station and ask them to contact the "Priest on call". For other locations, please contact the parish office. Those who are confined to their homes by illness, infirmity or age, who would like to receive communion, please contact the office.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Servers, Children's Liturgy, Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, Lectors, Lay Pastoral Visitors, Friendly Visitors, Greeters, Ushers, St. Ambrose Choir and Youth Choir, Catholic Women's League, Knights of Columbus & Honouring God's Creation Society

WE WELCOME YOU TO JOIN US!

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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASSES & INTENTIONS JMJ

Monday, April 20

8:00 a.m. Thanksgiving for Nanette de Vera
req. by DeBlois Family

Wednesday, April 22

8:00 a.m. Thanksgiving for Vincent & Bianca Moreno
& Thanksgiving for Elsie & Mike Vinzon
req. by DeBlois Family

Thursday, April 23, St. George, Martyr, St. Adalbert, Bishop & Martyr

8:00 a.m. Birthday blessings for Patrocinio Nebrida
req. by Sally & Gus Valdez

9:15 a.m. St. Ambrose Catholic School Mass

Friday, April 24, St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest & Martyr

8:00 a.m. †Rosaria Farace, req. by A. & R. Farace

Saturday, April 25, St. Mark, Evangelist

4:30 p.m. †Asuncion and †José Magsalay
req. by Family

†Luis Botelho, req. by Maria Botelho

†Carmela Tence, req. by Karina & Kevin Vail

Sunday, April 26, IV Sunday of Easter

9:00 a.m. †Maria, †Giuseppe and †Frank Caronchia
req. by Family

†Maria and †Antonella Zita

req. by Tony Zita

†Vittorio Nifo, req. by Family

†Olivia Moles, req. by C. Moles & Family

11:00 a.m. Birthday blessings for Maria Filice

LAKESHORE YOUTH MINISTRY



- April 24 - Life Teen
- May 1 – EDGE

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASSES

First Holy Communion on the following dates:

Saturday, April 18th at the 4:30 p.m. mass

Sunday, April 19th the 11:00 a.m. mass

Saturday, April 25th at the 4:30 p.m. mass

Sunday, April 26th at 11:00 a.m. mass and

Sunday, May 3rd at 11:00 a.m. mass



We expect that there will be many visiting family members attending these masses, especially at the three Sunday masses.



CWL MEETING – THURSDAY, APRIL 23rd

7:00-8:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall

Dear CWL Members and Friends, Although we have not gathered for meetings over the past few years, we are grateful for your continued support and commitment through your annual membership dues.

We are pleased to invite you to our first CWL meeting as we come together once again in faith and fellowship. This meeting marks a renewed beginning for our council. We will be holding elections for the executive positions of President, Secretary and Treasurer. Your participation is especially important as we move forward together. We are also delighted to welcome three guest speakers who will share their insights and help to inspire our gathering. Join us as we reconnect, reflect and renew our commitment to serving our parish community. Light refreshments will be provided. Please feel free to invite others who may be interested and let us know if you will be able to attend. We truly hope you can join us for this meaningful and important occasion. Please confirm your attendance by contacting **Lucille Khan at 416-252-8181**. Thank you, Sincerely your sisters at CWL

PRAYING WITH THE SACRED SCRIPTURES

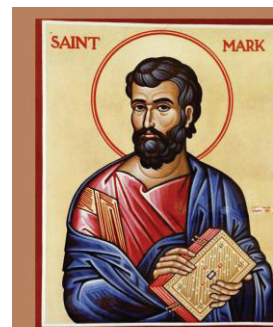


A continuation of *Lectio Divina*

In response to the positive feedback received at Fr. Michael's Reflection

Evening on March 26th, a decision was made to hold monthly *Lectio Divina (Sacred Reading)* meetings for our parishioners. The next meeting will be on **Thursday, April 16th at 7:00 p.m.** in the **Church Hall**.

Attendees will have the opportunity to learn how to practice *Lectio Divina*, by working with one of the readings for the following Sunday mass, followed by group sharing. All are invited to attend. The meeting will end before 8:30 pm.





"Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation."

Mark 16:15





THROUGH SHARELIFE, YOU HELPED TARA REBUILD HER LIFE

Tara's childhood was anything but safe. Conflict and fear filled her days, and as she grew older, home became unbearable. She waited, hoping things would change, but she had to leave

once she became a teenager. Because of your warm heart, Tara found safety at Covenant House Toronto, a Catholic Charities agency you support through ShareLife. After a short stay in the crisis shelter, she moved into the Rights of Passage (ROP) program, determined to rebuild her life. You gave Tara the strength to take charge of her future—adding her name to waitlists for affordable housing and taking steps to stand on her own. In the meantime, she balanced multiple part-time jobs while staying in school, saving every dollar she could. With your caring support, she connected with a counsellor to begin working through the challenges that had forced her to leave home. Today, she’s living independently and building the future she once thought was out of reach. **ShareLife Sunday special collections are taking place next weekend on April 26.** Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at www.sharelife.org/donate

 **NEXT COFFEE SUNDAY – APRIL 26th** 
*after both masses. *Cash Only* Come enjoy a warm cup of coffee, sweet treats, and good conversation as we gather in community. We would greatly appreciate donations of sweet treats or other baked goodies. As always, all proceeds will go toward supporting our Youth Group. Everyone is welcome — we look forward to seeing you there. Thank you!*

ST. AMBROSE PARISH – SUMMER DAY CAMP
 St. Ambrose Parish is excited to offer a **Full-Day Summer Day Camp** for children in **Grades 1–8.**

-  **Dates:** July 20–24  **Location:** St. Ambrose Parish
-  **Full-Day Program**  **Cost:** • \$125 Early Bird
- \$150 Regular Registration
- \$20 sibling discount for each additional child

Join us for a fun and faith-filled week of games, crafts, prayer, and group activities in a safe parish environment. **More details** Contact **Agnes, Youth Minister** at amirga@archtoronto.org

EDGE CAMP WEST 2026 – Early Bird Pricing **Ending Soon!** Don’t miss out! Registration for **EDGE Camp West 2026, August 15-19**, is now open, but early bird pricing is ending soon (**April 30th**). This

is a great opportunity to secure your spot at the lowest rate. Spaces are limited, so we encourage families to register early to avoid missing out on this amazing experience of faith, friendship, and fun! For more information and to register, please contact the parish or visit the registration link provided. <https://edgecamp.campbrainregistration.com/>
Register today and join us at EDGE Camp West 2026!



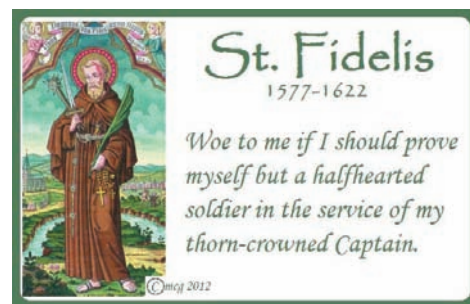
St. Adalbert
Bishop & Martyr



St. George
Martyr

HELP NOT HARM: TAKE ACTION TO SUPPORT

BILL C-218 In recent weeks, Cardinal Leo has invited Catholics to reach out to their federal Member of Parliament (MP), asking them to support Bill C-218 – An Act to Amend the Criminal Code (medical assistance in dying), The Right to Recover Act. Write your Member of Parliament Today. Visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca where you can e-mail your MP, asking for their support of Bill C-218, which would amend the Criminal Code to prevent Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) from being provided when mental illness is the sole underlying condition. Without this change, MAiD will be available for those suffering from mental illness alone beginning in March 2027. As Catholics and Canadians, we are called to offer care, hope, and protection — not death — to those who are suffering and most vulnerable. Visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca today and ask your MP to support Bill C-218.





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