



3rd Sunday of Lent March 6th & 7th, 2021

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Reconciliation/confession is available by appointment only at this time please call the office or email Fr. Henry directly for an appointment.

MASS INTENTIONS---March 6th – 14th, 2021

Sat. Mar.6	4pm	Janet Cameron and Rita Hemeon
Mar .7	9am	Anniv. Sharon K. LeBlanc and The Macpherson Family
Sun. Mar. 7	10am (Melbourne)	Constance DeViller
	11am	Parishioners
Wed. Mar. 3	9am	The Doucette Family and Anniv. Raymond Bowers
Sat. Mar.13	4pm	Parishioners
Sun. Mar. 14	9am	Bob Delaney and Pius Landry
	10am (Melbourne)	Laurel Brannen
	11am	Joseph Gianato and Hugh "Buddy" Smith

Please note we will not be carrying the gifts for the offertory until further notice.

Please note: The weekday Mass will be cancelled in the event of a funeral Mass. The Mass intention scheduled for that day will be offered at a later date.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: began on Friday, February 19 and will continue every Friday during Lent at St. Ambrose Co-Cathedral at 6:30pm. Each week, it will be led by a different group. We will be following safety protocols so it will be a first come first served basis. Please note we will record the first week and it will be available on our website for the duration of Lent.



LIVE STREAM MASS AT ST. AMBROSE: We live stream mass every Wednesday at 9:00 am and on the weekend at the Saturday 4:00 pm, Sunday at 9:00 am or 11:00 am mass on a rotating basis. The next scheduled mass is always posted on our website's main page. If you want to watch, go to our web site at www.stambroseyarmouth.ca or go to our YouTube channel www.youtube.com/c/SaintAmbroseParish/videos?view=57

EMAIL TRANSFERS: are available. Please send to stambrosemail@gmail.com Please add your envelope number or personal information for income tax purposes.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: No one heals himself by



wounding another. -St. Ambrose

REFLECTION: The Holy Wrath of God

He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen, and spilled the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables, and to those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." Jesus made quite a scene. He directly engaged those who were turning the Temple into a marketplace. Those selling animals for sacrifice were doing so as a way of trying to make a profit off of the sacred practices of the Jewish faith. They were not there to serve the will of God; rather, they were there to serve themselves. And this brought forth the holy wrath of our Lord.

It's important to point out that Jesus' wrath was not the result of Him losing His temper. It was not the result of His out-of-control emotions pouring forth in extreme anger. No, Jesus was fully in control of Himself and exercised His wrath as a result of a powerful passion of love. In this case, His perfect love was manifested through the passion of anger. Anger is normally understood as a sin and it is sinful when it's the result of one losing control. But it's important to note that the passion of anger, in and of itself, is not sinful. A passion is a powerful drive which manifests itself in various ways. The key question to ask is, "What is driving that passion?"

In Jesus' case, it was hatred for sin and love for the sinner that drove Him to this holy wrath. By turning over the tables and driving people out of the Temple with a whip, Jesus made it clear that He loved His Father, whose house they were in, and He loved the people enough to passionately rebuke the sin that they were committing. The ultimate goal of His action was their conversion.


Jesus hates the sin in your life with the same perfect passion. At times we need a holy rebuke to set us on the correct path. Do not be afraid to let the Lord offer this form of rebuke to you this Lent.

Reflect, today, upon those parts of your life that Jesus wants to cleanse. Allow Him to speak directly and firmly to you so that you will be driven to repentance. The Lord loves you with a perfect love and desires that all sin in your life be cleansed.

Lord, I know that I am a sinner who is in need of Your mercy and, at times, in need of Your holy wrath. Help me to humbly receive Your rebukes of love and to allow You to drive all sin from my life. Have mercy on me, dear Lord. Please have mercy. Jesus, I trust in You. ~ My Catholic Life

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: will be held on March 9th, 2021 at 6:30 in St. Ambrose Co-Cathedral. Being in the presence of the body, blood, soul and divinity of Jesus Christ gives spiritual strength and nourishment in a uniquely powerful way. Seating will be first come first served to a maximum of 100 people.





Please welcome into our Christian community Zach Baiely Perez Santos who was baptised on Sunday February 21, 2021 and Reddick Robert Rousseau and Serenity Dawn Rousseau who were baptised on February 28, 2021.

Please keep Zach, Reddick, Serenity and their families in your prayers.


KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS: Monthly Meeting:



Tuesday March 9th, 6:00pm executive meeting, 7:00pm general meeting. All members invited.

4th Degree Meeting Tuesday March 16th at 7 pm. All members invited.

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS: 2020 income tax receipts can be picked up at the Parish Centre Office Monday to Friday between the hours of 9:30-1:00.



Our sympathy is extended to the family and friends of
 Delbert Louis d'Entremont and Annie Ida Fitzgerald
 Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.

ST. AMBROSE EASTER TRIDUUM SCHEDULE:

Below is the schedule for Holy Week from Holy Thursday to Easter Sunday.

Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper April 1st at 6:30

Good Friday Service: April 2nd at 3:00pm

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil: April 3rd at 8:00pm

Easter Sunday Masses: April 4 at 8:00 am, 9:30am, and 11:00am

Please note that this is not a regular weekend on the mass schedule, you need to call in if you want to attend one of them. Because of the COVID restrictions placed on us, you can attend just one of these celebrations and we have to once more limit attendance to those who are now registered for weekends. To Register, call St. Ambrose office (902-742-7151) starting on March 22nd until March 25th from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. **Please do not call early.** Who gets to come to what will be based on who called first to register. Those who are not signed up may call in to be put on a waiting list. Please note: Everything will be Live Streamed on our website so please join us if you cannot be there in person.