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#### SCHEDULE OF LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

#### **WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

Tuesday: 7:00 p.m. Wednesday & Thursday: 12:15 p.m. Friday: 8:00 a.m.

#### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Before daily Masses and
Tuesday 6:15-6:45 p.m., 7:45 -8:15 p.m.
Friday 8:30-9:00 a.m.
Saturday 4:00-4:45 p.m.
Father is also available before and after Sunday
Masses if needed.



Our Worship Space and Parish Centre are barrier free off of Hemlock Street entrance

#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

#### PARISH PRAYER NETWORK

Our parish prayer network prays for those who are in need. To add an intention or become a member of the prayer network, please email us at parish@stmichaelw.ca

#### **OUR PARISH SCHOOLS**

Sir Edgar Bauer Elementary School	519-884-8480
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#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please contact the Parish Office to begin the process of preparing your child and family for this Sacrament.

#### **CAMPUS MINISTRY**

St Michael Parish welcomes post-secondary students to participate in the life of the parish. The St John Paul II Student Centre (adjacent to the Church) offers programing and pastoral care for all university and college students (jp2waterloo.ca).

#### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

The Sacrament of Marriage is normally celebrated on Saturday afternoons. Preparation is provided. Please contact Father before setting a date of marriage.

#### PASTORAL CARE TO SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Ministers of Communion to the Sick bring communion to those who are sick or confined at home, in nursing homes or hospital. Anointing of the Sick takes place annually in the parish, and is celebrated personally upon request. To ensure a visit by our Pastoral Team when hospitalized please indicate you are a member of St Michael Parish.

#### **HEALING MINISTRIES**

"Heartache to Healing" is our Grief Support Group and "ACT II" is our Separated/Divorced Group. To find out more about the programs, please contact our parish office.

#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Due to COVID-19, emergency food deliveries from our parish are currently on hold. If there is an urgent need, please call 519-742-8327 and press 2 for the House of Friendship food assistance program. Monthly collections have also been "paused" for 2022 due to inactivity for the foreseeable future.

#### **BLESSING OF EXPECTANT PARENTS**

The Blessing of Expectant Parents takes place after each Mass on the First Sunday of the month.

#### PARISH BEQUESTS

Keep your love for your parish alive. Remember St. Michael Parish in your will and when recommending expressions of sympathy.

#### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Sunday's Gospel Reflection (Lk 22:14-23:56)



Every year on **Palm Sunday** we read the Passion of the Lord. The Passion is much more about loving and self-giving than it is about mocking and killing. Jesus was not a victim; His passion was motivated by the unimaginable love for each of us. As we hear the story of God's love for us proclaimed today, we are challenged to go and do likewise.

#### Dear Parishioners,

**Today,** on **Palm Sunday** we begin **Holy Week**. This coming week truly is a *Holy Week*. We will celebrate the central mysteries of our Faith. I would like to invite you for these solemn and unique liturgies.

**Holy Thursday -** we will celebrate the Mass of the Lord's Supper. On this night, Our Lord instituted the sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Holy Orders. Holy Thursday marks the beginning of the *Three Days* or *Triduum* of special liturgical prayer.

**Good Friday** – we commemorate Christ's suffering and death on the Cross. The liturgy consists of three parts: the liturgy of the Word, the veneration of the Cross, and the reception of Holy Communion. This is the only day during the year when we do not celebrate the Eucharist.

**Easter Vigil** – is the most solemn memorial of the Liturgical Year. We keep watch and celebrate the Resurrection of Christ in the sacraments in four parts: the Service of Light, the Liturgy of the Word, Christian Initiation, and the Liturgy of the Eucharist. The Easter Vigil does not correspond to the usual Saturday evening Mass. On this night we will welcome 14 adults as full members of the Catholic Church.

Fr. Jamroz

#### WELCOME HOME TO ST. MICHAEL PARISH

Welcome, we are really glad you're here! Whether exploring, struggling or looking for a new Church Home - we extend a warm welcome to our parish and pray that you feel at home. For details on our parish life, check out our website: www.stmichaelw.ca



#### Tuesday, April 12, 2022

7:00 pm + Sarah Barros – Maria Ianni

+ Vincenza Cino – Peter & Shari Guinta

7:30 pm Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction

#### Wednesday, April 13, 2022

12:15 pm + Special Intentions of Marianne Hoegler

### Thursday, April 14, 2022

No 12:15 Mass 7:00 pm Holy Thursday

#### Friday, April 15, 2022

No 8 am or 7 pm Mass

**12:00 pm** – Good Friday

**3:00 pm** – Good Friday

7:30 pm Stations of the Cross

#### Saturday, April 16, 2022

No 5:00 pm Mass

8:00 pm – Easter Vigil

#### **Sunday Homilies Online**

Sunday homilies are available weekly online in audio version through our parish website – just click on the button 'LISTEN TO HOMILY'.

#### **Parish Office Hours**

The parish office is open for in person, Monday – Friday from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. If you are in need of a priest, you can contact Fr. Jamroz at 519-884-9311 ext. 27 or by email at <a href="mailto:pastor@stmichaelw.ca">pastor@stmichaelw.ca</a>. The parish office will be closed on Good Friday and Easter Monday.

#### The Church is Open for Prayer

The Church is open for quiet prayer Monday to Friday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm – **Easter Monday** the church is open only for 9 am Mass.

#### Stations of the Cross

Join us every Friday during Lent for 7 pm Mass. Immediately after we have Stations of the Cross



Palm Sunday, also called **Passion Sunday**, the first day of Holy Week, commemorates Jesus Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

The liturgy begins with a blessing and procession of palms, but prime attention is given to a lengthy reading of the Passion, with parts taken by the priest, lectors, and congregation.

The palms are often taken home by the members of the congregation to serve as sacramentals, and some of them are burned the following year to serve as the ashes for Ash Wednesday.

"Palm Sunday ... tells us that ... the Cross itself is the true tree of life. We do not find life by possessing it, but by giving it. Love is a gift of oneself, and for this reason it is the way of true life symbolized by the Cross" (Pope Benedict XVI).



### All Day Confessions Tuesday, April 12

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available from 8 am to 8:30 pm. Mass will be at 7 pm and Adoration will follow. Confessions will pause during Mass then will continue until 8:30 pm. The schedule of priests is posted on our website.

#### **Easter Floral Tribute**

Envelopes and forms for Easter floral tributes are available at the main doors. You can also donate online. If donating online, in the comments section, please type floral tribute and the name of the deceased person you wish to remember. Names will be placed by the altar and remembered at Mass through the Easter Season.

### **Holy Week and Easter Schedule**

Holy Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup> – 7 pm (no 12:15 Mass)

Good Friday, April  $15^{th}$  – 12 pm and 3 pm Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm.

(Confessions 8:30am but no 8am or 7pm Mass).

Holy Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>

10:00 am – Blessing of Easter Food (Church)

8:00 pm – Solemn Easter Vigil

(Confessions 4pm but no 5pm Mass)

#### Easter Sunday, April 17

9 am, 11 am and 7 pm



# Society of St Vincent de Paul Holy Thursday Collection

Collections boxes will be at the main doors of the church on Holy Thursday for a special collection during this Lenten season of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. SSVP activities at St. Michael's have been paused for the time being but we are still committed to helping those in need. Donations received will be passed up to our Kitchener Particular Council and used to support programs in the KW Community, which continue to benefit those in our Parish boundaries.

Thank you for all your prayers and support.



#### **Chrism Mass**

His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, will celebrate the Mass of Chrism on Monday, April 11, 2022 at 2:00 pm in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. All are welcome.



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