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St. Michael's Catholic Church

St. Michael's Parish Offices - 240 Hemlock Street, Waterloo, ON N2L 3R5

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday to Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

LORD'S DAY LITURGY SCHEDULE

SAT Mass.....5:00 p.m.
SUN Mass.....9:00 a.m.
Mass...11:00 a.m.
Mass....7:00 p.m. (during the academic year)

WEEKDAY LITURGY SCHEDULE

TUE Mass..... 7:00 p.m.
WED Mass..... 12:15 p.m.
THUR Mass..... 12:15 p.m.
FRI Mass..... 8:00 a.m.

TUE Reconciliation.... 6:00-6:45 p.m.
WED Reconciliation.. 11:50-12:05 p.m.
THUR Reconciliation...11:50-12:05 p.m.
SAT Reconciliation... 4:00-4:30 p.m.

Our worship space and Parish Centre are barrier free off of Hemlock Street. 

NEW TO THE PARISH • Please come and introduce yourself and complete a registration form available on our website at www.stmichaelw.ca/forms or on the hospitality desks at each entrance to the church.

PARISH RECORDS • Our parish records are very important and we try to keep them as up to date as possible. Please advise the office if you change your address or telephone number.

MINISTRY TO PARISH SCHOOLS • The staff visit St. Nicholas and Sir Edgar Bauer on a regular basis. Eucharist and Reconciliation are celebrated with each school during the year and the staff is available for classroom visits and other special celebrations. We also celebrate the sacraments and make pastoral visits to St. David's high school as needed.

MINISTRY TO UNIVERSITY & COLLEGE STUDENTS • St. Michael's Parish welcomes students to participate in the liturgical and pastoral life of the parish. During the academic year we have a student mass on Sunday evenings at 7:00 p.m. that focuses on the pastoral needs of students. We also have the John Paul II Student Centre which is available for students. Please see www.stmichaelw.ca and follow the link to JPPII Student Centre for more information.

SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION • For more information about preparation and dates please visit our website or contact the parish office.

MARRIAGE • Please meet with the priest or deacon before making any other arrangements. Twelve (12) months notice is normally required so that proper preparation can take place.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK AND SHUT-IN • Trained Volunteers assist in the pastoral care of those who are sick or confined, whether at home, at retirement residences, in nursing homes, in hospitals or in prison. Anointing of the Sick is celebrated in the parish church, Columbia Forest Long Term Care, The Village at University Gates, The Court at Laurelwood and Clair Hills Retirement Community twice a year. Parishioners can request the Anointing of the Sick at any time by appointment in their home or in the church.

PASTORAL CARE TO THOSE WHO ARE IN HOSPITAL • Privacy of information laws prohibit the parish from obtaining information about parishioners in hospital. A family member is asked to contact the parish office whenever a parishioner is in hospital and requests a pastoral visit.

PARISH OUTREACH • St. Michael's Parish assists those in need through the St. Vincent De Paul Society. For emergency food help call 519-747-1090.

MUSIC IN THE LITURGY • Music plays an integral role in the liturgical life of the parish. Parishioners are invited to sing with the traditional choir (9:00 a.m.) or the contemporary choir (11:00 a.m.) on Sunday morning.

PARISH BULLETIN • News items for the bulletin should be submitted via email if possible and may be edited due to space limitations. All items must be in the parish office by Monday prior to publication.

MISSION STATEMENT

We are God's people called to worship and serve Christ Jesus in community on the journey of faith.



The St. Michael's Africa Project Committee is pleased to announce that our parish will be extending our support for the Notre Dame Outreach Project in Nyalieg'a Kenya for another five years until 2022. Please join committee members and Father Dave following the 11 am mass on Sunday, May 14th as we rededicate the Solidarity Pole outside the front entrance to the church.

Our Lady of Good Counsel Award

St. Michael's Parish along with St. Michael's CWL is pleased to offer the Our Lady of Good Counsel Award.

This award is awarded to a graduating high school student who is an active member of St. Michael's Parish and who has demonstrated strong Christian volunteerism and leadership. Application forms are available on the church website. All applications must be submitted to the church office no later than June 15th, 2017.

SERRA CLUB OF K-W invites you to join us on Wednesday, May 3rd at St. Teresa Parish Hall, Kitchener at 7:30pm to hear a presentation by Dr. Josephine Lombardi. Dr. Lombardi is well known as a Professor of Theology at St. Augustine's Seminary along with her work in radio and television. She is an esteemed author and recently appointed Theologian for a new Religious Education curriculum for Catholic School Boards in Ontario. Dr. Lombardi was the keynote speaker at last year's National CWL convention and we are fortunate to have her coming to speak to us. The theme of her talk will be "Mary", a most appropriate topic for the month of May dedicated to the Blessed Mother.



Day of Prayer for Hospice & Palliative Care

Parish Members are invited to join us for a day of prayer for Hospice and Palliative Care on Thursday May 4th. Parish Mass will be celebrated at 12:15pm followed by Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament until 8:00pm. Rosary will be recited as well as The Chaplet of the Divine Mercy.

Prayer Vigil on Thursday, May 4th from 9:00-10:00am in front of Freeport Hospital, 3570 King St. E., Kitchener, for babies being aborted. All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice, but our own! Parking - across the road, Schneider Park. Any queries, please contact Cathy at: kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com

The 38th annual KW Walk for Life is on Saturday May 6th. Walk begins at Historic St. Paul's at 10:30am. Registration is at 10:00am. Call the Right to Life Office to pledge or for pledge sheets or go to our website to print them. 519-746-5433 kwrtl.ca Walk 3k and help support our programs.

A bus will go to the Ottawa March for Life, Thursday, May 11 5:30am Pick-up at Fairview Park Mall (Walmart) Kitchener. Park at the far end of the parking lot near Fairway Road. Call the office to book your seat \$20. 519-746-5433 or email kwrtl@golden.net

Men interested in learning about the Permanent Diaconate Formation program in the Diocese are invited to attend the information session on Sunday, May 7th that will take place here at St. Michael's. The meeting will be held after 11:00am Mass. To register or for more info, contact Deacon Peter Gittens at diaconateformation@hamiltondiocese.com or call 905-528-7988 ext. 2258.

Catholic Education Week 2017 begins on Sunday, April 30th. The Catholic schools in our parish are celebrating publicly-funded Catholic education! This gift has existed in Ontario since 1841 and its graduates have served the Waterloo Region, Ontario, and Canada very well. We personally invite you to attend the various events happening in your community school. We know you will be pleased you did.



This year's Catholic Education Week theme is **Walking Forward Together** taken from Micah 6:8 - *"Do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with your God."* We are hoping it will help us all to acknowledge the important role of justice and solidarity, especially with our Indigenous peoples. We also hope to focus on caring for our environment, the poor and marginalized, and all those who work to protect our common global future. Please keep us in your prayers throughout Catholic Education Week and be assured of ours as we celebrate God's love poured out for us in so many ways!

Together In Christ: Lutherans and Catholics Commemorating the Reformation. In his letter to the Ephesians, St. Paul reminds us that "there is one body and one Spirit" and that Christians ought to make "every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." 2017 is the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada encourage the faithful to commemorate this fifth centennial together through prayer and reflection. *Join us* on the next two **Wednesdays (May 3rd and May 10th) from 7 pm to 9 pm** at **Our Lady of Lourdes Church** to start a dialogue with our Lutheran brothers and sisters, and gain insights on the Conflict that breaks Communion. For more information, please call Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Office 519-886-0342, St Agnes Parish Office 519-885-4480, or email whyatbreakfast@gmail.com

Heartfelt 
THANKS
TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

April 23rd - 29th is National Volunteer Week in Canada. We would like to thank our many volunteers for the hours given over the year to make St. Michael's the great parish it is! We couldn't do it without you!

Father Dave and Parish Staff

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