



# ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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

15 minutes 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.

Sunday 6:15-6:45 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](mailto:parish@stmichaelw.ca)

## OUR PARISH SCHOOLS

Sir Edgar Bauer Elementary School	519-884-8480
St Nicholas Elementary School	519-884-9198
Resurrection Secondary School	519-741-1990
St David Secondary School	519-885-1340
St Jerome University	519-884-8111

## 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 programming and pastoral care for all university and college students ([jp2waterloo.ca](http://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**

***Weekly Gospel Reflection*** (Jn 10:1-10)



Today we are invited to contemplate on the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd. The ancient Greeks imagined *Atlas*, one of the Titans, who carried the world on his shoulders to prevent it from the fall into nonexistence. We, Christians, can say that we have God who carries us, wounded people, on His shoulders.

Christ, the Good Shepherd, searches for the lost sheep, each of us, and accompanies us even in the deserts of our lives. When He finds us, He takes us upon His shoulders to bring us home.

Fr. Jamroz

**WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL PARISH**

Welcome, we are glad you're here! For details on our parish life, please check out our website: [www.stmichaelw.ca](http://www.stmichaelw.ca)



**Tuesday, May 2, 2023**

**7:00 pm** + Michael James O'Neil – Candy Smith  
+ Special Intentions of Catherine Casey  
– Lorraine Wilson

**7:30pm-8:30pm** Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction

**Wednesday, May 3, 2023**

**12:15 pm** + Alfons & Evan Hoegler – The Family  
+ Special Intentions of Allen, Mary & Family  
– Anthony & Magnell Robinson

**Thursday, May 4, 2023**

**12:15 pm** + Madeleine Weizmann – Madeleine Reiter  
+ Special Intentions of Marianne Hoegler

**Friday, May 5, 2023**

**8:00 am** + Mario Guajardo Barrientes – The Benavides Family

**8:30am - 9am** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

**Saturday, May 6, 2023**

**5:00 pm** + George Chrysler Jr. – The Family

**Parish Office Hours**

The parish office is open Monday to Friday from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. If you are in need of a priest, you can contact Fr. Jamroz by telephone at 519-884-9311 ext. 27 or by email at [pastor@stmichaelw.ca](mailto:pastor@stmichaelw.ca).

**Sunday Homilies Online**

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

**The Church is Open for Prayer**

The Church is open for quiet prayer Monday to Friday, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

**Prayer Intentions**

Prayer intentions are placed at the front of the Altar that are remembered privately at Mass during the prayers of the faithful. You can also have your request shared with our prayer group ministry. If you wish to have a prayer intention added, please go to our website [www.stmichaelw.ca](http://www.stmichaelw.ca) and click on the link on the bottom of the page or contact the parish office by phone or email.



**St. Philip and St. James, Apostles  
Feast Day, Wednesday May 3<sup>rd</sup>,  
Mass at 12:15 pm**

Philip and James were among the 12 apostles of Jesus. Philip was born in Bethsaida in Galilee. Finding his friend Nathaniel, Philip told him that Jesus was the one whom Moses and the other prophets had foretold (Jn 1:45). James is called “Lesser” because he was younger than the other Apostle by the same name, James the Great. James the Lesser after Jesus’ Ascension into heaven, became the head of the Church in Jerusalem. He met his death as a martyr in that city about the year 62. Tradition identifies James as the author of the epistle associated with his name.

**Why is May the Month of Mary?**

The tradition of dedicating the month of May to Mary, came about in the 13th century. The pious practice of honouring Mary during the month of May has been promoted by Pope, Pius XII in his Encyclical *Mediator Dei* (MD, 182).

Devotion to Mary is an important part of the Catholic identity because Mary is an example of a committed “Yes” to the will of God. Since Mary was given to us as our Mother at the foot of the Cross, many people ask her for help and intercession in the most difficult situations of their lives as any child does with his mother.

	<b>Rosary 6:30 pm Tuesdays in May</b>
<b>During the month of May, we Honour the Blessed Virgin Mary.</b> The CWL will lead the Rosary in the church on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 prior to the 7pm mass. All are welcome to join together in this wonderful prayer.	

**The Ones**

The Ones are a group of parishioners who normally eat alone. We meet on the first Friday of the month at the Waterloo Knights of Columbus for fish and chips. A great way to meet other parishioners, to have great fish and chips and to have some fun. For more information or to reserve a seat please contact Eleanor Horrigan at 519-885-3674 or [horriganeleanor@gmail.com](mailto:horriganeleanor@gmail.com)

**Heartache to Healing-Grief Support  
May 17 – June 21, 2023, in person, 6 weeks**

Grief support provides companionship on the long journey through the grief process. Our 6 week grief support program follows the process developed by Dr. Bill Webster, an experienced leader in grief counselling. All who have suffered a loss are welcome, regardless of how much time has passed since your loss.

The program runs Wednesday evenings from 7:00 - 8:30pm - May 17 to June 21, 2023 at St. Michael Parish, Waterloo. Register with Kathy Shaw 519-886-2117 or email [shawbing@rogers.com](mailto:shawbing@rogers.com). More info/dates - <https://stmichaelw.ca/grief-support>.

**Please register by Monday, May 8th.**

**Monthly informal drop-in support** is also available at St. Michael Parish on the 2nd Wednesday of the month; 7pm in the Parish Resource Centre/Library.

**Ukrainian Support at St. Michael's**

Waterloo Region is expecting hundreds of Ukrainians to arrive in Waterloo Region during the next 12 months. The Refugee Support Team at St. Michael's, with the help and support of other parish ministries and working hand-in-hand with the Waterloo Region Grassroots Support volunteer organization, is putting together a plan to support both the new arrivals and their host families. If you are or have been a host, we would love to hear from you and learn from your experience. If you are already volunteering with WRGR, we would also love to hear from you. Please contact Dwayne at 226-898-5151 or Diane at 519-616-2227. **Next weekend**, there will be an opportunity for you to get more information and sign up for the different volunteer categories. So far, these needs have been identified: Drivers, Settlement Assistance, English Language Support, Employment Skills, Housing Support, Donations.



**DIOCESE OF HAMILTON**

**Catholic Education Week 2023** begins on **Sunday, April 30, 2023**. The Catholic schools in our parish will engage in a series of events to celebrate the ongoing gift of publicly funded Catholic education. You are invited to learn about the various celebrations that are happening in your children's school, and are welcome to attend, if possible. ...

This year's Catholic Education Week theme is, **“We are Many, We are One.”**





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Eat in call Manager 519-884-2060  
Wednesday Spaghetti: Take out/Eat in call  
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