



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

Tuesday 6:15-6:45 p.m.

Friday 8:30-9:00 a.m.

Saturday 4:00-4:45 p.m.



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 offers us the opportunity to weekly pray for those in our community who are in need. To become a member of the prayer network, or to add an intention, just drop us an email at stmikesprayer@gmail.com

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 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

Provides emergency grocery assistance to needy persons and families in our parish area. If there is an urgent need, please call 519-747-1090. A monthly collection to assist the Society in its work takes place on the First Sunday.

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 6: 24-35)



In today's Gospel Jesus calls Himself "**the bread of life.**" Which is to say that we need food not only for body but also for the soul. Pierre Teilhard de Chardin SJ writes, '*We are spiritual beings on a human journey.*' Indeed, "one does not live by bread alone" (Mt 4:4). At our deepest we are spiritual beings.

Food for the soul can be the Word of God, prayer, culture, art ... Christ, the Bread of Life, is both Holy Communion and other nourishment for the soul. The Lord is our Bread of Life, and through us He feeds others in many ways.

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. Please introduce yourself and consider becoming a member of our Family of Faith. *For details on our parish life, registration, offering envelopes, pre-authorized or online giving, as well as to find out about ways of connecting, check out our website: www.stmichaelw.ca*



Tuesday, August 3, 2021

7:00 pm + Special Intentions of Mary Chrysler
– The Family

7:30 pm Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction

Wednesday, August 4, 2021

12:15 pm + Bernice Ertel – Willard & Mary Ann Schnarr
& Family

Thursday, August 5, 2021

12:15 pm + Anna & Stepen Straus and Loni Griesshaber
– Manfred & Cathy Lamers

Friday, August 6, 2021

8:00 am + Leonard "Len" Walter
– Deacon Philip Fernandez

Saturday, August 7, 2021

5:00 pm + Charlotte Anstett – Debbie Hicks & Brenda Perak
and Families

Public Masses have resumed. There is no limit on capacity but two metres social distance must be maintained and masks must be worn. We are no longer live-streaming Mass.

Lord's Day Mass Times

Saturday at 5 pm

Sunday at 9 am, 11 am and 7 pm

Parish Office Hours – Summer Hours

The parish office is open for in person, Monday – Thursday from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. The office will closed for Civic Holiday on August 2. If you are in need of a priest, you can contact Fr. Jamroz at 519-884-9311 ext. 27 or by email at 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'.

Looking for faith-based activities for your children?

"The Kid's Bulletin" offers weekly activities for Catholic children who would like to have some fun while learning about the readings from the Sunday Mass. Children love church when there is something for them to enjoy too. Please see our website and click on the link.



The Transfiguration of the Lord

This Friday, August 6, we celebrate the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord as well as First Friday. Please join us for Mass at 8:00 am.



"Ready Day One"

Our St. Michael Parish community plays a vital role every year supporting the "Send'em Off Smiling" organization, ensuring that all children have the necessary supplies to start the school year. Too often financial obstacles stand in the way of our children's success. With this in mind please consider supporting our "Ready Day One" back to school campaign.

"Send'em Off Smiling" coordinates with school teachers and the community ensuring that all students start school with the supplies that they need. Our first year we donated the value of \$3,700 worth of school supplies. Last year with the pandemic and Church closures we raised \$1,436 of school supplies and monetary donations. Although we are still in the pandemic we know we can match or top last year's donation. In fact, both years St. Michael Parish Community was recognized as a Community Partner and Bronze Contributor.

This year we are keeping it simple and encourage you to go online to the Send'em Off Smiling website to make your donation. When making your online donation clearly indicate that you are a member of St. Michael Parish. <http://sendemoff.ca/donate/>

We won't let this pandemic stand in our way. Children in our community still depend on us. Thank you, in advance, for your generosity.



Votive Candles

The votive stand has been placed back in the church and is now once again available for use anytime the church is open. Let our prayers rise up to the Lord. Just a reminder, the church is open 30 minutes prior to Mass.



INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Any adults who have not been baptized and are considering becoming Catholic, or any adults who have already been baptized in other Christian churches and wish to become full members of the Catholic Church, please contact Fr. Jamroz (pastor@stmichaelw.ca). A program of formation (RCIA) begins in the Fall and there is a place for you. Welcome!



Thank you to all who have already donated. To date we have received over \$320,000. There is still time to donate. If you have any questions about the campaign, feel free to contact Shari Guinta by email at sag90759@gmail.com or call the parish office at 519-884-9311.

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