

StMikesWaterloo

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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.

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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
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

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 13: 22-30)



Answering the question 'who will be saved,' Jesus invites us to enter through "**the narrow door**." The "narrow door" is the gateway of compassion and care for those who need us, the wide world of generosity.

As Father Donal Neary SJ points out, love narrows our life but also deepens it. We can find a lot of variety in life but not enough depth and meaning. We can look for wide doors which lead to narrow gardens, unlike the "narrow door" of Christ, which leads to a garden full of life, not only the future eternal life but also a more meaningful life here on this earth.

Fr. Jamroz

WELCOME HOME TO ST. MICHAEL PARISH

Welcome, we are really glad you're here! 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:* <u>www.stmichaelw.ca</u>



Tuesday, August 23, 2022

7:00 pm + The Deceased Members of the Bauer Family – David Bauer

7:30 pm Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction

Wednesday, August 24, 2022

12:15 pm + Mary Lou Robbins – Tony Bogan

Thursday, August 25, 2022

12:15 pm + Helen Benninger – The Family

Friday, August 26, 2022

8:00 am + Arthur Benninger – The Family

8:30 am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, August 27, 2022

5:00 pm + Ernie Hollo – The Family

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 – Summer Hours

The parish office is open for in person, Monday – Thursday from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm until after Labour Day. 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

The Church is Open for Prayer

The Church is open for quiet prayer Monday to Thursday, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm for July and August.

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 <u>www.stmichaelw.ca</u> and click on the link on the bottom of the page or contact the parish office by phone or email.

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary, August 22

Why do we celebrate the Queenship of Mary?

Catholics celebrate the Queenship of Mary because her Divine Son is King. Pope Pious XII, having declared the dogma of the Assumption, that "the Immaculate Mother of God... was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory," then established the feast of her Queenship. He set the date for the octave (8th day) after the Solemnity of the Assumption, that is August 22nd each year. (*Excerpt from EWTN.com*)

Feast of Saint Bartholomew Wednesday, August 24 - Mass at 12:15pm

The Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke and the Acts of the Apostles count Bartholomew as one of the 12 apostles... Bartholomew left everything to follow Jesus, becoming his disciple, friend and an apostle entrusted with the continuation of his mission. (*Livingwithchrist.ca*)

Youth Ministry

Calling all elementary and high school youth in St. Michael's Parish! We are so excited to invite you to our weekly youth nights for games, snacks, and a chance to explore life's biggest questions. Questions like... is there more to life than this? Who is Jesus? And why did He die? This 9-week-long program will begin in September. Look for more details in the coming weeks! If you are interested in attending, please contact Fr. Jamroz at <u>pastor@stmichaelw.ca</u> or the parish office at <u>parish@stmichaelw.ca</u>



Heartache to Healing <u>Monthly Grief Support Group – Beginning</u> September 14th

NEW We are pleased to offer monthly Grief Support on the 2nd Wednesday of every month from 7-8:30pm!

There is still room for you, or your loved ones to join... This group is open to anyone who is grieving the death of a loved one, or a significant loss. This group allows for more sharing with one another, which is proven to be beneficial for healing. You can attend when you're able to. Visit our website (www.stmichaelw.ca/griefsupport), or contact our Parish office for more information.

How do I prepare for Mass? 4 Simple Steps:

1.Check the liturgical calendar

Even in Ordinary Time, there's nothing strictly "ordinary" about the life of the Church. Check and see what the upcoming Sunday is intended to celebrate or commemorate ... look up the collect (opening prayer) ... perhaps even adding it to you own daily prayer.

2.Read the readings

Taking a few minutes to read the scripture passages you'll be hearing at Mass makes it all the more easy to absorb them when you hear them, because the words will already be familiar (especially those tricky Old Testament names and towns).

3. Remember the fast

The current Code of Canon Law states, "A person who is to receive the Most Holy Eucharist is to abstain for at least one hour before holy communion from any food and drink, except for only water and medicine" (*Canon* 919 §1).

4.Instant adoration

Keep in mind that the second you walk into church you've walked into one very large Eucharistic adoration chapel. So, whether you get to Mass 15 minutes or 1 minute before it starts, focus on the tabernacle and remember Who's inside. There's no better way to put yourself in the right frame of mind for Mass than some face time with He Who invited you.

(https://blog.aquinasandmore.com/)

Students Looking for Housing

Occasionally we have inquiries from Catholic students looking to rent a room from a Catholic family. If you have a room you would be interested in renting, please contact the parish office.

Giving Thanks for Summer

Father, Creator of all, thank You for summer! Thank You for the warmth of the sun and the increased daylight.

Thank You for the beauty I see all around me ...

Thank You for the increased time I have to be with my friends and family ...

Draw me closer to You this summer. Teach me how I can pray no matter where I am or what I am doing. Warm my soul with the awareness of Your presence and light my path with Your Word and Counsel. ...

(Author Unknown)

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