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SCHEDULE OF LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Children's Ministry for those in Age 2 - Grade 4 is offered at both 9:00am & 11:00 a.m. Mass. (*Resumes in September*)



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

WEEKDAY MASSES

Please consult inside of bulletin.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday 6:00-6:45 p.m.

Wednesday and Thursday 11:50 a.m.-12:05 p.m.

Saturday 4:00-4:30 p.m.

Sunday 6:00-6:30 p.m. (effective September 2019)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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). Our 7:00pm Sunday evening Mass is especially for our student community.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The Church is Open Daily for Quiet Visit and Prayer. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on Tuesday evenings following the evening Mass.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

The Sacrament of Marriage is normally celebrated on Saturday afternoons. Preparation is provided. Please contact Father Freitas 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.

BEREAVEMENT CARE

"Heartache to Healing" is our Grief Support Group. To find out more about the program 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.

PASTORAL TEAM

Father F. Freitas, Pastor
 Father David Perrin - Assisting Priest
 Deacon Philip J. Fernandes
 Mrs Andrea Laughlin - Lay Pastoral Associate
 Mr Joseph Goodwin - Campus Minister
 Mrs Elizabeth King - Administrative Assistant
 Ms Carolyn Snyder Milke - Director of Music
 Mr Jim Meagher - Custodian & Maintenance
 Mrs Merlie Ladroma - Cleaner

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, offering envelopes, pre authorized or on line giving, as well as to find out about ways of connecting, check out our website: www.stmichaelw.ca or see anyone at our Welcome Desk.*



August 27-31, 2019

Tuesday, August 27, 2019

- 6:30pm** Rosary
- 7:00pm** + Allan Edlund – Michelyn Edlund & Family
+ Gladys Schnarr – W. Schnarr & Family
- 7:30pm** Holy Hour with Adoration and Benediction

Wednesday, August 28, 2019

- 12:15pm** + Eileen McKinley – Parish Friends

Thursday, August 22, 2019

- 12:15pm** + Maria Michels – Peter & Noreen Michels

Friday, August 23, 2019

- 8:00am** + Kyle Parthe – Parish Friends

Saturday, August 24, 2019

- 5:00pm** + Maryann League – Silva Family
+ Maria Granic – Slavko Granic
+ Bogdan Katalin – Vrabec Family

LORD'S DAY OFFERING

August 17 & 18, 2019 – \$ 5,627.00

Pre Authorized Giving– \$ 993.00

Thank you for your generosity



Did you know......that you can park in Lot 32 right next door at the WLU Lazaridis Building during weekend Masses? Street Parking is also permitted on Hemlock Street – please see our new designated spaces. By the way, have you checked out our *Bike Rack on Hemlock Street?* Great way to get to Church in the summer.

CATECHETICAL PROGRAM FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL

Programs are available for children from kindergarten through high school not currently receiving religious instruction. Families work through the programs at home. Preparation for First Communion for children presently in Grade 1 and Confirmation for children presently in Grade 6 and not in Catholic schools is also available. Contact the parish office for more information.

WHAT'S NEW?.....WHAT'S NEXT?

Check us out on Twitter: @PadreFreitas, our Blog and our parish Facebook page – @StMikesWaterloo – Check it out.

CATHOLIC CAFÉ – SUNDAY SUNDAY
September 7/8 - AFTER ALL MASSES

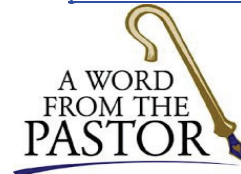
Join us after Mass for a cool treat in the Parish Centre. It is a time of fellowship, but also a time to enjoy a good old-fashioned ice cream treat - **A Sundae on a Sunday**. Make sure to set some time aside and join us!

SUNDAY HOMILIES ON LINE

Sunday homilies are available weekly on line in audio version through our parish website – just click on the link that says “Listen On- Line.”

HEARTACHE TO HEALING

Our 6 week grief support group will be offered again this Fall. The program is designed to assist people after the death of a loved one, or a significant loss. This program follows the process developed by Dr. Bill Webster, an experienced leader in grief counselling. The sessions will be held on Thursday evenings from 7-8:30pm (Sept 26, Oct 3, 10, 17, 24, Nov 7). Everyone is welcome. There is no fee, but you must register by September 15th. To register, or for more information, please contact the parish office 519-884-9311, or email parish@stmichaelw.ca.



Thank you for your amazing response to our first annual “Ready Day One” campaign. Your overwhelming response has made it possible for us to assist so many families and children in our community to prepare for Day One of School this year. You have also made it possible for us to collaborate with our St Vincent de Paul Society and even our St John Paul Student Centre to provide additional help as needed during the upcoming year. Wow! Thank you St Michael Parish!!! You have made your Pastor so proud!

This week we depart for our adventure at the Toronto Blue Jays. A reminder to those who have bought tickets that we leave on **Wednesday, August 28th** at 5:00pm sharp.

Our Liturgical Ministers will be receiving this week their Fall Ministry Schedules. They will see that we are beginning a new scheduling method “Teams”, which will permit everyone to serve equally once per month and add to the ease of “switching” when date conflict occurs. We look forward to this being a great new way for all to serve. Watch your “in box” for the new schedule soon.

You will also notice our new monitors at the entrances of the Church – they will share the good news of all that is happening in our parish. We also completed the interior painting and refreshing of our Parish Centre Hall. Check it out soon!

WE'RE
GROWING



9:00am and 11:00am Mass. If you would like to be involved on our team – contact the parish office. It will be an exciting time – jump on board!!

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY
..... IS EXPANDING !**

Beginning in September, our Children's Ministry will expand to include Ages 2 - Grade 4 programming at both our

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 speak to Father Freitas and arrangements will be made to complete your initiation into the Catholic Church. A program of formation begins in the Fall – there is a place for you – welcome.

GRIEF AND FAITH.....

Join us on Thursday, September 19, 2019, 7:00pm in the Parish Centre, as our guest speaker, Father Freitas shares his insights on 'Grieving our loved ones – our Christian faith'. This informative session will help us to understand our faith more fully and how our faith can help us heal. There is no fee. Feel free to bring a family member or friend who may also benefit from this topic. Everyone is welcome.

COUPLES SMALL GROUPS

This Fall we will launch a Couples Ministry made up of small groups, four couples each, who come together to share faith, food and lots of laughs. Each group is formed according to member's stage of life and gather in each other's homes. New groups are being formed. For more information, contact the Parish Office at 519-884 9311.

MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MASS

The Gift of Marriage is one to be cherished and celebrated. Our Feast Day Weekend (September 28/29) is a wonderful opportunity to do so. So save the date of **Sunday, September 29th at the 11:00a.m. Mass** for the celebration of Marriage Jubilees in our parish for those celebrating their 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th ... anniversaries. If you would like to participate in this celebration, please call the parish office with your name, phone number and the number of years you are celebrating.

ADULT ALPHA



is a 10 week course that explores questions about life, faith and meaning. Have you ever wondered "Is there more to life than this?"

Who is Jesus and why did He have to die? How can I pray? Why and how do I read the bible? A new 10 week series on Monday nights begins soon and registration will open via our website shortly – consider joining us... watch for details.

CHANGE OF PRACTICE FOR COMMUNION

Recently, the Diocese of Hamilton reminded us that we are not in accord with the preferred practice for the taking of communion to the homebound. *Beginning on September 1, 2019, it will no longer be acceptable to bring a pyx forward in the communion line and request an additional host(s) for a homebound member.* Ministers of Communion will be instructed not to place communion hosts in pyxes. The following is the preferred practice of our Diocese:

Pyxes should be placed prior to the Mass on a tray near the Gift Table (along with the gifts of bread and wine). If you require more than one host you would arrange that with the priest beforehand, otherwise each pyx will have one host placed in it by the priest. This tray will be brought forth in the offertory procession. The hosts are consecrated with all the bread to be used for Communion and then, following the Post-Communion Prayer, those who are bringing Communion to the sick and homebound are invited to come forward to pick up the pyx(es) and are sent forth immediately. The final blessing follows.

If someone is not able or does not wish to place a pyx on the tray and come to the front, then they may approach the priest after Mass but not during the communion procession.

Thank you for your understanding during this transition so that our parish practice can reflect the preferred practice of our wider Diocese.

CAN YOU LEND A HAND?

Ministry comes from our baptism, through which we are called to share Christ with one another. One of the signs of a vibrant, Christ-centred parish is the level of service provided by the members of that parish to one another. It is important that, if at all possible, we pitch in to make some form of ministry a part of our life choice. Some of the most urgent areas of need are below; contact Father Freitas if you can help as a ...

- Lector (a Reader at Mass).
- Minister of Hospitality (an Usher).
- Help Out as a Welcome Centre attendant
- Children's Ministry or new Kids Zone Program
- R.C.I.A. Sponsor and Prayer Partners
- Kids Klub Leaders (males especially needed)
- Catholic Café Host/Hostess
- Ministers of Communion to our Sick & Shut In



St. Michael Parish Annual Spaghetti Dinner will be held on **Sunday, November 3rd in the Parish Centre.** Please mark your social calendars for this

very special event. Ticket sales begin in October.

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