

St Michael Catholic Parish

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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
 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 5-10, 2019

Tuesday, August 6, 2019

- 6:30pm Rosary
- 7:00pm + Hannah Perera – Angela Makappuli
- 7:30pm Holy Hour with Adoration and Benediction

Wednesday, August 7, 2019

- 12:15pm + Charlotte Anstett - Hicks & Perak Families

Thursday, August 8, 2019

- 12:15pm + Tihornili & Louisa Franolic – Ana & Family

Friday, August 9, 2019

- 8:00am + Germain Phelan – Doug & Yvonne Rickert

Saturday, August 10, 2019

- 5:00pm + Deanna Mapplebeck - Family
- + Hermina Hallo - Family
- + Ralph Schnarr – Bernice & Family

LORD'S DAY OFFERING

July 27 & 28, 2019 – \$ 5,343.00
 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.

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.”

PARISH PRAYER NETWORK

Our parish prayer network offers us the opportunity to weekly pray for those in our community who are in need. To add an intention, email us at stmikesprayer@gmail.com

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 – SUMMER EDITION
August 17/18 - AFTER ALL MASSES

Join us after Mass for a cool treat on the front lawn for a special Catholic Café: Summer Edition. It is a time of fellowship, but also a time to enjoy a cool treat

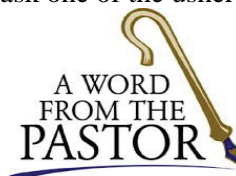
THE WELCOME DESK

Do you remember your first visit to St Michael Parish? Maybe you walked in nervous or unsure, but immediately felt relief when someone said hello or offered you assistance. Well, guess what? You can be that friendly face for someone else!

Our Welcome Desk is a place to welcome guests, and provide information on activities, sign up for events and in time, even a place where you can pick up documents and Mass cards. We are currently putting together our team - if you are a “people person” - contact the parish office and leave your name - training will begin in mid August.

PARISH LIBRARY

Located in the lower level of the Church our Library hosts many DVD's & Books. Check it out - great summer reads! Our Lighthouse Audio display is located there too. If the door is not open – ask one of the ushers to open it for you.



What energy! What excitement! What fun! What great moments to share faith! That was the sense during this past week's VBS! Thank you to all who were a part of the daily activities - truly inspiring to see 73 children each day coming, along with 13 teens and 12 adults present leading them. A special word of thanks to Andrea Laughlin and Melinda Hannusch (and their team) for their creative efforts and ardent service during VBS. We even had a “Food Truck BBQ” to finish off a great week.

Check out our Facebook Page for some great pictures from each day. I am especially grateful to a great group of teen leaders who were wonderful models and mentors. Thank you to each of you my fellow parishioners for your prayers on behalf of those in our VBS, and to all who have worked so diligently to make it an outstanding experience for all.

Our Ready Day One Back to School Campaign is off to a great start – if you missed last weekend's bulletin insert – check out our Welcome Desk for some copies.

Thank you to several parishioners who heeded the call for help with bringing communion to our elders at our retirement homes – we still need a few more – how about you???

WE'RE
GROWING



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

..... IS EXPANDING !

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

GET A HEAD START ON COMMUNITY SERVICE

Our Children's Ministry and our Kids Klub Program are looking for High School Students who would like to serve as Junior Leaders. The task is simple, to be a guide to a small group as they participate in activities. If interested, see Father Freitas or drop him an Email, or Twitter DM.

ON THE ROAD THIS SUMMER ?

Don't forget to take our Lord along! You can pick up copies of the Canadian Church Directory to see every church in the country and the Mass times they offer. Copies available at the Church entrances.

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.



AS YOU TRAVEL THIS SUMMER.....

Don't forget while you're traveling this summer to save personal size soap, shampoo and lotion for donation to St. John's Kitchen for those in need in our community. The collection bin is at the top of the stairs near the main vestibule in the drawer marked "Personal Size Toiletries". Thank you.

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.



Our St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry is in dire need of cans of soup for distribution to the needy in our community. If you can find room in your grocery budget to purchase an extra can or two it would be most appreciated. Donations may be left in the white bins at the entrances to the church. Thank you for your continued support.



LET'S GO TO A BALL GAME

Join us on **Wednesday, August 28th** as we head off to watch the Toronto Blue Jays in action. Bus leaves at 5:00pm sharp. Cost is \$25.00 per person (includes bus transportation). A maximum of 6 tickets per family.

Tickets will be on sale during our Catholic Café in August – while supplies last. Get them early!

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 - Please call early.

READY DAY ONE

Wouldn't it be great if all children in our city schools could be ready for school on the first day? Too often financial obstacles prevent families from sending their children to school with all they need on the first day. Student achievement and school success suffer as a result.

St Michael Parish is, with '*Send 'Em Off Smiling*' reaching out to young people in need. *See the special flyer available at our Welcome Desk* with needed items you can gather and then we will put them into Backpacks so that each child receives equitably what they need. Let's be part of helping every child in our community be Ready Day One!

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

SAVE THE DATE- FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH - NOON - 4:00PM!

WATCH FOR DETAILS AND TELL THE NEIGHBOURS!

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