



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

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.



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 programming 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 12: 49-53)



In the Gospel, Jesus says, “**Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division.**” But Jesus also says, “*Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you*” (Jn 14:27). Does the Lord contradict Himself?

The division Christ brings is a choice that each of us has to make. Even though that choice can cause an inner fight or division between people, it leads to true peace. Martin Luther King, Mahatma Gandhi, and many others were true peacemakers in spite of the division caused by their actions. Love challenges as well as comforts. As the famous saying has it - Christ has come to afflict the comfortable and comfort the afflicted.

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: www.stmichaelw.ca*



Monday, August 15, 2022 – Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 am + For Parishioners of St. Michael's in need of prayer

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

7:00 pm + Tristana Villapiana – Maria Ianni
+ Vincenza Ianni – Maria Ianni

7:30 pm Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction

Wednesday, August 17, 2022

12:15 pm + Carlos Perez Villa - The Benavides Family

Thursday, August 18, 2022

12:15 pm + Ralph Freiburger – The Family

Friday, August 19, 2022

8:00 am + Adelina Villapiana – Maria Ianni

8:30 am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, August 20, 2022

5:00 pm + Hermina 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 www.stmichaelw.ca and click on the link on the bottom of the page or contact the parish office by phone or email.

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Monday, August 15th.

There will be a Mass at 9am. All are welcome!

On August 15th, the church celebrates the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We believe that Mary was taken up into heaven, body and soul at the end of her earthly life. Pope Pius XII wrote:

“4. ... according to the general rule, God does not will to grant to the just the full effect of the victory over death until the end of time has come. And so it is that the bodies of even the just are corrupted after death, and only on the last day will they be joined, each to its own glorious soul.

5. Now God has willed that the Blessed Virgin Mary should be exempted from this general rule. She ... was not subject to the law of remaining in the corruption of the grave, and she did not have to wait until the end of time for the redemption of her body.” (*Excerpt from: Apostolic Constitution of Pope Pius XII, Munificentissimus Deus, November 1950*)

Children’s Ministry registration is open

Registration is now open on our parish website. The Children’s Ministry for children from Junior Kindergarten to Grade 4 will run during both the 9 am and 11 am Sunday Masses. To register your child, please go to our parish website under Children and Youth Ministry. Please register each child separately. If you are interested in volunteering for this ministry or for more information, please send an email to catechist@stmichaelw.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 pastor@stmichaelw.ca or the parish office at parish@stmichaelw.ca

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.

Papal Visit to Canada – Walking Together

The Truth Reconciliation Commission’s Call to Action #58 requested that the Pope apologize to the “Survivors, their families, and communities for the Roman Catholic Church’s role in the spiritual, cultural, emotional, physical, and sexual abuse of First Nations, Inuit, and Métis children in Catholic-run residential schools” in Canada.

Parishioners are invited to learn more about the Holy Father's visit to Canada a few weeks ago. Pope Francis' homilies and addresses from the visit are available at www.papalvisit.ca

Christopher Leadership Course

For over 60 years, The Christophers have been offering a course in public speaking in the Hamilton Diocese in order to give people the confidence to get involved in their communities. ...

Whether you are afraid of public speaking or you would like to take on a leadership role within the parish, the Christopher Leadership Course in Effective Speaking can help. **The next course begins Tuesday evening, September 13, 2022 in either Hamilton or Burlington. To register or for more information, please visit www.clchamilton.com or call Frank at 905-662-4076.**

Special days in the Church

What is the difference between a Solemnity, a Feast, and a Memorial?

Solemnities are the highest rank of celebration. Although not always a Holy Day of Obligation when they fall during the week, the Mass includes two readings, the Gospel, and the Gloria and the Creed are said. Solemnities are a celebration of Jesus, Mary or a Saint that is of a particular importance in salvation history.

Feast days honour a mystery or title of the Lord, Our Lady or saints of particular importance in the history of the Church such as the apostles and evangelists. The Gloria is said on these days but not the Creed.

Memorials are celebrations during the week classified as either obligatory or optional. They commemorate a saint or saints.

The Holy Days of obligation to be observed in Canada are: all **Sundays** of the year, **Christmas Day**, and the **Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God** (January 1st).



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