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# ***St. Michael's Catholic Church***

**St. Michael's Parish Offices** - 240 Hemlock Street, Waterloo, ON N2L 3R5

## **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

**Tuesday to Thursday**  
9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
**Friday:** 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

## **LORD'S DAY LITURGY SCHEDULE**

SAT Mass.....5:00 p.m.  
SUN Mass.....9:00 a.m.  
Mass...11:00 a.m.  
Mass....7:00 p.m. (during the academic year)

## **WEEKDAY LITURGY SCHEDULE**

TUE	Mass.....	7:00 p.m.
WED	Mass.....	12:15 p.m.
THUR	Mass.....	12:15 p.m.
FRI	Mass.....	8:00 a.m.
TUE	Reconciliation....	6:00-6:45 p.m.
WED	Reconciliation..	11:50-12:05 p.m.
THUR	Reconciliation...	11:50-12:05 p.m.
SAT	Reconciliation...	4:00-4:30 p.m.

Our worship space and Parish Centre are barrier free off of Hemlock Street. 

**NEW TO THE PARISH** • Please come and introduce yourself and complete a registration form available on our website at [www.stmichaelw.ca](http://www.stmichaelw.ca) or on the hospitality desks at each entrance to the church.

**PARISH RECORDS** • Our parish records are very important and we try to keep them as up to date as possible. Please advise the office if you change your address or telephone number.

**MINISTRY TO PARISH SCHOOLS** • The staff visit St. Nicholas and Sir Edgar Bauer on a regular basis. Eucharist and Reconciliation are celebrated with each school during the year and the staff is available for classroom visits and other special celebrations. We also celebrate the sacraments and make pastoral visits to St. David's high school as needed.

**MINISTRY TO UNIVERSITY & COLLEGE STUDENTS** • St. Michael's Parish welcomes students to participate in the liturgical and pastoral life of the parish. During the academic year we have a student mass on Sunday evenings at 7:00 p.m. that focuses on the pastoral needs of students. We also have the John Paul II Student Centre which is available for students. Please see [www.jp2waterloo.ca](http://www.jp2waterloo.ca) for more information.

**SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION** • For more information about preparation and dates please visit our website or contact the parish office.

**MARRIAGE** • Please meet with the priest or deacon before making any other arrangements. Twelve (12) months notice is normally required so that proper preparation can take place.

**PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK AND SHUT-IN** • Trained volunteers assist in the pastoral care of those who are sick or confined, whether at home, at retirement residences, long term care facilities or in hospitals. Anointing of the Sick is celebrated at Columbia Forest Long Term Care, The Village at University Gates, The Court at Laurelwood and Clair Hills Retirement Community twice a year. Parishioners can request the Anointing of the Sick at any time by appointment in their home or in the church.

**PASTORAL CARE TO THOSE WHO ARE IN HOSPITAL** • Privacy of information laws prohibit the parish from obtaining information about parishioners in hospital. A family member is asked to contact the parish office whenever a parishioner is in hospital and requests a pastoral visit.

**PARISH OUTREACH** • St. Michael's Parish assists those in need through the St. Vincent De Paul Society. For emergency food help call 519-747-1090.

**MUSIC IN THE LITURGY** • Music plays an integral role in the liturgical life of the parish. Parishioners are invited to sing with the traditional choir (9:00 a.m.) or the contemporary choir (11:00 a.m.) on Sunday morning.

**PARISH BULLETIN** • News items for the bulletin should be submitted via email if possible and may be edited due to space limitations. All items must be in the parish office by Monday prior to publication.

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

*We are God's people called to worship and serve Christ Jesus in community on the journey of faith.*

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



**December 12 – 16, 2017**

### Tuesday

**6:30pm**

Rosary

**7:00pm**

+Fred Masters Sr. – *Doug & Gai Brown & Family*  
+Cheryl Tanghow – *Anthony & Magnell Robinson & Family*

+Jack & Helen O'Brien – *The Family*

+Magdalena Schroth – *The Schroth Family*

+Andrew Anstett – *Debbie Hicks & Brenda Perak & Families*

+Special Intentions of Carol-Ann Lorentz

### Wednesday

**12:15pm**

+Wendykier Family Members – *Teresa*

### Thursday

**12:15pm**

+Lily Choi & Martin Singco – *Evelyn Singco*

### Friday

**8:00am**

+Rita Polzin – *CWL*

### Saturday

**5:00pm**

+Joe Jordan – *Lou & Family*

+Ralph Harold Voisin – *The Family*

+Andy McAuliffe – *Marg Laurette*

### **Third Sunday of Advent**

*Isaiah 61.1-2a, 10-11*

*1 Thessalonians 5.16-24*

*John 1.6-8, 19-28*



## PARISH NEWS

### Sunday Offerings

December 3 – \$6,257.00 PAG – \$753.00



### **Advent Wreath – Week 2**

*"O King of all nations, Jesus Christ,  
only joy of every heart, come and  
save your people."*

**2018 COLLECTION ENVELOPES ARE NOW  
AVAILABLE FOR PICK-UP OUTSIDE THE  
PARISH CENTRE.**

**Please note that your last opportunity for  
reconciliation here at St. Michael's is Saturday,  
December 23<sup>rd</sup> at 4:00pm.**



This weekend is Coffee Sunday! Please join us after 9:00 & 11:00am Mass in the Parish Centre for a time of community with fellow parishioners. If you require assistance, please ask an usher.

## ALTAR SERVERS

### **Saturday, December 16**

**5:00pm:** Alex Winter, Katie Kuepfer, Gabriel Pregelj

### **Sunday, December 17**

**9:00am:** Joel & Ryan Jobby, Mark Pawliszyn

**11:00am:** Neme, Edu & Ify Okonkwo

## MINISTERS OF THE WORD

### **Saturday, December 16**

**5:00pm:** \* Brenda Richey-Van Bakel

<sup>1</sup> Gerry Kraemer <sup>2</sup> Tessa Heffernan-Hendel

### **Sunday, December 17**

**9:00am:** \* Suzanne Johnson

<sup>1</sup> Jose Prudencio <sup>2</sup> Michael Prudencio-Brunello

**11:00am:** \* Ralph Stacey

<sup>1</sup> John Strong <sup>2</sup> Sue Durance

## MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

### **Saturday, December 16**

**5:00pm:** Lynn West, Joanne Winter,  
Veronica Zarin, Ken Adams

### **Sunday, December 17**

**9:00am:** Tom Mandich, Peter Michels,  
Mary Ellen Nolan, Teresa Palmer

**11:00am:** Kathy Shaw, Martina Smith, Bruce Fleming,  
Bob & Jean Balahura, Julie Dreisinger



Thank you to everyone who has donated to the 2017 St. Michael's Christmas Sharing Project. It is very important that all gifts be returned by Monday Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> because all of the gifts items will be packaged and delivered this coming week.

On behalf of all women who build peace in their communities, **Development and Peace – Caritas Canada** thanks you for your continued commitment. At St. Michael's 315 action cards were signed as part of this pan-Canadian Catholic movement for peace and justice. To become a member, go to [devp.org/membership](http://devp.org/membership)



### **Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting**

Members of this ministry knit or crochet Prayer Shawls for those who are experiencing difficult times and Baptismal Blankets for each baby baptized at St. Michael's. Patterns are as simple or as complicated as you wish or need. Please join us Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> from 1-3pm in the Guardian Angel Room.

We also have members who are unable to attend our meetings but wish to participate in this ministry.

For more information please contact the Parish Office.



## **39<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL ADVENT NOVENA - AN INVITATION TO PREPARE WELL FOR CHRISTMAS:**

It's not too late to join in! Masses continue Monday to Saturday at 6:30am at St. Agnes Church. (Father Dave is on Wednesday).

**INCOME TAX RECEIPTS:** Canada Revenue Agency states that charitable donations can only be receipted for the year that they have been given. If you would like credit for donations in 2017, **all donations must be into the collection at the 5:00pm Mass on Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017.** Donations given on Monday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 at the 10:00am Mass will be included in 2018 donations. The Parish Office is open until **Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm** and will reopen on Tuesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 at 9:00am.



**CD of the Week: The Face of God**

Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta is known throughout the world as a woman totally committed to the Gospel. In the first presentation, she explains the infinite value of God's gift of life; in the second presentation, she emphasizes the Eucharist and our call to imitate Christ by loving each other unconditionally. A bonus segment is provided by Dr. Scott Hahn on Understanding the Eucharist.



**Coping with the holidays...when you have lost a loved one.**

Join us for an evening of reflection and strategies for coping at Christmas, facilitated by Dr. Wendy Hofman on Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup> from 7-8:30pm at St. Mary's Church, Cambridge. **The event is FREE of charge.** Please call to reserve a seat at 519-658-4443. (If you haven't registered you are still free to attend.)

**Longest Night Prayer Service**

If Christmas is a sad time for you because you of the loss of a loved one, please consider attending this ecumenical service on **Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00pm at St. Francis Parish.** This will be an evening of prayerful reflection in solidarity with all who have gone home to Jesus and those who grieve their loss. A time of fellowship will follow.



**Waterloo Knights of Columbus NEW TOYS FOR NEEDY KIDS TOY DRIVE** continues until December 20<sup>th</sup>. Toys may be dropped off at all Waterloo fire stations or at Waterloo K of C, 145 Dearborn Pl.

**COME JOIN US TO FIND THE "KEYS TO LOVING RELATIONSHIPS"**

"Keys" is a nine week video-based program meant for anyone (married or single) who is looking for a more meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better "me" in all your relationships! The program runs Tuesday evenings from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. starting January 23<sup>rd</sup>, at St. Mark's Parish, 55 Driftwood Ave., Kitchener. The cost is \$45.00. For more information, please call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.



**On Sale Next Weekend in the Main Vestibule!** Cash & Carry truffle boxes by **ESTA** – \$3.50 each – they make excellent stocking stuffers and you can support the church parking lot fundraiser at the same time! Test your guessing abilities and take a chance to win a large vase filled with assorted ESTA truffles – guesses are only a \$1.00 each!

**Pope Francis to attend World Meeting of Families in Dublin** – The Diocese of Hamilton is planning a trip to the World Meeting of Families in Dublin, Ireland, which takes place Aug. 21 – 26, 2018. This international event is designed to be significant to people of all ages at all stages of life. Every keynote address and workshop will be based on Pope Francis' *Amoris Laetitia*, or The Joy of Love. This is a family event with workshop streams for those 18 and older, 6 – 17 years and day care for those 5 and younger. The Diocese of Hamilton has booked a block of rooms for anyone interested in attending, **but** registration for the conference portion and travel are to be booked by each individual participant. Conference Registration can be found at <http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/>. For more information or to book accommodation at our hotel, the Maldon Hotel Tallaght, go to <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/familyministry/wmof-2018> or call 905-528-7988 ext. 2250. Diocesan accommodation must be booked by mid-January, so contact us soon if you are interested.



**The Diocese of Hamilton  
Internal Auditors  
(Part-time Casual)**

The Diocese of Hamilton is looking for part-time Auditors to perform financial and administrative reviews of our Parishes and Cemeteries. The hours of work will vary depending on the number of reviews and the complexity of the reviews, but on average an Auditor can expect to work between 7 to 15 days per year. Remuneration will be based on the number of audits performed.

Duties include:

- Review and critique of the current audit program.
- Responsible for planning and execution of 5 to 10 audits per year.
- Prepare and present audit reports for review.
- Work with Parishes and Cemeteries to correct the audit findings.
- Some travel will be required.

Qualifications:

- Professional designation in accounting is required.
- Strong communication and presentation skills with ability to comfortably communicate at all levels.

If this is a position that would interest you, please submit a resume by **December 15, 2017** to: [carrers@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:carrers@hamiltondiocese.com)



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