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St. Michael's Catholic Church

St. Michael's Parish Offices - 80 University Ave., W. at Hemlock St., Waterloo, ON N2L 3C7

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

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| 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 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 celebrate a 7pm Sunday Mass for students. The St. John Paul II Student Centre (jp2waterloo.ca) offers programming throughout the week, and Campus Ministry at St. Jerome's University provides pastoral care and programming for students on the University of Waterloo campus (sju.ca).

BAPTISM • 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 HOMEBOUND • 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 11 - 15, 2018

Tuesday

6:30pm Rosary
7:00pm +Marilyn Rogan – Kathleen & Paul Wesley
 +Andrew Anstett – Debbie Hicks, Brenda Perak & Families
7:30pm Holy Hour with Adoration and Benediction

Wednesday

12:15pm +Cecilia Ho Szeto – Theresa Leung & Family

Thursday

12:15pm +Ray Heimpel – Jan

Friday

8:00am +Richelle & Tomas Ladroma Jr. – Merlie

Saturday

5:00pm +Larry Driscoll – Tony Bogan
 +Frank Rowan – Lou Jordan
 +Vic Straus – Jarrett, Tracey & Katie Kuepfer

Third Sunday of Advent

Zephaniah 3.14-18a Philipians 4.4-7 Luke 3.10-18



PARISH NEWS

Sunday Offerings

December 2 – \$8,129.00 PAG – \$843.00

Advent Wreath – Week 2

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

Please note that your last opportunity for reconciliation here at St. Michael's is Saturday, December 22nd at 4:00pm.

This is our last Sunday 7:00pm Mass until Sunday, January 6th.

2019 COLLECTION ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE FOR PICK-UP IN THE PARISH CENTRE.

2018-19 SUNDAY MISSALS (\$4.00) and CHILDREN'S MISSALS (\$8.00) are available for purchase in the main vestibule.



DON'T FORGET! Christmas pageant practices on December 16 & 23 at Noon.

In anticipation of Advent and being prepared, a sign-up sheet for those wishing to light the Advent candles at weekend Masses is in the main vestibule.



ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, December 15

5:00pm: Eric McCrea, Gabriel & Xavier Pregelj

Sunday, December 16

9:00am: Mark & Elizabeth Pawliszyn, Adam Colwell

11:00am: Edu, Ify & Neme Okonkwo

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday, December 15

5:00pm: * Tom Connor
 1 Abraham Fernandez 2 Steve Kamski

Sunday, December 16

9:00am: * Sylvia Daudu
 1 Marty Bell 2 Gilles Gelinas
11:00am: * Stephen Pacheco
 1 Herli Liem 2 Kishanie Jayasundera

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

Saturday, December 15

5:00pm: Tim & Norah O'Leary,
 Lynn West, Joanne Winter

Sunday, December 16

9:00am: Annabel MacDonald, Teresa Palmer,
 Peter & Noreen Michels

11:00am: Denise McClanahan, Theresa Leung,
 Magnell Robinson, Jeanette Rousseau,
 Kathy Shaw, Martina Smith



This weekend is Coffee Sunday! Join us after 9:00 & 11:00am Mass in the Parish Centre for a time of community with your fellow parishioners.

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 2018, **all donations must be into the collection at the 5:00pm Mass on Sunday, December 31st, 2018.** Donations given on Tuesday, January 1st, 2019 at the 10:00am Mass will be included in 2019 donations. The Parish Office is open until **Friday, December 21st at Noon** and will reopen on **Wednesday, January 2nd, 2019 at 9:00am.**



Prayer Shawl Meeting on Wednesday, December 12th from 1-3pm in the Resource Centre. If you know of anyone that would need a prayer shawl please call the Parish Office.



Thank you! On behalf of those forced to flee their homes, villages, or countries, thank you for your ongoing commitment and mobilization. At St. Michael's we have taken action in solidarity with forced migrants by signing 285 action cards. Together, we have the power to change lives.



2019 Membership dues – remain at \$30. These can be brought to the Christmas Social or placed in the collection baskets in January. If you will be away after Christmas, please submit your dues in December.



Asked Questions appear in Parish bulletins regularly. A compilation of all questions that have been published are available throughout the campaign at onehearttonesoul.ca

What kinds of things does the Diocese do for Parishes and others already?

The good work of the Diocese of Hamilton is widespread. Here are a few examples of the ways diocesan offices enhance the life of our Parishes and people:

- Advocating for the dignity of all life and supporting and promoting marriage and family life.
- Encouraging vocational discernment to priesthood and religious life.
- Programming and support for youth and young adult ministry.
- Adult faith formation, catechesis, religious education and sacramental preparation.
- Assistance in the relocation and resettlement of refugees.
- Advocacy on behalf of the poor and marginalized.
- Assistance for Parishes in all aspects of sacred worship, including formation for liturgical ministers.
- Support for Parishes in the areas of human resources, building maintenance, financial reporting, stewardship, charitable giving and Parish development.

Does the Diocese help organizations outside of it?

Yes, the Diocese is generous to many in need. For example, the Diocese has an ongoing financial commitment to help the Archdiocese of Port-au-Prince, Haiti, which is still suffering from the effects of the devastating earthquake there in 2010, and the Diocese of Churchill-Hudson Bay, which includes northern Manitoba and the territory of Nunavut. The Diocese also supports many worthy causes within and outside of the Diocese, such as: organizations who support the poor and marginalized, like St. Vincent de Paul, the Good Shepherd and several others; health care initiatives, including hospice care and conscience protection for those in the medical field; community organizations such as the Catholic Youth Organization, Catholic Family Services and Catholic Children's Aid; and several other organizations and causes in need who do the work of the gospel. Additionally, the Diocese is proud to have made a significant gift to St. Peter's Seminary in London, helping to ensure the seminary can continue its mission to form priests for our Diocese and the Church in Canada.

Why a significant gift to a seminary in another Diocese?

There is a longstanding and fruitful connection between St. Peter's Seminary in London and the Diocese of Hamilton. For more than a hundred years, St. Peter's has trained a majority of our diocesan Priests – and those of so many Canadian dioceses. Of the current Hamilton seminarians, the majority are at St. Peter's, one of only three English-speaking seminaries in Canada. Hamilton Priests have also served on the seminary's staff. The seminary is in need – these funds were required for St. Peter's to continue its mission of forming Priests, deacons and lay ministers – and its vitality is important to the long-term outlook for vocations in Hamilton.

PASSION PLAY AUDITIONS

Performance Dates:

Saturday, April 13th following 5:00pm Mass
Sunday, April 14th following 11:00am Mass
Friday, April 19th at 11:00am and 7:00pm



* Commitments include **ALL** of these performance dates as well as **ALL** rehearsals leading up to them. Rehearsals will take place on Sunday afternoons starting January 20th. *

Audition Dates:

Wednesday, December 12th 4:00pm
St. David's High School Drama Room

Sunday, January 13th 2:00–3:00pm
St. Michael's Church

Please arrive prepared to sing acapella and do a short provided reading. Whether you are an actor, singer, tech person, pianist or violinist we would be pleased to hear your talents. Students must be in high school, college or university. If you have any questions contact jane.jagas@gmail.com



Waterloo Knights of Columbus **NEW TOYS FOR NEEDY KIDS TOY DRIVE** continues until

December 21st. Toys may be dropped off at all Waterloo fire stations or at Waterloo K of C, 145 Dearborn Pl.



St. David Catholic Secondary School Grade 8 Parent and Student Information Night Thursday, January 10th 6:30pm to 8:00pm

Any students who live within the St. David Boundary and are planning to attend Grade 9 in September 2019 are invited. Please come with your parents to visit St. David and see all of the wonderful programs that we offer. Grade 8 students attending public school are also invited with their parents to this information session.



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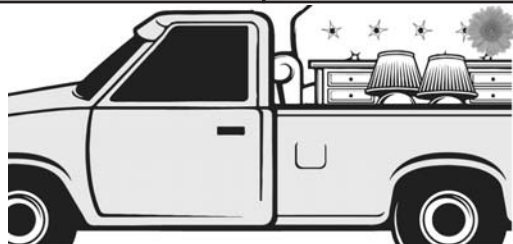
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