

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

MON Morning Prayer.....8:00 a.m.
TUE Mass.....7:00 p.m.
WED Mass.....12:15 p.m.
THUR Mass.....8:00 a.m.
FRI Mass.....8:00 a.m.
SAT Reconciliation.....4:15 p.m.



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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/forms 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 STUDENTS AND STAFF • St. Michael's Parish welcomes students to participate in the liturgical and pastoral life of the parish. Each Sunday evening during the university academic year, we provide a parish Mass at 7:00 p.m. that focuses on the pastoral needs of students and staff of the universities and colleges in our community.

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

MARRIAGE • Couples intending to be married are asked to fill out the application form available at stmichaelw.ca/sacraments. 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 • The Parish Nurse and trained volunteers assist in the pastoral care of those who are sick or confined, whether at home, at retirement residences, in nursing homes, in hospitals or in prison. Anointing of the Sick is celebrated in the parish church, Columbia Forest Long Term Care, 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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



MASS INTENTIONS December 16 - 20, 2014

Tuesday

7:00pm +Melania Gorecka & Jan Brac – *Tadeusz & Maria Gorecki*

Wednesday

12:15pm +Wendykier Family Members – *Teresa*

Thursday

8:00am +Helen Kuntz – *Paul Kuntz*

Friday

8:00am +Lily Choi & Martin Singco – *Choi & Singco Families*

Saturday

5:00pm +Tihomil & Louisa Fanolic – *Ana Franolic & Family*

+Ralph Schnarr – *Bernice Schnarr*
+Jim Logel – *Genevieve & Family*

Fourth Sunday of Advent

2 Samuel 7.1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16

Romans 16.25-27

Luke 1.26-38



PARISH NEWS

Sunday Offering

December 6 & 7 - \$7,870.00

The meeting for First Reconciliation is January 28, 2015. If you have missed First Communion and Confirmation meetings please contact Charlie Van Alphen.

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS: By law donations can only be receipted for the year that they have been given. If you would like credit for donations in 2014, **all donations must be into the collection at the 5:00pm Mass on December 31st, 2014.** Donations given on January 1st, 2015 at the 10:00am Mass will be included in 2015 donations. The Parish Office is open on Monday, December 22nd but closed Tuesday, December 23rd until Thursday, January 1st, 2015 inclusive.

2015 Collection envelopes are available for pick-up in the Resource Centre.

Sunday, December 14th is the last 7:00pm mass. They will resume on Sunday, January 11, 2015.

We need help: On Christmas Eve for the Family Mass at 4.30pm, we need help with our parking lot and assisting families to find parking in the university parking lots. It means being here at 3:45pm until the Mass is finished. Hot drinks, a warming spot, and an early visit with Santa will be provided. Call the parish office if you can help.

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, December 20

5:00 pm: Katie McElroy, Alex & Max Winter

Sunday, December 21

9:00 am: Melissa, Rachel & Nathan Chinnick

11:00 am: Sofia & Cristy Argueta, Joel & Ryan Jobby

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday, December 20

5:00 pm: * Marty Bell

1 Shari Guinta 2 Tom Connor

Sunday, December 21

9:00 am: * Marta Mandich

1 Suzanne Johnson 2 Pat Corman

11:00 am: * John Strong

1 Ralph Stacey 2 Sue Durance

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

Saturday, December 20

5:00 pm: Angela Tiedemann, George Farrell,
Paul Gladding, Gai Brown

Sunday, December 21

9:00 am: Mary Ellen Nolan, Jaime Quintanilla,
Doug & Yvonne Rickert

11:00 am: Gerdy Frantzke, Denise McClanahan,
Lorna Kennedy, Julie Dreisinger,
Rohan & Jacintha Jayasundera

Saving Seats for Christmas Masses: Everyone is reminded, that in fairness to others, seats can only be held until 10 minutes before mass starts. Our ushers will begin seating people in held spaces at that time. We appreciate and anticipate your cooperation on this issue.



Attention Snowbirds: CWL members may pay for their 2015 membership early by dropping off the \$30 membership fee, together with your name, address, email address and phone number, in an envelope marked "CWL" in the collection basket. New members may use the yellow form at church entrances. *Thank You!*

TELEVISED CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, OMI, DD, Bishop of Hamilton will celebrate Christmas Midnight Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. This is the 60th year that CHCH-TV has televised the Midnight Mass which is broadcast live and then repeated at 8:00 a.m. on Christmas morning. A carol service will begin at 11:30 p.m. followed by Midnight Mass. The televising of this celebration is made possible by the Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Hamilton.

♪ SING JOY! ♪

This Sunday, December 14th at 3PM, you are invited to enjoy the simple joy of **Christmas Sing-Along** at the Parish Centre. Choirs of St. Michael's and Our Lady of Lourdes parishes, together with special guests and performances, will be there to get you to sing your heart out! Still need Christmas presents? Come and browse through our donated new gift items and pick what you need and pay what you can! No parking headaches! Meet Santa and Elf with no line-ups! Sweets and cookies and beverages! Free-will donation supports the Good Hearted Women Singers and their work with local Aboriginal communities. Take the whole family! Come and enjoy a fabulous time!



50th Anniversary of First Mass in St. Michael's Church

50 years ago our church building was sufficiently completed for the community to celebrate its first Sunday Eucharist in the hall.

To mark this date there will be a sing-a-long (for 20 minutes) before all the masses on December 20/21 of songs that may have been sung at that first mass. Come early and join in "Memories in Song".

St. Louis Out of the Cold (OOTC) advisory team has made the decision to close down St. Louis OOTC effective Jan. 31, 2015, after 16 years of service. The Region's emergency shelters, specifically House of Friendship and the YWCA shelter are enabling the homeless to find permanent housing. St. Louis OOTC is confident the Region's efforts to end homelessness are working. We feel duplicating the services the Region is now supplying would not in the best interest of the homeless. Our goal is to support the Region with their mandate of aggressively addressing homelessness in the region.

Pope Francis to attend World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia – The Diocese of Hamilton is planning a trip to the World Meeting of Families, departing Sept. 22, 2015 and returning September 28, 2015 – both Bishop Crosby and Bishop Miehm will be attending. The World Meeting is designed to be significant to people of all ages at all stages of life. Every keynote address and workshop will be based on the concepts of marriage, family and relationship. This is a family event with workshop streams for those 18 and older, 6 – 12 years and day care for those 5 and younger. The first 100 people to register for the Hamilton Diocesan trip will have both their registration and transportation (by bus) paid by the Diocese, leaving only the cost of hotel and food. For more information and to register, please go to www.hamiltondiocese.com, or call 905-528-7988 ext. 2250. "I believe that this event has the power to transform, in deeply positive ways, not just the Catholic Church, but our entire community," stated Archbishop Charles Chaput of Philadelphia.

From the Parish Nurse:

Notes adapted from a website,



With the joyous season of Advent and Christmas upon us, we can expect more people to attend our church services. These include our frail elderly, young parents with infants and young children, and those of us in between – everyone in a confined space, and not all of us in peak health. All conditions point to an ideal time for bacterial and viral infections to spread very quickly. This can have fatal consequences for people with compromised health conditions, persons who take drugs for cancer treatment or who may be on powerful immune-suppressants, not to mention those people with compromised immune systems. So, what do we do?

Wash your hands thoroughly and frequently. Teach good personal hygiene to your children. Use the sanitizer at the church entrances. Keep a sanitizer in your purse or pocket.



Cough and sneeze into a tissue or the crook of your elbow. Dispose of your tissue properly.

Avoid touching surfaces that come in contact with lots of people.

Nod, smile or bow rather than shake hands during the 'sign of peace.' Eucharistic ministers must cleanse hands well with sanitizer and are asked not to serve if unwell.

Stay at home when you are ill. Transfer of an illness may have severe or fatal consequences. This is "loving your neighbour" in action.

Get the flu shot. If you have concerns about the vaccine, talk with your family doctor who knows your medical history and can advise you, or Waterloo Region Public Health at www.regionofwaterloo.ca/ph

And a special note to our valued elders.....please be prudent and exercise good judgement when weather conditions are icy or stormy. A fractured bone is often the precursor to a dramatically changed health status and living arrangement.



"Beloved, I pray that in all respects you may prosper and be in good health, just as your soul prospers."

3 John 2

Advent / Christmas Sale at the Carmelite Monastery begins the First Sunday of Advent until December 23rd everyday from 8:00am - 8:00pm. Homemade jams, jellies, honey, cards, knitwear, etc. make perfect stocking stuffers and Christmas gifts!



World Youth Day 2016 Krakow

The Diocese of Hamilton is organizing a group to attend the World Youth Day experience from July 19 - August 2, 2016. Cost: \$2400.00 incl. tax. Contact the office for more info or see www.hamiltondiocese.com/wy

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