

# 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

## 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.

## 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)

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.



## PARISH STAFF

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### Parish Website:

www.stmichaelw.ca

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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](http://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 & 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.stmichaelw.ca](http://www.stmichaelw.ca) and follow the link to JP II Student Centre 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, in nursing homes, in hospitals or in prison. Anointing of the Sick is celebrated in the parish church, 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.

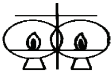
**MUSIC IN THE LITURGY** • Music plays an integral role in the liturgical life of the parish. Parishioners are invited to sing with the traditional choir (9:00 a.m.) or the contemporary choir (11:00 a.m.) on Sunday morning.

**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.*

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**



**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Dec. 20 - 23, 2016**

**Tuesday**

**7:00pm**

- +Sharon Yoo – *Lou & Cindy*
- +Ray O'Brien – *Doug & Gai Brown*
- +Special Intentions of Nancy Barker – *Gary Chrysler*
- +Special Intentions of Mary Dietrich & Family – *Jeannie & Brian Krulicki*

**Wednesday**

**12:15pm**

- +Carole Seguin – *Doug & Gai Brown & Family*

**Thursday**

**12:15pm**

- +Sheilagh Sehl – *Estate*

**Friday**

**8:00am**

- +Jim Kenney – *Eleanor Horrigan*

**Saturday**

**CHRISTMAS EVE**

**4:30pm**

Mass for Families with Pageant

**7:00pm**

Mass for Christmas Eve

**Midnight**

Midnight Mass (Carols at 11:30pm)

**Sunday**

**CHRISTMAS DAY**

**9:00am**

For the People

**11:00am**

For the People

**No 7:00pm Mass**

**Christmas – The Nativity of the Lord**

*Isaiah 52.7-10 Hebrews 1.1-6 John 1.1-18*



**PARISH NEWS**

**Sunday Offerings**

December 11 - TBA

**Sunday 7:00pm Mass**

**The Sunday 7:00pm Mass will resume on Sunday, January 8th for the remainder of the school year.**

**2017 collection envelopes are available for pick-up downstairs outside the Parish Centre.**

**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 2016, **all donations must be into the collection at the 5:00pm Mass on December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016.** Donations given on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 at the 9:00 & 11:00am Masses will be included in 2017 donations. The Parish Office is open until Noon on Friday, December 23rd and will reopen on Tuesday, January 3rd, 2017.

*Fair Trade orders are available for pick-up this weekend in the main vestibule of the church. Orders not picked up will be in the drawer unit at the top of the stairs.*

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**Saturday, December 24 Christmas Eve**

**4:30pm:** Madeline & Elizabeth Swart, Noah Van Alphen

**7:00pm:** Tyler Malizia, Gabriel Pregelj & ???

**Midnight:** Joel & Ryan Jobby, Rachel Chinnick

**Sunday, December 25 Christmas Day**

**9:00am:** Don Klein, Mark Pawliszyn, ???

**11:00am:** Ryan Leaman, Oshana & Sargon Putros

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

**Saturday, December 24 Christmas Eve**

**4:30pm:** \* Stefan Pregelj

1 Dave Swart 2 Dave Swart

**7:00pm:** \* Teresa Palmer

1 D'Arcy Terpstra 2 Ralph Stacey

**Midnight:** \* Judy Shulist

1 Shari Guinta 2 Kishanie Jayasundera

**Sunday, December 25 Christmas Day**

**9:00am:** \* Gerry Kraemer

1 Gilles Gelinas 2 Suzanne Johnson

**11:00am:** \* Fidelia Otokhina

1 Sylvia Daudu 2 Veronica Zarin

**MINISTERS OF COMMUNION**

**Saturday, December 24 Christmas Eve**

**4:30pm:** Gai Brown, Mary Ellen Nolan, Alicia Smith, Gerdy & Susan Frantzke, Theresa Leung, Paul Gladding

**7:00pm:** Lynn West, Doug & Yvonne Rickert, Jeannie Krulicki, George Farrell, Angela Tiedemann, Eleanor Horrigan

**Midnight:** Annabel MacDonald, Bonnie Schroth, Rohan & Jacintha Jayasundera

**Sunday, December 25 Christmas Day**

**9:00am:** Gai Brown, Peter Michels, Betty Lou Borho, Glen Loffree, Chris McKenzie

**11:00am:** Martin & Diane Jones, Lorna Kennedy, Dorothy Krauskopf, ???

*Wherever there are ???'s we are short altar servers. Can you help?*

**St. Michael's Social Media**



Are you a user of Facebook or Twitter? Stay up to date on parish happenings! Follow us on *Twitter* and join our *Facebook* group **@StMikesWaterloo** – and don't forget to bookmark our website: [www.stmichaelw.ca](http://www.stmichaelw.ca)

Did you know that we have a Friends of God program for 3-5 year olds during our 11:00am mass? There is still some space available for you to register your child. Contact the Parish Office for more information.



*The Carmelite Monastery's Christmas Sale continues until Sunday, December 18th. The sale will include homemade jams, jellies, our own honey, and home-baked loaves. Your support is much appreciated!*

## PASSION PLAY AUDITIONS

Sunday, January 8th 1:00 – 2:30 pm  
St. Jerome's University, Notre Dame  
Chapel **AND**  
3:00 - 4:00 pm St. Michael's Church



Come prepared to sing a cappella and to do a short reading. Music is chosen from contemporary sources (Godspell, Jesus Christ Superstar, Christian Rock). Students must be in High School, College or University. Contact linda.barrttoburns@gmail.com



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

continues until December 20th. Toys may be dropped off at all Waterloo fire stations or at Waterloo K of C, 145 Dearborn Pl.

*The Sisters of the Carmel of St. Joseph will pray for you during the Novena to Infant Jesus, December 16-25. Troubled? Do you need spiritual support? You can participate by sending your intention slip to Carmel of St. Joseph, 1127 Carmel-Koch Rd., R.R. #1, St. Agatha, ON N0B 2L0.*

### Embracing the Wisdom of Monks & Mystics A Senior Adult Workshop Series 6 Wednesday afternoons, starting Jan. 11 1:30 - 3:30pm Chancery Office – Hamilton

This 6 part workshop/study session will explore the lives of twelve great monks & mystics from the Christian tradition in new & creative ways. This course will be facilitated by Sister Mary Heather MacKinnon SSND. The cost will be \$35 and includes the text, *Illuminating the Way*, by Christine Valters Paintner. Please register by Dec. 22 2016. For further information please contact Monica at mverin@hamiltondiocese.com or 905-52807988 ext. 2238 or check the website, [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) for more information.

**Laudato Si is a Call to Conversion** Come and spend an evening exploring Pope Francis' encyclical on *The Environment and Human Ecology* with Fr. Tom Rosica, CSB, CEO of Salth and Light Television. "Past popes have written on the importance of protecting the environment, but [Laudato Si] is a major piece of work, and an ardent call from one of our world's major leaders for us to work together to address this existential problem. ... To use religious language, what the Pope is calling for is conversion." (Fr. Tom Rosica, CSB) Join us Wed. Jan. 11 at 7pm, St. Francis Church.



## PARISH SECRETARY OPENING

If you love the Lord and working with people apply to our St. Anne's Parish Office. Primary roles include Parish correspondence (phone / email), Mass cards, bulletin, St. Vincent de Paul. Bookkeeping would be an asset. Please contact Father Ray Peter for more information at [frayinstannes@gmail.com](mailto:frayinstannes@gmail.com) or 519-745-5302.

## Thanks



### A Message from Father Locky:

Thank you greatly for your interest, support and encouragement! The 35 boxes crammed full with love and tender care are now beginning their journey to Malawi and Zimbabwe....it's a lot of effort and love.

Our 16 seminarians doing theology send prayers and appreciation and will be happy to hear that there are 35 Christmas boxes on the way.

Our 16 voices as well as Father Sylvester and myself - we are indeed grateful and will remember all involved in big or small ways in our community Mass.

May Christmas at St Michael's truly be a blessing.

*Sincerely Father Locky*

Give someone a gift that's truly special. Some gifts mean more than others. When you donate blood, you Give Life. That's something that can make the holidays special for someone in need. Your blood donation has impact. Give a gift that can't be bought. It's the best gift you can give this holiday season. You can donate every day in December except the 25th. Book an appointment to Give Life now! It takes about 1 hour and there are goodies after! It's FREE! Call 1-888-2DONATE (1-888-236-6283) or visit <https://blood.ca> for more information.



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The primary way we enable this across

Canada is through our Broadcast Partners at Salt + Light Television, VisionTV and yesTV.

Effective immediately NCBC's Daily TV Mass (Monday-Saturday) is now available anytime and anyplace on our new website, on our new YouTube channel and in the near future on an APP for use on Apple or Android devices.

K-W Birthright has found a new home and has a **New Office Wish List**. If you are cleaning out children's dressers and have any clothes size 0-1 years that are in good repair, they would love them to stock their new store front location.

They are also looking for volunteers for a few hours a month. You will reap the joy of making a difference in the lives of those in need. Call 519-579-3990 or visit [kitchener@birthright.org](mailto:kitchener@birthright.org) for more information.

"Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife... When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him." Are you willing to respond as Joseph did? If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation at 905-528-7988 or email [mking@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mking@hamiltondiocese.com)



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