



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.



Our Worship Space and Parish Centre are barrier free off of Hemlock Street entrance

WEEKDAY MASSES

Please consult inside of bulletin.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday 6:15-6:45 p.m.

Friday 8:30-9:00 a.m.

Saturday 4:15-4:45 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

PARISH PRAYER NETWORK

Our parish prayer network offers us the opportunity to weekly pray for those in our community who are in need. To become a member of the prayer network, or to add an intention, just drop us an email at stmikesprayer@gmail.com

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

Provides emergency grocery assistance to needy persons and families in our parish area. If there is an urgent need, please call 519-747-1090. A monthly collection to assist the Society in its work takes place on the First Sunday.

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

Weekly Gospel Reflection (Lk 1:26-28)



Annunciation announces the coming of God's favour. Our life is full of little and big annunciations, that is, ways in which God comes to us and ways in which we bring God alive to others.

Acts of unexpected kindness, the simple goodness of people, the embrace of a loved one, a conversation with a friend ..., anytime we find genuine compassion, it is an annunciation. Annunciation is also an invitation for a response, "**Here am I ... Let it be with me according to your word.**" Our Christmas way of celebration and helping those in need is our response to annunciation.

Fr. Jamroz

WELCOME HOME TO ST. MICHAEL PARISH

Welcome, we are really glad you're here! Whether exploring, struggling or looking for a new Church Home - we extend a warm welcome to our parish and pray that you feel at home. Please introduce yourself and consider becoming a member of our Family of Faith. *For details on our parish life, offering envelopes, pre-authorized or online giving, as well as to find out about ways of connecting, check out our website:* www.stmichaelw.ca



Tuesday, December 22, 2020

7:00 pm + Patricia Boatman – The Boatman Family
+ Dorothy Freiburger – The Family
7:30 pm Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction

Wednesday, December 23, 2020

12:15pm + Rudy Ianni – Marie Ianni

Thursday, December 24, 2020

Christmas Eve – no 12:15 Mass
Mass at 4 pm, 6 pm, 9 pm –registration required

Friday, December 25, 2020

Christmas Day – no 8:00 am Mass
Mass at 9 am and 11 am – registration required

Saturday, December 26, 2020

5:00pm + Anthony Hergott – Madeline Hergott & Family
+ Leslie Molnar – Rita Molnar

Lord's Day Mass Times

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am and 11 am

Church doors are open 30 minutes prior to each Mass. Please arrive early so that the Ministry of Health guideline of social distancing can be followed.

Reconciliation

Tuesday 6:15 pm to 6:45 pm
Friday 8:30 am to 9:00 am
Saturday 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm
Also, by appointment.



All Day Confessions

Tuesday, December 22

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available from 8 am to 7 pm. Mass will be at 7 pm and Adoration will follow. More details on the scheduled priests is posted on our website.

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday, 9 am to 4:30 pm.
The office will close at 3:00 pm on Dec. 24 and will be closed Dec. 25 and Dec. 28.



Christmas Season Masses

Christmas Mass Schedule Registration required

Christmas Eve – Thursday, December 24th
4:00 pm, 6:00 pm and 9:00 pm

Christmas Day – Friday, December 25th
9:00 am and 11:00 am

Registration is required and you will be assigned seating. You can register on our website or contact the parish office by phone 519-884-9311 or email parish@stmichaelw.ca

Christmas Season Mass Times – no registration required

Feast of the Holy Family

Saturday, December 26 – 5 pm

Sunday, December 27 – 9 am and 11 am

Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God

December 31 – 5 pm

January 1 – 9 am and 11 am

Feast of the Epiphany

Saturday, January 2 – 5 pm

Sunday, January 3 – 9 am and 11 am

Sunday Missals and Children's Missals are now available for the new liturgical year. They are \$5 for Sunday and \$10 for children's and are available at the main doors of the church or the parish office. In order to limit contact, please have exact change.

Catholic Missions Calendar for 2021 Available at the Welcome Desk and at the parish office Limited supply. Donations would be appreciated.

Sunday Offering Envelopes for 2021 Sunday Offering Envelopes for current envelope users are at the welcome desk. If you wish to pick up your envelopes at the parish office, please call a day ahead so we can have them ready for you. **Help us keep accurate records by printing your name, address and the amount of your donation on every envelope you use. Please destroy all unused 2020 envelopes at the end of the year. Your number may have changed for 2021.** If you are not currently using envelopes but are interested in obtaining Sunday Offering Envelopes, please contact the parish office. All are invited to consider Pre-Authorized Giving as a method to support our parish family - forms are available online.

Christmas Floral Tribute

Envelopes and forms for Christmas floral tributes are available at the Welcome Desk. You can also donate online. If donating online, in the comments section, please put floral tribute and the name of the deceased person you wish to remember. Names will be placed by the altar and remembered at Mass through the Christmas Season.

Christmas Midnight Mass – Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton

His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, will celebrate Christmas Midnight Mass from the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. The Midnight Mass will be preceded by a Carol Service beginning at 11:30 p.m. Both the Carol Service and the Midnight Mass will be broadcast on Salt+Light Media and shared with CHCH-TV. The Mass will be repeated on CHCH-TV at 8:00 a.m. on Christmas morning.

Due to COVID restrictions, all seating for Midnight Mass has already been reserved. Join us for the broadcast and share in the joy of this Christmas feast!



The Office of Liturgy and the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis are pleased to bring you a Christmas Liturgy that can be celebrated - in safety - with family in your home. Below you will find tips, a video with the Gospel Proclamation and Reflection by Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, and an outline of the Liturgy of the Word. Click on <https://hamiltondiocese.com/christmas2020/> for more details.

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