



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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Weekly Gospel Reflection (Mk 1:1-8)



Advent is a joyful season of preparation for the coming of the Lord into our lives. This is why John the Baptist invites us in the Gospel to “**prepare the way for the Lord.**” As John indicates, preparation consists of repentance. But repentance does not merely mean changing one’s life. Repentance first of all, is the outcome of the experience of being loved. God does not merely wait that we meet certain moral conditions so He could come to us. Jesus dines with sinners before they clean up their lives. In fact, He dines with them and many of them do clean up their lives. The same will happen to us if we allow the Lord to embrace us in His mercy.

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 8, 2020

7:00 pm + Ondrej Moravic – Stefan & Maria Liko
Special Intentions of Larry Laba
– Bob & Jean Balahura

Wednesday, December 9, 2020

12:15pm Those who have received prayer shawls
- The Prayer Shawl Ministry
+ Ralph Freiburger – The Family

Thursday, December 10, 2020

12:15pm + Carl & Irene Boatman – The Boatman Family

Friday, December 11, 2020

8:00 am + Helen Benninger – The Family

Saturday, December 12, 2020

5:00pm + Bernard Adlys – Sonia & Family



Christmas Mass Schedule

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

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.

Parish Office Hours

Our parish office hours during COVID will continue as Monday-Thursday, 9 am to 4 pm.



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CWL Rosary Online 7pm Monday Nights

CWL members and parishioners are invited to join together in praying the Rosary on Monday evenings during Advent – Nov. 30th, Dec. 7th, Dec 14th and Dec. 21st.

The Rosary will be prayed online on Zoom at 7pm. It will be led by a member of the CWL. If you would like to join, please email Shani Pregelj; email cwl@stmichaelw.ca or phone 519-883-8933 to request the Zoom link.

All are welcome to participate – CWL members, parishioners and friends

Advent Reflections with Bishop Barron



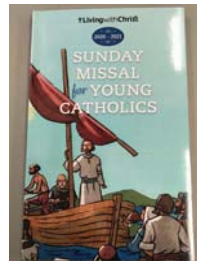
Advent reflections by Bishop Barron are posted on the home page of our website. Be sure to check in each day for the new reflection.

The Sisters of the Carmel of Saint Joseph will pray for you during the Novena to Infant Jesus December 16th to December 25th Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support? You can participate in the Novena to Infant Jesus. Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to:

Carmel of Saint Joseph
1127 Carmel-Koch Road, R.R. #1
St. Agatha, ON N0B 2L0



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



Children Sunday Missals are now available. They are \$10 each, available at the main doors of the church or the parish office. Please have exact change. These missals can also be purchased at the parish office.

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. 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.

Parents and Grandparents

Want to share some meaningful time with your children this Advent? Come and pick up a free copy of "The Best Advent Ever" a book from the Adventures of Nick & Sam from the Augustine Institute. Limited supply. Please only one per family. Available at the weekend Masses or from the parish office Monday-Thursday from 9 am – 4 pm.

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