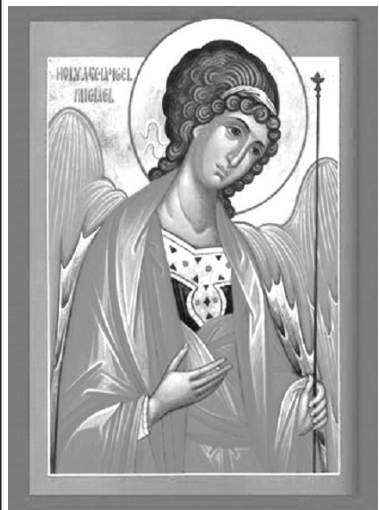


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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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.

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

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 on line giving, as well as to find out about ways of connecting, check out our website: www.stmichaelw.ca or see anyone at our Welcome Desk.*



February 26 – March 2, 2019

Tuesday

6:30pm Rosary
7:00pm +Valerie Gaudreau – Bernadette Woods & Family

7:30pm Holy Hour with Adoration and Benediction

Wednesday

12:15pm +Irene, Miro & Steve Guacci – Linda Guacci

Thursday

12:15pm +Johnny Bogan – Tony Bogan

Friday

8:00am +Leslie Molnar Sr. – The Family

Saturday

5:00pm +Simon D'Souza – Joan & Philip
+Ralph Schnarr – Bernice & Family
+Bryan Gleason – Bonnie & Family

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sirach 27.4-7 1 Corinthians 15.54-58 Luke 6.39-45

Sunday Offerings

February 17 – \$5,868.00 PAG – \$8,102.00

Thank you for your generosity

2018 Income Tax receipts are available for pick-up in the Parish Centre (lower level) as well as 2019 collection envelopes.

DID YOU KNOW?



Did you know that the Season of Lent is only two weeks away (Lent begins on **Ash Wednesday - March 6th**). There will be three Masses with Distribution of Ashes (7:00am, 12:15pm, and 7:00pm). There will also be Liturgies of the Word at our elementary schools on that day. Let us make sure to start Lent well together.

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, email us at stmikesprayer@gmail.com

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, March 2

5:00pm: Noah & Alia Van Alphen, Katie Kuepfer

Sunday, March 3

9:00am: Mark & Elizabeth Pawliszyn, Roney Puthran

11:00am: Anson & Charmaine Chan, Ryan Leamen

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday, March 2

5:00pm: * Steve Kamski
1 Beatrice Bonga 2 Shari Guinta

Sunday, March 3

9:00am: * Peter Michels
1 Gilles Gelinas 2 Veronica Zarin

11:00am: * Krista Nolan
1 Jason Higgins 2 Fidelia Otokhina

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

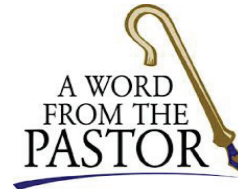
Saturday, March 2

5:00pm: Andrea Dafoe, Lynn West,
Joanne Winter, Veronica Zarin

Sunday, March 3

9:00am: Ian Sine, Betty Lou Borho, Tony & Pam De Leo,
Michelle Borho-Harris

11:00am: Theresa Leung, Martina Smith,
Bob & Jean Balahura, Gerdy Frantzke,
Rohan & Jacintha Jayasundera



As our parish continues to get busier, and more requests arrive for items to be included in our bulletin, beginning with the start of the Season of Lent, we will no longer be including the names of liturgical ministers in our weekly bulletin. We ask those involved to please keep their schedules handy, or contact ministry co-ordinators for a new copy. We are working on some improvements to our website and in time we will be having a section on the website where ministry schedules will be accessible on line.

Our parish is blessed with parishioners who act as "Friendly Visitors" who make a visit, or bring communion, to those who are sick and homebound. This may take place at a parishioner's home, a retirement home or long term care facility. We are especially in need of volunteers to do visits in our retirement and long term facilities. Training will be provided. High risk screening is required. Please drop me an email, or give me a call at the Parish Office if you are interested in being involved in this highly rewarding ministry.



Thank you to all who came to our parish Skating Party on Family Day – it was a great opportunity to be together (and we had a great turnout). I am already looking forward to our next event – Coffee Sunday on March 10th – spread the news!

SUNDAY HOMILIES ON LINE

Sunday homilies are available weekly on line in audio version through our parish website – just click on the link.



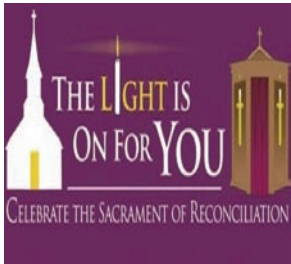
Beginning with the Season of Lent, (which starts with Ash Wednesday on March 6th) Father Freitas will also be writing a weekly reflection called “**Sunday Matters**” which will provide some questions to help all fully reflect on the Sunday readings. Watch for more details on the home page of the parish website (stmichaelw.ca).

VBS RETURNS!

Vacation Bible School will once again take place here at St Michael Parish. Save the dates of July 29-August 2, 2019 – 9:00-Noon. VBS is for children JK – Grade 5. *On Line Registration via our website will open soon.* If you wish to be part of our planning team – join us on Monday, March 4, 2019 at 7:00pm in the Kateri Room (Children’s Ministry)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

We will welcome to our parish, Father Thomas Rosica and friends from Salt and Light Television, who will visit our parish on the weekend of *March 30/31, 2019*. Father Rosica will preach at all Masses that weekend.



Save the date of **Wednesday, March 27, 2019** for our first **Day of Mercy**. An opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available from 8:00am-8:00pm with several visiting priests and in various languages. 12 Hours – 12 Confessors. Make sure to be part of our Day of Mercy.



Date: Wednesday, March 20, 2019
Time: 7-8:30pm (doors open at 6:30pm)
Place: St. Michael Parish Centre

If you have, or are, experiencing grief from the loss of a loved one, we invite you to join guest speaker, Courtney Harris, an Accredited Music Therapist. Music Therapy is proven to help decrease the feeling of isolation, encourages positive connections and promotes relaxation. There is no charge, although seating is limited. Please register by March 6, 2019 by contacting Kathy Shaw – shawbing@rogers.com or call 519-886-2117. At registration you will be asked to provide the name of a song (and artist if you know) that you can relate to or prefer.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

- WHAT IS IT AND HOW DO I ENROLL?

To accomplish the mission entrusted to us by Christ, St. Michael Parish depends entirely on the generosity of our parishioners. Pre-authorized giving allows you to give to the parish intentionally and faithfully through scheduled monthly or weekly transfers from your bank account, directly to the parish, aiding in our mission of helping each person in our community to have a life changing encounter with Jesus. Forms are available at the entrances to the church. Fill out the form, attach a void cheque and place the form in a sealed envelope and put it in the offertory collection. Thank you for helping in the Mission of Christ through St Michael Parish.

ST JEROME UNIVERSITY LECTURE

On Friday, March 1, 2019, Sister. Helen Prejean, will lead a presentation entitled “**Dead Man Walking: The Journey Continues.**” It will be based on her involvement with Ministry Against the Death Penalty. This ministry believes in the dignity of all people, promotes compassionate alternatives to the death penalty, and supports victims’ families. It takes place in Vanstone Lecture Hall, Academic Centre, St. Jerome’s University at 7:30pm | Doors open at 6:45pm. This lecture is available on a complimentary basis. Please register at www.sju.ca/lce

NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH

The Sisters of the Carmel of St. Joseph will pray for you during the Novena to St. Joseph, March 11th to March 19th. Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support? You can participate in the Novena to St. Joseph. Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to:

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

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

Our Share Lent workshop has been rescheduled for Tuesday, February 26, 2019 at St. Michael Parish Centre. It will begin at 7:30pm, with coffee and registration at 7:15pm. Please join us to learn more about this year’s “Share the Journey” campaign. All are welcome.

SAINT JOHN BIBLE - EVENING OF REFLECTION

TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2019 – 7:30-9:00PM

ST MICHAEL PARISH CENTRE

Join us for a reflection on **Our Life in Community** through the lens of the illumination of the Saint John’s Bible. Anne Jamieson, Director of Catechesis for the Diocese of Hamilton will lead us in this evening steeped in the Word of God. Sponsored by our parish CWL, *this event is open to all in the Parish (men and women)*. Feel free to join us at 6:30pm for Rosary and 7:00pm Mass.

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