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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)

Our worship space and Parish Centre are barrier free off of Hemlock Street.

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.

WEEKDAY LITURGY SCHEDULE

<u>NEW TO THE PARISH</u> • 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.

<u>PARISH RECORDS</u> • 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 and follow the link to JPII 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.

<u>PASTORAL CARE TO THOSE WHO ARE IN HOSPITAL</u> • 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.

<u>PARISH BULLETIN</u> • 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



MASS INTENTIONS Feb. 28 - Mar. 4, 2017

Tuesday 7:00pm

+Sharon Yoo – Lou & Cindy

+Bill Bruder – Doug & Gai Brown & Family

+Jack & Helen O'Brien - Estate

+Joe Hobin +Terry Forrester

+Special Intentions of Pauline Quinn – Pauline's

Family

Ash Wednesday

7:00am +William Arnold – *Estate*

12:15pm +Mike Sharratt – *Monday Morning Faith Group* **7:00pm** +Don Paquette – *Doug & Gai Brown & Family*

Thursday

12:15pm +Mike Sharratt – *Prayer Shawl Group* **5.100pm** Student Holy Hour with Adoration

<u>Friday</u>

8:00am +Sheilagh Sehl – *Estate*

6:30pm +First Friday Mass with Adoration &

Stations of the Cross

<u>Saturday</u>

5:00pm +Jack & Helen O'Brien – *The Family*

+Joe Jordan – Elizabeth Forewell

+Bernard Adlys - Sonia & Family

First Sunday of Lent

Genesis 2.7-9, 16-18, 25; 3.1-7++ Romans 5.12-19 Matthew 4.1-11



PARISH NEWS

Sunday Offerings

February 19 - \$5,132.00 PAG - \$5,534.00

2016 Income Tax receipts are available for pick-up in the main vestibule.

We Welcome Fr. Toby Collins, C.R.

We welcome Fr. Toby Collins this weekend who is celebrating our Sunday morning and evening Masses. Fr. Toby is the Vocations Director for the Congregation of the Resurrection. Fr. Dave will be celebrating the Sunday Masses this weekend at St. Jerome's University. We have a vibrant Catholic community here in Waterloo – let's keep it in continued prayer!

<u>Lighthouse Catholic Media: Week #1 – My Beloved Son: Mediations for Lent</u> Fr. Robert Barron offers five sermons on the spiritual discipline we must cultivate in the Lenten season, a discipline centered in Christ. These meditations cover topics such as finding our identity in God, prayer as the key to mission, our thirst for God, how to end our alienation from God, and how to joyfully embrace the way of happiness. Check out the rack in the main vestibule for some Lenten season inspiration.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD (ASH WEDNESDAY)

Wednesday, March 1

7:00am, 12:15pm & 7:00pm: TBA

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION (ASH WEDNESDAY)

Wednesday, March 1

7:00am: Glen Loffree, Lynn West, Alicia Smith

12:15pm: Jeannie Krulicki, Lorna Kennedy,

Diane Jones, Theresa Leung

7:00pm: Magnell Robinson, Gai Brown,

Grace Gao, Paul Song

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, March 4

11:00am: Edu Okonkwo, Ryan Leaman,

Alessia Ovcacik, Melissa & Rachel Chinnick

5:00pm: Noah Van Alphen, Gabriel Pregelj, Katie Kuepfer

Sunday, March 5

9:00am: Madeline & Elizabeth Swart, Clara Thompson

11:00am: Oshana & Sargon Putros, Cecilia Frantzke

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday, March 4 & Sunday, March 5: TBA MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

Saturday, March 4

5:00pm: Ken Adams, Gai Brown,

Andrea Dafoe, Mike Lahn

Sunday, March 5

9:00am: Tony & Pam De Leo, Eleanor Horrigan,

Laura Haffner, Helen Anne Hause

11:00am: Bob & Jean Balahura, Gerdy Frantzke,

Paul Song, Grace Gao,

Rohan & Jacintha Jayasundera

'Journey to the Cross' Fridays in Lent

Are you looking for a spiritual resolution for Lent? Join us Friday evenings during Lent and take some time for the Lord. Each evening will begin with Mass at 6:30pm, followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm, followed by a Holy Hour of Adoration until 8:30pm. Join us for the whole evening or for whatever amount of time you can, as we make our 'Journey to the Cross'. Make this Lent a <u>meaningful</u> one!



Parish Lenten Retreat with Fr. David Perrin

We are happy to have this year Fr. David Perrin, professor at St. Jerome's University, leading our Parish Lenten Retreat. He will preach at all of the Masses on the weekend of March 11th & 12th, and will lead the retreat on the evenings of March 13th, 14th and 15th at 7:00pm. Each of the 7pm talks will be about 30-40 minutes in length, and focus on the theme: "Conversion in the Ordinary: Discovering God in everyday life". Be sure to join us on these evenings for some spiritual renewal, and to begin Lent on the right foot! On these evenings Mass will also be offered at 6:30pm for those who are able to make it.

<u>Lenten Walk with the Lord — 40 Acts of Kindness</u>

Enhance and enrich your Lenten commitment and experience! "Lenten Walk with the Lord" asks you to do one simple act of kindness for 40 days of Lent. Calendars available at all entrances to help you track of your kindnesses....great for all ages!



On Ash Wednesday, Development and Peace – Caritas Canada will lauits **50th**

annual Share Lent campaign, this year entitled *Women at the Heart of Change,* to provide essential support to the poorest populations of Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East. Today, Development and Peace supports 173 partners and 194 projects in 46 countries!

Make Share Lent a part of your family's Lenten journey by using the **Solidarity Calendar** found in today's bulletin or at <u>devp.org</u>. This year, the Share Lent collection will take place on April 1st and 2nd, which is Solidarity Sunday.

Follow and share the campaign on Facebook and Twitter: **@DevPeace #sharelent2017 #inspiringwomen**

50th Fact: Development and Peace's first Share Lent campaign took place in **1968 and raised \$1.35 million** which was used to carry out projects in **32 countries**.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - MARCH 3rd

St. Anthony Daniel parish welcomes everyone to this year's World Day of Prayer celebration on Friday, March 3rd at 2:00pm.

Our prayer service, "Am I Being Unfair to You?" was prepared by women from the Philippines. We warmly invite all to join us as we join Christians around the world in prayer.



BE INSPIRED ENCOURAGED AND HEALED: Our Lady of Lourdes CWL is organizing a bus to the Lift Jesus Higher Rally on Saturday, March 4th, 9:00am-5:30pm at Metro Toronto Convention

Centre. Talks by Sr. Ann Shields, Peter Herbeck and guest speaker Bishop Scott McCaig. Powerful witnesses of personal and family healing from David Patterson and Gemma MacDonald. The adult high Mass (with Sunday readings) will be celebrated by Cardinal Thomas Collins, and Bishop Scott McCaig will celebrate with the youth as there will be a separate youth event (13-18 years) with great music, dynamic talks and inspirational skits. Tickets for the rally are \$25 for adults and \$15 for the youth plus the bus cost of \$25/person. Contact Mel at 519-885-0955 or raosma63@gmail.com, or Rita at 519-886-0085. For more info see www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca

2016-2017 Lectures in Catholic Experience at St. Jerome's University Join us on FRIDAY, March 10th, when Fr. Michael Patella, a Benedictine monk of St. John's Abbey & University in Collegeville, MN explores the meaning of the visual leitmotifs that run through the Bible, connecting one book and story to another. Fr. Patella was on the Committee on Illumination and Text for The Saint John's Bible—the first handwritten and illuminated Bible in over 500 years. You will also have an opportunity to see three Heritage volumes of this beautiful **Location**: Vanstone Lecture Theatre, sacred text. Academic Centre (SJ2 1004), St. Jerome's University **Time**: 7:30pm | Doors open at 6:45pm. Free of Charge | Free Parking | Wheelchair Accessible | Refreshments Served

Amoris Laetitia - The Joy of Love

Love is a word used to describe many things. In his Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation, Amoris Laetitia, Pope Francis engages us in a genuine perspective on how to understand love from the perspective of both the Church teachings and the family. He presents both the goodness and challenges of the family and, with keen insights, points out some of the issues faced by families in the world today. Join St. Michael's Parish CWL on Tuesday, March 7th beginning with Mass at 7:00pm followed by the meeting from 7:30–9:00 pm to hear more about love and the family as Pope Francis sees them. Our presenter is Teresa Hartnett, Director of Family Ministry for the Diocese of Hamilton. All are welcome, so come out and bring a friend!

THANK YOU! If you have already supported "Days for Girls", thank you. If you have not and would still like to, boxes will be at the main entrance until Tuesday, February 28th.

<u>REMINDER:</u> Confirmation rehearsal on Thursday, March 2nd at 7:00pm in the church.

Thinking about Separation or Divorce? — Is your marriage or that of a relative or friend heading for divorce? Do you know how to save that marriage? Or do you feel helpless? Retrouvaille is designed to help marriages regain their health. It helps spouses re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples that have already separated or divorced. For confidential information or to register for the program beginning March 24th please call 905-664-5212 or email hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca or visit www.retrouvaille.org

"No one can serve two masters." If God is calling you to serve him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation at 905-528-7988 or by email mking@hamiltondiocese.com *Please join us on Saturday, March 4th at 9:00am for a Discernment Gathering here at St. Michael's.*

Ministry of the Week - Small Faith Sharing

We have 2 small groups that meet regularly to pray together, read Scripture, share faith and reflect on the Scripture readings for the upcoming Sunday. One group meets on Monday mornings at the church and the other group meets every other Tuesday evening at a parishioner's home.

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