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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.

TUE WED THUR FRI	Mass 7:00 p.m. Mass 12:15 p.m. Mass 12:15 p.m. Mass 8:00 a.m.
TUE	Reconciliation 6:00-6:45 p.m.
WED	Reconciliation 11:50-12:05 p.m.
THUR	Reconciliation11:50-12:05 p.m.
SAT	Reconciliation 4:00-4:30 p.m.

WEEKDAY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Mass....7:00 p.m. (during the academic year)

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 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.

<u>MINISTRY TO PARISH SCHOOLS</u> • 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.

<u>SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION</u> • For more information about preparation and dates please visit our website or contact the parish office.

<u>MARRIAGE</u> • 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 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.

2016

	MASS INTENTIONS <u>March 1 - 5, 2016</u>	
<u>Tuesday</u>		
<u>12.15pn</u>	<u>1</u> +Special Intentions of Cecilia & Simon Szeto – <i>The Szeto Family</i>	
	+Special Intentions of Stefan & Maria Liko –	
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<u>Wednesday</u>		
12:15pm 7:00pm	+Peter Lee – Bob & Jean Balahura Evening Prayer	
<u>Thursday</u> 12:15pm	+Joyce Shewchuk – Doug & Gai Brown & Family	
<u>Friday</u> 8:00am	+Deceased Members of the Walter/Seitz Families – Jerry & Joanne Berlette	
7:00pm	+First Friday Mass with Adoration & Stations of the Cross	
<u>Saturday</u> 4:00pm 5:00pm	+Reconciliation +Ernie Hollo – Mary Chrysler & Family +Helen O'Brien – CWL	

+Peter Lee – CWL

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Joshua 5.9a, 10-12 2 Corinthians 5.17-21 Luke 15.1-3, 11-32

PARISH NEWS

Sunday Offering February 21 – \$5,279.00

2015 Income Tax receipts are available for pick-up outside the Parish Centre.

NO SCENTS IS GOOD SENSE

Some of our parishioners have serious allergies to scents and unfortunately have had to leave mass and other parish events due to allergic reactions. Please do not wear perfume, scented hairspray, cologne, scented deodorant, aftershave or other scented products. Your support is most appreciated.



DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET During the season of Lent, we will be praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet before each Mass on the weekend.

First Communion Meeting: Parents and children are reminded of a meeting on Tuesday, March 1st at 7:00pm in the church.

ALTAR SERVERS		
Saturday, March 5		
5:00pm: Abigail O'Reilly, Madeline & Elizabeth Swart		
Sunday, March 6		
9:00am: Nonso Moneme, Clara Thompson, Tyler Malizia		
11:00am: Logan & Autumn Ball, Anson Chan		
MINISTERS OF THE WORD		
Saturday, March 5		
5:00pm: * Tom Connor		
Brenda Richey-Van Bakel 2 Stefan Pregelj		
Sunday, March 6		
9:00am: * Katherine Bergman		
1 Teresa Palmer 2 Gilles Gelinas		
11:00am: * John Strong		
1 D'Arcy Terpstra 2 Ralph Stacey		
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION		
Saturday, March 5		
5:00pm: Tracey Kuepfer, Joan Fernandez		
George Farrell, Angela Tiedemann		
Sunday, March 6		
9:00am: Yvonne & Doug Rickert,		
Betty Lou Borho, Michelle Borho-Harris		
11:00am: Jeannie Krulicki, Theresa Leung,		
Denise McClanahan, Julie Dreisinger,		
Kathy Shaw, Martina Smith		



Members are reminded that your 2016 fees are now due. The CWL members' fees for 2016 remain at \$30. Your fees help fund many events here at St. Michael's, contribute to donations to local / global charities and help our organization bring up important matters to Government which benefit many Canadians. Remember to include your name on your envelope.

Share Lent Pilgrimage – Building community in Indonesia The 3rd week of our pilgrimage finds us in



Indonesia. The word kampung has come to mean 'slum' in the local language, but its original definition is 'community.' Your support for Share Lent means that Try Mopurto, who lives in a kampung, has been able to renovate his home for his family, despite suffering from mental illness. "My home is my heaven," he says, "because here we feel the meaning of brotherhood in the social life of the kampung." Solidarity Sunday – March 13, 2016.

Prayer Vigil - Thursday, March 3rd from 9:00-10:00am in front of Freeport Hospital for babies being aborted. All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice, but our own! Parking is across the road, Schneider Park. Any gueries, contact Cathy at: kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com

St. Jerome's University — "Illuminating Hearts and Minds" on FRIDAY, March 4, for "Identity as Performance: You're Given a Script, But You Can Switch It (Maybe)." Lawrence Hill, author of The Illegal and The Book of Negroes, will share his observations on the subject of human identity as something that is evolving, complex and sometimes impossible to define. Location: C. L. Siegfried Hall, St. Jerome's University at 7:30pm. Doors open at 6:45pm. Free | Wheelchair Access | Refreshments | No Registration



On Saturday, March 5th at 3:30pm, members from the movement Teams of Our Lady will visit our parish and familiarize us with the

charism of the largest international movement for married couples in the Catholic Church. The Teams of Our Lady helps exists to help couples discover the abundant riches of the sacrament of marriage and to live out a real married spirituality. Founder Fr. Henri Caffarel, affirms that "The Teams of Our Lady have as their essential aim to help couples to strive after holiness - no more, no less". There will be a PowerPoint presentation and a chance to meet other couples from the K-W region. Childcare will be provided! If you and your spouse yearn for a deeper intimacy through conjugal and family prayer in addition to support of families who are working towards this goal, please visit www.teamsofourlady.ca and join us! *"Let* everyone see that you are interested only in the highest ideals" (Rom. 12:17). RSVP to Monika and Chris via phone/text 416-346-2610 or km.matelski@rogers.com

Climate Change: What is our responsibility as Catholics? The Social Justice Committee invites you to attend an evening of education on Climate Change on **Monday, March 7th** at **7:00PM** in the parish centre. Caterina Lindman will give a presentation about Pope Francis's teaching on climate change, and actions that we can take at both a personal and political level. Caterina Lindman is the leader of the St. Jerome's Social Justice Committee, and the Waterloo Region Citizens' Climate Lobby. She is a frequent contributor to the Waterloo Region Record on the subject of climate change.

Come and See Retreat

Men interested in the vocation to the priesthood are invited to the Come and See Retreat at St. Peter's Seminary in London on the weekend of March 4 - 6. This is a unique opportunity to spend time with those studying for the priesthood, hear their stories, and pray for your vocation. More details and online registrations at www.HamiltonVocations.com

During this Holy Year of Mercy, the Waterloo Deanery will host 24 Hours for the Lord on March 4th & 5th at Sacred Heart Church. The principal feature of this observance will be to



offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation continuously from 4-11pm on Friday, March 4th and again from 6am-4pm on Saturday, March 5th. In addition to the Sacrament of Reconciliation, will be offering various liturgies and devotions on March 4 - 5th. For more information contact the parish at 519-519-742-5831.

Do you feel alone? - Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on **March 11th** please call **905-664-5212** or email: hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca or visit the web site at www.retrouvaille.org

160th Anniversary of the Diocese of Hamilton

On February 29th the Diocese of Hamilton will celebrate its 160th Anniversary! The Diocese was established in 1856 by Pope Pius IX in order to meet the needs of a rapidly growing Catholic community. The Diocese of Hamilton has flourished through the leadership of its Bishops and the faith of its clergy, religious communities, and dedicated parishioners.

Then and Now

1856

Bishop: Bishop John Farrell, the first bishop of the Diocese of Hamilton

Catholics: 28,000 Catholics in the region

Parishes: 9 parishes, 16 missions

Priests: 4 priests

Religious Communities: 3 Sisters of St. Joseph

1956

Bishop: Bishop Joseph Ryan, the sixth bishop of the Diocese of Hamilton

Catholics: 112,000 Parishes: 86 parishes, 28 missions

Priests: 223 priests

Religious Communities: 9 religious congregations of men, 10 religious congregations of women

2016

Bishop: Bishop Douglas Crosby, the ninth bishop of the Diocese of Hamilton

Catholics: over 600,000 – The Hamilton Diocese has grown to become the second largest English-speaking Roman Catholic Diocese in Canada.

Parishes: 124 parishes, 22 missions

Priests: 151

Religious Communities: 13 religious congregations of men, 13 religious communities of women

The Lord is kind and merciful and calls us to proclaim His Name. If you feel God's call to the priesthood or consecrated life, visit www.HamiltonVocations.com

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH: No marriage or relationship remains stagnant – life changes and experiences that occur on a day to day basis mold and shape us and therefore, our relationships. Now and then it is good to stop and check the new you and see how you have changed: how have these changes impacted your relationship with those you love, especially your spouse? Are you communicating well with your spouse, continuing to be open and honest about your needs and wants and to finding out what theirs might be? Marriage is a work in progress which thrives when we remember to do a checkup now and then!

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH: The best way to assist your children to thrive is to give them a good sense of security and self-worth. This is accomplished when parents understand their role as leaders of their families: they set the rules, make sure the rules are followed and discipline when necessary. To achieve this, they should spend quality time with their children, which helps them know they are loved, valued and important. Parents need to be an authoritative figure, which means they can't always be the fun friend, but they can love their children enough to help them become healthy and well-functioning adults!

