

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)

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.



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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.

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 JP II 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 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.

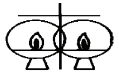
MUSIC IN THE LITURGY • Music plays an integral role in the liturgical life of the parish. Parishioners are invited to sing with the traditional choir (9:00 a.m.) or the contemporary choir (11:00 a.m.) on Sunday morning.

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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



MASS INTENTIONS

Feb. 16 - 20, 2016

Tuesday

12:15pm +Lois & Norm Palmer – Steven & Teresa Palmer
+Paul Bak – Glenn & Rosanna Davis & Family

Wednesday

12:15pm +Peter Lee – Eleanor Horrigan
7:00pm Evening Prayer

Thursday

12:15pm +Peter Lee – Jerry & Joanne Berlette

Friday

8:00am +Sheilagh Sehl – John & Helen Anne Hause
7:00pm Adoration & Stations of the Cross

Saturday

4:00pm +Reconciliation
5:00pm +Bernard Adlys – Sonia & Family
+William Hergott – Tony & Madeline Hergott
+Clive Dinner – Doug & Gai Brown & Family

Second Sunday of Lent

Genesis 15.5-12, 17-18 Philippians 3.17-4.1 Luke 9.28b-36



PARISH NEWS

Sunday Offering

February 7 – \$6,537.00

All Parishioners are invited to Evening Prayer every Wednesday evening at 7:00pm throughout Lent.

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.

Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the life-commitment God has prepared for you? If you feel God's call to the priesthood or consecrated life, visit www.HamiltonVocations.com



School Registration: Please refer to the bulletin boards

for registration at Sir Edgar Bauer and St. Nicholas schools as well as other separate schools in Waterloo

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, February 20

5:00pm: Madeline & Elizabeth Swart, Tyler Malizia

Sunday, February 21

9:00am: Nonso Moneme, Reney Puthran, Clara Thompson

11:00am: Samantha, Hailey & Rylee Terpstra

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday, February 20

5:00pm: * Gerry Kraemer
1 Darcel Kirvan 2 Stephen Pacheco

Sunday, February 21

9:00am: * Fidelia Otokhina
1 Marta Mandich 2 Diana Knoll

11:00am: * Krista Nolan
1 Jason Higgins 2 Herli Liem

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

Saturday, February 20

5:00pm: Joan Fernandez, Paul Gladding, Mary Pat Hergott, Mike Lahn

Sunday, February 21

9:00am: Tom Mandich, Annabel MacDonald, Peter Michels, Chris McKenzie

11:00am: Denise McClanahan, Theresa Leung, Jean & Bob Balahura, Lorna Kennedy, Gerdy Frantzke

A thank you message from Christine Wilfing-Revo of HUGO re: Christmas Sharing 2015 "We all want to thank you all so much again from the bottom of all our HUGO hearts. The residents couldn't have had more happiness and joy. Many of them suffer from low self-esteem and were in shock that strangers would think enough of them to buy them a gift. Many have since wanted to become more involved in the community and give back what they can. Your gifts and kindness that you all have shown has been instrumental. Words can't express our gratitude!! Bless you all so very, very much. Your kindness has not only touched hearts but lifted moods and spirits long past the holidays." Pictures including some of the HUGO Christmas Celebration will be posted soon on the St. Michael's website.



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.

Dear God, You established the family and willed that it should become a sign of our Savior's love for His Church. Please bless all the members of our family. Surround us with your protection, so that we may find comfort and peace. Shower upon us your blessing, so that we may be joined by love and support one another by fervent prayer. Help us to draw closer each day to you and to one another, until we come to share with you the joys of heaven. We ask this through Christ our Savior. Amen.





Are you thinking about becoming a Catholic? R.C.I.A. (The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a journey of conversion within the living community of faith. RCIA culminates in the Sacraments of Initiation – Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. RCIA is for:

- adults who have not received any of the Sacraments of Initiation
- adults who have been baptized Catholic or another Christian tradition and have not received Confirmation or First Communion
- adults who have been baptized Catholic and have made their First Communion but have not been Confirmed
- **children** attending separate, public school or who are being home schooled, who are 8 years old (in grade 3) or older who have not been Baptized or received First Communion

Adults and children prepare for initiation through a process of prayer, rituals, reflection on the word of God, teachings of the Church, community activities and support and service to others. For more information and to register contact the Parish Office at 519-884-9311.

Share Lent - A Climate of Change pilgrimage starts in Haiti



This year for Share Lent, Development and Peace invites you to join a Climate of Change pilgrimage. Together we will journey through Lent with people whose lives are being changed with your support. The Mini-magazine (insert in the bulletin last week) is your pilgrimage guide. Some copies are also available in the vestibule of the church. In Week 1 we meet Adonis Medjine from Haiti. A survivor of the 2010 earthquake, she is benefitting from a social enterprise project to raise chickens. "Thanks to this job and the wages I receive, I can take care of my family, send my children to school and complete a few projects." **Solidarity Sunday – March 13, 2016.**

World Day of Prayer 2016

During the first week of March, faith groups in more than 170 countries and in 2,000 communities across Canada will gather to learn about, pray for, and celebrate our solidarity with the women of Cuba through **World Day of Prayer**.

Please join us in an ecumenical-interfaith worship event on **Saturday, March 5th at 10:00am in Mount Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, 29 Westmount Road S. Waterloo.**

- We will have a large Cuban-themed paper mural for anyone who wishes to write personal messages of peace and solidarity from themselves or their place of worship.
- We also hope to have all or most of the service screen-projected in large print for easy visual access to everyone.
- An excellent short DVD will be shown about Cuba and its re-emerging faith communities at a time when this once-isolated socialist country is becoming open again to the rest of the world.
- Refreshments and Cuban snacks will follow the service.



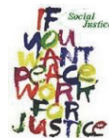
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

During the season of Lent, we will be praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet before each Mass on the weekend. The Chaplet of the Divine Mercy is a Christian devotion, based on the visions of Jesus reported by Saint Mary Faustina Kowalska (1905-1938),

known as "the Apostle of Mercy." She was a Polish sister of the Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy and canonized as a Catholic saint in 2000.

St. Faustina stated that she received the prayer through visions and conversations with Jesus, who made specific promises regarding the recitation of the prayers.

As a Roman Catholic devotion, the chaplet is often said as a *rosary-based prayer* with the same set of rosary beads used for reciting the Holy Rosary.



Great news! The missing members of one Syrian family arrived. Adnan and Siham were reunited with their daughter Lama and grandchildren Assem, Lana and Taj last Tuesday. It was Lana's eleventh birthday so she will always remember the day she arrived in Canada. Hopefully, the parish will get to meet the family soon. Another family, Iraqis currently in Jordan, were interviewed and approved last Sunday. Linda's family will be joining her sister Noor in Cambridge sometime soon. Please keep praying for all of our refugee families - newly arrived, approved but waiting for visas, waiting for interviews - and for all other refugees who so desperately are seeking safety and a chance to start over.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in 2016? If you are, you are invited to join couples from across the Diocese for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, May 29th** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 1:30pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Please refer to the poster on the bulletin board at the entrance at University Ave. off the parking lot. For information on how to register for the celebration, or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com

A Lifeline for Marriage – 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 11, 2016** please call **905-664-5212** or email: hamiltonretrouville1@cogeco.ca or visit the web site at www.retrouville.org

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