



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. & 7:00 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday: 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday & Thursday: 12:15 p.m.

Friday: 8:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Before daily Masses and

Tuesday 6:15-6:45 p.m., 7:45 -8:15 p.m.

Friday 8:30-9:00 a.m.

Saturday 4:00-4:45 p.m.

Father is also available before and after Sunday Masses if needed.



Our Worship Space and Parish Centre are barrier free off of Hemlock Street entrance

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

PARISH PRAYER NETWORK

Our parish prayer network prays for those who are in need. To add an intention or become a member of the prayer network, please email us at parish@stmichaelw.ca

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

Due to COVID-19, emergency food deliveries from our parish are currently on hold. If there is an urgent need, please call 519-742-8327 and press 2 for the House of Friendship food assistance program. Monthly collections have also been "paused" for 2022 due to inactivity for the foreseeable future.

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.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Sunday's Gospel Reflection (Lk 5:1-11)



Peter falls at Jesus' feet and says that he is not worthy to be in Jesus' presence. This detail reminds us of Isaiah's reaction when he encountered God. Isaiah expressed his human limitations in terms of unclean lips. To Isaiah the seraph says, "**your guilt has departed, and your sin is blotted out** (Is 6:1-8)." To Peter Jesus says, "**Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.**"

Both stories show that when we allow God to embrace us in His mercy, God will transcend our human limitations and sins to prepare us for the task to which we are being called. Therefore, when God asks, "*Whom shall I send?*" each of us can answer, "*Send me!*"

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, registration, 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, February 8, 2022

7:00 pm + Lynn Bulmer – CWL
+ Francisco Volpe – Nicolina Volpe
7:30 pm Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

12:15 pm + Special Intentions of Pope Francis
- Candace Smith

Thursday, February 10, 2022

12:15 pm + Michéle Morue – Jenny Bernhardt

Friday, February 11, 2022

8:00 am + Katherine Krochak – Nick Stasiuk

Saturday, February 12, 2022

5:00 pm + George Chrysler, Jr. – The Family
+ Ted Eckert – Doug & Gai Brown & Family
+ Victor & Theresa Castelino – Vernon Castelino

Public Masses have resumed

We may welcome the number of people we can accommodate with two metres of social distance between individuals/households. All who participate in the liturgy are to wear masks.

Sunday Homilies Online

Sunday homilies are available weekly online in audio version through our parish website – just click on the button 'LISTEN TO HOMILY'.

Sunday Missals

Sunday and Children's Sunday missals are now available for the new liturgical year. They are \$5 for the Sunday Missal and \$10 for the Children's Missal and are available at the main doors of the church. In order to limit contact, please have exact change. Missals can also be purchased at the parish office Monday-Friday 9 am – 4:30 pm.

Parish Office Hours

The parish office is open for in person, Monday – Friday from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. If you are in need of a priest, you can contact Fr. Jamroz at 519-884-9311 ext. 27 or by email at pastor@stmichaelw.ca

2021 Income Tax Receipts

2021 Income Tax Receipts will be mailed on February 7. If you have donated to One Heart One Soul, you will receive a separate tax receipt for that amount from the Diocese.

Refugee update

St. Michael Refugee Sponsorship Program: It usually takes many years for a refugee sponsorship application to be processed so that, when the newcomer finally arrives, there is an element of the surreal. Such was the case on January 19, 2022 when Ghadeer arrived at Pearson airport to the welcome of her family and members of the parish Refugee Support Team. With heartfelt gratitude, Ghadeer thanks our parish for supporting her sponsorship, for giving her the hope that her life would get better someday, for bringing her to a safe and peaceful country. Please keep her in your prayers as she continues her life journey.

Moms Ministry

Virtual Small Group - Thursday, February 17th. Join us for an evening of conversation, reflection and virtual connection as we dive into how patience transforms our journey with the Lord and through our vocations as parents. Afterwards, we'll brainstorm and share our family Lenten traditions as we prepare for the upcoming season. We will use the **Patience & Parables** small group guide from Ablaze Families, week 1. Download your free guide here:

<https://d2y5h3osumboay.cloudfront.net/h87vfmmnqhlz u34kq2n8s6midfw5>

Register on our parish website to get the Zoom link today <https://www.stmichaelw.ca/womens-ministry>

RCIA Sponsors needed

We are blessed with many RCIA candidates this year but we are in need of sponsors. If you are interested, please see Father Jamroz or contact the parish office.

The 2021 – 2023 Synod of Bishops

brings an invitation from Pope Francis to embark on a journey together. How can you get involved? Offer your thoughts on how we can deepen our communion in the Lord and how all members of the Church can participate more fully in its mission. Visit the diocese website <https://hamiltondiocese.com/synod/#about> to take the survey or fill out the hardcopy survey inserted in the bulletin and drop it in the collection or to the parish office by February 27, 2022.



DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

Marriage Support - Is your marriage experience more trouble than joy, feeling stagnant or disconnected and/or causing you worries? The solution is Retrouvaille - a program for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille has one purpose: to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It also works well for couples who may be considering separation or divorce. The next Retrouvaille weekend begins March 13, 2022. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com.

The Witness of Faith in the Home is the second talk in our Hamilton Diocesan Speaker Series - Join us on Wednesday, Feb. 16th from 7-8:30 p.m. for this wonderful talk by Connie Clark. Connie is the author of numerous books, booklets and articles for parents, catechists, teens and kids. Sharing engaging personal stories, encouragement, and practical ideas, Connie helps families recognize their beautiful, vital role in the Christian community and in the family of God. She will focus on how parents, grandparents, teachers, aunts, uncles, catechists and everyone can guide families as they grow in faith. The entire series, running once per month until June, will be presented by zoom, so you must register for each talk, but can join in by internet or phone. Check the Diocesan website at <https://amorislaetitia.hamiltondiocese.com/> for more information on the series and to register. For more information, contact Teresa Hartnett at thartnett@hamiltondiocese.com, or 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

Mt. Carmel Spiritual Centre

Death and Dying – Let's Talk About It

Do you find it difficult to talk about the topic of death and dying? If so, you are not alone. Having discussions about your own death and the death of others brings up many uncomfortable emotions so we tend to shy away from it.

This Workshop is designed to help start those conversations.

Led by: Anna Racine

Date: Sat. February 26, 2022

(930am-3:30pm includes lunch)

Cost: \$65

Contact 905-365-4133 for details.



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