



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.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday: 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday & Thursday: 12:15 p.m.

Friday: 8:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday 6:15-6:45 p.m.

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

Saturday 4:15-4:45 p.m.



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 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, just drop us an email at stmikesprayer@gmail.com

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

Provides emergency grocery assistance to needy persons and families in our parish area. If there is an urgent need, please call 519-747-1090. A monthly collection to assist the Society in its work takes place on the First Sunday.

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.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Weekly Gospel Reflection (Mk 1:29-39)



When Jesus entered Peter's house, He encountered human need in the illness of Peter's mother-in-law. As we are told, Jesus healed her by "**taking her by the hand and lifting her up.**" That phrase indicates much more than restoration of physical health. It is a gesture that symbolizes restoration of life.

There are many things that can heal and restore life on a human level. There is the healing of someone who listens, who does not offer easy and 'quick fixes' but shows deep and authentic compassion. We cannot physically heal people the way Jesus did, but we can participate in His work of "raising others up."

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*



Due to the Ontario lockdown, there will be no in-person Masses. Masses will be live-streamed.

Tuesday, February 9, 2021

7:00 pm + Arthur Benninger – The Family

Wednesday, February 10, 2021

12:15 + Dorothy Freiburger – The Family
+ Aleksandra Chomej – Michael Chomej

Thursday, February 11, 2021

12:15 pm Intentions of the Leung Family

Friday, February 12, 2021

8:00 am + Helen Benninger – The Family

Saturday, February 13, 2021 – remembered in private

Mass by Father Jamroz. Not live-streamed

+ Feudjio Jacques, Tonleau Jérôme, Fofack Bernadette, Momo Marie – The Jemetio Family

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Due to the lockdown, the office is closed for in person. You can call or email. Messages will be checked regularly. 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



During the lockdown, Masses will be live-streamed with the following schedule. The link is available on the parish website.

Sunday at 11:00 am
Tuesday at 7:00 pm
Wednesday at 12:15 pm
Thursday at 12:15 pm
Friday at 8:00 am

A Note on Live-Streamed Masses

Live-Streamed Masses are available on You Tube at the scheduled Mass time. If you miss that time, once the Mass has finished, it will take a few hours for it to show on You Tube. Sometimes the delay is taking a bit longer but if you search for St. Michael Waterloo and the date you may find it easier.

Mass Intentions – openings for February

You can request a Mass intention during the lockdown. We do still have openings for this month. You can do so by either emailing the parish office at parish@stmichaelw.ca or you can do it online through the donate option. If requesting online, please indicate your request in the comments section. Intentions for our daily Mass are remembered during our live-stream Masses. A Saturday Mass request is remembered in private Mass by Father Jamroz.

Donating Options

Although the office is closed, you can still drop off donations (no cash please) in the mailbox at the parish office. It will be checked regularly. You can also donate online at <https://www.stmichaelw.ca/donate>. Thank you for your generosity toward the financial needs of our parish.

Tax Receipts for 2020

Tax receipts for donations received in 2020 will be mailed before the end of February.



<https://hamiltondiocese.com/news/2021/January/statement-on-the-use-of-covid-19-vaccines>



Thank you to our campaign volunteers

St. Michael Parish is so grateful for parishioners who are working on preparations for the *One Heart, One Soul* Campaign, which kicks off here in two weeks. With their help and yours, we believe the campaign will strengthen our parish in important ways and help build a culture of stewardship.

Q. What changes are being made to the campaign process because of the current situation?

A. The options for parish projects that utilize campaign funds are even wider now and can include efforts to stabilize operating budgets. Pastors and parish leaders are encouraged to further review request amounts and their use to be sensitive to parishioners' changing situations. Also, options have been expanded on how we communicate with prospective donors. Face-to-face meetings have been an important piece of the campaign, but safety is paramount, and a number of alternatives, such as phone calls, will be utilized so that every parishioner's situation is handled safely, sensitively and appropriately.

Q. Won't giving now make it harder for a lot of parishioners?

A. The campaign is founded on stewardship, our belief that we give back in gratitude a portion of what we've been given by God. Stewardship isn't just for the good times in life, when we can give easily; it's for all times, including the bad. We may adjust how much we give, or to whom we give, but we continue to give – in gratitude for and in proportion to what we've been given. A truly sacrificial gift demonstrates our trust that God will provide what we need, though not necessarily what we want. Stewardship isn't what **KEEPS** us from getting through the tough parts of life; it's what **HELPS** us get through them.

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