

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

MON Morning Prayer.....8:00 a.m.
TUE Mass.....7:00 p.m.
WED Mass.....12:15 p.m.
THUR Mass.....8:00 a.m.
FRI Mass.....8:00 a.m.
SAT Reconciliation.....4:15 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 STUDENTS AND STAFF • St. Michael's Parish welcomes students to participate in the liturgical and pastoral life of the parish. Each Sunday evening during the university academic year, we provide a parish Mass at 7:00 p.m. that focuses on the pastoral needs of students and staff of the universities and colleges in our community.

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

MARRIAGE • Couples intending to be married are asked to fill out the application form available at stmichaelw.ca/sacraments. 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 • The Parish Nurse and 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.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MASS INTENTIONS February 10 - 14, 2015

Tuesday

7:00pm +William Arnold – *Estate*
+Margaret Balcerzak – *St. Michael's CWL*

Wednesday

12:15pm +Adrian Van De Hogen – *Paul & Mary Kluka*

Thursday

8:00am +Joe Walter – *Jerry & Joanne Berlette*

Friday

8:00am +Special Intentions of Georgette Vejvoda's Family

Saturday

5:00pm +Mabel Mapplebeck – *Peter & Shari Guinta & Family*
+Boban Bogdanovich – *Daphne Cruz*
+Kristina Hood – *Veronica Zarin*

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Leviticus 13.1-2, 45-46
1 Corinthians 10.31-11.1
Mark 1.40-45



PARISH NEWS

Sunday Offering

January 24 & 25 – \$7,508.00
January 31 & February 1 – \$6,293.00



**St. Michael's
Catholic Women's League**



CWL invites ladies, 16 and older, to join our league.
Our membership fee for 2015 is \$30.

Our next meeting is February 10th with Marianna Worth, Chaplain at Resurrection High School talking about how our local Catholic schools are implementing activities and policies to comply with Bill 13, Accepting Schools Act, enacted in 2012. All parishioners interested in Catholic education are invited to attend in the Parish Centre after the 7:00pm mass.

Attention: All Ladies in the Parish:

Thanking God with an Attitude of Gratitude! All ladies of the parish are welcome to attend a half-day CWL Shared Lenten Retreat on Saturday, Feb 21st from 9am-12:15pm at St Louis Parish. We begin with the celebration of the Eucharist, two presentations by **Teresa Hartnett**, Diocese of Hamilton and fellowship. We will reflect on what it means to thank God with an attitude of gratitude in our lives and be still and take some time to discover how we are called to journey with hope in our hearts. There is no attendance fee and no registration. **Join us on February 21st!**

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, February 14

5:00 pm: Abraham Fernandez, Alex & Max Winter

Sunday, February 15

9:00 am: Nonso Moneme, Cara Andersen,
Madeline & Elizabeth Swart

11:00 am: Sofia & Cristy Argueta, Don Klein

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday, February 14

5:00 pm: * Veronica Zarin

1 Darlene Auguste 2 Kathleen Doyle

Sunday, February 15

9:00 am: * Linda Guacci

1 Katie Haffner 2 Marta Mandich

11:00 am: * Kishanie Jayasundera

1 Mike Neeb 2 Ralph Stacey

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

Saturday, February 14

5:00 pm: Ken Adams, Mary Pat Byrne,
Joan Fernandez, Paul Gladding

Sunday, February 15

9:00 am: Tom Mandich, Chris McKenzie,
Mary Ellen Nolan, Eleanor Horrigan

11:00 am: Martina Smith, Susan Frantzke,
Rohan & Jacintha Jayasundera,
Dorothy Krauskopf, Denise McClanahan

We are pleased to welcome Father Mark Miller CSsR this weekend at the 5:00pm, 9 & 11:00am Masses to speak to us in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes feast day, also designated World Day of Sick.

There is a Prayer Shawl Meeting Wednesday, February 11th from 1-3pm in the Resource Centre. New members are always welcome. If you know of anyone in need of a Prayer Shawl please call the Parish Office.

Calling all those with muscles! On Saturday, February 28th we will have a dumpster on church property to dispose of items we no longer need in the parish. We are looking for men as well as high school students looking for volunteer hours to help at 9:30am. Please contact the Parish Office if you have an hour or so to help out.



SOUNDS AMAZING! **St. Jerome's University Campus Ministry invites you to a spectacular concert on Sunday, March 1st at 2:00pm held at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Kitchener! The "SOUNDS AMAZING!" concert will be held in support of the renovations of the St. Jerome's University chapel to provide a permanent worshipping space for our students and the community.**

There will be jazz, classical, rock, and Celtic music with a few tunes from Broadway thrown in!

Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$18 for students/seniors. To order tickets please contact Martha Fauteux at 519-884-8110 x28215 or mfauteux@uwaterloo.ca

Pope Francis has called a Synod of Marriage and Family to be held in October which is to include Bishops from around the world. You are invited to participate in the gathering of information from the Hamilton Diocese. There are two ways that you may submit your responses:

- 1) Fill in the questionnaire which can be found on the Hamilton Diocesan website at www.hamiltondiocese.com. The questionnaire seeks information from the faithful on the content of the Lineamenta, which is the working document for the upcoming Synod. It can be completed on line, or printed and faxed or mailed to the Family Ministry Office. **The deadline for submission is February 27th.**
- 2) **Attend one of two focus group gatherings** where the questionnaire will be discussed and responses collected to include in the final report. **Both gatherings will occur from 7:00-9:00pm.** RSVP to (905-528-7988 Ext. 2249) or email (familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com) if you plan to attend. You may join a focus group at **St. Michael Parish on February 17th** or at the **Chancery Office on February 19th.**

The info being gathered will provide essential input to the Bishops as they prepare for the Synod. Please consider engaging in this process. For further info contact Teresa Hartnett at 905-528-7988 Ext. 2250 or thartnett@hamiltondiocese.com

For A New Beginning

In out-of-the-way places of the heart,
Where your thoughts never think to wander,
This beginning has been quietly forming,
Waiting until you were ready to emerge.

For a long time it has watched your desire,
Feeling the emptiness growing inside you,
Noticing how you willed yourself on,
Still unable to leave what you had outgrown.

It watched you play with the seduction of safety
And the gray promises that sameness whispered,
Heard the waves of turmoil rise and relent,
Wondered would you always live like this.

Then the delight, when your courage kindled,
And out you stepped onto new ground,
Your eyes young again with energy and dream,
A path of plenitude opening before you.

Though your destination is not yet clear
You can trust the promise of this opening;
Unfurl yourself into the grace of beginning
That is at one with your life's desire.

Awaken your spirit to adventure;
Hold nothing back, learn to find ease in risk;
Soon you will be home in a new rhythm,
For your soul senses the world that awaits you.

- John O'Donohue in *To Bless the Space Between Us*

Setting aside a time for prayer during the days of Lent.....

Psalm 51: *Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and steadfast spirit in my soul...*

Lent is a time for "spring cleaning" in my heart: a time for airing out, dusting, washing, polishing, straightening up, ordering my heart - and for clearing out anything that doesn't belong there, whatever keeps my heart from its best, purest and healthiest desires.

During lent, I need to remember that most of the spring cleaning my heart needs is God's work! Left to my own devices, that cleaning might never get done. It's so easy for me to forget that... It's so easy to think that / have to do it all, when what I really need to do is just get out of the way and let *God* do what God does best...

And what God does best is to create, nurture, heal, refresh and renew the life of his grace within me...

Lord, create a new heart, a clean heart within me...
During this season of lent...

Help me get out of your way
that you might do in my heart
what you want to do this Lent...

Restore my heart, refresh my heart,
renew my heart, replenish my heart,
recreate my heart and make it again
as you first made it to be...

Nourish everything that makes my heart
strong and where my heart's grown weak and shaky,
make it steadfast and strong...

Lord, heal my heart's brokenness
and refresh within whatever has gone stale...
Remind me of blessings past, Lord,
and help me trust in blessing yet to come...

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and steadfast spirit in my soul...

Lectures in Catholic Experience at St. Jerome's University – "Building a Culture of Encounter"

Join us on **Fri., Feb. 13** when **Laurence Freeman, OSB**, Director of the World Community for Christian Meditation, presents "Stay Awake!: Remembering how central contemplation is to the life of the church and the world." Fr. Freeman will talk about his long experience in developing a global contemplative community of faith and service at C. L. Siegfried Hall, SJU at 7:30p.m. | Doors open at 6:45p.m. *****Parking** is free at Renison University College and St. Paul's University College.

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