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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.

## MASS INTENTIONS January 12 - 16, 2016

#### Tuesday

6:00pm	+Reconciliation
7:00pm	+Rose Dietrich – CWL
	+Magdalena Schroth – The Schroth Family

#### Wednesday

12:15pm +Wendykier Family Members - Teresa

#### Thursday

12:15pm +William Arnold – Estate

#### Friday

8:00am +Albert Schroth – The Schroth Family

#### Saturday

4:00pm +Reconciliation 5:00pm +Jim & Genevieve Logel - The Family +Rose Dietrich – Tony & Madeline Hergott +Andy McAuliffe & Marie Oberle – Marg Laurette

> Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Isaiah 62.1-5 1 Corinthians 12.4-11 John 2.1-12

# PARISH NEWS

#### Sunday Offering

December 20 - \$8,590.70 December 25 - \$15,043.45 December 27 - \$6,090.00 January 1 - \$4,222.00 January 3 – \$6,455.00

Sunday evening 7:00pm mass will begin on January 10<sup>th</sup>.

2016 collection envelopes are available for pick-up in the Parish Centre.

### **Meetings for Sacraments in 2016:**

First Reconciliation – January 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm If your child does not attend Sir Edgar Bauer or St. Nicholas Schools please contact Charlie Van Alphen at Ext. 32 to register your child.



Do you have a love of gardening? We are looking for volunteers to maintain our flowerbeds next year. You will have a budget for purchasing flowers etc. Please call the office if you are

interested in helping beautify our church property.

# PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO WEEKDAY MASSES JANUARY 19<sup>™</sup> – 22<sup>∞</sup>.

2016 collection envelopes are available for pick-up downstairs outside the Parish Centre.

#### ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, January 16 5:00pm: Tyler Malizia, Alex & Max Winter

Sunday, January 17

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

11:00am: Joel & Ryan Jobby, Anson Chan

#### **MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

Saturday, January 16 5:00pm: \* Kathleen McCauley 1 Pat Corman 2 Abraham Fernandez Sunday, January 17 9:00am: \* Cristina Prudencio-Brunello 1 Jose Prudencio 2 Michael Prudencio-Brunello

11:00am: \* Ralph Stacev 1 Kishanie Jayasundera 2 Herli Liem

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION Saturday, January 16 5:00pm: Ken Adams, Gai Brown, Andrea Dafoe, Joan Fernandez Sunday, January 17 9:00am: Marta Mandich, Annabel MacDonald, Peter Michels, Mary Ellen Nolan 11:00am: Jean & Bob Balahura, Jeanette Rousseau, Bruce Fleming, Gerdy Frantzke, Julie Dreisinger 7:00pm: Pam & Tony De Leo

In the interest of keeping the church neater, we will be implementing a change with regards to bulletins and also ask your assistance in a couple of other areas.

In the New Year bulletins will no longer be available before mass. They will be distributed by the ushers as you leave. Current and past bulletins are also available on the parish website at www.stmichaelw.ca

We also ask that you return your missal to the boxes so that they are there for the next parishioner, put up kneelers, return hymnals to the racks, and take any garbage with you.

Your support is very much appreciated in helping to keep the church neat.

**Prayer Shawl Meeting** on Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> from 1-3pm in the St. Kateri Room. New members are always welcome. If you knit or crochet please come and join our Ministry. If you know of anyone that needs a Prayer Shawl please contact the office.

As John the Baptist introduced the people of his time to Jesus a voice from heaven said, "You are my Son, the Beloved, with you I am well pleased." If you feel God's call to the priesthood or consecrated life, visit www.HamiltonVocations.com

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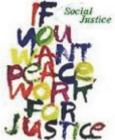
The Catholic Women's League will hold their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Centre following the 7PM Mass. All members of the parish are invited to attend. Guest speaker will be Linda Kruger, Community Resource Co-ordinator for The Sunnydale Community.

CWL Members are also reminded to pay their 2016 membership fee.



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, would like to extend our sincere appreciation to St. Michael's parishioners for your 'extra' support for our annual Christmas Project collection in December. We also received financial support from the Optimists Club of

Lakeshore Village and the K of C Council 5135. This Christmas we gave out a total value of \$9,400 in Conestoga Mall Gift Cards providing over 90 households (within the boundaries of St. Michael's Parish) with a little extra. God Bless and Happy New Year!



**Refugee Settlement Update:** The last couple of weeks of December were busy as some more of our Syrian refugees arrived from Lebanon to begin their resettlement in Waterloo region. Ziad and his daughter Aya arrived on Dec 21<sup>st</sup>, his parents

followed on December 27<sup>th</sup> - all are living with relatives in Kitchener. Ardan and Siham arrived on Dec  $26^{th}$  and stayed with St. Michael's parishioners, Theresa and Steve for the first while. They are now in their own house as they await the arrival of their daughter Lama and her three children. Thank you to everyone who donated household goods and moved furniture as Ardan and Siham set up their first Canadian home. All the arrivals are so grateful to Canada and to St. Michael's for bringing them to a country where they feel safe and welcomed. Now they are eager to learn English, get jobs and become independent. More families are due to arrive but dates are uncertain.

**St. David's Blog:** The Time Capsule was opened on Nov 27<sup>th</sup> with staff, students, alumni and Councillor Mark Whaley. A new Time Capsule will be installed on May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016 as part of the continuing 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations. \* It's been a busy season with Grade 10 Religious Retreats, a French trip to Elora, and the Teenage Gift Drive. \* Charity Dodgeball team has raised over \$3,500.00 for Out of The Cold! Way to Go, Celtics! \* Happy New Year everyone! \*

#### 2015-2016 St. Jerome's University Anniversary Lectures – "Illuminating Hearts and Minds"

Join us on **FRIDAY**, **January 15**<sup>th</sup>, for the next St. Jerome's University 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Lecture, "Conflicted? The World of War." **Dr. Samantha Nutt**, a medical doctor and found of War Child Canada, will take a compelling look at the impact of war — the truth, the lies, and the reality on the ground, based on her fifteen years of experience at the frontline of many major crises, from Iraq to Afghanistan, Somalia to the Democratic Republic of Congo, and Sierra Leone to Darfur, Sudan.

Location: C. L. Siegfried Hall, St. Jerome's University Time: 7:30p.m. | Doors open at 6:45p.m. Free of Charge | Wheelchair Accessible | Refreshments | No Registration Required

The **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** is celebrated each year around the world. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2016 will be celebrated in K-W from January 17-24. The theme this year is: "Called to proclaim the mighty acts of God" based on 1 Peter 2:9. The prayer text this year was prepared by an ecumenical team from Latvia. Services and activities being offered are: Ecumenical Prayer Service on Sunday, Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>, at 2PM, in Calvin Presbyterian Church (248 Westmount Rd., E., Kitchener). The week will end with an Ecumenical prayer service with Taizé-Songs on Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30PM in Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church. Daily Bible Readings and other resources can be found at <u>www.councilofchurches.ca</u> which is part of the Canadian Council of Churches website.

K-W Right to Life Candle-light Prayer Vigil January 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm in front of Kitchener City Hall (skating rink). Walk a short distance to St. Mary's Our Lady of Sorrows Church at 7:00pm for refreshments in the Lower Hall. Speaker Tim Runstedler K-W Right to Life Board Member will speak about Euthanasia and the new proposed law for Canada and its implications. All are welcome.

28 YEARS WITHOUT A LAW - On January 28<sup>th</sup>, 1988, the Supreme Court of Canada struck down all legal abortion restrictions leaving more victims than the unborn. Perpetual Adoration 24 hours January 28<sup>th</sup>, St. Teresa Parish Chapel, Kitchener beginning Thursday, January 28<sup>th</sup> 9:00pm until 9:00pm Friday, January 29<sup>th</sup>.

### Holy Year Pilgrimage to Italy

Join Father Wayne Lobsinger for a Holy Year Pilgrimage to Italy, May 19-31, 2016. We will visit Assisi and pray for peace in the world. In Rome we will pass through the Holy Door at the Vatican and attend the Wednesday Papal audience. We will visit the shrine to St. Padre Pio and spend a few days touring in Sicily. Mass will be celebrated each day. For further information and or registration, please contact Claire Waxman at Talk of 416-312-9095 Tnwn Travel пr 1-800-414-6538 the пr claire@talkofthetowntravel.com. An information meeting will be held at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, 715 Centre Rd., Waterdown on Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm.

