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SCHEDULE OF LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Children's Ministry for those in Age 2 - Grade 4 is offered at both 9:00am & 11:00 a.m. Mass.



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

WEEKDAY MASSES

Please consult inside of bulletin.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday 6:00-6:45 p.m.

Wednesday and Thursday 11:50 a.m.-12:05 p.m.

Saturday 4:00-4:30 p.m.

Sunday 6:00-6:30 p.m. (effective September 2019)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

PASTORAL TEAM

Father F. Freitas, Pastor
email: pastor@stmichaelw.ca

Father David Perrin - Assisting Priest

Deacon Philip J. Fernandez

Mrs Andrea Laughlin - Lay Pastoral Associate

Mr Joseph Goodwin - Campus Minister

Mrs Elizabeth King - Administrative Assistant

Ms Carolyn Snyder Milke - Director of Music

Mrs Merlie Ladroma - Cleaner

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). Our 7:00pm Sunday evening Mass is especially for our student community.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The Church is Open Daily for Quiet Visit and Prayer. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on Tuesday evenings following the evening Mass.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

The Sacrament of Marriage is normally celebrated on Saturday afternoons. Preparation is provided. Please contact Father Freitas 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.

BEREAVEMENT CARE

"Heartache to Healing" is our Grief Support Group. To find out more about the program 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.

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, offering envelopes, pre authorized or on line giving, as well as to find out about ways of connecting, check out our website: www.stmichaelw.ca or see anyone at our Welcome Desk.*



Tuesday, January 21, 2020

6:30 pm Rosary
7:00 pm Intentions of St John Paul Student Centre
7:30 pm Holy Hour with Adoration and Benediction

Wednesday, January 22, 2020

12:15pm Intentions of Patricia Barry – The Walker Family

Thursday, January 23, 2020

12:15pm + Bernard Jacques – Yvonne Rickert

Friday, January 24, 2020

8:00 am Intentions of Betty Barron – Riddiough Family
11:00am – Mass at Court at Laurelwood

Saturday, January 25, 2020

5:00pm + Rose Pearl & Joseph Brolly – Katheleen Fbrabimi
 + Rosaria Zefferino – Doug & Gai Brown & Family
 Intentions of Alpha Leaders

LORD'S DAY OFFERING

January 11/12, 2020 – \$ 5,517.00
 Pre Authorized Giving – \$ 7,957.00
Thank you for your generosity

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

January 25/26, 2020 – Team D

(full schedule on our website - www.stmichaelw.ca)



Did you know....that you can park in Lot 32 right next door at the WLU Lazaridis Building during weekend Masses? Street Parking is also permitted on Hemlock Street – look for our designated spaces.

SUNDAY HOMILIES ON LINE

Sunday homilies are available weekly on line in audio version through our parish website – just click on the link.

SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2020

Current envelope users are reminded that Sunday Offering Envelopes for 2020 are available in the Parish Centre. Those *not currently using envelopes* but who are interested in obtaining Sunday Offering Envelopes, may use the sign-up sheet at the Welcome Desk. All are invited to consider Pre Authorized Giving as a method to support our parish family - forms at Welcome Desk



CATHOLIC CAFÉ

FEBRUARY 1 & 2, 2020

Please join us in the Parish Centre (lower level) after all of our Masses. Special treats, coffee, juice and more, and on Sunday night we serve Pizza for our post-secondary students!! Several displays by various Parish Groups too.

SUNDAY MISSALS FOR 2020

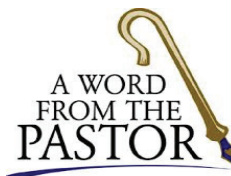
Sunday Missals for 2020 are available at the Welcome Desk for \$5.00 each. Children's Missals available for \$10.00 each.



CWL NEWS

2020 Membership dues – remain at \$30.

These can be placed in the Sunday Offering. Please clearly mark your envelope to "Attention CWL."



Pope Francis has established next weekend as Bible Sunday. Prayer Cards have been sent to each Parish and will be distributed at Mass on the weekend of January 25-26th. Parishioners are invited to offer this prayer during the week in thanksgiving for the gift of God's Word. Order forms for Bibles will also be available for parishioners who wish to purchase a Bible. We pray that our observance of Bible Sunday will deepen our gratitude for the Word of God and inspire us to root our lives more firmly in His Word.

Thank you to all who made our Confirmation students and families feel so welcome last weekend during their enrollment ceremony.

Our Welcome Desk is in need of a few volunteers to offer a friendly greeting before and after Mass to parishioners and visitors. A gentle way to help -training is provided. Call the Parish Office to volunteer.

This Sunday we resume "Ordinary Time", the longest of the Liturgical Seasons. Did you know that Lent begins on February 26th? It seems a long time away, but never too early to start considering a Lenten project. We are looking at a Lenten Retreat Day together and a small video series for Lent – watch for the details soon – some great things ahead.

Did you know that the end of January can be one of the most difficult time for people, especially in regards to their mental health? Let's make sure to pray for one another ardently.

Speaking of Prayer, please keep two refugee families (A Rohingya family and an Iraqi woman) who are preparing for their interviews this week – may the Lord keep them safe as their life journey continues

UPCOMING FEASTS

Sunday, February 2nd, the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas Day) commemorates the presentation of Jesus in the temple forty days after His birth. Candles have been blessed on this day since the 11th century as a symbol of Christ's light shining forth in the world. Candles blessed on that day will be available at Mass.

The intercession of St Blaise, for the blessing of throats will be sought in prayer. Any individuals who would like to have their throat blessed may receive an individual blessing at the end of the 7:00p.m. Mass to be held on Monday, February 3rd – all are welcome to attend.

OLDER ADULTS LUNCHEON

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2020 - NOON – 2:00PM
ST MICHAEL PARISH CENTRE

We welcome Father David Perrin who will speak on the value of a 20 minute retreat -- a way even busy people can take time for a retreat in their own home and on their own schedule. Copies of his book will also be available free for all who attend. Soup and Sandwiches will be served, along with Coffee, Tea and a light dessert. The afternoon ends at 2:00pm. Registration is \$5.00 (includes copy of book). Contact the Parish Office or leave your name at the Welcome Desk after Mass to save your spot.

FORK IN THE ROAD - MEN'S MORNING

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2020 - 8:00AM- 10:00AM
ST MICHAEL PARISH CENTRE

The start of a new year is like reaching a point in the path where there is a Fork in the Road. Wonder which way to go? Join our guest speaker **David Dayler**, author of *"Being a Man After God's Own Heart,"* and find out what St Joseph would have to say to us. Catered Breakfast, time with the fellas and some reflection too. Registration is \$10.00 per person which includes breakfast & copy of David's Book. Sign up at our Welcome Desk, on our website. Don't be the last one...do it today!

ACT 2 (SEPARATED & DIVORCED) WINE AND CHEESE SOCIAL

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18 - 7:30PM - PARISH CENTRE

Life change is never easy, but after a separation or divorce, it's particularly isolating. Come together with others to realize there is a "second act". Join us for our opening Wine and Cheese social – you belong! Register on line – www.stmichaelw.ca or contact the parish office.

PASTORAL REFERENCE LETTERS

Many young adults come looking for a Pastoral Reference Letter when they apply for teaching positions with Catholic Boards. Father Freitas can only provide letters to those who are active weekly in our parish life. Think ahead. Get involved and consider connecting with our parish programs.

Kids Klub

AND

DA CREW -

TUBING AT CHICOPEE

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 2020

If you are in Grades 5-8 (and if you are in High School or one of our University students) we invite you to join us for **Tubing at Chicopee** on Friday January 31, 2020. Our adventures departs via bus at 5:30pm and we will return by 9:30pm. Cost is \$17.00 per person which includes bus transportation. Get your form at the Welcome Desk at St Michael Parish after Mass or you can also check our website – www.stmichaelw.ca – all are welcome!

ATTENTION ALL YOUNG ADULTS AND UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

MERCY IN ACTION! - SUNDAY, MARCH 8TH

We are off to a special day of putting "Mercy into Action" as we travel to Toronto to help feed the homeless. First, we gather on Thursday March 6th at 4:00pm in the Parish Centre to put together the "care packages." Then Sunday March 8th we'll leave the Parish, following our commissioning at the 11:00am Mass, and go feed the homeless in Toronto's downtown core. We will finish our evening with Vespers at the Toronto Oratory, returning around 7:00pm. An event not to be missed!

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

The families of each child preparing for First Holy Communion will be given an opportunity during the course of this year to present the Offertory gifts at either the Saturday evening or one of the Sunday morning Masses. This act of participation is one of the highlights of their preparation for the sacraments. Families, you are reminded to come early on their scheduled day and to let the ushers know you are there for your child's special day. Please note your child should not attend Children's Ministry that day in order to not be late for bringing up the gifts.

HAVE YOU VISITED OUR PARISH LIBRARY?

Our parish library is located in the lower level of the church. There are a wide variety of spiritual books, videos and even children's videos and books. It's a lending library with a two week loan period - check it out after Mass today. We will soon be reviewing the best ways to utilize this space so if you have input please let us know.



Did you know... that the Kateri Room – located off the front parking lot entrance - is a great **Family Friendly Space** during Mass.... Where kids can be kids in total freedom during Mass... check it out... (Available at all Masses).

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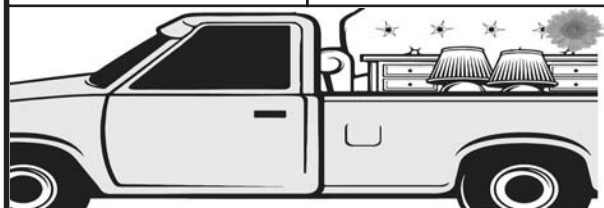
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