

StMikesWaterloo

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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 programing 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.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Weekly Gospel Reflection (Mk 1:14-20)



The call that Jesus addressed to His first disciples, **follow me**, is addressed to each of us. In our case, that call will not necessarily mean leaving our jobs or families. Yet, the call of Christ to follow Him always involves some kind of courage and self-sacrifice.

Jesus was proclaiming, "... the kingdom of God has come near; repent and believe in the good news." Each of us is called to be a witness of that good news. We are called to trust and believe in the tender presence of God in our lives despite evidence to the contrary. To affirm truth, kindness and hope, to be faithful in trying times like ours is a courageous and transforming act and the best testimony that indeed the kingdom of God is present in our midst.

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: <u>www.stmichaelw.ca</u>



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

<u>Tuesday, January 26, 2021</u> 7:00 pm + Arthur Benninger – The Family

Wednesday, January 27, 2021 12:15 pm + John, Barbara & Mike Winger – M. Hoegler

<u>Thursday, January 28, 2021</u> 12:15 pm + Ivan Jagas, Sr. – Mary Horne

Friday, January 29, 2021 8:00 am + Helen Benninger – The Family

Saturday, January 30, 2021 – remembered in private Mass by Father Jamroz. Not live-streamed

+ Feudjio Jacques – The Jemetio Family

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Due to the lockdown, the office will be closed until at least Febuary 19, 2021 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.

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



Our parishioners have free access to FORMED. This is a great way to keep your faith alive especially during lockdown.

Discover thousands of books, audio talks, movies, documentaries, and studies ...there is something for every member of the family to help them grow closer to Christ and His Church.

Please see our website for information on how to sign in.

Mass Intentions

You can still request a Mass intention during the lockdown. You can do so by either emailing the parish office at <u>parish@stmichaelw.ca</u> 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.



Sacrament of Baptism

Please complete the online registration form to begin the process of preparing your family for this Sacrament. Baptisms take place the last Sunday of the month. **Due to the current lockdown**, **Baptisms are delayed (except in an emergency) until the church is open to at least 30% capacity.**

Tax Receipts for 2020

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



From the Diocese of Hamilton

FOR THE COMMON GOOD On the Pandemic Sacrifices

A Pastoral Letter from Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI

https://hamiltondiocese.com/news/2021/January/forthe-common-good-br-em-on-the-pandemic-sacrificesem-

A Walk Through Fratelli Tutti

'Fratelli Tutti': With these words, Saint Francis of Assisi addressed his brothers and sisters and proposed to them a way of life marked by the flavour of the Gospel. In his simple and direct way, Saint Francis expressed the essence of fraternal openness that allows us to acknowledge, appreciate and love each person, regardless of physical proximity, regardless of where he or she was born or lives." (FT#1) These are the opening words from Pope Francis in his latest encyclical, On Fraternity and Social Friendship. Join us on Wednesday, January 27th for a 90 minute Zoom webinar to walk through this beautiful document. Written by Pope Francis to "all people of good will." Presented by Mrs. Teresa Hartnett, Director of the Family Ministry Office - register online at www.hamiltondiocese.com or by calling 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

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 <u>https://www.stmichaelw.ca/donate</u> Thank you for your generosity toward the financial needs of our parish.

