



# 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. & 7:00 p.m.

## WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday: 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday & Thursday: 12:15 p.m.

Friday: 8:00 a.m.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Before daily Masses and

Tuesday 6:15-6:45 p.m., 7:45 -8:15 p.m.

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

Saturday 4:00-4:45 p.m.

Father is also available before and after Sunday Masses if needed.



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 prays for those who are in need. To add an intention or become a member of the prayer network, please email us at [parish@stmichaelw.ca](mailto:parish@stmichaelw.ca)

## 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](http://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

Due to COVID-19, emergency food deliveries from our parish are currently on hold. If there is an urgent need, please call 519-742-8327 and press 2 for the House of Friendship food assistance program. Monthly collections have also been "paused" for 2022 due to inactivity for the foreseeable future.

## 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**

*Sunday's Gospel Reflection* (Lk 4:21-30)



When the inhabitants of Nazareth heard Jesus' teaching, they “**were filled with rage**” and tried to kill the Lord. Why were they so furious and angry?

They considered themselves as the only recipients of God's favor and grace. When Jesus pointed out that God's love and grace were for everyone, including pagans and greatest sinners, the religious people of Nazareth could not accept that message. Jesus is not afraid to show the face of God who includes everybody, who extends His mercy and forgiveness to everyone regardless their religious or moral status. He invites us to do the same.

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](http://www.stmichaelw.ca)*



**Tuesday, February 1, 2022**

**7:00 pm** + Deceased Members of the Colussi Family  
– Rina & Silvano Colussi  
**7:30 pm** Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction

**Wednesday, February 2, 2022**

**The Presentation of the Lord**  
**12:15 pm** + Joseph Hussey – Evelyn Hussey

**Thursday, February 3, 2022**

**Feast of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr**  
**12:15 pm** + John Irish – Evelyn Hussey

**Friday, February 4, 2022**

**8:00 am** + Katherine Krochak – Nick Stasuik

**Saturday, February 5, 2022**

**5:00 pm** + Special Intentions of Lee Mapplebeck  
– Shari Guinta  
+ Adrianna Demrovsky – Nicole Arsenault  
+ Elizabeth Varguse – Kieron Chacko

**Public Masses have resumed**

We may welcome the number of people we can accommodate with two metres of social distance between individuals/households. All who participate in the liturgy are to wear masks.

**Sunday Homilies Online**

Sunday homilies are available weekly online in audio version through our parish website – just click on the button ‘LISTEN TO HOMILY’.

**Sunday Missals**

Sunday and Children's Sunday missals are now available for the new liturgical year. They are \$5 for the Sunday Missal and \$10 for the Children's Missal and are available at the main doors of the church. In order to limit contact, please have exact change. Missals can also be purchased at the parish office Monday-Friday 9 am – 4:30 pm.

**Parish Office Hours**

The parish office is open for in person, Monday – Friday from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. 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](mailto:pastor@stmichaelw.ca)

**2021 Income Tax Receipts**

2021 Income Tax Receipts will be available for pick up in the parish office this week, January 31 – February 4, Monday to Friday from 9 – 4:30. Tax receipts not picked up will be mailed on February 7.



## **FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2<sup>nd</sup>**

This feast day celebrates the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple. *‘Together with Simeon and Anna, we contemplate the Divine child, the Word made flesh, who is brought to the Temple: the Temple of our heart.’* The Church celebrates the feast of the Presentation of the Lord on **February 2<sup>nd</sup>**, also called **Candlemas** for the custom of using lighted candles. **Join us for Mass at 12:15pm.** We will bless candles at the beginning of Mass. Please bring candles from home that you wish to have blessed.

February 2<sup>nd</sup> is also the **World Day for Consecrated Life**. It is a special day to pray for the religious women and men who serve the Church and all God’s people by their dedicated life of poverty, chastity, and obedience.

## **Feast of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr Blessing of Throats**

Thursday, February 3, we celebrate the Feast of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr. We will have the Blessing of Throats following the 12:15 pm Mass.

## **First Friday Mass at 8 am, February 4**

### **Are the First Fridays a “ticket” to heaven?**

It is not as simple as going to Mass for nine months and then clocking out ... and leading a sinful life! The entire purpose of this devotion is to draw a person closer to the Heart of Christ. If a person fulfills these obligations with sincere faith, it is natural for them to be closer to God and better prepared for death. (*alteia.org, 5 Things Catholics Should Know About First Fridays.*)

## **Offertory Envelopes**

If you haven’t picked up your Offertory envelopes this year, they are still available at the main doors of the church or you can pick them up at the parish office. If you are coming to the office, please call ahead so we can get them from the church for you.



**DIOCESE OF HAMILTON**

**MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH - Marriage Tip 116.** Some people drift into their relationships over a number of years, but it can also be said that people drift out of their relationships as well. We can become complacent and take for granted all the nice things our spouse does for us and/or sometimes we stop doing nice things for them. Over time we compliment less, spend less time together, stop sharing our day, feelings, or hopes and dreams and suddenly lose sight of the other. When we continue to treat our relationship as new, taking the time to discover who the other is and complimenting them for it, we stay firmly attached instead of drifting apart.

**Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre** is now open and accepting group and personal retreat bookings for 2022! With a large Chapel and acres of untouched green space Mount Mary is an ideal location for those seeking a retreat experience. Groups of all types are welcome for a day or for an overnight stay. For more information please visit: [www.mountmary.ca](http://www.mountmary.ca)

**Youth Ministry online learning** – There are spaces open for new learners in the upcoming cycles of the Youth Ministry Certification program. If you are interested in participating in Vision for Catholic Youth Ministry – A Canadian Perspective or Relational Ministry with Youth - A Canadian Perspective, please email: [nmccowell@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:nmccowell@hamiltondiocese.com)

**ReStart** – Starting over after separation or divorce with support, care and tools for your journey. We invite you to check out the Diocesan website at: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/divorce-separation.php> to see the programs we offer and to find out dates of the new programs in early 2022. If you have questions, call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.



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