



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

15 minutes 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.

Sunday 6:15-6:45 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

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).

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

For food assistance in the Waterloo Region call 519-743-5576 Ext 340 to be directed to the program nearest you. SSVP is currently supporting the North of 60 project providing food assistance to Chesterfield Inlet, Nunavut as well as creating Essential Hygiene Kits for newly arriving Ukrainian refugees.

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 Gospel Reflection (Jn 12: 20-33)

Jesus says, “**Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit.**” The Lord is speaking about Himself, about His death as the means of gaining life to all. He also speaks here about us.

This metaphor reveals deep truth about Christ and about our human life. It reminds us of a truth that any loving parent and any selfless person testifies to, namely, it is in dying to ourselves that we give life to others. In Jesus’ words, to remain wrapped up in self, is to lose one’s life; to be generous in giving of self is to find life and be a source of life to others (see, Jn 12:25).

Fr. Jamroz

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL PARISH

Welcome, we are glad you’re here! For details on our parish life, please see our website: www.stmichaelw.ca

Parish Office Hours

The parish office is open Monday to Friday from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm.

Sunday Homilies Online

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

The Church is Open for Prayer

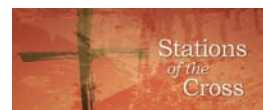
The Church is open for quiet prayer Monday to Friday, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Prayer Intentions

Prayer intentions are placed at the front of the Altar and are remembered privately at Mass during the Prayers of the Faithful. You can also have your request shared with our prayer group ministry. Please go to our website www.stmichaelw.ca and click on Request a Prayer or contact the parish office by phone or email.

Parish Email List

All parishioners are welcome to join a parish email list. If you are on this list, you will be notified of upcoming parish events including funerals. To join the list, please sign up on our website at <https://www.stmichaelw.ca/contact-us>



Mass and Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent we have **Mass at 7pm** followed by the **Stations of the Cross**

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, March 19, 2024

7:00 pm + Alexey Navalny – Ivan Kochetkov
+ Tanvi – Jesna Thomas
+ Special Intentions of Maritza & Nelson
Alba on their 35th Wedding Anniversary
– The Family

7:30pm-8:30pm Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction

Wednesday, March 20, 2024

12:15 pm + Jozef Lonkovic – Friends
+ Special Intentions of Libin Joseph

Thursday, March 21, 2024

12:15 pm + Special Intentions of Tola Titcombe in Thanksgiving
+ Special Intentions of Patrice, Joan & Miles on their birthdays – Magnell & Anthony Robinson

Friday, March 22, 2024

8:00 am + Helen Benninger – The Family
8:30am - 9am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00 pm + For the parishioners of St. Michael Parish
7:30 pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 23, 2024

5:00 pm + Keith Barker, Sr. – The Family
+ Ron Waters – Doug & Gai Brown
+ Bernie Adlys – Sonia Adlys & Family

Solidarity Sunday, March 17th



This Lent, please give generously.

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— Eva Colque, Executive Director, Fundación NUNA, a partner in Bolivia.

Help create hope and dreams of the communities we support in the Global South by giving to your Share Lent parish collection or at devp.org/give. **Thank you for your solidarity!**



Solemnity of St. Joseph, Tuesday, March 19, Mass at 7 pm

Joseph, according to gospel accounts, was a carpenter and a descendent of King David. ... Embarrassed by Mary's pregnancy, Joseph was told in a dream to take Mary as his wife. Thoughts of rejecting her for infidelity banished, he was faithful to his responsibility as her husband and foster father of Jesus. St. Joseph is a patron of the universal Church and principal patron of Canada. (*Living with Christ*)

Lenten Examinations of Conscience

Before celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation, one should prepare oneself with an examination of conscience. There are various types of examinations of conscience but regardless of which one we use it should be rooted in Scripture; particularly, the Ten Commandments and Beatitudes. A few examples of

Examinations of Conscience can found at <https://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/sacraments-and-sacramentals/penance/examinations-of-conscience>
Booklets with examination of conscience for adults and children are available also in the narthex of our church.

All Day Confessions

Save the date. All day confessions will be held on **Wednesday, March 27**, from 8 am to 8 pm. Details to follow.

Easter Floral Tribute

Envelopes and forms for Easter floral tributes are available at the main doors. You can also donate online. If donating online, in the comments section, please type floral tribute and the name of the deceased person you wish to remember. Names will be placed by the altar and remembered at Mass through the Easter Season.

Act II – Separated & Divorced Group

The group usually meets the third Tuesday of the month. **Please note there will be no meeting in March.** Please contact the parish office for more details.

Donations Wanted

CWL Fundraiser - Purse & Costume Jewellery Sale

Start clearing out your closets & drawers!!

The CWL will be holding a Purse & Costume Jewellery sale on **May 12th** in the parish hall. Donations will be collected at the end of April.



DIocese of Hamilton

CHRISM MASS

His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, will celebrate the Mass of Chrism with all priests from our diocese on Monday, **March 25, 2024 at 2:00 pm** in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. ... All are welcome.

THE OFFICE OF YOUTH MINISTRY has created *WALKING THE WAY: A Holy Week Journal for Young People*. ... The journal bridges the Gospel readings for each day of Holy Week and offers practical ways young people can live out the message. ... *WALKING THE WAY* can be found [Resources for Young People - Diocese of Hamilton \(hamiltondiocese.com\)](https://resourcesforyoungpeople-hamiltondiocese.com)



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Eat in call **Manager 519-884-2060**

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