



ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Father Pawel Jamroz, Pastor email: pastor@stmichaelw.ca

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

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

Weekly Gospel Reflection (Jn 9:1-41)



The blind man is told by Jesus to go and wash in the pool of Siloam. He does and he is able to see. The healing of the blind man is to illustrate that our eyes of faith are open when we trust in Christ and His words. He is “**the light of the world and whoever follows Him will never walk in darkness**” (Jn 8:11-12).

Indeed, when we trust in God, we see things differently. Trust opens our eyes of faith and makes us able to see that in many ways God is near and present to us.

Fr. Jamroz

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL PARISH

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



Tuesday, March 21, 2023

7:00 pm + Lucy Baker – Mabel Finch

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

Wednesday, March 22, 2023

12:15 pm + Barbara Fabina – Her Children

Thursday, March 23, 2023

12:15 pm + Deceased members of the Robinson, Cook and Williams Families – Magnell & Anthony Robinson

Friday, March 24, 2023

8:00 am + Special Intentions of Dr. Krystyna Pajak - Maria Kuzio

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 25, 2023

5:00 pm + Steve Hollo – The Family

Parish Office Hours

The parish office is open Monday to Friday from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. If you are in need of a priest, you can contact Fr. Jamroz by telephone at 519-884-9311 ext. 27 or by email at pastor@stmichaelw.ca.

Sunday Homilies Online

Sunday homilies are available weekly online in audio version through our parish website – just click on the button 'LISTEN TO 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 that are remembered privately at Mass during the prayers of the faithful. You can also have your request shared with our prayer group ministry. If you wish to have a prayer intention added, please go to our website www.stmichaelw.ca and click on the link on the bottom of the page or contact the parish office by phone or email.

ROSARY ON-LINE DURING LENT

All are invited to join together in praying the Rosary on **Monday** evenings during Lent – March 20th, 27th and April 3rd. **The Rosary will be prayed on-line over Zoom at 7pm.** It will be led by a member of the CWL.

If you would like to join, please email Shani Pregelj: email = cwl@stmichaelw.ca or phone 519-883-8933



Stations of the Cross

Join us every Friday during Lent for 7 pm Mass. Immediately after we have Stations of the Cross.

Laetare Sunday

Today, the Fourth Sunday of Lent, is called *Laetare Sunday*. The name comes from the first words of the Entrance Antiphon for Mass, "*Laetare Jerusalem*" — "*Rejoice, O Jerusalem.*" We rejoice as this Sunday marks the half-way point of our Lenten journey to the Resurrection of the Lord. Symbolizing joy, rose-colored Mass vestments may be worn instead of purple. Solo instrumental music is permitted, and the altar may be decorated with flowers.

Solemnity of St. Joseph, March 20

We don't have any words from St. Joseph, Jesus' father on earth, but we have so many reflections from the saints who have loved him dearly.

Padre Pio: "It is to Joseph. Go to Joseph with extreme confidence, because I do not remember having asked anything from St. Joseph, without having obtained it readily." (*Excerpt from: aleteia.org*)

Pope Benedict XVI especially encouraged married couples and parents to turn to St. Joseph, saying: "*God alone could grant Joseph the strength to trust the Angel. God alone will give you, dear married couples, the strength to raise your family as he wants. Ask it of him! God loves to be asked for what he wishes to give. Ask him for the grace of a true and ever more faithful love patterned after his own. ...*"

Solemnity St. Joseph - Mass on Monday March 20, Carmel of St. Joseph, St Agatha at 3:00 pm in the newly renovated Chapel. The celebrant will be Bishop Wayne Lobsinger. Light refreshments to follow.

Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord

On **March 25**, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Annunciation. The Annunciation recalls the day when the Archangel Gabriel appeared to our Blessed Mother Virgin Mary and revealed God's will that she become the Mother of the Son of God. Mary accepted God's will saying, "*Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.*"

Lenten Workshop on the Eucharist

On **Thursday, March 30th at 7:00PM** we will have Workshop on the Eucharist in the Parish Hall. There will be small group discussion and presentation. The goal of this workshop is to grow together in faith and to give us a deeper understanding of the Mass. It will be facilitated by our Pastor, Fr. Jamroz. All are welcome!

ACT II (SEPARATED & DIVORCED SUPPORT GROUP) – MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, March 21 at 7:30 pm in the parish hall

Act II is an informal monthly support group for those who are experiencing separation, or divorce. There is no fee. Join when you can. Bring a friend. Visit our website (www.stmichaelw.ca/separated-and-divorced), or contact our parish office for more information.

The Waterloo Knights of Columbus Good Friday Fish Fry

At the Columbus Conference Centre. Inside seating starts at 1 pm through to the last seating at 6 pm. The seatings are on the hour. 1 piece dinner \$15.00, 2 piece dinner \$20.00, and includes fries, a roll and slaw. Address, 145 Dearborn Place in Waterloo, **You must call Martin at 519-884-2060 to reserve your seating time** and also call regarding your Take Out order as well.



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Journey through Lent

As we continue to Journey through Lent, we invite you to watch the CCCB video series available on their website: <https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/video-resources/journey-through-lent-2023/> (The link is also available on our parish website.)

Did You Know... Children in our parishes benefit from the Catechetical Correspondence Program each year for ongoing religious education and preparation for the Sacraments. We need volunteers to support the program! If you are willing to accompany these children in their learning journey, please reach out to the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis by email at catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com.

To learn more about the Catechetical Correspondence Program, please visit: <https://bit.ly/DOHCCC>.

The Serra Club of Hamilton is holding their Vocations Recognition Dinner on Tuesday May 2, 2023 at Liuna Station. Tickets are \$90. Please email SerraHamilton1965@gmail.com or leave a message at 905-628-5682 if interested.



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Manager 519-884-2060, place orders by 2:30 pm

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