

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 (Jn 12:2-33)



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." This image reveals deep truth about Christ but also about our human life. If we follow Christ, dying to self, will frequently become our duty, an invitation to sacrifice ourselves for someone else. Always there will be someone or something making demands on our freedom and opportunity.

Jesus uses the image of a dying grain of wheat to view our death and life from a new perspective. He invites us to trust in Him. By dying on the cross, Christ became the '**source of hope and life to all**.' Death and suffering are not the last words, not for Christ, and not for us.

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, preauthorized or online giving, as well as to find out about ways of connecting, check out our website: www.stmichaelw.ca



<u>Tuesday, March 23, 2021</u> 7:00 pm + Payton Colussi – Silvano & Rina Colussi

<u>Wednesday, March 24, 2021</u> 12:15 pm + Rosaria Zefferino – Maria Ianni

Thursday, March 25, 2021

12:15 pm + Bill Bernhardt – Doug & Gai Brown & family Special Intention of Joan Robinson – Anthony, Magnell Robinson & Family Friday, March 26, 2021

8:00 am + Leona Hamilton – Susan Bourque
7:00 pm Special Intentions of Joyal Johnson
7:30 pm Stations of the Cross

<u>Saturday, March 27, 2021</u>

5:00 pm + Rudy Ianni – Maria Ianni



Public Masses have resumed but for now we will also live-stream the Sunday 11:00 am Mass. The link is available on the parish website. In person Sunday Mass times are back to our regular schedule: Saturday at 5 pm, Sunday at 9 am, 11 am and 7 pm.

Note the Sunday 7 pm Mass has resumed.

Stations of the Cross

Friday evenings during Lent following the 7:00 pm Mass.

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



Tuesday, March 23

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available from 8 am to 7 pm. Mass will be at 7 pm and Adoration will follow. No registration is required.

Palm Sunday and Holy Week Schedule - no registration required

Palm Sunday Saturday, March 27 – 5 pm Sunday, March 28 – 9 am, 11 am and 7 pm

Holy Thursday, April 1 – 7 pm (no 12:15 Mass) Good Friday, April 2 – 12 pm and 3 pm (no 8 am or 7pm Mass). Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm.

Easter Schedule – no registration required

Holy Saturday

10:00 am – Blessing of Easter Food (Church) 8:00 pm – Solemn Easter Vigil (no 5 pm Mass or Confessions)

<u>Easter Sunday</u> Sunday, April 4 – 9 am and 11 am No 7 pm Mass

Easter Floral Tribute

Envelopes and forms for Easter floral tributes are available at the Welcome Desk. You can also donate online. If donating online, in the comments section, please put 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.



God bless our campaign, and our parish

Thank you to all who have already donated. To date we have raised \$73,001.

If you have any questions about the campaign, feel free to contact Shari Guinta by email at $\underline{sg2009@bell.net}$ or call the parish office at 519-884-9311. We ask you to continue to pray for the success of the campaign, and we will be grateful for any gift you can make!

Prayer Intentions

We now have prayer intentions placed at the front of the Altar that are remembered privately at Mass during the prayers of the faithful. If you wish to have a prayer intention added, please contact the parish office by phone or email.

In addition, we will be starting up our Parish Prayer Network soon. We are asking for people to volunteer to pray for those that request prayers. You will receive a list of intentions by email each month. Please note you will need an email address. If you are interested, please email the parish office.



Share Love, Share Lent: Raise a toast to yourself!

Did you know that over 10,000 Canadian Catholics like you are members of Development and Peace?

The *Share Love, Share Lent* campaign invites you to pray for them and to honour their solidarity towards our sisters and brothers in the Global South.

Show your support by donating generously this coming Solidarity Sunday. You can also become a monthly donor and have your year-long contribution matched, thanks to the support of religious communities across Canada. Not only will you double your impact, but you will also automatically become a member of Development and Peace! Learn more at <u>devp.org/lent</u>.



DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

The Reel Justice Film Festival is back for another year! A partnership between the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives and Development and Peace, the Reel Justice Film Festival shines a spotlight on issues of social, political, and economic injustice. Films are screened once a month and provide an opportunity for community discussion about ways we can all support actions for change. Details and the full schedule can be found at: reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com. This year the festival is going virtual! All of the films will be available online. Special family friendly screening March 25th 6:30pm - 8:00pm - To the Arctic, narrated by Oscar winner Meryl Streep. The film takes audiences into the lives of a mother polar bear and her twin seven-monthold cubs, as they navigate the changing Arctic wilderness they call home. RSVP online or by email at library@hamiltondiocese.com. Join the discussion!

