



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 11.1-45)



By raising Lazarus from the dead, Jesus demonstrates that the same way as He gives life to His beloved Lazarus (Jn 11:36), the same way He will give life to us, His beloved Christians.

By saying, “**everyone who lives and believes in me will never die,**” the Lord assures us that eternal life is not related to a far-off future; it is a quality of life. That quality is living in the presence of God, something that we are invited to experience and participate in even here and now.

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 28, 2023

7:00 pm + Mike Skals – Candy Smith

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

Wednesday, March 29, 2023

12:15 pm + Chris Shevlane – Tony Bogan

+ Gary Oestrich – Oestrich Family

Thursday, March 30, 2023

12:15 pm + Special Intentions of Sabine Twine
- Candy Smith

+ William P. Ryan – The Family

Friday, March 31, 2023

8:00 am + Rudy Ianni – Maria Ianni

+ Special Intentions of Agnieszka – 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, April 1, 2023

5:00 pm + Mary Chrysler – The Family

+ Wojtek Gutowski – Veronica & Raf Zarin

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.

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.



Stations of the Cross

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



All Day Confessions Wednesday, April 5

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available from **8 am to 9 pm**. Mass will be at 12:15. Confessions will pause during Mass then will continue until 9:00 pm.

Reconciliation (also known as **Confession**) is a sacrament instituted by Jesus Christ in His love and mercy to offer us forgiveness for our sins. *"Every time we go to confession, God embraces us"* - Pope Francis. Confession can be challenging but it is not difficult. To engage in the Sacrament in a meaningful way does require preparation. There are various types of examinations of conscience. They should be rooted in Scripture; particularly, the Ten Commandments or Beatitudes.

For a few examples of Examinations of Conscience open the link below:

<https://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/sacraments-and-sacramentals/penance/examinations-of-conscience>

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!

Share Lent Collection for Development and Peace, Solidarity Sunday, March 26

This Solidarity Sunday, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's *Stand for the Land* campaign invites you to give generously and thanks you warmly for your generosity. Your donation transforms the lives of some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers across the world. **Our solidarity rests on your generosity.** Please use an envelope at the Share Lent display or give online at devp.org/give. Thank you for helping us build a world of justice.

Ukrainian Crisis

On March 31st, CUET (the sponsor program offered by the government which allows Ukrainians to come to Canada) ends. Ukrainians seeking refuge want to come

to Canada and we need your help. Waterloo Region Grassroots Response is a volunteer based group dealing with the Ukraine crisis. They are looking for hosts, furniture, clothing, and financial support. Can you help? Any questions or offers of aid please email wrgassrootsresponse@gmail.com or call Stephanie Goertz at 519-242-8524.

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Heartache to Healing - Grief Support Group - Online Zoom or In Person Options

Grief support provides companionship on the long journey through the grief process. Our 6 week grief support program follows the process developed by Dr. Bill Webster, an experienced leader in grief counselling. All who have suffered a loss are welcome, regardless of how much time has passed since your loss.

Online 6 week - co-ordinated by the Diocese of Hamilton - Thursday's from 7-8:30pm - **April 13 to May 18 2023**. Register with Teresa 905-528-7988 x 2250 or <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/grief-support>

In person 6 week - you can register now - Wednesday evenings from 7-8:30pm - **May 17 to June 21 2023** at St. Michael Parish. Register with Kathy Shaw 519-886-2117 or email shawbing@rogers.com. More info/dates at - <https://stmichaelw.ca/grief-support>.



DIocese of HAMILTON

Chrism Mass

His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, will celebrate the Mass of Chrism on Monday, April 3, 2023 at 2:00 pm in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. The blessed and consecrated Oils are taken to the Parishes of the Diocese to be used in the celebration of the Sacraments for the coming year. All are welcome.

Marriage Banns

There is a promise of marriage between Emmanuel Emeka son of Lawrence Ohiri and Roseline Ohiri and Cynthia Chioma, daughter of Festus Benyogor and Felicia Benyogor. First publication.



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