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St. Michael's Catholic Church

St. Michael's Parish Offices - 240 Hemlock Street, Waterloo, ON N2L 3R5

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday to Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

LORD'S DAY LITURGY SCHEDULE

SAT Mass.....5:00 p.m.

SUN Mass.....9:00 a.m.

Mass...11:00 a.m.

Mass....7:00 p.m. (during the academic year)

WEEKDAY LITURGY SCHEDULE

MON Morning Prayer.....8:00 a.m.


TUE Mass.....7:00 p.m.

WED Mass.....12:15 p.m.

THUR Mass.....8:00 a.m.

FRI Mass.....8:00 a.m.

SAT Reconciliation.....4:00 p.m.

Our worship space and Parish Centre are barrier free off of Hemlock Street. 

NEW TO THE PARISH • Please come and introduce yourself and complete a registration form available on our website at www.stmichaelw.ca/forms or on the hospitality desks at each entrance to the church.

PARISH RECORDS • Our parish records are very important and we try to keep them as up to date as possible. Please advise the office if you change your address or telephone number.

MINISTRY TO PARISH SCHOOLS • Charlie Van Alphen and the pastoral staff visit St. Nicholas and Sir Edgar Bauer on a regular basis. Eucharist and Reconciliation are celebrated with each school during the year and the staff is available for classroom visits and other special celebrations. Fr. Con is available for the staff and students at St. David's school as needed.

MINISTRY TO UNIVERSITY STUDENTS AND STAFF • St. Michael's Parish welcomes students to participate in the liturgical and pastoral life of the parish. Each Sunday evening during the university academic year, we provide a parish Mass at 7:00 p.m. that focuses on the pastoral needs of students and staff of the universities and colleges in our community.

SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION • For more information about preparation and dates please visit our website or contact the parish office.

MARRIAGE • Couples intending to be married are asked to fill out an application form from the office or online at stmichaelw.ca/sacraments and meet with Fr. Con before making any other arrangements. Twelve (12) months notice is normally required so that proper preparation can take place.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK AND SHUT-IN • The Parish Nurse and trained volunteers assist in the pastoral care of those who are sick or confined, whether at home, at retirement residences, in nursing homes, in hospitals or in prison. Anointing of the Sick is celebrated in the parish church, Columbia Forest Long Term Care Centre and The Court At Laurelwood twice a year. Parishioners can request the Anointing of the Sick at any time by appointment in their home or in the church.

PASTORAL CARE TO THOSE WHO ARE IN HOSPITAL • Privacy of information laws prohibit the parish from obtaining information about parishioners in hospital. A family member is asked to contact the parish office whenever a parishioner is in hospital and requests a pastoral visit.

PARISH OUTREACH • St. Michael's Parish assists those in need through the St. Vincent De Paul Society. For emergency food help call 519-747-1090.

MUSIC IN THE LITURGY • Music plays an integral role in the liturgical life of the parish. Parishioners are invited to sing with the traditional choir (9:00 a.m.) or the contemporary choir (11:00 a.m.) on Sunday morning.

PARISH BULLETIN • News items for the bulletin should be submitted via email if possible and may be edited due to space limitations. All items must be in the parish office twelve days prior to publication.

MISSION STATEMENT

We are God's people called to worship and serve Christ Jesus in community on the journey of faith.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



MASS INTENTIONS

April 1 - 5, 2014

Monday

8:00am Morning Prayer

Tuesday

7:00pm +Ermenia Guidolin – *Eleanor Horrigan*

Wednesday

12:15pm +Special Intentions of Daniele Notargiovanni – *Karl & Donna Riddiough*

Thursday

8:00am +Helen & Ed Kuntz – *Paul Kuntz*

Friday

8:00am +Kieran Hynes – *Doug & Gai Brown & Family*

Saturday

5:00pm +Ted Gayowski – *Connor Family*
 +Tadusz Pioch – *Maria & Family*
 +Special Intentions of Audrey Ball – *Frances Klein*

Sunday

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Ezekiel 37.12-14

Romans 8.8-11

John 11.1-45



PARISH NEWS

Sunday Offering

March 22 & 23 - \$13,189.00

Income tax receipts and collection envelopes are available for pick-up in the Parish Office during regular office hours.

We are looking for 6 (male or female) volunteers to assist with parking on Easter Sunday at the 11:00am mass. If you can help it would be most appreciated. Please contact the Parish Office.



Next Sunday is "Solidarity Sunday" – the day when Canadian Catholics stand beside the poor in the Global South. This is the day when we share what God has given to us with those who desperately need the basics of life – food, water, shelter. Development and Peace has demonstrated incredible success in the fight against poverty and injustice over the last 45 years. Getting ideas for development from the poor themselves, supporting them with education, loans, seeds, livestock, etc. has proven a recipe for success. The poor do not want a 'hand-out'. They just need a 'hand-up'. We can do it. Let's make it happen. Please give generously.

**PARENTS AND CONFIRMANDI REMINDERS:
 MEETING ON TUESDAY, APRIL 1ST AT 7:30PM
 ENROLLMENT SUNDAY ON APRIL 5TH (5:00PM MASS)
 OR APRIL 6TH (9 OR 11AM MASS)**

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, April 5

5:00: Abraham Fernandez, Katie Kuepfer, Max Bindas, Alex Winter

Sunday, April 6

9:00am: Marcus Meyer, Quinn & Kieran Meyer, Jasmine Billote

11:00am: Reney Puthran, Don Klein, Samantha & Hailey Terpstra

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday, April 5

5:00pm: * Tom Connor
 1 Mark Spanjers 2 Marty Bell

Sunday, April 6

9:00am: * Pat Corman
 1 Suzanne Johnson 2 Teresa Palmer

11:00am: * Krista Nolan
 1 Greg Smith 2 Jason Higgins

7:00pm: 1 Tessa Heffernan

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

Saturday, April 5

5:00 pm : Joanne Winter, Ken Adams, George Farrell, Angela Tiedmann

Sunday, April 6

9:00 am: Bonnie Schroth, Gabrielle Smith, Betty Lou Borho, Laura Haffner

11:00 am: Susan Frantzke, Robert & Jean Balahura, Jerome & Karen Freiburger, Julie Dreisinger

7:00 pm: Martina Smith, Magnell Robinson

Calling all Parents: Your children are growing up, who will influence their decisions? Parents want and need to be the primary educators of their children. The important tasks of talking with and setting appropriate limits for your preteen/teen requires knowledge about your role as a parent, how your child's brain works and an understanding of why sharing your morals and values is essential for your teens healthy development. Join us for our parent presentation here at St. Michael's on Tuesday, April 1st and learn some practical tips to help you influence your child in a positive manner. The presentation by Teresa Hartnett will follow 7:00pm Mass from 7:30-8:30pm.

Attention All Ladies of the Parish:

You are invited to our 5th Annual Lenten Retreat hosted jointly by the four Catholic Women's Leagues of Waterloo. This year the retreat will be held on April 5th, at **Our Lady of Lourdes in Waterloo beginning with Holy Mass at 9 AM** and concluding at noon. Mass will be followed by some light refreshments in the Parish Centre. Our Retreat Theme this year is "**The Prodigal Daughter**" which has been interpreted and the debut will be **performed by Elisa Lollino**. There will also be time for reflection and meditation after the performance. There is no admission to attend the retreat, but we will take up a **free will offering** to support our artist, Elisa whose desire is to share the Gospel. You may sign-up via e-mail cwl@stmichaelw.ca before March 25th. Our Retreats have been a wonderful way to prepare for Easter and reflect on the true meaning of Lent. **Please join us on April 5th.**



Learn more about the work of Development and Peace! The Social Justice Committee will be presenting 2 short films on April 7th, 7-9 pm at St. Michael's. "A New Leaf" (30 minutes) deals with food insecurity in Niger. "On the Road to Food Sovereignty" (18 minutes) focuses on work done in Haiti following the earthquake. More information is posted on the bulletin boards or visit devp.org. Free admission.

The Carmel of St. Joseph Guild invites everyone interested to attend the Mini-Retreat & Grocery Shower (No Meat) to be held Saturday, April 5 from 10:15am – 2:00pm at the Monastery. Mass will be celebrated preceded by the Rosary. The Retreat Master is Reverend Ron Voisin.

Night of Worship with Chris Bray

Friday, April 11th @ 7:00pm at St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Cambridge. Join us for a wonderful evening of praise and worship, and a powerful witness of evangelization. This impacting Lenten evening will be for all ages - perfect for families and ideal for teens. Everyone is welcome as Catholic Christian musical artist Chris Bray leads us - a free will offering for St. Mary's Parish Mission in Haiti will be taken - for more info call 519 658 4443 or visit www.stmaryhespeler.ca

LENTEEN RETREAT EVENING: *Sponsored by St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Women's League* has been rescheduled to Wednesday, April 9th. Stations of the Cross at 7:00PM. Retreat immediately following. Retreat facilitator: Father Charlie Fedy C.R. at St. Francis of Assisi Parish at 7:30PM. *Your presence will help make this a very special time for all of us!* ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED.



DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

On Sunday, May 25, 2014, Bishop Douglas Crosby will celebrate the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm for couples married 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years in the year 2014. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if assistance is required). To participate in the celebration, please refer to the poster on the bulletin board at the main entrance of the church.

Become a Winner!!! The local Catholic Charities Lottery has replaced the St. Jerome's High School Lottery which began in the early 70s and then became the J.M. lottery supporting St. Jerome's and St. Mary's High Schools. Full funding for Catholic High Schools by the government in 1985 necessitated a change in the dispersal of funds. Today the Lottery funds Community initiatives and Parishes and Catholic Schools in Waterloo Region. 1000 tickets are available at \$100 each! There are bi-weekly draws for \$1000.00 May to September and your ticket can be drawn more than once. Check out www.CCFOWR.org to purchase a ticket. Or call Doug Farwell at 519-747-5661 or Father Terry McGuire at 519-772-2938.



It's in you to give!

SAVE THE DATE

A designated St. Michael's Blood Donor day will be held on May 13/14 at Canadian Blood Services, 94 Bridgeport Road E., Waterloo. For those people on a regular donation schedule, we sincerely hope that you will support this initiative.

New donors are always welcome. If you are unsure of eligibility, please call 1-888-2 DONATE or visit www.blood.ca

Please watch for updated bulletin information and bulletin board postings. WE NEED YOU.

LENT & EASTER 2014

- ° Lenten Series on Vatican II continue April 3 & 10 at St. Francis Church (Mass 9:00am / Refreshments 9:30am / Session 10:00 – 11:30am) **OR** at St. Michael's (Mass 6:00pm / Simple Soup Meal 6:30pm / Session 7:30 – 9:00pm)
- ° The Social Justice Committee will be leading the Solidarity Way of the Cross after Friday morning mass April 4th. The guide is available every day in the church and is very family friendly so you are invited to participate whenever it suits your schedule.

Please refer to the insert in today's bulletin or our website for additional Lent and Easter information.



Donations in memory of loved ones can be appropriate expressions of remembrance during the Easter Season. You are invited to contribute toward the cost of flowers for church décor this year. **Mass on Easter Sunday, April 20th at 11:00am** will be celebrated for those in whose memory the donations were made. Place this form with your donation in an envelope marked "**CHURCH DÉCOR**" and drop it in the collection basket, mail it or drop it off at the Parish Office.

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