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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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



MASS INTENTIONS

March 11 - 15, 2014

Monday

8:00am Morning Prayer

Tuesday

7:00pm +Larry Kreitz – *St. Michael's Quilters*

Wednesday

12:15pm +Dennis Carrigan – *Enda Dunne*

Thursday

8:00am +Thevasagayam Joseph – *Selvy*

Friday

8:00am +Arleen Gorman - *Estate*

Saturday

5:00pm +Bernard Adlys – *Sonia & Family*
+Donald Black – *Anthea & Enda Dunne*

Sunday

Second Sunday of Lent

Genesis 12.1-4
2 Timothy 1.8b-10
Matthew 17.1-9



PARISH NEWS

Sunday Offering

March 1 & 2 - \$7,350.00

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



This weekend is fair trade weekend. Please pick up your orders today and place your order for delivery on April 5-6. All orders must be prepaid. Fair Trade coffee, tea, sugar and chocolate benefits cooperative farmers in developing countries allowing them to lead lives with dignity and purpose. Thank you for supporting this cause.



Did you know that one out of every 8 of God's children suffers from hunger? That's a total of 1 billion people on our planet. We ask: "But what can we do that will make a difference?" Begin by keeping yourself informed on issues in the Global South. Do this through newspapers, TV reports, going to the Development and Peace web site regularly and read/hear the lived experiences of our poor brothers and sisters. Please plan your giving so it is not a burden for you but is still a generous gift for the poor. Pray, pray, pray for peace and justice in this world. D&P website – www.dgvp.org

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, March 15

5:00: Luke Roberts, Erin Dawdy, Alex & Max Winter

Sunday, March 16

9:00am: Melissa, Rachel & Nathan Chinnick,
Nonso Moneme

11:00am: Stephanie & Laura Kapp,
Don Klein, Steven Nguyen

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday, March 15

5:00pm: * Linus Wan
1 Justine Kraemer 2 Shari Guinta

Sunday, March 16

9:00am: * Helen Gelinias
1 Gilles Gelinias 2 Alvin Yulo

11:00am: * Herli Liem
1 Kelly Melanson 2 John Strong

7:00pm: 1 Tessa Heffernan

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

Saturday, March 15

5:00 pm: John Miller, Alicia Smith,
Gai Brown, Chris McKenzie

Sunday, March 16

9:00 am: Diane & Martin Jones, Glen Loffree, Calla Lau

11:00 am: Susan Frantzke, Hilary White,
Jaime Quintanilla, Dorothy Krauskopf,
Rohan & Jacintha Jayasundera

7:00 pm: Magnell Robinson, Denise McClanahan

There is a Prayer Shawl Meeting this Wednesday March 12th in the Resource Centre from 1-3pm. If anyone knows someone that would need a Prayer Shawl please call the Parish Office.

Are you interested in exploring a vocation to the Priesthood or Religious Life? Come join us for one or both events on Saturday March 15th. At 8:30am, St. John the Baptist Church in Guelph has a Mass and Holy Hour open to all to pray for vocations followed by discussion groups for interested youth both male and female. At 7:00pm, St. Anthony Daniel Parish hosts the Andrew Dinner for young men who are interested in the Priesthood. Please contact Fr. Kuzma through www.vocationinfo.ca to respond and for further information.

St. Agatha CWL invites you to their St. Patrick's Day Card Party on Sunday, March 16th @ 1:30pm. Admission is \$8.00 and is limited to the first 120 people. Stew will be served and there are lots of door prizes and a raffle. Parking is available on/in church property ONLY.

HOLY HOUR Experience prayer in a meditative, personal, and powerful way. March 19th at 7pm, the Serra Club will host Holy Hour for Vocations at St. Francis of Assisi Church, beginning with the Stations of the Cross. For more information please call 519-745-7301.

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO MAKE SOUP on Thursday, March 20th & 27th in the parish kitchen. All supplies provided. Call the Parish Office if you are interested in heading up this project or to volunteer.



**St. Michael's
Catholic Women's League**



will hold their general meeting on Tuesday, March 11th. The meeting commences with the parish 7 pm mass. After mass, all parishioners are invited to join the CWL ladies for a 30-mins **exercise-around-the-chair demonstration with Luella Kains**, the Wednesday mornings exercise instructor. The exercise routines are great for those who work at the desk all day and also for those with mobility issues. Business meeting will continue after the exercise demonstration.

Soup and Bread Solidarity Lunch

St. Jerome's University social justice committee invites you to join us in a simple soup and bread lunch in solidarity with those around the world who are in need, on Sunday, March 30 at 1:00pm in the Sr. Leon White Room in Sweeney Hall, entrance beside the Notre Dame Chapel. Listen to student guest speakers who have spent time abroad in various mission programs offered at SJU and enjoy the musical talent of Michael Kelly (remember the Harambee Pub Night!). Tickets available at St. Michael's March 22-23rd for \$5.00 each. Proceeds will go to supporting St. Jerome's students in the Beyond Borders program. If you would like to make a donation but are unable to attend the meal, please leave the ticket for someone who is able to attend and we thank you for your donation. Parking is free.

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. Sign-up sheets will be available after mass on March 15th and 16th. You may also sign-up via e-mail cwl@stmichaelw.ca before March 22nd. 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.**



Denise Dolff will be returning to Rwanda on April 2nd for the 20th anniversary of the genocide. She is hoping to raise money to pay school fees for young men in the minor seminary who cannot afford even a toothbrush and toothpaste, and are in danger of having to withdraw because their families cannot afford the cost of \$500.00 US per year, or do so by selling their only farmland, resulting in even greater poverty. Denise is asking for donations of \$5.00 or more with a goal to subsidizing three seminarians with the assistance of St. Michael's Parish. As this is a personal undertaking, not a parish outreach, no income tax receipts can be issued, but envelopes marked "African Seminarian" can be placed in the collection or left at the church office for her to personally deliver. Thank you for any support you can offer.

Stress in Your Marriage? – Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness and simply shut down. Others experience conflict and arguments in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This program has helped countless couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on **March 21-23, 2014**, in Niagara Falls please call **905-664-5212** or email: retrouvaille.hamilton@cogeco.ca or visit the web site at www.retrouvaille.org



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.

LENT 2014



Lenten Series on Vatican II March 20, 27, 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)



Evening Prayer every Thursday during Lent beginning March 6 until April 10 at 7:00pm



The Social Justice Committee will be leading the **Solidarity Way of the Cross** after Friday morning masses on March 21st & 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.



Waterloo Penitential Services (all begin at 7:30pm)
March 31- St. Louis April 1 – St. Agnes
April 2 – St. Michael April 3 – Our Lady of Lourdes

Additional penitential options are available at other parishes in K-W. Please see our website at www.stmichaelw.ca

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