



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 14:15-21)



As He knows that soon He won't be visibly present to His disciples, Jesus assures them that He still will be with them through the Holy Spirit, *the Spirit of truth*. And the Lord clarifies that the Holy Spirit will be given to those who love Him, that is, to those who keep His commandments.

To experience God's presence in our lives is possible though it depends on us. God reveals Himself to those who keep His words and walk His ways. Indeed, God's presence is subtle but not absent; it is hidden but not invisible.

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, May 16, 2023

7:00 pm + Bob Finch – Mabel Finch
+ Nicola & Teresina De Leo & Rosaria Zefferino – The Family
7:30pm-8:30pm Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction

Wednesday, May 17, 2023

12:15 pm + Anna & Louise Eder – The Family
+ Trish Danahy Zehr – Gai Brown & Marnie Reinhardt

Thursday, May 18, 2023

12:15 pm + Joanne Rail – Marianne Hoegler & Family
+ Special Intentions of Tony Bogan – Anthony & Magnell Robinson

Friday, May 19, 2023

8:00 am + Special Intentions of Carmelina – Anthony, Magnell & Family
8:30am - 9am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, May 20, 2023

5:00 pm + Keith Barker, Sr. – 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 6:30 pm, Tuesdays in May

The CWL leads the Rosary in the church on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 prior to the 7pm Mass. All are welcome to join.

A Mother's Day Prayer



How long is the Easter Season?

Easter isn't over yet. The proclamation of Easter does not end with Easter Sunday: that is only the beginning. Easter lasts for a total of 50 days, from Easter Sunday until the feast of Pentecost (this year, **May 28th**), when the Holy Spirit comes upon the Apostles, Mary, and when the Church is born.

During the Easter season the Paschal Candle, a symbol of the presence of the Risen Christ, remains in the sanctuary near the Altar or Ambo until Pentecost Sunday.

Struggle to pray the rosary?

Some people find praying the Rosary difficult, because they do not understand the manner in which the vocal and mental prayers are to be combined. The vocal prayers are sometimes called the BODY of the Rosary, while the mental prayer is SOUL. While the lips utter the words of the Hail Marys, the mind dwells on the various mysteries. The ten Hail Marys function as a measuring device to determine the length of time to reflect on this event in the life of Jesus and His Mother (*expert from rosarycenter.org*).



The Marillac Place 2023 Baby Bottle Campaign runs from Mother's Day, May 14th until Father's Day, June 18th. Marillac Place relies

heavily on donations from our community to help mothers and mothers-to-be who are facing homelessness. Please provide your support for the campaign by filling a baby bottle (available at the entrances of the church) with your spare change and returning by Father's Day weekend. Donations can also be made on-line at <https://marillacplace.ca/donate/> or by sending a cheque directly to Marillac Place. Please indicate you are from St. Michael Parish when donating on-line or by cheque. All proceeds from the campaign will directly support the operations of Marillac Place to

help us make an immediate impact on residents. For more information about Marillac Place, please call (519) 571-0722 ext. 202, or email admin@marillacplace.ca or visit <http://www.marillacplace.ca>

Thank you for your continued support.

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

Tuesday, May 16 at 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall

Has your marriage ended? Are you in need of support to adjust to your new life? Act II is an informal monthly support group for those who are experiencing separation, or divorce. With the support of others you can begin to heal the emotional, social, and spiritual devastation of divorce. You are not alone. 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.

Ukrainian Support at St. Michael's: Last Monday, the Refugee Support Team at St. Michael's became actively involved with a WLU residential unit for 5 Ukrainians located on Regina St. N. Next weekend's bulletin should contain more information – stay posted. In the meantime, you can call Dwayne at 226-898-5151 or Diane at 519-616-2227 for more information. If you would like to make a financial contribution (eligible for a tax receipt), please do so through WRGR (Waterloo Region Grassroots Response) at <https://www.wrggrassrootsresponse.ca/> – click on "Donate Now". Thanks to everyone who filled out a volunteer form last weekend. There will be a **meeting for volunteers on THURSDAY, May 18th** at 7 pm in the Parish Centre. Please keep Ukrainian refugees and all refugees in your prayers.



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ADULT FAITH FORMATION THROUGH VLCFF

– The Diocese of Hamilton is proud to partner with Dayton University's Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation (VLCFF) to offer certificate programs for ministry and enrichment for adult faith formation. We are currently taking enrollment for the Youth Ministry Certification Program and the Catechist Formation Program for the Diocese of Hamilton, which begins in September 2023. Three and five week e-seminars are also available at a discounted rate for all adults in the Diocese looking to further their learning. For more information about our programs, and how to register, visit us at www.hamiltondioceselearns.com.



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