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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 EASTER



MASS INTENTIONS

May 13 - 17, 2014

Monday

8:00am +Morning Prayer

Tuesday **NO MASS TODAY**

Wednesday

12:15pm +Special Intentions of Maria Kim Phung Hoang

Thursday

8:00am +Lloyd Steffler – *Bob, Pat & Family*

Friday

8:00am +Robert Finch – *Mom*

Saturday

5:00pm +Tadusz Pioch – *Maria & Family*
 +Special Intentions of Maria Kim Phung Hoang
 +Nicola De Leo – *Josephine Facciuolo*

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 6.1-7 1 Peter 2.4-9 John 14.1-12



PARISH NEWS

Sunday Offering

May 3 & 4 - \$7,863.00



OUR LAST DAY FOR MORNING PRAYER IS ON MONDAY, MAY 12TH UNTIL THE FALL.



VOLUNTEERS: Mark Friday, October 17th, 2014 on your calendars for our Volunteer Thank You Event!



St. Michael's is offering a CPR/AED course for interested parishioners on Saturday, June 7th from 9:00am – 3:00pm. If you are interested please contact Maryellen Hahn, RN in the Parish Office by Tuesday, May 20th. The cost of the course will be paid for by the parish for parish volunteers.



50th Anniversary of Service! In honour of Sister Lucy Godfrey's 50th Anniversary of Service we will be having a Special Intentions mass on Tuesday, May 20th at 7:00pm for her. There will be a reception to follow in the Parish Centre. On the weekends of May 10/11 and 17/18 stop by the main vestibule and sign the card for Sister. Please plan on joining us on May 20th to offer Sister Lucy your best wishes in person!

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, May 17

5:00pm: Alex & Max Winter, Erin Dawdy
Abraham Fernandez

Sunday, May 18

9:00am: Melissa, Rachel & Nathan Chinnick

11:00am: Samantha & Hailey Terpstra,
Louie Jay Parra, Aidan Fitzgerald

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday, May 17

5:00pm: * Kathleen Doyle
1 Shari Guinta 2 Kathy McGlynn

Sunday, May 18

9:00am: * Greg Smith
1 Katie Haffner 2 Katherine Bergman

11:00am: * Marty Bell
1 Kishanie Jayasundera 2 Ralph Stacey

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

Saturday, May 17

5:00pm: Margaret Ann Dietrich, Joan Fernandez,
Paul Gladding, Tracey Kuepfer

Sunday, May 18

9:00am: Betty Lou Borho, Laura Haffner,
Tony & Pam De Leo

11:00am: Denise McClanahan, John Muldoon,
Magnell Robinson, Hilary White,
Jeanette Rousseau, Kathy Shaw



St. Michael's Catholic Women's League



will be having their general meeting on Tuesday, May 13th. The meeting commences with the parish 7 pm mass. For this meeting in the month of Mary, we will recite the rosary together and have the crowning of Mary. Regular business meeting will follow and end with a Night Prayer. Members are reminded that they may reserve and pre-pay for their June dinner social at the meeting.

Praying the Rosary

Ladies of the Catholic Women's League will be praying the Rosary either after Morning Prayer or parish Mass from Monday, May 12th till Thursday, May 15th. All parishioners are invited to join us.

"Mary joins us, she fights at our side. She supports Christians in the fight against the forces of evil. Especially through prayer, through the rosary."

– Pope Francis Aug 17, 2013



Happy Mother's Day



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.



Our Lady of Good Counsel Award

St. Michael's Parish and St. Michael's Catholic Woman's League is pleased to offer the Our Lady of Good Counsel Award. The award has been established to encourage young parishioners to live out their baptismal call. This annual award, valued at \$1,000.00, will be awarded to an active member of St. Michael's Parish, graduating from high school, who demonstrates strong Christian volunteerism and leadership.

Please see the parish website www.stmichaelw.ca for details. All applicants must be submitted by June 15th.



In November 2013, Diane Jones of the Africa Committee travelled to Nyalieng'a to visit Sister Rose and the NDCO. Diane will be sharing her experiences on Tuesday,

May 27th, (7:30 – 9 pm) in the Parish Centre. All are welcome to attend.



St. Michael's Catholic Women's League



THANK YOU everyone for your support!

Our annual Springtime Card Party held on **Tuesday, May 6th** was very well attended. We had lots of door prizes for the evening. Those who attended had a great time! Amazing volunteers made the event a success. Thank You!

The winners of our raffle draw are:

- 1st Prize Queen-sized quilt Donna Rahn**
- 2nd Prize Convection Oven Helen Baron**
- 3rd Prize \$220 Langdon Hall gift card Jan Payne**
- 4th Prize Money tree Maritza Alba**

CONGRATULATIONS!



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Message for National Week for Life and the Family

May 11 – 18, 2014

In the Gospel for the Fourth Sunday of Easter, we hear these powerful words of Jesus: "I came that they might have life, and have it abundantly" (John 10.10). How can we not hear these words and give thanks for families which give life and give it in abundance? Families open our hearts to life, and give birth to our vision of life. Families enable us to come alive, sustain us in life, and give us our most important reasons to live, even when in difficulty. Families teach us to appreciate life. Is it any wonder that a few years ago, the Bishops of Canada made the decision to link life issues with family life when they launched the national initiative for life and family, of which this National Week is an integral part?

I give thanks to God for my family: it is with them I learned to believe, forgive, love, share, trust, to give thanks and show respect, to be honest and be filled with awe and wonder. In a Catholic family, moments such as Baptism, First Confession, First Communion, and Confirmation mark our journey in life, just as do marriage, ordination and the Anointing of the Sick. In a faith-filled family, even death manifests this continuity of faith and life, as brothers and sisters, parents and children gather to support one another in hope and trust. Families truly are schools of life!

I have just returned from the canonizations of two new Saints, gifts of God to the Church. As I think of Saint John XXIII, I recall the night of the opening of the Second Vatican Council, when he spoke to the crowds with a real father's heart, saying: "As you go back home, you will find your children. Give them a hug and tell them: 'This is the Pope's hug!' Perhaps you will find a few tears that need drying. Have a word of comfort for whoever is suffering.... Let us be filled with life, singing, sighing, crying, but always full of faith in Christ who helps us and listens to us, and let us once again take up our journey" (*Discorso alla luna* ["The Moonlight Speech"], 11 October 1962).

I also remember the words of Saint John Paul II as he reflected on the family: "The family finds in the plan of God the Creator and Redeemer not only its identity, what it is, but also its mission, what it can and should do.... Each family finds within itself a summons that cannot be ignored and that specifies both its dignity and its responsibility: family, become what you are!" (Apostolic Exhortation on the Role of the Christian Family in the Modern World, *Familiaris Consortio*, 17).

Following in the footsteps of these two great Saints, Pope Francis has also made the family one of his chief concerns. This October, I will participate in an Extraordinary Synod of Bishops he has called to reflect on the challenges facing families in today's cultures. This will be followed one year later by a second, Ordinary Synod that will propose concrete ways the Church can help all of Christ's faithful respond to these challenges. I invite all of us to start praying now for the success of both these Synods. Let us pray too for all families as they strive to become what they are meant to be: "Families united in the joy of the Lord."

+ *Paul-André Durocher*
Archbishop of Gatineau
President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

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