



ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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

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.

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 (Lk 24: 46-53)

The Feast of the Ascension of the Lord into Heaven, that we celebrate today is not about Jesus leaving us, but about the new way that He is now present to us. The truth of today's feast is shown in the Letter to the Hebrews, where we read of the great High Priest, that is Christ, who intercedes on our behalf (Heb 4:14-15).

So, the Ascension is not about having less of Jesus, but about having more of Him. Christ has not gone away but now and forever is with us and for us.

Dear Parishioners,

Next Sunday, June 5th, the Catholic Church celebrates **Pentecost Sunday**. The name "Pentecost" comes from the Greek word meaning "fiftieth." Fifty days after Easter, the Church comes together to celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost and to pray for the coming of the Holy Spirit into our hearts. It is one of the significant feasts of the year and marks the end of the Easter season.

To prepare ourselves for this Solemnity and to open our hearts to the Holy Spirit, we will have **special Holy Eucharistic Adoration** on **Saturday, June 4th**, (the Pentecost Vigil) from **9PM – 10PM**. I would like to invite you to come and pray for all needed gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Fr. Jamroz

WELCOME HOME TO ST. MICHAEL PARISH

Welcome, we are really glad you're here! Whether exploring, struggling or looking for a new Church Home - we extend a warm welcome to our parish and pray that you feel at home.

For details on our parish life, check out our website:

www.stmichaelw.ca



Tuesday, May 31, 2022

7:00 pm + Helen Benninger – The Family

7:30 pm Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction

Wednesday, June 1, 2022

12:15 pm + Intentions of Susan Bourque – A Friend

Thursday, June 2, 2022

12:15 pm + Rudy Ianni – Maria Ianni

Friday, June 3, 2022

8:00 am + Special Intentions of Wanda Guzik
– Maria Kuzio

8:30 am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, June 4, 2022

5:00 pm + Arthur Benninger – The Family

Sunday Homilies Online

Sunday homilies are available weekly online in audio version through our parish website – just click on the button 'LISTEN TO HOMILY'.

Parish Office Hours

The parish office is open for in person, Monday – Friday from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. If you are in need of a priest, you can contact Fr. Jamroz at 519-884-9311 ext. 27 or by email at pastor@stmichaelw.ca.

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 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.

The Ascension of the Lord

The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches about the Ascension: “*So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God.*’ *Christ’s body was glorified at the moment of his Resurrection ... But during the forty days when he eats and drinks familiarly with his disciples and teaches them about the kingdom, his glory remains veiled under the appearance of ordinary humanity. Jesus’ final apparition ends with the irreversible entry of his humanity into divine glory, symbolized by the cloud and by heaven, where he is seated from that time forward at God’s right hand. ...*” (CCC #659)

The Visitation of our Lady

On **Tuesday, May 31st** we celebrate the Feast of the Visitation of our Lady. Join us for the **7PM Mass**.

In the first chapter of St. Luke’s Gospel (Lk 1:26 – 57), the Archangel Gabriel announces two wonderful events to the Blessed Virgin Mary, that she herself will bear ‘the Son of the Most High’, and that her aged cousin Elizabeth was in her sixth month. Despite being newly pregnant with our Lord, Mary “hastens” to Judea from Nazareth to help her kinswoman through her final months. After Elizabeth’s and Zachary’s child (John the Baptist) was born, Our Lady returned to Nazareth. (Excerpt from EWTN, *Catholicism, Seasons and Feast Days*).



The Pentecost Vigil – Adoration

Join us for special Holy Eucharistic Adoration on **Saturday, June 4th**, from **9PM – 10PM**.

Fifty days after the high feast of Easter, the Church comes together to celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Similar to the Easter Vigil, the Vigil of Pentecost can be celebrated in a way that preserves its rich traditions.

The Four Marian Dogmas (Part 2):

3) Immaculate Conception

The privilege of the Immaculate Conception is the source and basis for Mary’s all-holiness as Mother of God. More specifically, the dogma of the Immaculate Conception states “that the most Blessed Virgin Mary, from the first moment of her conception, by a singular

grace and privilege from Almighty God and in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, was kept free of every stain of original sin.”

4) The Assumption

The dogma states that “Mary, Immaculate Mother of God ever Virgin, after finishing the course of her life on earth, was taken up in body and soul to heavenly glory.” Mary is indissolubly linked to her Son on earth and in heaven. Glorified in body and soul, Mary is already in the state that will be ours after the resurrection of the dead. (Excerpt from: *Catholic News Agency*)

Our Lady of Good Counsel Award

St. Michael Parish along with St. Michael’s CWL is pleased to offer the Our Lady of Good Counsel Award. This award is given to a graduating high school student who is an active member of St. Michael Parish and who has demonstrated strong Christian volunteerism and leadership. Application forms are available on the church website. All applications must be submitted to the parish office no later than **June 15th, 2022**.

Church Bulletin Advertising

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The updated advertising will begin in August 2022 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.



DIocese of HAMILTON

Wedding Anniversary Mass 2022

Registration - The Wedding Anniversary Mass, which would normally have been scheduled for June of 2022, will not occur this year due to the continued concerns around COVID-19. We invite you to register your 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 plus years of marriage on the Diocesan website at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/> and we will be happy to send you the certificate you would have received from Bishop Crosby at the Mass. The Wedding Anniversary Mass is listed on the home page under Upcoming Events.



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