

# St Michael Catholic Church

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## 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.

## WEEKDAY LITURGY SCHEDULE

TUE Mass..... 7:00 p.m.  
WED Mass..... 12:15 p.m.  
THUR Mass..... 12:15 p.m.  
FRI Mass..... 8:00 a.m.

TUE	Reconciliation....	6:00-6:45 p.m.
WED	Reconciliation..	11:50-12:05 p.m.
THUR	Reconciliation...	11:50-12:05 p.m.
SAT	Reconciliation...	4:00-4:30 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](http://www.stmichaelw.ca) 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** • The 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. We also celebrate the sacraments and make pastoral visits to St. David's high school as needed.

**MINISTRY TO UNIVERSITY & COLLEGE STUDENTS** • St. Michael's Parish welcomes students to participate in the liturgical and pastoral life of the parish. We celebrate a Sunday Mass for students every Sunday evening at 7pm. The St. John Paul II Student Centre ([jp2waterloo.ca](http://jp2waterloo.ca)) offers programming throughout the week, and Campus Ministry at St. Jerome's University provides pastoral care and programming for students on the University of Waterloo campus ([sju.ca](http://sju.ca)).

**BAPTISM** • For more information about preparation and dates please visit our website or contact the parish office.

**MARRIAGE** • Please meet with the priest or deacon 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 HOMEBOUND** • Trained volunteers assist in the pastoral care of those who are sick or confined, whether at home, at retirement residences, long term care facilities or in hospitals. Anointing of the Sick is celebrated at Columbia Forest Long Term Care, The Village at University Gates, The Court at Laurelwood and Clair Hills Retirement Community 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 by Monday prior to publication.

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

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

**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. Please introduce yourself and consider becoming a member of our Family of Faith. *For details on our parish life, offering envelopes, pre authorized or on line giving, as well as to find out about ways of connecting, check out our website: [www.stmichaelw.ca](http://www.stmichaelw.ca) or see anyone at our Welcome Desk.*



**May 7 - 11, 2019**

**Tuesday**

- 9:30am** Mass at St. David Secondary School
- 6:30pm** Rosary
- 7:00pm** +Bruce Dietrich – *Margaret Ann & Family*
- 7:30pm** Holy Hour with Adoration and Benediction

**Wednesday**

- 10:30am** Mass at Court at Laurelwood
- 12:15pm** +Wendykier Family Members – *Teresa*

**Thursday**

- 12:15pm** +Jonathan Wesley – *Mom, Dad & Caroline*

**Friday**

- 8:00am** +Joseph & Christine Hause – *Hause Family*
- 11:00am** Mass at University Gates

**Saturday**

- 5:00pm** +Robert Finch – *Mom*
- +Rozalia Kocon – *The Family*
- +Marilyn Missere – *Pat Durrer & Family*

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

*Acts 13.14, 43-52 Revelation 7.9, 14b-17 John 10.27-30*

**Sunday Offerings**

April 21 – \$5,016.25 PAG – \$993.00  
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**Did you know....**that you can park in Lot 32 right next door at the WLU Lazaridis Building during weekend Masses? Street Parking is also permitted on Hemlock Street – please see our new designated spaces.

**SUNDAY HOMILIES ON LINE**

Sunday homilies are available weekly on line in audio version through our parish website – just click on the link.

**PARISH PRAYER NETWORK**

Our parish prayer network offers us the opportunity to weekly pray for those in our community who are in need. To become a member of the prayer network, or to add an intention, email us at [stmikesprayer@gmail.com](mailto:stmikesprayer@gmail.com)

***“Catholic Café”***

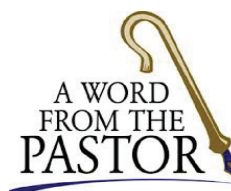
**After all Masses Next Weekend!!!  
 Special Mother’s Day Edition!**



Please join us in the Parish Centre (lower level) after all of our Masses – Saturday at 5:00pm, Sunday at 9:00am & 11:00am and even after the 7:00pm Mass. There will be special “*Mother’s Day Cookies*” and we even have a special gift for every mom!! On Sunday night our students are serving pizza!! Several displays will also be present by our various Parish Groups.

**OUR SUNDAY EVENING MASS**

Since our parish serves university communities that operate on a three term system, (i.e. year round), and since the Summer months provide opportunities for many of our parishioners to travel, including to cottages, and return Sunday nights, we will make our Sunday 7:00pm Mass year round. We look forward to the blessings for our entire parish.



This Sunday is our parish *Stewardship Sunday* and our 2018 Stewardship Report will be available. *All parishioners are encouraged to pick up a copy.* Members of our Finance Council will also be available at all Masses. Did you know that you can financially support our parish electronically through debit or on line giving? To find how, see our website or speak to one of our Finance Council members for details.

The month of May has traditionally been devoted to Mary. This month highlights the special sharing of our Blessed Mother in the paschal mystery of Christ, her Son. We are called to imitate Mary in her openness to God’s will, in her prayerfulness of spirit and in her quiet dedication to the purpose and mission of her Son’s life. Let us pray to God through Mary that every person may model her discipleship and her devotion to Christ, her Son.

This coming week is Catholic Education Week. Let us remember in prayer our publically funded Catholic Education system and in a special way remember the staff and students of our four parish schools – St David, Resurrection, Sir Edgar Bauer and St Nicholas. We are also blessed with our relationship with St Jerome University. Let us pray for all aspects of Catholic Education.

Please see an insert this weekend on our special partnership with Marillac Place as we help young mother’s in need.



### SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

There will be a Social Justice Committee Meeting on Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the St. Michael Room. New members always welcome!

### WHY @ BREAKFAST

Join us at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Waterloo as we welcome Rev. Denis Grecco, Assistant Professor at St. Peter's Seminary, on May 18<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 AM to 11AM. Come and find out how art and beauty may assist us in facing the issues of the churches and our contemporary culture. Two volumes, Pentateuch and Gospel & Acts, of the Heritage Edition of The Saint John's Bible will be on display during the event. Light breakfast available. Interested? For more information, please see <https://whyatbreakfast.com>



### STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE

We are very excited that our parish will be offering an opportunity for high school aged young people to participate in the Steubenville Conference –

July 12-14, 2019. Registration forms are available at the Main Entrance of the Church or check our website – register soon!!

### VBS is HERE!!!!

JULY 29- AUGUST 2!

VBS will once again take place here at St. Michael Parish July 29-August 2, 2019 – 9:00am-Noon. VBS is for children JK – Grade 5. *On*



*Line Registration via our website now open. Spots are filling!*

### INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Any adults who have not been baptized and are considering becoming Catholic, or any adults who have already been baptized in other Christian churches and wish to become full members of the Catholic Church, please speak to Father Freitas and arrangements will be made to complete your initiation into the Catholic Church. A program of formation begins in the Fall – there is a place for you – welcome.

### MINISTRY OF HOSPITALITY/USHERS

New ushers are needed in our parish for all weekend Masses. If you are sixteen years of age or older and attend the same Mass regularly, this is a perfect opportunity for you to serve your fellow parishioners as an Usher. Please leave your name and contact number with a current usher or send an email to the parish office.

### DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2019? You are invited to join couples from across the Diocese for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 1:30pm. See the poster at the main entrance for information on how to register for the celebration, or go to [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com)

### SPRING FEVER?

Are you looking for a spring project? Vests and toques help to prevent pneumonia in Third World babies and toddlers. Patterns are simple, and there is also an abundant supply of donated yarn and wool – see the storage units at top of stairs near the University Avenue entrance.

### THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who volunteered over the past 4 months, at the Stirling Avenue Mennonite Church, Saturday Supper Program. This program feeds approximately 200 people with a nutritious, delicious hot meal every Saturday evening to those who are homeless, or just need a helping hand. As anyone who volunteered can attest to, it takes many, many helpers to orchestrate this type of event. Together we volunteered just under 100 hours to this program. A huge thank you for the kindness, generosity, patience and love that was poured out to those in need. We are planning to continue with this program beginning in November 2019 through to the end of April 2020. Stay tuned!

### MINISTRY OF COMPASSION

Our parish is blessed with several Ministers of Communion to the Sick who regularly take communion to our sick and shut in members. We also often have parishioners in hospice and hospital care who seek a visit. If this is something you feel called to do then please contact Father Freitas as we are currently seeking to assemble our team.



We are hosting our first ever *parish-wide* “Service Saturday” on *Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019.* (*Please note new date*)

It will give us all the opportunity to reach out to the community by partnering with various local organizations with opportunities to help painting, serving a meal to the homeless, helping shut-ins and more. All hands are needed ... Sign-ups and *more details at our May Catholic Café* – Come be a part – Lend a hand!

### WHAT'S NEW?.....WHAT'S NEXT?

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