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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

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 programing 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

For food assistance in the Waterloo Region call 519-743-5576 Ext 340 to be directed to the program nearest you. SSVP is currently supporting the North of 60 project providing food assistance to Chesterfield Inlet, Nunavut as well as creating Essential Hygiene Kits for newly arriving Ukrainian refugees.

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 (Mt 25: 1-13)



The parable of ten bridesmaids speaks of the end-of-time but can also be applied to any moment of grace. Sometimes we are like the wise bridesmaids, vigilant, welcoming the Lord. Other times, we are like the foolish, making choices that leave us disappointed and deprive us of light and the presence of God.

The refusal of the wise bridesmaids to share their oil teaches that there are things that other people cannot provide for us. The parable is not a lesson on the golden rule. We are dealing here with the sanctity of life and relationship with the Lord which are indivisible.

Fr. Jamroz

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL PARISH

Welcome, we are glad you're here! For details on our parish life, please see our website: www.stmichaelw.ca



Tuesday, November 14, 2023

7:00 pm + Cornelia Grzegorczyk – St. Michael Parish CWL

- + Special Intentions of JR
- + Celine & Kunjipavoo Kannai Jensna Thomas

7:30pm-8:30pm Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction

Wednesday, November 15, 2023

12:15 pm + Scott King – Betty & John Dey

+ Deceased members of the Corman and Manly Families – Pat Corman

Thursday, November 16, 2023

12:15 pm + Justo Angeles – Maria Angeles

Friday, November 17, 2023

8:00 am + Special Intentions of Amarachi Nasa-Okolie

+ Lloyd Mears – Linda Guacci

8:30am - 9am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, November 18, 2023

5:00 pm + Mary Chrysler – The Family

- + John Bedic The Bedic Family
- + Kevin Joseph Gai & Doug Brown

Parish Office Hours

The parish office is open Monday to Friday from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm.

Sunday Homilies Online

Sunday homilies are available weekly online in audio and pdf version through our parish website – just click on the button 'LISTEN OR READ 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 and 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 Request a Prayer or contact the parish office by phone or email.

Parish Email List

All parishioners are welcome to join a parish email list. If you are on this list, you will be notified of upcoming parish events including funerals. To join the list, please sign up on our website at https://www.stmichaelw.ca/contact-us

Book of Life

During the month of November, our parish "Book of Life" will be placed near the altar. You are welcome to add the names of your loved ones who have died and are now with the Lord. They will be remembered at our parish Masses during November.

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November 18, The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul

This ferial celebrates the dedications of two of the four major basilicas of Rome. St. Peter's Basilica was originally built in 323 by the emperor Constantine. It was dedicated on Nov. 18, 1626. It is considered the most famous church in Christendom. St. Paul's Basilica is located outside the original walls of Rome. It was also originally built by the emperor Constantine. (excerpt from catholicnewsagency.com) "We build not churches to martyrs as to gods, but memories as to men departed this life, whose souls live with God. ..." St. Austin.

What is Purgatory?

The month of November is dedicated to the Souls in Purgatory. What is Purgatory? The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* defines purgatory as a "purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven," which is experienced by those "who die in God's grace … but still imperfectly purified" (CCC 1030). (*Expert form Catholic Answers*)

Fr. Ron Rolheiser: "*True purgation happens only*

Fr. Ron Rolheiser: "True purgation happens only through love because it is only when we experience love's true embrace that we can see our sin ..."



CWL Bake Sale Saturday Nov 18th/ Sunday Nov 19th

The Catholic Women's League will hold its annual Bake Sale Fundraiser the weekend of November 18th & 19th. Baking will be available for purchase in the parish hall after the 5pm, 9am and 11am Masses. Proceeds will be donated to charities supported by the CWL and our parish.

Donations of baked goods from CWL members and parishioners are appreciated.

Baking can be dropped off in the parish hall: Fri. Nov 17^{th,} 9am – 11:30am, Sat. Nov 18th, 9am – 6pm & Sun Nov 19th, 8:30am – 11:00am

Thank you in advance for supporting this event.

Sunday Missals

and Children's Sunday Missals are available for the new liturgical year. They are \$5 for the Sunday Missal and \$10 for the Children's Sunday Missal and are at the main doors of the Church. Please have exact change. Missals can also be purchased at the parish office.



Food Loss & Food Waste Presentation Tues. Nov 14th, 7:30pm

Food loss & waste costs the Canadian economy \$49.5 billion dollars annually.

Join us in the parish hall on November 14th following the 7 pm Mass, to learn more of the facts, costs, causes and possible solutions to this problem. Find out ways you can help make a difference. This presentation is sponsored by the CWL in support of their 2022 resolution: "Enact Federal Legislation to Reduce Food Loss and Waste"

All are welcome to attend this impactful presentation. Bring a friend!

St. Michael's Africa Project

The "Brick" **Christmas Ornaments** (\$10) are available this weekend at all the masses and again the weekend of December 9/10 when Sister Oyin-oza, Provincial Leader of the School Sisters of Notre Dame, Africa Province, will be visiting St. Michael's. Between times, the ornaments will be available at the parish office. The ornaments, hand-crafted by members of the Africa Project Committee here in KW, support the costs of constructing the *Blessed Theresa of Jesus Gerhardinger Educational Centre* in Nylieng'a Kenya.

Harambee Child Sponsorship

Thank you all of the current sponsors who have already made their donation for this year. It is not too late for you to become a sponsor. Visit the parish website for information, email harambeeletters@gmail.com or call the parish office at 519-884-9311.



SAVE THE DATE: THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS!

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+Wedding Anniversary in the year 2024? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 26, 2024 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration will be available online in December at www.hamiltondiocese.com



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