



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

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 25:14-30)



Two of the servants did their best with the time and opportunities entrusted to them. But the third one allowed both opportunity and talents to be unused and unproductive. Because of his cowardice and lack of creativity, he was called “wicked and lazy.”

Each of us has been entrusted with a share in the ministry of Christ to proclaim the Gospel and work for the benefits of others based on our natural talents and God’s grace. As the Gospel emphasizes, God works through people who have the courage to risk what is necessary in order to develop the gifts entrusted to them.

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 21, 2023

7:00 pm + Annamma Antony & Antony Plathera
- Jesna Thomas

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

Wednesday, November 22, 2023

12:15 pm + Cecilia Vrabec – The Family

Thursday, November 23, 2023

12:15 pm + Vincenzo Villapiana - Maria Ianni

Friday, November 24, 2023

8:00 am + Rudy Ianni - Maria Ianni

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

Saturday, November 25, 2023

5:00 pm + Andrew Anstett - Debbie Hicks & Brenda Perak
& Families

+ Keith Barker, Sr. - The Family

+ Dolores Mallette - Bonnie Gleason

+ Chris Bartolucci - Bonnie Gleason

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.

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Tuesday, November 21; Mass at 7 pm.

It is an ancient tradition, that the Blessed Virgin Mary was solemnly offered to God in the temple in her infancy. ... What we celebrate on this day is the fact that God chose to dwell in Mary in a very special way. In response, Mary placed her whole self at the service of God. Every moment since our Baptism, God invites each of us to be open to His grace and dedicate ourselves to Him, as Mary did. (*Excerpt from ewtn.com and loyolapress.com*)

Mark in Your Calendar

ADVENT NIGHT OF REFLECTION LED BY FR. THOMAS ROSICA, CSB

Friday, December 15th,

Mass at 7 pm, Reflection at 7:45 pm

Please join us for Mass and an Advent night of reflection with Fr. Thomas Rosica. The topic: ***Emmanuel: The Plea and the Promise***. Please register on our website at <https://www.stmichaelw.ca/advent-evening-of-relection> or by calling the parish office.

Act II – Separated & Divorced Group

The group usually meets the third Tuesday of the month. Please note there will be no meeting on **November 21, 2023**. Please contact the parish office for more details.

The Annulment Process ... the facts and myths; Presented by Deacon Joseph Di Loreto

Join us on **Thursday, November 23rd at 7 pm** in the Parish Centre. Deacon Joseph Di Loreto, the Administrative Officer and Auditor of the Marriage Tribunal for the Hamilton Diocese will present an overview of the Annulment process. He will clarify the steps, dispel the myths, share facts and answer your questions. **To reserve your spot, please register by calling the parish office or by email at parish@stmichaelw.ca**

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.

THE FAITH EXPLAINED - What is Holy Communion?

Holy Communion is a unique encounter with Christ, in which we sacramentally receive Christ into our bodies. Our Catechism explains: *In the most blessed sacrament of the Eucharist 'the body and blood, together with the soul and divinity, of our Lord Jesus Christ and, therefore, the whole Christ is truly, really, and substantially contained* (CCC 1374).

The Catechism uses the words "*really, truly, and substantially*" to describe Christ's presence in the Holy Eucharist in order to emphasize that Holy Communion is not a sign or symbol of Christ but the real presence of the Lord.

Christmas Sharing Project 2023

St. Michael Social Justice Committee invites everyone to participate in our annual **Christmas Sharing Project** for the 27 residents living at **HUGO** and the 80 residents at **UA** (University Avenue) run by The Working Centre. Please select a tag from the display of an item or for a \$25 gift card to purchase and return it to the bins or to the church office **by Sunday, Dec. 3**. Thank you for your generosity.

Sunday Offering Envelopes for 2024

Sunday Offering Envelopes for 2024 for current envelope users will be available starting next weekend. If you are not currently using envelopes but are interested in obtaining Sunday Offering Envelopes please contact the parish office. All are invited to consider Pre-Authorized Giving as a method to support our parish - forms are available online.



DIocese of Hamilton

YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT – DECEMBER 2ND –

DURHAM Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and early 30s) of our diocese to attend a night of Adoration, Fellowship and Praise Music. Arrival and Holy Hour (7:00pm-8:00pm), Social with Food (8:00pm-8:30pm), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8:30pm-9:30pm), and Compline (9:30pm) on Saturday, December 2nd at St. Peter and the Missions Church (850 Garafraxa Street North, Durham, Ontario). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com



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