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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

Tuesday 6:15-6:45 p.m. Friday 8:30-9:00 a.m. Saturday 4:00-4:45 p.m.



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 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, just drop us an email at stmikesprayer@gmail.com

# **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

Provides emergency grocery assistance to needy persons and families in our parish area. If there is an urgent need, please call 519-747-1090. A monthly collection to assist the Society in its work takes place on the First Sunday.

# **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 (Mk 12: 38-44)



The widow's offering was smallest of all but it was priceless in value because she gave "her whole livelihood" (NAB). The word "livelihood" can be also translated as 'life' itself. She did not give *something*; she offered her very self out of love for God and others.

The poor widow who gave away all she had is very close to Christ. We can say that the Lord put all He had into the 'world's treasure box' when He gave His very life for us. One of the Gospel paradoxes is that it is by losing and giving away that we truly save and keep. C.S. Lewis famously says, "Nothing you have not given away will ever really be yours."

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. Please introduce yourself and consider becoming a member of our Family of Faith. For details on our parish life, registration, offering envelopes, pre-authorized or online giving, as well as to find out about ways of connecting, check out our website: <a href="https://www.stmichaelw.ca">www.stmichaelw.ca</a>



#### Tuesday, November 9, 2021

7:00 pm + Payton James Colussi – Rina & Silvano Colussi

- + Special Intentions of Jackson Ryan
  - Matt & Shirley Kavanaugh

7:30 pm Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction

#### Wednesday, November 10, 2021

12:15 pm + Germana Rodrigues – Luis & Maria Pereira

+ Joe Jordan – The Family

## Thursday, November 11, 2021- Remembrance Day

12:15 pm + Those who have died in war

+ Paul Sabatini – The Family

#### Friday, November 12, 2021

8:00 am + Vincent Mudakenga – Marie

- + Special Intentions of Jackson Ryan
  - Matt & Shirley Kavanaugh

#### Saturday, November 13, 2021

**5:00 pm +** Steve Hollo – The Family

- + Leon-George Fortin Piotr Sychterz
- + Agnes Gaffney Joe & Steve Wagner

# **Public Masses have resumed**

We may welcome the number of people we can accommodate with two metres of social distance between individuals/households. All who participate in the liturgy are to wear masks.

# Lord's Day Mass Times

Saturday at 5 pm Sunday at 9 am, 11 am and 7 pm

#### 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 <a href="mailto:pastor@stmichaelw.ca">pastor@stmichaelw.ca</a>

# **Sunday Homilies Online**

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



# 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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# Remembrance Day, November 11

Let us pause on November 11, in silence, to remember those who died in war and to pray for the victims of aggression and inhumanity throughout the world. Everyone is welcome to join us for Mass at 12:15 pm.

# **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Prayer shawls are presented to people who are experiencing difficulties in their lives. The Prayer Shawl Ministry appreciates the gifts of money and yarn that they have received. To request a shawl or for more information, contact Eleanor Horrigan 519-885-3674 or <a href="https://horriganeleanor@gmail.com">horriganeleanor@gmail.com</a>

The next meeting of the Prayer Shawl Ministry is Wednesday, November 10 at 1:00 pm. Please enter through the main doors of the church. New members are welcome. COVID protocols will be followed.



# CWL General Meeting & Vote Tuesday November 9<sup>th</sup>

CWL members are asked to attend this important meeting on Tuesday November 9<sup>th</sup> following the 7pm Mass.

The purpose of this meeting is to vote on proposed changes from our National Office which include a fee increase and a change to our Patroness (among others). We will have a brief time for hellos since we haven't met for so long, and then get right into voting on these changes.

If you need a ride to this meeting, please contact Shani Pregelj 519-883-8933 or <a href="mailto:cwl@stmichaelw.ca">cwl@stmichaelw.ca</a>

COVID protocols will be followed during the meeting. Proof of vaccination is *not* required to attend.

# Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation Update

Registration for First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation is now available on the website.



# DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

Online Learning for Adult **Faith Formation -** The Diocese of Hamilton is pleased to have The University of Dayton: Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF) as a partner in adult faith formation. The VLCFF is a living adult faith community offering online learning opportunities to address the learning needs of adults in our Diocese. Whether taking courses for professional development in ministry or for personal nourishment, the VLCFF provides a breadth of opportunity for learning including full certificate programs, five-week online courses and three-week intensive online seminars. For more information check out the Hamilton Diocese learns web page or contact the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis at (905) 528-7988 2339 catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com.



World Meeting of Families Diocesan Event - being held May 28, 2022 at Mount Mary in Ancaster. Pope Francis is urging diocesan administrators to begin preparations for the 2022 World Meeting of Families and this is exactly what the Diocese of Hamilton has begun to do! The Pope has asked that, "wherever it is possible, I would like to invite diocesan communities to plan initiatives based on the theme of the meeting, and to use the symbols being prepared by the Diocese of Rome." More information will follow. For now, we encourage you to keep Saturday, May 28th open. As Pope Francis reminds us, this is "a great opportunity for Catholics to renew their commitment to family ministry."

Do you need support after an abortion? Either your own, or someone else's? Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry? Project Rachel is available to help. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis, with a trained counsellor, to find hope and healing. Please call 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.



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