

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: <u>www.stmichaelw.ca</u>



Tuesday, October 13, 2020

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7:00 pm + Helen Benninger – CWL Maria & Stefan Liko 47th Wedding Anniversary – The Family

Wednesday, October 14, 2020

12:15pm Intentions of the Szeto Family – The Family+ Jack Murray – Eleanor Horrigan

<u>*Thursday, October 15, 2020*</u> 12:15pm + Deceased Parishioners

Friday, October 16, 2020 8:00 am Special Intention – Susan Bourque

Saturday, October 17, 2020 **5:00pm +** Hilda Chrysler – The Family

On-line giving

Did you know you can donate directly online to St. Michael Parish by using your credit or debit card? Click <u>here</u> for details. Thank you for your continued support of St. Michael Parish, especially during this time.

Catechetical Correspondence Courses - Programs available for children from Kindergarten through to High School not currently receiving religious instruction. Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation for children not in Catholic Schools also available. Families work through the programs at home. Contact Monica in the Catechesis Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238 or check out our website at www.hamiltondiocese.com and click on the Catechesis Office for more information, printable registration forms or to register online.



Lord's Day Mass Times

Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am and 11 am (Sunday at 7 pm is currently suspended)

Church doors are open 30 minutes prior to each Mass. Please arrive early so that the Ministry of Health guideline of social distancing can be followed.

Reconciliation – note time change

Tuesday 6:15 pm to 6:45 pm Friday 8:30 am to 9:00 am Saturday 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm Also, by appointment.

Office Hours

Our Parish office hours during COVID will continue as Monday-Thursday 9 am to 4 pm.

A Message from Monsígnor Earl Talbot

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

To speak about the Kingdom of God, Jesus uses imagery and parables. One of the most popular images he uses – the "great Catholic feast" – is borrowed from his own religious tradition. See today Isaiah 25:6ff. – the wonderful image of God as the "great chef" who prepares a banquet for all peoples, and then spends his time trying to cheer up his guests!

When Jesus finishes his parable, the Pharisees go away to work on how to trap him (22:15). Cleary, telling parables can be a dangerous business!

In Christ,

Fr. Earl

We are glad you able to join us

We reached our 210 maximum capacity on Sunday at 11:00 am. Our numbers have been increasing each week. Please consider attending either Saturday at 5:00 pm or Sunday at 9:00 am or a weekday Mass. Reminder that masks are mandatory.

First Communion/Confirmation

First Communion and Confirmation dates for those who were scheduled this past spring are set and information has been emailed. If you have not received notice, please contact the parish office.

First Communion Dates

October 17 at 11:00 am October 24 at 11:00 am

Confirmation Dates

November 7 at 11:00 am & 2:00 pm - Sir Edgar Bauer November 14 at 11:00 am & 2:00 pm - St. Nicholas

Diocese – Special Collection

Envelopes will be available this weekend for a combined special collection on October 17 & 18 that will support Share Lent, Pope's Pastoral Works; Holy Land, Cura Pastorum Association, Needs of the Church in Canada, and World Mission Sunday. If you are donating online for this collection, please indicate in the comment section that it is for the Diocese Combined Special Collection.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

As a parish family, we are inviting adults who may be considering the Catholic Faith to "come and see". We will gather on October 24 at 2:00 pm to begin this journey of faith. Please contact the parish office to register by October 21.

We invite adult Catholics who wish to form part of the preparation team to join us October 17 at 2:00pm. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the parish office at 519-884-9311 by October 14.



St. Michael Harambee Child Sponsorship Program has been linking sponsors and children since 2013. Orphans and other needy children are in the care of the Notre

Dame Children Outreach (NDCO), a project of the School Sisters of Notre Dame (SSND), in Nyalieng'a Kenya. Sponsorships are renewed/initiated annually during the month of October.

If you would like more information or if you would like to become a sponsor, please let us know. More info is available on the parish website.

Contact by email:harambeeletters@gmail.comContact by phone:Diane 519-616-2227 (pleaseleave a message)

Giving back and saving lives....

Normally every fall and spring our parish community comes together for 'Service Saturday', where we sign up and go out to various organizations to lend a hand. This year we know everything is different. However, you can still give back to the community in a very meaningful way.

We have partnered with Canadian Blood Services in the past, and will do so again this Fall. The need for blood is constant. The pandemic does not take that need away. Depending on the type of blood needed, the inventory levels can be as low as 5 days. Please join our St. Michael Parish community. Our Parish donation date is:

Saturday, October 31st 8:30am-12:00pm.

Canadian Blood Services

94 Bridgeport Road East, Waterloo (Sobeys and Walmart Plaza, Bridgeport and Weber St.)

Pre-registration is needed and it's simple to do. You can choose one of the following methods:

- 1. Book online <u>www.blood.ca</u> and click on "Donate Now"
- 2. Phone 1 888-236-6283
- Questions? Email Gina Leyva, Territory Manager, Canadian Blood Services -<u>gina.leyva@blood.ca</u>



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Thank you!

