



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 22:1-14)



In today's Gospel we are told that the kingdom of Heaven is like a king who invites people to a wedding banquet! God does not call us for a judgment but invites us for a joyful celebration. Our Christian life is not about giving account of what we have done, but rather about celebrating and feasting. We are invited not just to come to the feast but also to wear a 'wedding robe.'

In the Bible, an outer garment symbolizes an inner state of the heart. St. Augustine explains that "**love that springs from a pure heart**" (1Tim 1:5) is the garment that is needed. Self-giving love is the disposition of the heart and mind that makes us ready to take part in the feast.

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, October 17, 2023

- 6:30 pm** Rosary led by the CWL
7:00 pm + Special Intentions of Gail Finch – A Friend
 + Cecil & Evelyn Kenney – Eleanor Horrigan
 + Pat Schiebel – Bernadette Woods & Family
7:30pm-8:30pm Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction

Wednesday, October 18, 2023

- 12:15 pm** + Collin Luther – Jennifer Rocena
 + Sara Barros – Maria Ianni
 + Ava Dicsi – A Friend

Thursday, October 19, 2023

- 12:15 pm** + Special Intentions of Gertrude Bourque on her 100th Birthday – Susan & Bob Bourque & Family
 + Diane & Mike Winger – The Family

Friday, October 20, 2023

- 8:00 am** + Special Intentions of Davin Bogan – Tony Bogan
 + Special Intentions of Sister Gerarda van den Bogaerd, ICM – Jaye Reddock
8:30am - 9am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, October 21, 2023

- 5:00 pm** + Hermina Hollo – The Family
 + Rita Miller – John Miller
 + Rose, Joseph & Christopher Brolly – Kathleen Ebrahimi

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>

Rosary Every Tuesday in October. The CWL will lead the Rosary in the church on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 prior to the 7 pm Mass. All are welcome to join together in this wonderful prayer.



Today we give thanks for the wonderful people who volunteer their time, talents and treasures to St. Michael's Parish.

***Loving Father,
You taught us the importance of
service through the many examples set
by your Son, Jesus Christ.
Through the works of the Holy Spirit
and the grace poured out by you, these
wonderful people have heard your call
to do great and wonderful things for
our Community and beyond. May you
continue to care for our Parish
Volunteers, and may you shower them
with love and many blessings.***

Feast of St. Luke the Evangelist October 18th, Mass at 12:15 pm

According to ancient tradition, Luke was born in Syria and was a physician. He was a companion of Saint Paul the Apostle. ... In his writings, Saint Luke ... shows us a Jesus who is a friend of sinners and outcasts (cf. Lk 15:1-32; Acts 2:42-44). ... (*Excerpt from aleteia.org*)
Luke is unique among the writers of NT. He is the only Gentile author. In addition to his Gospel, he wrote the Acts of the Apostles as the second part of a two-volume work.

St. Michael's Africa Project Updates

Harambee Child Sponsorship

Updates for the children have been received from the Notre Dame Children Outreach program in Nyalieng'a Kenya. If you are currently a sponsor, you will receive news of your child during the next week or so. The weekend of November 4th, members of the committee will be on hand to answer questions about the program and to register anyone wishing to become a sponsor. You can also visit the parish website for more information.

Construction of the new school

The first phase of the Blessed Theresa of Jesus Gerhardinger Educational Centre is now complete. The

preschool centre consists of two classrooms plus some office space and is expected to open in January 2024. The next phase is the elementary classroom building. In support of this next phase, commemorative "brick" Christmas ornaments will be on sale the weekend of November 4th.

Out of the Cold Community Supper - Community Outreach Opportunities

Our St. Michael team of volunteers is ready to begin participating for another 6 month commitment, serving a hot meal to those who are homeless, precariously housed, or just in need of additional support. This program runs on Sunday afternoons/evenings at St. Louis Church, from November to the end of April. If anyone is interested in volunteering with a St. Michael Parish team, please contact Kathy Shaw (email shawbing@rogers.com).

Canadian Food for Children

For almost 25 years the parishioners of St. Michael's have been knitting or crocheting pneumonia vests to be sent to the poorest countries to keep children warm and to prevent pneumonia. A heartfelt THANK YOU to all who have contributed to this ministry. Donations of yarn are gratefully accepted. Simple patterns are available in the Church in the cabinet near the front parking lot entrance.

Act II Separated/Divorced Support Group

Act II is an informal support group for those who are experiencing separation or divorce. With the support of others you can begin to heal the emotional, social and spiritual devastation of divorce. Join us on the 3rd Tuesday of every month following 7:00 pm Mass (7:30-8:30pm) in the Parish Resource Centre/Library. The next meeting is October 17th. Join when you can. Bring a friend. For more information call 519-884-9311 or visit our website:

<https://www.stmichaelw.ca/separated-and-divorced>



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