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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 22:15-21)



The Lords asks us to "Give God what belongs to God." Since we are created in the image of God and carry His image within us, we belong to God. It is not a belonging of power and dominion but of care and love. Since God is the Father of all, belonging to God means also belonging to each other.

Thus, we are invited to give others what belongs to them: love to those who need love, food and shelter to those who are hungry and homeless, hope to those who are hopeless. By giving what belongs to others, we give God what belongs to God.

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 24, 2023

**6:30 pm** Rosary led by the CWL

7:00 pm + Maddie Bright – Jennifer Rocena

- + John Van Dyk Peter & Shari Guinta
- + Special Intentions of Anton Madeckal Jose

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

#### Wednesday, October 25, 2023

12:15 pm + Scholastika, Anna & Nick Gossman – A Friend

- + Esther Dietrich The Family
- + Special Intentions of Maynard Dietrich

  The Family

#### Thursday, October 26, 2023

**12:15 pm +** Special Intentions of Philford & Edith Benjamin – Their Daughter

+ Deceased members of the Sehl & Hinschberger Families – Jean Sehl

### Friday, October 27, 2023

8:00 am + Special Intentions of Amarachi Nasa-Okolie 8:30am - 9am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

#### Saturday, October 28, 2023

5:00 pm + Ernie Hollo – The Family

- + Gerri Straus Gerry & Dorothy Hinschberger & Family
- + Deceased members of the DSouza and Menezes Families Donnabel DSouza
- + Special Intentions of Vivi & Hary Hartardi on their Wedding Anniversary The Family

#### **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 <a href="https://www.stmichaelw.ca">www.stmichaelw.ca</a> 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 <a href="https://www.stmichaelw.ca/contact-us">https://www.stmichaelw.ca/contact-us</a>

#### **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.

# Feast of St. Simon and St. Jude Thaddeus, October 28

**Simon**, called "the Canaanite" and the "zealous" in the gospels, is traditionally thought to have been a fisherman. ... The apostle **Jude**, now honored as the patron saint of impossible cases, is normally identified with the "Thaddeus" mentioned in the Gospels of Matthew (14:22) and Mark (3:18). Traditionally honoured as the author of the New Testament epistle that bears his name, he is remembered for having asked Jesus why he would not reveal himself to the whole world, to which Jesus replied that he and the Father would visit all those who remained with him (Jn 14:22-23). (Excerpt from: aleteia.org)

### **Conflict in the Holy Land**

From the Statement by the Most Rev. McGrattan, CCCB President:

"I invite the Catholic faithful in Canada to join other people of good will ... in imploring God to move the hearts of those leaders engaged in the present conflict in order to cease acts of terror ... As we pray for peace, let us remember all the families and individuals suffering because of this most recent outbreak of violence. ... In a fraternal spirit of solidarity with Christian, Jewish, and Muslim brothers and sisters, let us join together in recalling God's desire for peace in the land that Jesus Christ called home."

**Heartache to Healing - Grief Support Group** provides companionship on the long journey through the grief process. Our program follows the process developed by Dr. Bill Webster, an experienced leader in grief counselling. All who have suffered a loss are welcome, regardless of how much time has passed since your loss. There is no fee to attend.

The 6-week in person program is held Wednesday evenings from 7-8:30pm- October 25 to November 29 2023. Register by contacting our office - 519-884-9311 or email <a href="mailto:parish@stmichaelw.ca">parish@stmichaelw.ca</a>. More info/dates can be found here - <a href="mailto:https://stmichaelw.ca/grief-support">https://stmichaelw.ca/grief-support</a>.

# **Children's Liturgy**

Our Children's Liturgy program for children in Junior Kindergarten to Grade 4 has resumed at the Sunday 11 am Mass. Registration is open online. A registration form for each child needs to be completed each year. Volunteers are welcome and needed, please contact the parish office.

### Thank you to our Volunteers

Our Volunteer Appreciation Coffee Sunday was well attended. If you are a volunteer and were unable to pick up your thank you gift they are available at the back of the church until the end of October.

# **Sacramental Registration**

Registration is now open on the parish website for First Communion (grade 2) and Confirmation (grade 7). We do not receive a list of children from the school which is why it is necessary for parents to register their children for sacraments.

### All Souls Day - Thursday, November 2nd

Our Catholic Faith has always believed that "it is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for both the living and the dead." For this reason, we celebrate the feast of All Souls. On **November 2, Thursday evening, at 7 pm**, our Parish Family will be praying for all deceased Parishioners and names of our Parishioners who have died during this past year we be read and remembered at the Mass.



# **Synod**

The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis has produced a series of short, informative videos on a series of topics/themes that have been highlighted in the *Instrumentum Laboris*, rooting the work of the Assembly of Bishops. Each video is less than 4 minutes and features a variety of voices including our very own Bishop Crosby, expert theologians, religious, young people, educators and the laity. ... All the full-length videos can be found here:

https://hamiltondiocese.com/synod-21-24/diocesan-resources/.

#### **DID YOU KNOW...**

Children in our parishes benefit from the Catechetical Correspondence Program each year for ongoing religious education and preparation for the Sacraments. We are in **desperate need of more volunteers** to support the demand of enrollment for the 2023-2024 pastoral year. If you are willing to accompany these children in their learning journey, please reach out to the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis at <a href="mailto:catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com">catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com</a> for training and more information. To learn more about the Catechetical Correspondence Program, please visit:

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