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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 10: 46-52)



The story with the blind Bartimaeus is a metaphorical image of each person who seeks for light and meaning in life. It is not by chance that the man's sight is restored after he "**throws off his cloak**" and comes to Jesus. The "cloak" was everything for him. It served as his shelter during the night and as his 'device' to collect donations during the day. Throwing away his cloak, Bartimaeus literally leaves behind everything and places his whole trust in Jesus. Moved by his action the Lord says, "**Go, your faith has made you well**."

The story is an invitation for us to trust in Christ to the point of throwing away our old 'cloak,' whatever it is. Then we too will see new paths of grace in our life.

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: www.stmichaelw.ca



Tuesday, October 26, 2021

- **6:30 pm** Rosary led by the CWL
- 7:00 pm + Donna & Richard Gomez The Gomez Family
 + Jessie & Don Aloysius The Gomez Family
 7:30 pm Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction

Wednesday, October 27, 2021

12:15 pm + Maria do Carmo Pereira – Luis & Maria Pereira

Thursday, October 28, 2021

12:15 pm + Ronald Russell – Moya Quinton

Friday, October 29, 2021

8:00 am + Avelino LaFuente – The Family

Saturday, October 30, 2021

- **5:00 pm +** Hilda Chrysler The Family
 - Deceased Family Members of Maria Ianni
 Maria Ianni
 - + Len Walter Mary-Lou & Don Lang

Public Masses have resumed

We may welcome the number of people we can accommodate with two metres of social distance

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 <u>pastor@stmichaelw.ca</u>

The parish office will be closed on Friday, October 29, 2021

Sunday Homilies Online

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



CWL Rosary in October Before Mass & On-Line

The month of October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary and CWL members and parishioners are invited to join together in prayer. The Rosary will be prayed both in person and on-line:

Tuesdays at 6:30pm in the church:

A CWL member will lead the Rosary each Tuesday in October before the 7pm Mass

Mondays at 7pm over Zoom:

Each Monday in October the Rosary will be lead over Zoom. Please contact Shani Pregelj by email at <u>cwl@stmichaelw.ca</u> or phone 519-883-8933 to request the Zoom link.



Harambee Child Sponsorship Update: Thank you to all sponsors who have so generously sent in their donations for the coming year. Just a reminder that our target date for renewals is October 31, 2021. This

will ensure that the funds reach the Notre Dame Children Outreach in time for the new school year in January. There is a great need for **new sponsors**. Please visit the parish website, call Diane at 519-616-2227 or the parish office for more information. Asante!

Refugee Family Update: Hassan and family will have



come out of quarantine before the weekend. First order of business: vaccine. Second order of business: warm clothes! Hopefully by the time you read this, we will have found long-term housing for the

family. So much depends on this – enrollment for school, OHIP, etc. Thank you to everyone who has donated new, gently-used items and gift cards. The family is so grateful for the support they are receiving. They say that the good they have witnessed since their arrival is the opposite of what they have experienced for so many years.

Another piece of good news: Some of our Rohingya family members will be arriving a few months from now. The Refugee Support Team is working with the Office for Refugees at the Diocese to complete the paperwork needed for Abu, his wife, their adult daughter and two younger sons to travel to Canada. Quarantine Plan, Settlement Plan and Financials all have to be finalized before the government approval is given. An adult son, Sadek, his wife and young child have not yet been interviewed and will need to wait for their turn to come.



Ministers of Hospitality

Please contact the parish office if you are interested. Training will be provided. Covid protocols will be followed.



Every donation matters. If you have any questions about the campaign, please contact Shari Guinta at <u>sag90759@gmail.com</u> or call the parish office at 519-884-9311.



Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation Update

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

Registration for Confirmation will start in November. More details to come.



Our RCIA program is underway and we are looking for volunteers to be sponsors to help our candidates along their path of discernment. RCIA meets Thursday nights in the parish hall. If you would like to be a sponsor, please contact the parish office. Sponsors serve the candidates as a mentor, companion and representative of the faith community.

Save the Dates

Monday, November 1 @ 7:00 pm Mass for All Saints Day

Tuesday, November 2 @ 7:00 Mass for All Souls Day The names of our parishioners who have died this past year will be read at this Mass. Liturgical Publications 3171 LENWORTH DR. #12 MISSISSAUGA, ON L4X 2G6 1-800-268-2637

