



ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SCHEDULE OF LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Children's Ministry for those in Age 2 - Grade 4 is offered at both 9:00am & 11:00 a.m. Mass.



Our Worship Space and Parish Centre are barrier free off of Hemlock Street entrance

WEEKDAY MASSES

Please consult inside of bulletin.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday 6:00-6:45 p.m.

Wednesday and Thursday 11:50 a.m.-12:05 p.m.

Saturday 4:00-4:30 p.m.

Sunday 6:00-6:30 p.m. (effective September 2019)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

PASTORAL TEAM

Father F. Freitas, Pastor
email: pastor@stmichaelw.ca

Father David Perrin - Assisting Priest

Deacon Philip J. Fernandez

Mrs Andrea Laughlin - Lay Pastoral Associate

Mr Joseph Goodwin - Campus Minister

Mrs Elizabeth King - Administrative Assistant

Ms Carolyn Snyder Milke - Director of Music

Mr Jim Meagher - Custodian & Maintenance

Mrs Merlie Ladroma - Cleaner

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). Our 7:00pm Sunday evening Mass is especially for our student community.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The Church is Open Daily for Quiet Visit and Prayer. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on Tuesday evenings following the evening Mass.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

The Sacrament of Marriage is normally celebrated on Saturday afternoons. Preparation is provided. Please contact Father Freitas 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.

BEREAVEMENT CARE

"Heartache to Healing" is our Grief Support Group. To find out more about the program 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.

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: www.stmichaelw.ca or see anyone at our Welcome Desk.*



September 17-21, 2019

Tuesday, September 17, 2019

6:30pm Rosary
10:00am Opening Mass – Sir Edgar Bauer School (Church)
7:00pm + Deceased Parishioners
7:30pm Holy Hour with Adoration and Benediction

Wednesday, September 18, 2019

12:15pm + Maria Granic – Slavko Granic

Thursday, September 19, 2019

10:00am Opening Mass – St. Nicholas School (Church)
12:15pm + Kyle Parthe – Parish Friends

Friday, September 20, 2019

8:00am + Ralph Freiburger – Fitzgerald Family
11:00am Mass at Columbia Forest

Saturday, September 21, 2019

5:00pm + Takashi Nita – Erika Lotufo
 + Teresina and Nicola DeLeo – The Family
 + Bryan Gleason – Richard and Alice

LORD'S DAY OFFERING

September 7 & 8, 2019 – \$ 6,503.25
 Pre Authorized Giving– \$ 993.00
Thank you for your generosity

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

September 21 & 22, 2018 - Team C

(full schedule on our website - www.stmichaelw.ca)



Did you know....that you can park in Lot 32 right next door at the WLU Lazaridis Building during weekend Masses? Street Parking is also permitted on Hemlock Street – please see our new designated spaces. By the way, have you checked out our *Bike Rack on Hemlock Street?*

CATECHETICAL PROGRAM FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL

Programs are available for children from kindergarten through high school not currently receiving religious instruction. Families work through the programs at home. Preparation for First Communion for children presently in Grade 1 and Confirmation for children presently in Grade 6 and not in Catholic schools is also available. Contact the parish office for more information.

CATHOLIC CAFÉ

– *HOMEcoming EDITION* – – *SEPTEMBER 28/29*

Join us for a special “Homecoming Edition” of our Café

- Food trucks after all Masses
- Special Displays and Contests & Activities

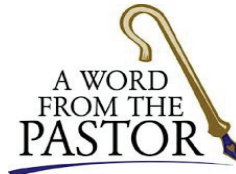
After all Masses in our Parking Lot

SUNDAY HOMILIES ON LINE

Sunday homilies are available weekly on line through our parish website – just click on the link - “Listen On- Line.”

MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MASS

The Gift of Marriage is one to be cherished and celebrated. Our Feast Day Weekend (September 28/29) is a wonderful opportunity to do so. So save the date of **Sunday, September 29th at the 11:00a.m. Mass** for the celebration of Marriage Jubilees in our parish for those celebrating their 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th etc.... anniversaries. If you would like to participate, please call the parish office with your name, phone number and the number of years celebrating.



We had a Great weekend..... Thank you to all who joined us last weekend as we launched forth in the Fall. Thank you to all who helped with our Sundae Sunday. A returning parishioner expressed amazement at the numbers at Church and young families with children in our midst as we launched our Children's Ministry too. What a blessing!

It is also so wonderful to see that so many new faces are joining us, and getting involved. We welcomed numerous new parishioners to liturgical ministries and service opportunities, and last weekend launched expanded ministry to our sick and shuts in our four Long Term Care and Retirement Facilities. With well over 100 elders to minister to, we tripled the number of parishioners who are ministering at our facilities in this great outreach – thank you to all who have ‘leaned in’ to serve in this ministry!

Jim Meagher who has served as our custodian since 2015 has decided to retire and enjoy more family time including an upcoming vacation overseas. We are grateful to Jim for his dedication and look forward to continuing to see him in the pews here at St Michael Parish.

Mark your calendars for two special visits from Bishop Crosby on October 13th during the 11:00am Mass for a special “Installation of the Pastor” - All welcome! On October 20th our Bishop will be with us at the 7:00pm Mass for a special Mass and Dinner with our University Students.

HEARTACHE TO HEALING

Our 6 week Grief Support Group is designed to assist people after the death of a loved one, or a significant loss. This program follows the process developed by Dr. Bill Webster, an experienced leader in grief counselling. The sessions will be held on Thursday evenings from 7-8:30pm (Sept 26, Oct 3, 10, 17, 24, Nov 7). Everyone is welcome. There is no fee, but you must register by September 15th. To register, or for more information, please contact the parish office 519-884-9311, or email parish@stmichaelw.ca.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Any adults who have not been baptized and are considering becoming Catholic, or any adults who have already been baptized in other Christian churches and wish to become full members of the Catholic Church, please speak to Father Freitas and arrangements will be made to complete your initiation into the Catholic Church. A program of formation begins in the Fall – there is a place for you – welcome.

GRIEF AND FAITH.....

Join us on Thursday, September 19, 2019, 7:00pm in the Parish Centre, as our guest speaker, Father Freitas shares his insights on 'Grieving our loved ones – our Christian faith'. This informative session will help us to understand our faith more fully and how our faith can help us heal. There is no fee. Everyone is welcome.

DON'T GET LOST IN THE CROWD

... GET INVOLVED ...GET CONNECTED!

.....COUPLES SMALL GROUPS

This Fall we will launch a Couples Ministry made up of small groups, four couples each, who come together to share faith, food and lots of laughs. Each group is formed according to member's stage of life and gather in each other's homes. New groups are being formed. For more information, contact the Parish Office at 519-884 9311.

ADULT ALPHA



Alpha explores questions about life, faith and meaning. Have you ever wondered "Is there more to life than this?" Who is Jesus and why did He have to die? How can I pray? Why and how do I read the bible? Please join us as we explore answers to these questions. We will enjoy a weekly home cooked meal a short talk [DVD] and spend time discussing the topic for that evening. There is no fee and all are welcome. Sessions begin Mondays September 23rd from 6-9 PM in the Parish Centre. Registration is necessary. Contact Chris at 519-886-7444 or email the parish office - parish@stmichaelw.ca



EXERCISE GROUP

Exercise classes for those 55+ begin again on Mondays and Fridays. First class is Monday, September 16th from 10:00-11:00am. New members always welcome!

PARENT MEETINGS...SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Parents who have children preparing for First Holy Communion, First Reconciliation or Confirmation are reminded of the dates for our Parent Information Evenings:

Holy Communion Parents' Meeting: October 10, 2019

Confirmation Parents' Meeting: October 3, 2019

Both meetings begin *promptly* at **7:00 p.m.** in our Parish Church. Please bring your child's registration forms and Baptismal Certificates. *This meeting is for parents only.*



HEY HIGH SCHOOLERS.....DA CREW!

- TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH - 5:00PM

- PARISH CENTRE

Join us on our kickoff event of our new group for High School Youth. We will have a special dinner, fun activities and lots of details on our upcoming new season including our bubble soccer adventure - bring a friend too!

CAN YOU LEND A HAND?

Ministry comes from our baptism, through which we are called to share Christ with one another. One of the signs of a vibrant, Christ-centred parish is the level of service provided by the members of that parish to one another. It is important that, if at all possible, we pitch in to make some form of ministry a part of our life choice. Some of the most urgent areas of need are below; contact Father Freitas if you can help as a ...

- Lector (a Reader at Mass).
- Minister of Hospitality (an Usher).
- Help Out as a Welcome Centre attendant
- Children's Ministry or new Kids Zone Program
- R.C.I.A. Sponsor and Prayer Partners
- Kids Klub Leaders (males especially needed)
- Ministers of Communion to our Sick & Shut In



The 2019 St. Michael's

Spaghetti Supper will take place on **Sunday, November 3rd** Enjoy spaghetti with meat sauce (prepared by **Ennio's Pasta**

House), salad, beverage and ice cream for only \$20/adult, \$15 youth (age 6-12) and free for children 5 and under. There are door prizes and a very friendly atmosphere. Tickets will be available **at all weekend masses beginning October 19th** If you would like to volunteer, donate a door prize or need more information please call Gai (519) 886-4259 or email the parish office - parish@stmichaelw.ca



KENYA MISSION

We are excited that on the weekend of October 19/20, Sister Joyce Nayakwama of the School Sisters of Notre Dame will join us to speak about our Mission in Kenya. That weekend will be our Sponsorship Weekend – watch for more details.

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