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St. Michael's Catholic Church

St. Michael's Parish Offices - 240 Hemlock Street, Waterloo, ON N2L 3R5

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday to Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

LORD'S DAY LITURGY SCHEDULE

SAT Mass.....5:00 p.m. SUN Mass.....9:00 a.m. Mass...11:00 a.m.

TUE	Mass 7:00 p.m.
WED	Mass 12:15 p.m.
THUR	Mass 12:15 p.m.
FRI	Mass 8:00 a.m.
TUE	Reconciliation 6:00-6:45 p.m.
WED	Reconciliation 11:50-12:05 p.m.
THUR	Reconciliation11:50-12:05 p.m.
SAT	Reconciliation 4:00-4:30 p.m.

WEEKDAY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Mass....7:00 p.m. (during the academic year)

Our worship space and Parish Centre are barrier free off of Hemlock Street.

<u>NEW TO THE PARISH</u> • Please come and introduce yourself and complete a registration form available on our website at www.stmichaelw.ca/forms or on the hospitality desks at each entrance to the church.

PARISH RECORDS • Our parish records are very important and we try to keep them as up to date as possible. Please advise the office if you change your address or telephone number.

<u>MINISTRY TO PARISH SCHOOLS</u> • The staff visit St. Nicholas and Sir Edgar Bauer on a regular basis. Eucharist and Reconciliation are celebrated with each school during the year and the staff is available for classroom visits and other special celebrations. We also celebrate the sacraments and make pastoral visits to St. David's high school as needed.

MINISTRY TO UNIVERSITY & COLLEGE STUDENTS • St. Michael's Parish welcomes students to participate in the liturgical and pastoral life of the parish. During the academic year we have a student mass on Sunday evenings at 7:00 p.m. that focuses on the pastoral needs of students. We also have the John Paul II Student Centre which is available for students. Please see www.stmichaelw.ca and follow the link to JPII Student Centre for more information.

<u>SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION</u> • For more information about preparation and dates please visit our website or contact the parish office.

<u>MARRIAGE</u> • Please meet with the priest or deacon before making any other arrangements. Twelve (12) months notice is normally required so that proper preparation can take place.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK AND SHUT-IN • Trained Volunteers assist in the pastoral care of those who are sick or confined, whether at home, at retirement residences, in nursing homes, in hospitals or in prison. Anointing of the Sick is celebrated in the parish church, Columbia Forest Long Term Care, The Village at University Gates, The Court at Laurelwood and Clair Hills Retirement Community twice a year. Parishioners can request the Anointing of the Sick at any time by appointment in their home or in the church.

PASTORAL CARE TO THOSE WHO ARE IN HOSPITAL • Privacy of information laws prohibit the parish from obtaining information about parishioners in hospital. A family member is asked to contact the parish office whenever a parishioner is in hospital and requests a pastoral visit.

PARISH OUTREACH • St. Michael's Parish assists those in need through the St. Vincent De Paul Society. For emergency food help call 519-747-1090.

MUSIC IN THE LITURGY • Music plays an integral role in the liturgical life of the parish. Parishioners are invited to sing with the traditional choir (9:00 a.m.) or the contemporary choir (11:00 a.m.) on Sunday morning.

PARISH BULLETIN • News items for the bulletin should be submitted via email if possible and may be edited due to space limitations. All items must be in the parish office by Monday prior to publication.

MISSION STATEMENT

We are God's people called to worship and serve Christ Jesus in community on the journey of faith.

Mass Intentions for the Week

September 19 – 23, 2017

Tuesday

- 6:30pm Rosary 7:00pm
 - + Jack & Helen O'Brien The Family +Alfred Schroth - The Schroth Family +William Arnold – Estate +Otto Urpecz

Wednesday

12:15pm +Wendykier Family Members - Teresa

Thursdav

12:15pm	+Angelo Madappuli – Angela
7:30pm	Adoration

Friday

8:00am +Father Ted Hughes – Gordon Lam & Therese Lee

<u>Saturday</u> 5:00pm

+Hilda Chrysler – The Family +Ron Herzog – Grant & Janet Ertel +Donovan Norris-Lue - Loren & Veronica Norris-Lue

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 55.6-9 Philippians 1.20-24, 27 Matthew 20.1-16



Sunday Offerings September 10 - \$7,027.00

TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE! Come and see Father Dave, choir members, altar servers, Ministers of the Word, Mass Coordinators and others strut their stuff in fashions from Tweed & Hickory and Moores Clothing for Men with accessories from Jewelry Secrets. Tearing up the asphalt...and the runway in support of our newly paved parking lot on Thursday, September 28th at 7:00pm in the Parish Centre. Come on out for a fun evening. Everyone welcome! Tickets are \$20. and will be sold after all masses and are also available from the parish office during office hours.



Our Annual Spaghetti Supper will take place on Sunday October 29th. Tickets will be on sale in October. Make sure you save the date for this fun event!



We are looking for volunteers to visit our long term care and retirement facilities this fall. We ebound especially need volunteers for Tuesdays at

Court at Laurelwood. You will not be scheduled every month. These visits provide a social connection to those who are no longer able to attend Mass but are still parishioners. The commitment is usually weekdays but we do visit and offer some services on Saturdays. Training will be provided. If you are interested in becoming involved in this very rewarding ministry, please call the parish office.

ALTAR SERVERS		
Saturday, September 23		
5:00pm: Katie Kuepfer, Gabriel Pregelj, Alessia Ovcacik		
Sunday, September 24		
9:00am: Rachel & Nathan Chinnick, Clara Thompson		
11:00am: Neme, Edu & Ify Okonkwo		
MINISTERS OF THE WORD		
Saturday, September 23		
5:00pm: * Elisabeth Kamski		
1 Steve Kamski 2 Tessa Heffernan-Hendel		
Sunday, September 24		
9:00am: * Linda Guacci		
1 Peter Michels 2 Steve Dosman		
11:00am: * Yesith Jayasinghe		
1 John Strong 2 Marvellous Onuma-Kalu		
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION		
Saturday, September 23		
5:00pm: Tracey Kuepfer, Mike Lahn,		
Alicia Smith, Lynn West		
Sunday, September 24		
9:00am: Laura Haffner, Helen Anne Hause, Gai Brown,		
Eleanor Horrigan, Marta Mandich		
11:00am: Bruce Fleming, Lorna Kennedy, Kathy Shaw,		
Dorothy Krauskopf, Denise McClanahan,		
Jeanette Rousseau, Julie Dreisinger		
Altar Servers Needed!		

Are you in grade 4 or above? We want to train you to become an altar server! It's a great opportunity to serve the church and help Father Dave in this important

way. It also means that you get a front row seat at Mass! If you are interested, talk to Father Dave after Mass, or contact the office to let us know. A training session for veteran servers will be held on Saturday, September 23rd at 11:00am and for new servers on Saturday, September 30th. A pizza lunch will follow both sessions.

Grief Support Group PPOR,

St. Michael's is offering a 6 week grief support program to assist people after the death of a loved one or a significant loss. The group will

meet every Thursday from October 12th - November 16th. This is our second program offering this year. The program will follow the process developed by Dr. Bill Webster, an experienced leader in grief counseling. The sessions will be held either from 3:30-5:00pm or 7:00-8:30pm. There is no fee but you must register. When registering please indicate if either time will work for you, and if not, the time that does work. We will do our best to accommodate everyone's availability. To register or for more information please contact the parish office.

St. Michael MONDAY MORNING GATHERING will begin a new season SEPTEMBER 18th at 9:30AM in the St. Michael Room, lower church. Please, join us as we reflect on sacred scripture and share our faith experience.



The Friends of God Program for those 3 to 5 years of age will begin on Sunday, October 1st during the 11:00am mass. Registration will be on Sunday, September 17th & 24th after

the 11:00am mass in the main vestibule. There are only 15 spots and registration is on a first come, first serve basis. Volunteers aged 18+ are required and high school students are also welcome to volunteer. The program is dependent upon adult volunteers. Please see Megan at registration if interested in helping out.

Children's Liturgy for children in Grades 1 to 4 will start Sunday, September 24th at the 11:00am mass. No registration is required for this program. Look forward to seeing everyone! Anyone interested in volunteering can contact the office.

VOLUNTEER SCREENING WILL BE REQUIRED.



In honour of St. Francis of Assisi, Patron Saint of Animals, we will have a blessing of animals on Saturday, September 30th at 3:00pm in the parking lot. All critters welcome!



Baby Bottle Update from Marillac Place

St. Michael's raised \$3,947.38!! We extend a warm thank you to everyone in your church who kindly and generously contributed to this significant amount. We could not continue to do this great work of housing and supporting young mothers and babies at-risk in our community without all of you!



REFUGEE UPDATES: Are you looking for something to do for a couple of hours once or twice a week? The grandparents of the Syrian family that was sponsored by St.

Michael's in 2016 need tutoring in ESL (English as a Second Language). If you can help out on a weekday morning, please call Diane at 519-616-2227. ALSO - The slaughter of the Rohingya people in Myanmar is being called a genocide and has been very much in the news since August 25th. Our next sponsored family are Rohingya and live in a refugee camp in Bangladesh. Please keep all the Rohingya people in your prayers.



AFRICA PROJECT: Sister Joyce Kwamboka Nyakwama, Provincial Leader of the School Sisters of Notre Dame Province of Africa, is coming to Waterloo next week on her way to Baltimore to

meet and thank as many supporters of the Notre Dame Children Outreach project as possible. She is scheduled to speak at Our Lady of Lourdes parish the weekend of September 24th. So if you would like to meet her and hear about many of the activities of the SSND in Africa, please join her in the St. Michael's Parish Centre on Tuesday, September 19th at 7:30 pm. Sister Teresia Mamwacha was also scheduled to arrive next week directly from the NDCO in Nyalieng'a Kenya but is having difficulties getting a visa. Hopefully she will come in October instead.

Adoration for Life on Thursday, September 21st at 7:00pm, St. Teresa's Church, Kitchener for all who live and proclaim the gospel of life, lovers of the unborn. Come, let us adore Jesus in the Eucharist. Let us console His heart wounded by abortion and make reparation for sins against the sanctity of life. Let Jesus form you in His vulnerable heart as we kneel before Him receiving His radiating mercy and graces.

An Invitation to the New Alpha Film Series

Are you feeling stuck in your faith? Do you have questions? Do you think there must be more to life than this? If your response to any of these questions is yes, come see what Alpha is all about. For more information see https://www.alphacanada.org/resources/alpha-film-series/ The New Alpha Film Series begins at Our Lady of Lourdes on Monday, September 25th for 10 weeks with a meal, DVD lesson and group discussions each week. There is no cost but a freewill offering will be taken for the food cost. Register by Monday, September 18th at Our Lady of Lourdes office at 519-886-0342.

St. Boniface Church Maryhill is looking for a choir director/organist for the Saturday 5:00pm & Sunday 10:00am Masses as well as for weddings and funerals. For more information please contact Father Ron Voisin at 519-648-2069.

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH

As a couple it is important to spend time with each other. Take the time to plan something for the two of you to do together at least once a week. Try something new, it will add variety and spice to your life. Have each spouse take a turn planning the activity, but keep it simple. A walk on a new trail, hot chocolate instead of coffee, a new recipe that you will cook together – these will bring moments of joy, not stress. Both quantity and quality of time together matter in a marriage, so try something new and watch for a positive impact!

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

September tends to bring order to the joyful, but sometimes chaotic summer months. Now is a great time to sit as a family and set some family goals for the coming year. Your goals might include: increasing the time you will spend together as a family; setting a specific number of meals you will eat together (at a real table!); agreeing to detailed ways in which you will increase your faith practices; deciding on the amount of exercise you will engage in as a family; agreeing to increase the patience you will have for each other. The possibilities are endless! Remember, setting goals will both help you accomplish something beneficial and send a message that your family is a priority.

"If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's." Consider service as a priest, deacon, brother or sister. If God is calling you contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation at 905-528-7988 or email mking@hamiltondiocese.com

