



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

Due to COVID-19, emergency food deliveries from our parish are currently on hold. If there is an urgent need, please call 519-742-8327 and press 2 for the House of Friendship food assistance program. Monthly collections have also been "paused" for 2022 due to inactivity for the foreseeable future.

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 18:21-35)



In the 'Our Father' prayer we ask, 'forgive us as we forgive.' It is noteworthy that God forgives us our sins without any conditions. God is always ready and willing to forgive regardless of our failure to forgive others.

Today's parable invites us to forgive always because we are forgiven always and because forgiveness frees our hearts and minds. As the famous saying has it, "Forgiveness doesn't excuse wrong behavior. Forgiveness prevents wrong behavior from destroying our hearts."

Fr. Jamroz

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL PARISH

Welcome, we are glad you're here! For details on our parish life, please check out our website:
www.stmichaelw.ca



September 19, 2023

- 7:00 pm** + For all students returning to school
– St. Michael Parish CWL
+ Maddie Bright – Jennifer Rocena
+ Evelyn & All Souls – Paul Antony
7:30pm-8:30pm Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

- 12:15 pm** + Special Intentions of Sister Gerarda van den Bogard, ICM – Jaye Reddock
+ Special Intentions of Bridie Hargan – Kathleen Ebrahimi

Thursday, September 21, 2023

- 12:15 pm** + Dorothy Cook – Anthony & Magnell Robinson & Family
+ Stewart Hartman – Florence Hartman

Friday, September 22, 2023

- 8:00 am** + Fr. Michael Shakespeare – Jennifer Reddock
8:30am - 9am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, September 23, 2023

- 5:00 pm** + Nicola & Teresina De Leo & Rosaria Zefferino
– The Family
+ Maddie Bright – Jennifer Rocena
+ Special Intentions of Megan Lam – A Friend
+ Ivan Radman – Sandy Hall

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 version through our parish website – just click on the button 'LISTEN TO 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!

To keep everyone updated we are starting a parish email list. If you are on this list, you will be notified of a death of parishioners and any upcoming parish events. To join the list, please sign up on our parish website at <https://www.stmichaelw.ca/contact-us>

**Feast of St. Matthew,
Apostle and Evangelist, Thursday, September 21,
Mass at 12:15**

Saint Matthew, the first-century tax collector turned apostle who chronicled the life and ministry of Christ in his Gospel, is celebrated by the Church on September 21. Although relatively little is known about the life of St. Matthew, the account he wrote of Christ's ministry – traditionally considered to be the first of the four Gospels - is of inestimable value to the Church, particularly in its verification of Jesus as the Messiah.

St. Pius of Pietrelcina

On September 23, the Catholic Church remembers the Italian Franciscan priest St. Pius of Pietrelcina, better known as “Padre Pio” and known for his suffering, humility and miracles.



**Our Parish Feast Day, September 29
The Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel
and Raphael, Archangels**

On Friday, September 29, we celebrate our parish feast day. We will have Mass starting at 8:00 am, followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament ending at 3:00 pm Sign up sheets will be available at the back of the church for adoration.

Act II

Separated/Divorced Support Group

Has your marriage ended? Are you in need of support to adjust to your new life? 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. Relax, experience support, make new acquaintances and see a glimmer of hope for a healthy and satisfying life. You are not alone. There is no fee. 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>



**Our Lady of Good
Counsel Award**

Congratulations to **Julia Duarte** who is the recipient of the Our Lady of Good Counsel Award for 2023. This award is shared with St. Michael Parish and the Catholic Women's League and is presented to a graduating student who is an active member of our parish community and demonstrates strong Christian volunteerism and leadership. Wishing Julia every success and God's blessings as she continues her studies in September.

Youth Ministry

Our Youth Ministry for grades 5-12 will resume on **Monday, October 2 (note the change of day)**. Registration is available online. Please complete a new registration form even if your child previously attended.

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 contact the parish office (parish@stmichaelw.ca). A program of formation (RCIA) begins on **Thursday, October 5** and there is a place for you. Registration is available online on our website.



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MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH - When asked what matters most to someone who is married, people often answer my wife/husband and children. It is important to see if your actions reflect that belief. Do you spend time together daily talking about your day and important matters? Do you plan a date night with your spouse (even if it is from home), so your children see the love you share? Do you do little tasks that need doing without being asked? Do you compliment your spouse and tell them you love them? What we do tells others what matters – be sure your spouse knows they do!



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Eat in call **Manager 519-884-2060**

Wednesday Spaghetti: Take out/Eat in call

Manager 519-884-2060, place orders by 2:30 pm

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