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Catholic Women's League

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.

WEEKDAY LITURGY SCHEDULE		
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 SAT	Reconciliation6:00	0-6:45 p.m.
SAT	Reconciliation 4:00	0-4:30 p.m.

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

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

NEW TO THE PARISH • 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.

MINISTRY TO PARISH SCHOOLS • 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 STUDENTS AND STAFF • St. Michael's Parish welcomes students to participate in the liturgical and pastoral life of the parish. Each Sunday evening during the university academic year, we provide a parish Mass at 7:00 p.m. that focuses on the pastoral needs of students and staff of the universities and colleges in our community.

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

MARRIAGE • Couples intending to be married are asked to fill out the application form available at stmichaelw.ca/sacraments. 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 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 <u>may be edited</u> 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.



Sept. 22 - 26, 2015

<u>Tuesday</u>

6:00pm	Reconciliation
7:00pm	+William Arnold – Estate
	+Allan Edlund – Michelyne, Family &
	Sister Dorothy

<u>Wednesday</u>

12:15pm	+Hubert Dietric	ch – Rose & Family
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Thursdav

12:15pm	+Arleen Gorman – Estate
7-8:00pm	Adoration

<u>Friday</u>

8:00am +Joe & June Walter – *Monday Morning Gathering*

<u>Saturday</u>

4:00pm	Reconciliation
5:00pm	+Frank & Anna Gruber – The Miller Family
	+Clare Phillippi – Gerald & Joan Buckle
	+Bruce Dietrich – Don & Wendy Cole

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Numbers 11.25-29 James 5.1-6 Mark 9.38-43, 45, 47-48



Sunday Offering September 12 & 13 – \$11,978.00

Did you know that we have a Catechetical Program at St. Michael's for children attending public school? We offer programs for children from Kindergarten through High School. Your child will receive preparation for First Communion and Confirmation in the program. Families work through the programs at home. Contact the parish office for more information.



<u>Are you interested in becoming</u> an Altar Server?

If you are in Grade 4 and under the age of 20 please join us on Saturday, October 17th from 10:00am–1:00pm in the church for an information and training session with Father Paul. If

you are not currently an Altar Server, <u>please RSVP to</u> <u>the office by Thursday, October 15th</u> if you are attending as we will be having lunch.



<u>Mark your calendar!!!</u> The Catholic Women's League Annual Card Party will be held on Tuesday, October 27th. Details to follow.

K-W Life Chain Memorial Day on Sunday, October 4th from 2-3pm at Kitchener City Hall. Contact K-W Right to Life at 519-746-5433 for more information.

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, September 26 5:00pm: Max & Alex Winter, Katie Kuepfer Sunday, September 27 9:00am: Nathan Chinnick, Clara Thompson,

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MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday, September 26 5:00pm: * Kathy McGlynn 1 Denise Dolff 2 Mark Spanjers Sunday, September 27 9:00am: * Jose Prudencio 1 Michael Prudencio-Brunello 2 Cristina Prudencio-Brunello 11:00am: * Jason Higgins 1 Gerry Kraemer 2 Krista Nolan 7:00pm: * Ralph Stacey **MINISTERS OF COMMUNION** Saturday, September 26 5:00pm: Gai Brown, Mary Pat Byrne, Janine Russell, Joan Fernandez Sunday, September 27 9:00am: Mary Ellen Nolan, Teresa Palmer, Yvonne & Doug Rickert

11:00am: John Muldoon, Magnell Robinson, Jeanette Rousseau, Kathy Shaw, Rohan & Jacintha Jayasundera7:00pm: Jaime Quinanilla, Martina Smith

Come and join our **St. Michael Morning Gathering** as we come to share our faith, reflect on Scripture and various topics of our faith. We will start the new season on September 21st at 9:30-11:30am in the St. Michael Room.



Calling all children in Kindergarten through Grade <u>3</u>! Children's Liturgy will

begin on September 27th! The program runs during the 11 o'clock mass most Sundays (except during school holidays and long weekends) until the end of April. We look forward to

 Save the Date:
 Our Annual Spaghetti Supper will take place

on <u>Sunday November 1st</u> in the Parish Centre. Please add this special event to your social calendar! Details will follow. *Students:* If you are completing your community service hours and are interested in helping out that day, please call Gai Brown at 519-886-4259 or magu2u@hotmail.com

Join St. Michael's Social Justice Committee's team as we Ride for Refuge on Saturday, October 3rd. Participating in this fun, family-friendly bike-a-thon (or walk) will help raise money for our Refugee Fund to support the refugee families we sponsor when they arrive in our community. Visit http://ride.w-ith.us/stmichaels to learn more, donate, or join our team.





The Social Justice Committee at St. Michael's is a small group of dedicated people who work hard in support of our communities at the local and the international level. Activities range from the Refugee Sponsorship program, the Christmas

Sharing Project, Development and Peace awareness action and Sharelent, the collection of books for Cameroon, the back to school campaign for the local aboriginal community, Living Library and Lunch presentations ... The next committee meeting is on Wednesday October 14th at 7pm in the Parish Centre. New members are always welcome.

WHY @ Breakfast



WHY@Breakfast series presents

Laudato Si' and the Roman Catholic Response to Ecological Issues

on Saturday, October 17th.

Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si'* that was published in June this year appealed to everyone to protect the home which we all share. Our speaker, **Dr. Dennis O'Hara**, *director* of the Elliott Allen Institute for Theology and Ecology and *professor* of Eco-theology at the University of St. Michael's College, Toronto, will provide further insights into the ecological issues mentioned in *Laudato Si'* and will talk about our responsibilities stemming from our faith. **The presentation begins at 9:30 AM and will end at 11:30 AM.** Doors open at 9 AM with light breakfast available (compliments of the Catholic Women's League). *All parishioners* are welcome to attend. Please send note to cwl@stmichaelw.ca or leave a message at the parish office if you are planning to join us. *Invite a friend*!

From Crosses to Crucifixes: A Priest's Journey from Protestantism into the Catholic Church

A talk by Father Jason Catania, Monday, Sept. 21st at 7:00 pm at St. Mark's Church Hall. Everyone Welcome!

We invite all alumni to join us in celebrating St. David's 50th Anniversary! The Bishop's Mass & Papal Blessing is October 9th in the gym at 9:45am. Hope to see you there!

SYMBOLON: The Catholic Faith Explained. It is a vibrant, relevant and complete program to invigorate your faith. The 20 compelling sessions of this bold series guide through the breadth and richness of our Catholic faith. Symbolon uses prayer, video teaching and discussion questions and a recommended Celebration of the Word of God. The first half (10 sessions) of this program will start on Monday, September 21st at 7:30pm at St. Louis Church. For more info, call 519-743-4101 or or to sign up email stlouiswaterloo@hamiltondiocese.com

Daily Meditation: Taking the Sting Out of Death

View <u>www.henrinouwen.org</u> for a daily mediation. It is a wonderful help and a great way to start the day by reading his thoughts concerning our Catholic faith.

Sometimes all it takes is a picture to create a sense of urgency, a need for action. The Syrian refugee crisis has been on-going for 4 years now. The situation in Iraq has generated another wave of refugees for more than 18 months. Other parts of our world are also in conflict. For the first time in history it is estimated that there are more than 60 million people world-wide who are refugees, displaced people or migrants. At St. Michael's, there is a long tradition of supporting refugee families beginning with the Vietnamese Boat People in the late 70's and continuing through the conflict in Bosnia to the situation in Syria and Irag of the present. Currently, in the last year or so, St. Michael's has applied to sponsor 14 family groups (ranging from 1 to 6 people per application). Twelve of these are for Syrian and Iraqi families currently in Lebanon, Jordan and Turkey. Most of these families will be arriving to Waterloo Region within the next 12 months. The tragic picture of the young Syrian refugee boy who lost his life has generated a strong desire to help among all of us. Here are some suggestions for the parishioners of St. Michael's.

- If you wish to help Syrian refugees overseas, the Canadian Catholic Organization for <u>Development &</u> <u>Peace</u> (www.devp.org) is accepting donations and distributing the funds through the Caritas network.
- Here at home, all donations to the <u>St. Michael's</u> <u>Refugee Fund</u> will be used to help our refugee families as they arrive and resettle here in Waterloo region.
- All proceeds from "Ride for Refuge" on October 3rd will be used to resettle a sponsored family from Rwanda. This family of 4 has been living in a refugee camp in Malawi since 2000.
- If you have furniture in good condition that you would like to get rid of, save it till the families start arriving. Used furniture and donations of food staples and clothing helps alleviate the cost of resettlement.

In the meantime, rejoice that our young 17 year-old refugee boy, Anowar, born in a refugee camp in Bangladesh, will be arriving here on October 17th. Two Iraqi families in Turkey for over a year have been approved and are just waiting for their visas. Please keep all refugees in your prayers.

Discernment Gatherings

If you feel called by God to explore the call to the priesthood or religious life, please join our Discernment Gatherings on 1st and 2nd Saturdays of the month in Waterloo and Hamilton. We start this October. For more detailed information or to

contact Father Kuzma, the Vocation Director, please visit www.HamiltonVocations.com

