



# 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](mailto: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](http://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](http://www.stmichaelw.ca) or see anyone at our Welcome Desk.*



**October 1-5, 2019**

### Tuesday, October 1, 2019

**6:30pm** Rosary  
**7:00pm** +Deceased and former Pastors of St Michael Parish  
**7:30pm** Holy Hour with Adoration and Benediction

### Wednesday, October 2, 2019

**9:30am** Opening Mass – St David Secondary  
**12:15pm** + Ted Loquan – Sylvia Loquan & Family

### Thursday, October 3, 2019

**12:15pm** + Harriet Bauer – David Bauer

### Friday, October 4, 2019

**8:00am** + Anthony Hergott – Hergott Family  
**11:00am** Mass at Court at Laurelwood

### Saturday, October 5, 2019

**5:00pm** + Brittany Merkle – Marilyn Merkle  
 + Stella Connor – Tom & Family  
 + Rudy Ianni – Maria & Family

### **LORD'S DAY OFFERING**

September 21 & 22, 2019 – \$ 5,955.00  
 Pre Authorized Giving– \$ 1,003.00  
*Thank you for your generosity*

### **LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR NEXT WEEKEND:**

**October 5/6, 2019 - Team A**

*(full schedule on our website - [www.stmichaelw.ca](http://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* – **THIS WEEKEND!**

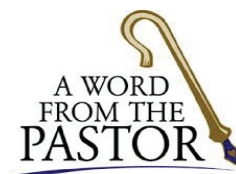
**Join us for a special “Homecoming Edition” of our Café**

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### **DID YOU KNOW?**

#### **ENTERING AND LEAVING GESTURES**

It is the Catholic custom, upon entering and leaving the Church, to make the sign of the cross with holy water. Traditionally, one uses the right hand, dips it into the holy water fonts, found at each entrance which symbolize the baptismal font, and then makes the sign of the cross by touching the forehead, chest, left then right shoulder. This action expresses our belonging to Christ, is a reminder of our baptismal share in the life of Christ, and a sign of our union with fellow believers as members of the Body of Christ. It is then most appropriate to genuflect before entering our pew or if physically unable to bow. These gestures also remind us that we are entering a solemn place where a spirit of silence permits people within the Church the quiet which prayer before Mass deserves. Thank you for keeping that spirit of sacred silence in our Church.



Our Parish Feast Weekend is a wonderful occasion to gather to give thanks - first and foremost, to Almighty God for all the blessings which He gives to us as a parish family. We also gather to give glory to our patron, St Michael and ask for his strength and intercession toward faithfulness in becoming and being who the Father was calling us to be. We celebrate our Feast Day Weekend with various activities including our special “Homecoming Café” in our parking lot with Food trucks and other displays. We also host our first Marriage Jubilee Mass which allows us the opportunity to recognize the important gift and witness of the Sacrament of Marriage. May this Parish Feast Day be an occasion for us to give thanks for our parish family, so that faithfulness to God's will can continue to be our mantle.

You will notice the work being done on the “Church Chimney.” This masonry work was needed, especially as another winter approaches. Thank you for your continued faithfulness in your weekly offerings, which make stewardship of our Church home possible.

Save the date of November 18<sup>th</sup> for our annual “Pub Night” in support of our Kenya Mission and the good work of the School Sisters of Notre Dame.

### THE VISITS OF OUR BISHOP

As a parish family we will be blessed by the visit of our Bishop to the parish on two separate weekends:

On **Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup>**, (Thanksgiving Weekend), Bishop Crosby will be at the **11:00am Mass** to be part of the "Installation of the Pastor", a ritual of the Church to formally assign a pastor to his community and entrust their care to the Pastor in the Bishop's name.

On **Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup>**, Bishop Crosby will be here at the **7:00pm Mass** to preside at our Student Mass and prior to that to enjoy supper with our Student Community.

You are invited to save these dates and join us – *all are welcome at both Masses!*

### 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.

### DON'T GET LOST IN THE CROWD .....

#### ... GET INVOLVED ...GET CONNECTED!

#### .....COUPLES SMALL GROUPS

Watch for details this October as we 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 Parish Office at 519-884 9311

### SANCTITY OF LIFE – OUR CATHOLIC BELIEFS 101 – ABORTION, EUTHANASIA, ASSISTED SUICIDE TUESDAY OCTOBER 8<sup>TH</sup> FOLLOWING 7PM MASS – ST. MICHAEL PARISH CENTRE

Do you struggle to understand the deep roots behind Catholic beliefs concerning abortion, euthanasia and assisted suicide? Do you find yourself lost, not knowing how to respond when in conversation with others who perhaps support these issues?

Join us as our guest speaker, Fr. Dave Perrin, Ph.D., Professor, Department of Religious Studies at St. Jerome's University and Assisting Priest at St. Michael Parish helps us to understand our faith and beliefs surrounding these critical and moral issues. There is no fee. Feel free to bring a family member or friend who may also benefit from this topic. Everyone is 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.*

### NOVENA PRAYERS

The Sisters of the Carmel of Saint Joseph will pray for you during the Novena to Little St. Therese, September 23rd to October 1st, 2019. Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support? You can participate in the Novena to St. Therese. Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to Carmel of Saint Joseph 1127 Carmel-Koch Road, R.R. #1, St. Agatha, ON N0B 2L0

### 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)



**The 2019 St. Michael's Spaghetti Supper** will take place on **Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>** 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 19<sup>th</sup>** 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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