



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 16: 21-27)



Jesus says, “**If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross.**” The cross here is a symbol of self-denial. Hans Urs von Balthasar explains what it means: ‘*salvation does not consist in eliminating your “I” but in sacrificing your “I” for others, which cannot take place without pain and the cross.*’

Self-denial does not mean a denial of our true self. It means the opposite, a denial of our selfish self so we can discover our true self, who we truly are.

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 5, 2023

- 7:00 pm** + Special Intentions of Jesna Paul and Jeff Thomas – Paul Antony
+ Sandra Dorscht – St. Michael Parish CWL
7:30pm-8:30pm Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction

Wednesday, September 6, 2023

- 12:15 pm** + Special Intentions of John & Mary Blaney – Jim & Marg Gingerich
+ Kathy Spence – Linda Guacci

Thursday, September 7, 2023

- 12:15 pm** + Special Intentions of the Family of Brenda Bernier – Jim & Marg Gingerich
+ Fr. Michael Shakespeare – Jennifer Reddock

Friday, September 8, 2023

- 8:00 am** + Professor Charles Ogletree – Jennifer Reddock
8:30am - 9am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, September 9, 2023

- 5:00 pm** + Christine O'Donnell – Michelle Krulicki
+ Rohan Jayasundera – Doug & Gai Brown
+ Special Intentions of Sister Gerarda van den Bogaerd, ICM – Jaye Reddock

Parish Office Hours

The parish office is open Monday to Friday from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. The Parish office will be closed on Monday, September 4th for Labour Day.

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. The church will be closed on Monday, September 4th for Labour Day.

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.



The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Friday, September 8th – Mass at 8 am followed by adoration until 9 am

The Catholic Church celebrates ... the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary on its traditional fixed date of September 8, nine months after the December 8 celebration of her Immaculate Conception. ... (Excerpt: www.catholicnewsagency.com) ...

And we know that Mary hears our prayer: yes, whenever we look towards Mary, she shows us Jesus. Thus, we can find the right path, we can follow it step by step, filled with joyful confidence that the path leads into the light – into the joy of eternal Love. Amen. (Benedict XVI, Homily; Saturday, September 8, 2007)

Children's Liturgy

Our Children's Liturgy program for children in Junior Kindergarten to grade 4 will resume in October at the Sunday 11 am Mass. Registration is open on line. You do need to complete a registration form for each child each year. Volunteers are needed, please contact the parish office.

Youth Ministry

Our Youth Ministry for grades 5-12 will resume on **Thursday, October 5**. Registration is available on line. Please complete a new registration form even if your child previously attended.

READY DAY ONE – Back to School Supplies Campaign – Partnering with SEND 'EM OFF SMILING

Wouldn't it be great if all children in our city schools could be ready for school on the first day? St. Michael Parish is partnering with "Send 'Em Off Smiling" to reach out to young people in need. We will also ensure that the *Ukrainian families supported by our Parish* have the school supplies they need to start the new academic year. Shopping lists are available at the main doors of the church. Simply purchase what you can and return them to our Parish by **September 10**. Let's be part of helping every child in our community be Ready Day One.

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.



DIocese of Hamilton

Children's Catechetical Correspondence Courses

Do your children attend public or private school or do you home-school? If you are wondering how to supplement their Catholic education, the Diocese of Hamilton offers programs for every age and stage from Kindergarten through to High School including programs specially designed to assist children preparing for the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation.

For more information, the link below will take you to our webpage or you can contact Sybil at 905-528-7988 x 2339 or email: catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/evangelization-catechesis/correspondence/>

FRASSATI LEADERSHIP PROGRAM - The Office of Youth Ministry will be holding a Catholic leadership program for young people in grade ten (ages 15-16). This program will equip them and encourage them to draw closer to Christ and their respective communities. The goal of this program is that young people will join us for opportunities for formation as Catholic leaders and then go back to their respective communities to turn their learning into practice. Registration for this program closes September 30th and can be found at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/>.

Catholic Children's Aid of Hamilton has been helping children in the Hamilton Diocese of over 50 years and the needs continue to increase. You can make a difference today by helping us to raise funds by placing a bid on our online auction & raffle by September 12th and help us help children in need. Check it all out at [Children First Raffle & Auction \(auctria.com\)](http://ChildrenFirstRaffle&Auction(auctria.com)) or contact Roger Ali at Roger.ali@hamiltonccas.on.ca or 905-525-2012 ext. 3150.



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