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Weekend Liturgical Schedule

St. Michael's

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Saturday

5:00 p.m.

Sunday

8:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

3:00 p.m. - Spanish

Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament

22 Middleton Line
Wheatley, ON

Sunday: 10:30 a.m.

Divine Mercy

Every Friday at 3:00 p.m.

Reconciliation

St. Michael's

½ hour before each Mass

8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Saturdays

Bulletin Submissions

In writing or by email by
Monday at 4:00 p.m.

Sunday School

Every Sunday from
September - June at
the 10:00am Mass.

The First Sunday of Advent - December 2, 2018

Today marks the first weekend of Advent. The word "Advent" stems from the Latin word "adventus" which literally means "coming" or "arrival." In context, this commonly refers to the coming of Jesus on Christmas Day.

During Advent, our Catholic tradition invites us to display an advent wreath in our homes and to use it as a form of prayer by lighting the candles each day according to which week we are in. You may use the following prayers during Advent:

Week #1 – light one purple candle

Stir up your might, we beg you, O Lord, and come, so that we may escape through your protection and be saved by your help from the dangers that threaten us because of our sins. We ask this of you who reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

Week #2 – light two purple candles

O Lord, stir up our hearts that we may prepare for your only begotten Son, that through His coming we may be made worthy to serve you with pure souls. We ask this through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Week #3 – light two purple and one pink candle

We humbly beg you, O Lord, to listen to our prayers, and by the grace of your coming, bring light into our darkened minds. We ask this of you who reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

Week #4 – light all four candles

Stir up your might, we pray O Lord, and come; rescue us through your great strength so that salvation, which has been hindered by our sins, may be hastened by the grace of your gentle mercy. We ask this of you who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

Wishing you a blessed Advent season as you prepare your hearts and minds for the baby Jesus that you will find on Christmas Day!

Don't forget to join us for our Family Christmas Party on Saturday, December 8 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm in St. Michael's Church Hall. (check the inside of the bulletin for more details)

Yours in Christ,
Veronica Costa, CYM

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Sacraments

Baptisms - Call office

First Reconciliation -
Preparation begins in September

First Holy Communion -
Preparation begins in September

Confirmation - Confirmation
to begin in September

Marriage - Meeting with Clergy
minimum six months in advance.
Marriage classes Spring and Fall

Holy Orders - See clergy

Sacrament of the Sick -
Upon request

RCIA and RCIC - Call office



*St. Michael's Parish
Welcomes You To Our
Churches!*

*MAY WE BE GIFTED IN UNITY TO SERVE GOD AND
ALL PEOPLES IN AUTHENTIC LOVE*



HOW DO I BECOME CATHOLIC?

The preparations for Christmas include buying or making gifts for those whom we love. You can give no better gift than the gift that God has given to us: His Son, Jesus. Invite someone who is not Catholic to attend Mass with you at Christmas. For information about the RCIA, contact **Fr. Tom at (519) 326-2643**.

**ADVENT MISSION WITH ACCLAIMED
PREACHER**

FR. BEN LEUDTKE

Fr. Ben studied at the Angelicum in Rome, was Ordained by Pope John Paul II in 1982, has worked in Italy, Brazil, Canada and the United States. He personally knew Mother Teresa of Calcutta. He is a very sought after speaker, spiritual director, confessor.

Please join us at St. Michael's Church
for this Advent Mission

December 1st and 2nd: Fr. Ben will preach at Masses

Sun. Dec. 2nd: Evening Talk at 7pm

Mon. Dec 3rd: Morning Mass-8am/Evening Talk -7pm

Tues. Dec 4th: Morning Mass-8am/Adoration 8:30 to 6:30/Evening Talk -7pm

Wed. Dec 5th: Morning Mass 8 am/Evening Talk 7pm

**ST. MICHAEL'S CHRISTMAS
MEMORIAL**



This year we will be collecting donations in memory of our loved ones to offset the cost of both decorating the church and for the flowers for Christmas. The names of your loved ones will be published in the

bulletin on **December 23rd**. Please bring in your donation to the church office or put it in the collection on any given Sunday with the names you wish to have in this memorial along with your name and phone number.

Holy Baptism



In the month of November we welcomed the following children through the waters of baptism:

Zyla Clark ~ Nicolo Olsen ~ Jazlynn Testani

Sophie Keirouz ~ Ezequiel Arregoite

Sianna Figueiredo ~ Stephan Hernandez-Malott

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Celebrate a memory in a permanent way at

St. Michael's with a keepsake brick in our beautiful Celebration Pathway. Each keepsake brick is available with a contribution of \$500. Your name and/or message will be etched on the brick. All funds for this initiative will go directly to the building loan and will support any future capital projects for the parish. Please pick up a brochure at the back of the church or at the office.



**DAILY MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE WEEK OF
December 3 - December 8**

Monday 8:00am	Iolanda Sera Maria Carmo Peter Colasanti and Deceased Family Members
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7:00pm ~ PARISH MISSION

Tuesday 8:00am	Living and Deceased Members of the C.W.L. Living and Deceased Members of the K. of C. Fred and Sadie Nassif, Fr. Albert Williams
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7:00pm ~ PARISH MISSION

Wed. 8:00am	Deceased Family of John and Maria Reis Fernando, Mariano and Luzia Sousa Paolino Marcovecchio
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7:00pm ~ PARISH MISSION

Thurs. 8:00am	Dominic and Mary O'Connell Deceased Members of the Battisti Family Dawn Morrison, Gerald Cormier, Robert Pearce
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Friday 8:00am	Maria Carmo, Antonio Murracas, Deceased Fam. Maurice Julio and Deceased Family Claudio Mastronardi
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Sat. 8:00am	Fernando DeSousa and Deceased Family Manuel, Conceicao, and Fred Freitas Robert Campbell
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SUN PARLOR HOME

December 6

Thurs. 10:00am	Jose V. Carreiro, Ernesto Rebelo Roger Branco Maria Mateus
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*The Leamington Ministerial Association
Prays for:*

LEAMINGTON UNITED MENNONITE



Please pray for those in our Parish Family who
have recently passed away:
MARIA CAPOGNA

**Please pray for the Intentions of our Brothers and Sisters
working in the Diocese of London:**

Dec. 02 Mrs. Rebecca Bondy

Dec. 03 Rev. Robert Champagne

Dec. 04 Miss Janet Loo

Dec. 05 Rev. Dwayne Adam

Dec. 06 Rev. Robert Weaver

Dec. 07 Deacon Lyle Lalonge

Dec. 08 Rev. Bernard Pinsonneault



2nd Sunday of Advent

First Reading (Baruch 5:1-9)

Second Reading (Philippians 1:3-6, 8-11)

Gospel (Luke 3:1-6)



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KID'S KORNER: Our Lady of Guadalupe
The King is Born
The Story of Christmas



"Inspired by the Spirit, Women Respond to God's Call"

~The C.W.L. will be collecting socks for the needy to be taken to our Convention in Windsor next spring. We are asking for these to be donated using the Giving Tree. Please know that these socks will come back to Leamington and be given to the needy but not until after the C.W.L. Spring Convention. The Diocesan Council is hoping to collect 2019 pairs of socks altogether.

~Our Potluck is on Sunday, December 2 at 1:00 p.m. Bring your favourite dish and a wrapped item for the auction. We are looking forward to our election and having some fun. This event will be in the Church Hall.

~The Salvation Army is looking for volunteers who will donate 2 hours for their Red Kettle Campaign. Please call Kimberly Heaton at (519) 329-4470 if you can volunteer between 10 am - 8 pm at different locations.

~CWL memberships are still available at the office.



Knights of Columbus

There will be a 4th Degree Meeting on Monday, December 3rd at 7:00pm

The Leamington Area Ecumenical Refugee Committee is

desperately in need of a home to rent for a family of 10.

Please call Sister Elaine at (519) 322-0945 for more information or if you can be of assistance.

A December Ultreya for Windsor/Esssex County is being held at **St. John Vianney, 385 Dieppe Street, Windsor.**
On Friday, December 14th at 7:30pm.

If you have made a Cursillo Weekend, please come and share in a faith-filled evening.

All Cursillistas are WELCOME!



MARIAN PILGRIMAGE- May 5-14, 2019

Join us on a pilgrimage to Fatima, Spain & Lourdes with 206 Tours and Fr. Tom. Anyone interested in this great opportunity can visit and register online at www.pilgrimages.com/frferrera.

From the time you arrive, you are greeted with the life of St. Anthony of Padua (Patron Saint of Lost Things.) Then you are on your way to Fatima, home to the three shepherd children who witnessed the apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary - 100 years ago! Continue through the life of St. Teresa of Avila, and end in Lourdes. Whether you come for prayer at the Grotto or in the Basilica, or if you come to immerse yourself in the famous Healing Baths - Lourdes is the place for true miracles.

VERONICA'S CORNER



*****CHRISTMAS PAGEANT*****



St. Michael's Church is looking for young people to become involved with our Christmas Pageant this year.

Rehearsals will be held from 6:30-7:30pm at St. Michael's Church on the following dates:

~**Thursday December 13/Thursday December 20.**

~**On Friday December 21, the rehearsal time will be 6:30-8:00pm.** If interested, please contact Veronica at **519-326-2643 or vcosta@dol.ca.**



FAMILY CHRISTMAS PARTY

Everyone is invited to join us on Saturday **December 8 from 6:00-8:00pm** in St. Michael's Church hall for Christmas caroling, games, crafts and desserts! The evening is free and promises to be a great time for the whole family!



CONFIRMATION MEETINGS

Please note that the Family Faith Conversation Meetings have been cancelled. There will be **NO** meeting on November 28, December 11 or January 10. Contact Veronica for more info.



THE GIVING TREE - Once again we have placed our Christmas tree in the church with tags. We encourage everyone to take a tag and purchase the item and return it to the church by **December 10th**. All items will be given to our St. Vincent de Paul Society to distribute to local families. If you purchase a gift card, please drop it off at the office for safe keeping.



NURSING HOME VISIT

All youth in Grades 3-8 and their families are invited to join us on Monday, December 10th at 6:30pm as we go Christmas caroling at the Sun Parlor Home. If you are interested, please contact Bill Cervini at **bill.cervini@publicboard.ca** so we know the number of people to expect. Parents are asked to stay with their children as we sing Christmas carols.

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Grade 8 students and parents, please join us on **Wednesday, December 12th, 2018 at 6:00pm** for the Cardinal Carter Catholic Secondary School Open House. We look forward to seeing you there.

Collection for Sunday – November 25, 2018

340 Regular Sunday:	\$6341.00
Loose:	\$1293.00
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