



# 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.

## WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday: 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday & Thursday: 12:15 p.m.

Friday: 8:00 a.m.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday 6:15-6:45 p.m.

Friday 8:30-9:00 a.m.

Saturday 4:15-4:45 p.m.



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 offers us the opportunity to weekly pray for those in our community who are in need. To become a member of the prayer network, or to add an intention, just drop us an email at [stmikesprayer@gmail.com](mailto:stmikesprayer@gmail.com)

## 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 programing and pastoral care for all university and college students ([jp2waterloo.ca](http://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

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.

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

***Weekly Gospel Reflection*** (Jn 20:19-31)



Thomas demanded to see and touch Jesus before he would believe. Jesus said, '**Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe.**' As Patricia Sanchez points out we are descendants of Thomas. While we may not be able to see or touch the wounds of the risen Lord, we can and we are invited to 'see and to touch' the wounds of the suffering and needy members of His body: people who are being victimized daily by misfortune or disease; the neighbor or relative whom we would rather avoid ... etc.

When these and so many more of the unnamed needy are truly seen with our sensitive eyes and touched with our caring hands, then we truly '*see and touch*' the Lord.

Fr. Jamroz

**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, registration, offering envelopes, pre-authorized or online giving, as well as to find out about ways of connecting, check out our website:* [www.stmichaelw.ca](http://www.stmichaelw.ca)



**Tuesday, April 13, 2021**

**7:00 pm** + Deceased members of the Mapplebeck & Guinta Families – Peter & Shari Guinta

**Wednesday, April 14, 2021**

**12:15 pm** + Jacqueline Parent – Parish Friend

**Thursday, April 15, 2021**

**12:15 pm** + Sharon Klooster – The Hartman Family

**Friday, April 16, 2021**

**8 am** + Chito Soliman – Amy Pineda

**Saturday, April 17, 2021**

**5 pm** + George Chrysler, Jr. – The Family  
+ Resty Carandang – Merlie Ladroma



Public Masses have resumed but for now we will also live-stream the Sunday 11:00 am Mass. The link is available on the parish website. In-person Sunday Mass times are Saturday 5 pm, Sunday 9 am, 11 am and 7 pm.

With the new Stay at Home Order effective Thursday, April 8, 2021, churches may open at 15% capacity. It means that Masses at our church will be able to accommodate 105 people. (On a first come first served basis). For the weekend Masses we do have an additional 40 seats in the Parish Hall.

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

The office is open Monday to Friday from 9:00 to 4:30.



### God bless our campaign, and our parish

Thank you to all who have already donated. To date we have received \$206,671 which is 53% of our goal.

If you have any questions about the campaign, feel free to contact Shari Guinta by email at [sg2009@bell.net](mailto:sg2009@bell.net) or call the parish office at 519-884-9311. We ask you to continue to pray for the success of the campaign, and we will be grateful for any gift you can make!



### Prayer Intentions

We now have prayer intentions placed at the front of the Altar that are remembered privately at Mass during the prayers of the faithful. If you wish to have a prayer intention added, please contact the parish office by phone or email.

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## Divine Mercy Sunday



Mankind's need for the message of Divine Mercy took on dire urgency in the twentieth century, when civilization began to experience an "eclipse of the sense of God," and therefore, to lose the understanding of the sanctity and inherent dignity of human life. In 1931, Jesus appeared to Sr. Faustina in Poland and expressed his desire

for a feast celebrating His mercy. The Feast of Mercy was to be on the Sunday after Easter and was to include a public blessing and liturgical veneration of His image with the inscription "*Jesus, I trust in You.*"











This promise of mercy has been affirmed by the Church, which has made Divine Mercy Sunday an occasion for receiving a plenary indulgence, "*the remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sin whose guilt has already been forgiven*" (CCC, no. 1471). The plenary indulgence is granted to the faithful under the usual conditions (Confession, Eucharist, prayer for the intentions of the pope, and complete detachment from sin, even venial sin). The faithful may either take part in the prayers and devotions held in honor of Divine Mercy in any church or chapel or recite the Our Father and Creed in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus.

There are many aspects of the Divine Mercy devotion, including the *Chaplet*, the Divine Mercy image, and the "hour of great mercy" (3:00 p.m.). The popularity of these devotions, focused on the Lord's infinite mercy, has grown rapidly in recent decades. Regarding the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, St. Faustina wrote that Jesus said to her, "*At the hour of their death, I defend as My own glory every soul that will say this chaplet; or when others say it for a dying person*" (Divine Mercy in My Soul, no. 811).

**'Humanity will never find peace until it turns with trust to Divine Mercy'** (Sr. Faustina, Diary, p. 132).

(from the <https://www.usccb.org> website)



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