



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. & 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

Monthly collections support the following projects: North of 60 food assistance to Nunavut, Christmas Gift Cards in Waterloo, Hygiene Kits for Ukrainians, and Marillac Place after-care programs. Thank you for your continued support. For food assistance in Waterloo Region call 519-743-5576 ext 340.

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 4:1-11)



The devil begins temptations with the words “**If you are the Son of God ...**” It is to say, ‘*If you are truly loved by God, why are you in this terrible situation?*’ The devil wants to show that God is not trustworthy.

Similarly, the devil addresses us, ‘*If you are a beloved child of God, why is there suffering in your life, why illness, brokenness ...?*’ To trust God is the definition of faith; it brings inner strength. As Jesus was not disappointed by God the Father, we, His beloved sons and daughters, won’t be either.

Fr. Jamroz

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, February 24, 2026

7:00 pm + Special Intentions of Rita Jayasinghe
– Austin De Cruz
+ Herbert Lauman – Gabrielle Klymenko
+ Anita Taves – Gabrielle Klymenko

7:30pm-8:30pm Holy Hour with
Adoration & Benediction

Wednesday, February 25, 2026

12:15 pm + Rudy Ianni – Maria Ianni
+ Deceased Members of Hoegler & Wingert
Families – Marianne Hoegler

Thursday, February 26, 2026

12:15 pm +Brian Krulicki – Jim & Marlene Durrer
+Sara Barros – Maria Ianni
+Tamara O’Brien – Jesna Thomas

Friday, February 27, 2026

8:00 am +Mary Dietrich – Jerry & Dorothy
Hinschberger
+Swinitha Pieris – Austin De Cruz
8:30am - 9am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, February 28, 2026

5:00 pm + Mary Chrysler – The Family
+ Edward & Florence Chapeskie – The Family
+ Special Intentions of His Excellency Bishop
Joseph Dabrowski – Peter & Shari Guinta

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL PARISH

For details on our parish life, please see our website:
www.stmichaelw.ca

Parish Office Hours

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

Sunday Homilies Online

Sunday homilies are available weekly online in audio and
pdf version through our parish website – just click on the
button ‘SUNDAY 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.

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. Please go to our website
www.stmichaelw.ca and click on Request a Prayer or
contact the parish office by phone or email.

Parish Email List

All registered parishioners are welcome to join a parish
email list. If you are on this list, you will be notified of
upcoming parish events including funerals. To join the
list, sign up at <https://www.stmichaelw.ca/contact-us>



Why is Lent forty days long?

Forty days is a traditional number of discipline, devotion, and preparation in the Bible. Thus, Moses stayed on the Mountain of God for forty days (Ex 24:18 and 34:28), ... Elijah traveled forty days before he reached the cave where he had his vision (1Kgs19:8), ... and most importantly, prior to undertaking His ministry, Jesus spent forty days in the wilderness praying and fasting (Mt 4:2). Since Lent is a period of prayer and fasting, it is fitting for Christians to imitate their Lord with a forty-day period. Thus, the Catechism of the Catholic Church states: "By the solemn forty days of Lent the Church unites herself each year to the mystery of Jesus in the desert" (CCC 540). (Excerpt from ewtn.com)

	<p align="center">CWL Lenten Rosary Online - Mondays evenings</p>
<p>Beginning Monday, February 23rd, please join us. CWL members and parishioners are invited to join together in praying the Rosary on Monday evenings during Lent. As this is Lent, we will reflect on the Sorrowful Mysteries.</p> <p>If you would like to join, please email Shani Pregelj: cwl@stmichaelw.ca or phone 519-883-8933 to request the Zoom link.</p>	

<p>FRIDAYS MASS AND STATIONS OF THE CROSS Every Friday during Lent we will have MASS at 8AM and 7PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS -7:30PM</p>
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The Passion Play We are planning a Passion Play on Good Friday at 7 pm. We invite any students grade 5 and up who are interested in participating and anyone who is interested in volunteering to sign up in the narthex or contact the parish office. Your involvement, whether as actors or in other roles, is essential to bring the message of the cross to life.

SHARE LENT 2026

“The Church, like a mother, accompanies those who are walking.” *Pope Leo XIV (Dilexi te, §75)*



Development and Peace - Caritas Canada's 2026 Share Lent campaign, **On Track for Justice**, has been launched! Together, let's walk hand in hand with communities in the Global South who are working for justice, peace and dignity. How?

1. By donating online at devp.org/give or during the Solidarity Sunday collection on March 22, the fifth Sunday of Lent. Your generosity helps support over 59 projects in 34 countries around the world!
2. Get the Mini-magazine and follow the Solidarity Calendar with your family. Discover all the resources at devp.org/lent/resource.

**St. Michael the Archangel
Jubilee Council of Knights of Columbus**

This month's meeting will be held on **Monday, February 23rd** at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall. All members of the Council and any parishioners wishing to hear more about the Knights of Columbus are invited to attend.



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The Reel Justice Film Festival

This month's offering brings you an insightful exploration of the dangers of book banning and the loss of intellectual freedom with a screening of *The Librarians* on February 26, 2026 7:00 – 9:00 PM. The film is told through the personal experiences of librarians under siege as they fight for democracy alongside everyday people who join their ranks in defense of books. The screening and discussion will be hosted online via Zoom.

Register and view our full schedule of events at: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/reel-justice-film-festival/>

A partnership between the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives and Development and Peace, the Reel Justice Film Festival shines a spotlight on issues of social, political, and economic injustices.

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