



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

For food assistance in the Waterloo Region call 519-743-5576 Ext 340 to be directed to the program nearest you. SSVP is currently supporting the North of 60 project providing food assistance to Chesterfield Inlet, Nunavut as well as creating Essential Hygiene Kits for newly arriving Ukrainian refugees.

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

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Weekly Gospel Reflection (Jn 1:35-42)



Jesus asks His disciples and us a simple question, “What are you looking for?” This question touches on the basic desire of our hearts that causes us to seek for God. The answer-question the disciples give, “Where are you staying?” is more than inquiry about Jesus’ place of residence. The disciples want to know how to find a permanent truth and love which won’t disappoint them.

Jesus answers, “Come and see.” Which is to say, trust and commit yourself to my way of life and you will find what you are searching for.

Fr. Jamroz

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL PARISH

Welcome, we are glad you’re here! 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 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, please sign up on our website at <https://www.stmichaelw.ca/contact-us>

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, January 16, 2024

7:00 pm + For all Act II Separated and Divorced
Support Group participants – Kathy Shaw
+ Claire Mullen – The Cruikshank Family

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

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

12:15 pm + Deceased members of the Hoegler &
Wingert Families – Marianne Hoegler
+ Rosa Valencia De Cruz – Norma Varela

Thursday, January 18, 2024

12:15 pm + Käte Neuberger – A friend

Friday, January 19, 2024

8:00 am + Helen Benninger – The Family
8:30am - 9am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, January 20, 2024

5:00 pm + Special Intentions of the Bogan Family
- Tony Bogan
+ Jacques Feudjio – The Family
+ George Chrysler, Jr. – The Family

Ordinary Time

Apart from those seasons having their own distinctive character, thirty-three or thirty-four weeks remain in the yearly cycle that do not celebrate a specific aspect of the mystery of Christ. Rather, especially on the Sundays, they are devoted to the mystery of Christ in all its aspects. This period is known as Ordinary Time. Ordinary Time begins on Monday after the Sunday following 6 January and continues until Tuesday before Ash Wednesday inclusive. It begins again on Monday after Pentecost and ends before ...the First Sunday of Advent. (Excerpt from: The Liturgical Year, Congregation for Divine Worship)

Sunday Missals

and Children's Sunday Missals are still available. They are \$5 for the Sunday Missal and \$10 for the Children's Sunday Missal and are at the main doors of the Church. Please have exact change. Missals can also be purchased at the parish office.

Sunday Offering Envelopes for 2024

Sunday Offering Envelopes for 2024 for current envelope users are available at the main doors of the Church. **They will be moved to the parish office on January 22nd. In order to make sure your donation is credited to your account, please do not use previous years envelopes as your envelope number may have changed.** If you are not currently using envelopes but are interested in obtaining Sunday Offering Envelopes please contact the parish office. All are invited to consider Pre-Authorized Giving as a method to support our parish - forms are available online.

ACT II (SEPARATED & DIVORCED SUPPORT GROUP) – MONTHLY MEETING

There is no monthly meeting for January. The next session will be February 20th.

Has your marriage ended? Are you in need of support to adjust to your new life? Act II is an informal monthly support group for those who are experiencing separation, or divorce. With the support of others you can begin to heal the emotional, social, and spiritual devastation of divorce. You are not alone. There is no fee. Join when you can. Bring a friend. Visit our website (www.stmichaelw.ca/separated-and-divorced), or contact our parish office for more information

2023 Income Tax Receipts

2023 income tax receipts will be available for pick up in the parish office from January 22-30. Tax receipts not picked will be mailed on February 1.



DIocese of HAMILTON

ADULT FAITH FORMATION THROUGH VLCFF

The Diocese of Hamilton is proud to partner with Dayton University's Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation (VLCFF) to offer certificate programs for ministry and enrichment for adult faith formation. Three and five week e-seminars are available at a discounted rate for all adults in the Diocese looking to further their learning. For more information about our programs, and how to register, visit us at www.hamiltondioceselearns.com

SMART STEPS

Are you a parent or stepparent adjusting to blended family life? This program is designed to offer practical insights and suggestions on how to make the relationships work well for all. Sessions are held at Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph, 28 Norfolk Street. TIME: 9:15AM - 3:30PM. PRICE: \$50 per person (includes lunch). DATE: Saturday, March 9, 2024. Register on line at hamiltondiocese.com and look under Upcoming Events. For more information, contact the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

SUPPORT FOR YOUR MARRIAGE

Does your marriage feel like it is more trouble than joy, does it feel stagnant or disconnected? Is it causing you constant stress? The solution is Retrouvaille – whose one purpose is to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves. It is designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. For struggling couples, including those who may be considering separation or divorce. The next Retrouvaille weekend is March 8-10, 2024. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com.



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