



# 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](mailto: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](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

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 4:12-23)



The evangelist tells us that “**the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light.**” Jesus applies this to himself and His words. He is the Light of our lives. In His mission of bringing light and life, the Lord does not want to act alone. He calls His first disciples who are ordinary fishermen and simply says, “**Follow Me! and I will make you fish for people.**”

Pope Benedict XVI points out that many people live in the “salt waters” of anguish and hopelessness. The “net” of Christ pulls us out of lifeless dark waters and brings life and light. When we *follow* Him, we find the light we need, and we become the source of light and life for others.

Fr. Jamroz

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Tuesday, January 27, 2026**

7:00 pm + Special Intentions of Rosemary deOliveira  
- Angela deOliveira  
**7:30pm-8:30pm** Holy Hour with  
Adoration & Benediction

**Wednesday, January 28, 2026**

12:15 pm + Brian Krulicki – Peter & Shari Guinta  
+ Jack Pires – Eleanor Horrigan  
+ Nancy Kelly – Linda Guacci

**Thursday, January 22, 2026**

12:15 pm + Deceased members of Kannai  
and Plathara Families – Jesna Paul

**Friday, January 23, 2026**

8:00 am + Deceased members of Kuriappilly and  
Eranullil Families – Jesna Paul  
**8:30am - 9am** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

**Saturday, January 24, 2026**

5:00 pm + Special Intentions of Alicia Tonleu  
- The Jemetio Family  
+ Steve Hollo – The Family  
+ Jerry Brienza – Eleanor Horrigan

**WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL PARISH**

For details on our parish life, please see our website:  
[www.stmichaelw.ca](http://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](http://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>



## SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

**“The word of Christ dwells  
among you”** (Col 3:16)

The Third Sunday of Ordinary Time (**January 25<sup>th</sup>**) marks the celebration of Bible Sunday in the Diocese of Hamilton. Our celebration of Bible Sunday is a call to listen to how #TheBibleSpeaks in our hearts and within our communities of faith. The Diocese of Hamilton have prepared a wide variety of resources available at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/thebiblespeaks/>

### Why is the Bible important?

According to St. Jerome, **“IGNORANCE OF SCRIPTURE IS IGNORANCE OF CHRIST!”** Our Catechism states: *“the Church has always venerated the Scriptures as she venerates the Lord's Body. She never ceases to present to the faithful the bread of life, taken from the one table of God's Word and Christ's Body.”* (CCC 103)

The Bible, which was written in Hebrew, Aramaic, and Greek, has been translated into over 600 languages. The New Testament has been translated into more than 1,500 languages. **THE BIBLE IS THE TOP SELLING BOOK EVERY YEAR.** ... merely reading the Bible without the proper disposition and guidance can be less than helpful, and in some cases, even destructive. ... The Bible is a beautiful and holy book when it is treated with intelligence and respect, and that includes the willingness to question and struggle with it. (*Fr. Scott Lewis, How Not to Read the Bible*)

## ST. JOHN'S BIBLE PRESENTATION

**Wednesday, February 4th**

We will be hosting in our parish hall the diocese's heritage edition of St. John's Bible, on **Wednesday February 4th, at 7:30pm**. The manuscript of the St. John's Bible is a handwritten, hand illuminated Bible. A work of art 15 years in the making. We will have the opportunity to see and pray with the St. John's Bible and learn more of its history and engage with the Word of God in *Lectio Divina*. **JOIN US FOR THIS SPECIAL EVENT!**

## St. Thomas Aquinas, Memorial Day

**Wed. Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>, Mass 12:15pm**

Born in Aquino, Italy in 1225, Saint Thomas Aquinas had **ONE OF THE GREATEST MINDS IN THE HISTORY OF THE CHURCH**. A prodigious writer, his most famous work is the *Summa Theologica*, one of the greatest examples of theological thought ever composed. Many of his hymn texts, such as *Pange lingua*, *Tantum ergo* and *Adore te devote* are still used today. (*Living with Christ*)

**SORROW CAN BE ALLEVIATED BY GOOD  
SLEEP, A BATH, AND A GLASS OF WINE.**

*St. Thomas Aquinas*

## Save the Date - Family Day

**Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup>**

Everyone is invited to celebrate Family Day weekend with their St. Michael Parish family following 11am Mass on Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Hall. More information to come soon!



**DIocese of Hamilton**

## Thomas Toast

**Saturday, January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026**

The Communio Circle of the Diocese of Hamilton invites you to our annual Thomas Toast event on Saturday, January 31st at **St. Anthony Daniel Church, 29 Midland Dr, Kitchener**. At 10:00am we will gather for Daytime Prayer and a talk by Dr. Peter Erb entitled: *“Newman, Aquinas, and Pryzwara Revisited”* followed by a toast to Thomas and a social until 12:00pm. For more information visit: [communiohamiltondiocese.org](http://communiohamiltondiocese.org)

## Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

**Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026**

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2026? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Dabrowski and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 31, 2026 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. Registration is found under Upcoming Events on the home page at [hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com), or call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

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