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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 programing 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.

Weekly Gospel Reflection (Jn 14: 23-29)

A remarkable promise is given to us in today's Gospel. Jesus says, "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them."

The Lord emphasizes that our God is not a distant God but one who lives within us. Those who walk God's ways experience His presence, and God Himself makes His home in them.

#### Dear Parishioners,

It is with deep appreciation to our Lord, and to each of you that I am pleased to present to you the 2024 Financial and Spiritual Report for St. Michael Parish. The report is posted on our website. Hard copies are available this weekend in the narthex of the church.

Fr. Jamroz

#### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Tuesday, May 27, 2025

**6:30 pm** Rosary led by the CWL

7:00 pm + Special Intentions of Izundu Nasa-Okolie

- The Family
- + Stefania Klusek Steve
- + Special Intentions of Avanthika John

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

#### Wednesday, May 28, 2025

12:15 pm + Barbara & John Wingert

- Marianne Hoegler
- + Special Intentions of Matthew Posella
  - Dominic Posella
- + Special Intentions of Gladys Kerr & Family Phyllis, Glen & Brian Halk

#### Thursday, May 29, 2025

12:15 pm + Joan Bogan - Tony Bogan

- + Maria The Vu Family
- + Zoltan Gevencser Rozalija Bedic

#### Friday, May 30, 2025

8:00 am +Dennis - Steve

- + Special Intentions of Susan Bourque in Thanksgiving
- + Special Intentions of the Mootheril Family

  George Mootherill
- 8:30am 9am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

#### **Saturday, May 31, 2025**

**5:00 pm +** Steven Bedic Sr. – Maria & Nicola Babic

- + Special Intentions of Mootheril Family in Thanksgiving George Mootheril
- + Hermina Hollo The Family

#### **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 <a href="https://www.stmichaelw.ca">www.stmichaelw.ca</a> 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

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# The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary – May 31

This feast, commemorating the meeting between Mary and Elizabeth, has been celebrated in the Roman liturgy since the 8<sup>th</sup> century. Found in Luke's Gospel, this event is one of rejoicing in the wonders God has done, as both the barren Elizabeth and the young Virgin Mary find themselves with child. Each woman experiences an outpouring of the Holy Spirit; Elizabeth's response is to declare Mary and her child blessed; and Mary's response is the hymn of praise, the *Magnificat*.

#### Pope Benedict XVI on the Visitation:

May we imitate Mary's example of readiness and generosity in the service of our brethren. Indeed, only by accepting God's love and making of our existence a selfless and generous service to our neighbour, can we joyfully lift a song of praise to the Lord (31 May 2008).

#### Rosary at 6:30 pm on Tuesdays in May

During the month of May, the CWL lead the Rosary in the church on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 prior to the 7pm Mass. All are welcome to join in this wonderful prayer.

#### NORTH OF 60, 2025 - Food Gathering

St. Vincent de Paul is hosting our annual food gathering to support our northern neighbours in the community of Chesterfield Inlet, Nunavut. The following 4 products ONLY will be collected on the weekends of **May 31, June 7/8 and June 14/15**: SUGAR – 2KG BAG, TANG JUICE CRYSTALS – BOXED SLEEVES, CANNED FRUIT, MR NOODLES. Please place food items in the white bins at Church entrances.

#### First Communion at St. Michael's

Congratulations to the 55 children who will be receiving their First Communion on Sunday, **May 25**<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, **June 1**<sup>st</sup>. Let us keep them in our prayers!

#### Save the Date

St. Michael Parish Pilgrimage to the Carmel of St. Joseph. **Saturday**, **June 21**<sup>st</sup>, 10am. Sign up begins in June.

#### **VBS - Vacation Bible School**

VBS at St. Michael this year will run **August 11-15**, 9:00am-12:00(noon). Cost is \$30 per child (discount for larger families). Registration is available on our website at <a href="https://www.stmichaelw.ca/vbs">https://www.stmichaelw.ca/vbs</a> or forms are available at the main entrance of the church.





#### PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH #169

Loving guidance and care for our children is a foundational principle of our Catholic teachings on parenting. Teaching our children how to live as disciples of Jesus provides them with a firm faith foundation, but also the tools for success in life. So don't be afraid to set boundaries, have solid expectations and provide correction when necessary. God has trusted us with his precious children to raise and the hard work of childhood will become a loving adult relationship when we parent with firm love and respect of our children. (Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)

More practical tips about Catholic parenting can be found on the Diocese website: *Family Ministry: Parenting and Grandparenting:* 

https://hamiltondiocese.com/office/pastoral-offices/family-ministry/parenting-and-grandparenting/parenting/



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