



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

Sunday's Gospel Reflection (Lk 18:1-8)



Today's parable presents a widow who stubbornly begs a corrupt judge to grant her justice. Although he cares neither for God nor people, the judge grants the widow's request. Jesus insists that we should pray just as the widow — with persistence. If a corrupt and indifferent judge gives in, how much more will a loving God give to His beloved.

The purpose of persistent prayer is not to change God's mind, but to show that prayer is a commitment rather than a duty. We do have our part to play in prayer.

Fr. Jamroz

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

6:30 pm Rosary led by St. Michael Catholic Women's League members.

7:00 pm + Mike Colaneri – The Guinta Family
+ Special Intentions of Dominic Posella

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

Wednesday, October 22, 2025

12:15 pm + Special Intentions of Davin Bogan
– Tony Bogan
+ Special Intentions of Lucy Laba
- Bob & Jean Balahura

Thursday, October 23, 2025

12:15 pm + Special Intentions of Stefan & Maria Liko
On their 52nd Wedding Anniversary
+ Günter Schultz – Simone Schultz

Friday, October 24, 2025

8:00 am + Souls In Purgatory – Dominic Posella
8:30am - 9am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, October 18, 2025

5:00 pm + Special Intentions of Dian Jordan
+ Special Intentions of Vivi Budiman
+ Special Intentions of His Excellency
Bishop Douglas Crosby in Celebration of
his 50th Anniversary of Ordination
to the Priesthood
- The Life Members of the Catholic
Women's League of Hamilton Diocese

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 at <https://www.stmichaelw.ca/contact-us>



**Saint John Paul II
Wednesday October 22,
Mass at 12:15 pm**

**Join us for Mass, and Exposition of the First-Class
Relic of the Saint.**

Karol Józef Wojtyła, known as John Paul II since his October 1978 election to the papacy, was born in Poland in 1920. ... HE HAS UNDERTAKEN 104 PASTORAL VISITS OUTSIDE ITALY. The attendance of John Paul II for World Youth Day 2002 in Toronto was the third official visit of the Holy Father to Canada. More than 800,000 people crowded Downsview Park for the closing Papal Mass on July 28, 2002. ... John Paul II is patron saint of youth, families, and World Youth Day (*Living with Christ*).

Pope Benedict: *Like Sr Faustina, John Paul II in his turn made himself an apostle of Divine Mercy. ... The whole of his mission at the service of the truth about God and man and of peace in the world is summed up in this declaration (...): "APART FROM THE MERCY OF GOD THERE IS NO OTHER SOURCE OF HOPE FOR MANKIND"*.

St. John Paul II Student Centre

Recognizing the need for and importance of encouraging and supporting the faith of young people, the Diocese of Hamilton and St. Michael Parish founded the St. John Paul II Student Centre in 2015. The Centre is a Catholic home away from home for post-secondary students in Waterloo. It serves the community of Wilfrid Laurier University, the University of Waterloo, and Conestoga College. The Chaplain of the Centre is our Pastor Fr. Pawel Jamroz and the Campus Minister is Christopher Marentette; the website of the Centre: <https://www.jp2waterloo.ca>

What is a saint?

ALL CHRISTIANS ARE CALLED TO BE SAINTS. Saints are persons in heaven (officially canonized or not), who lived heroically virtuous lives, offered their life for others, or were martyred for the faith ...

In official Church procedures there are three steps to sainthood: ... *Venerable*, then *Blessed* and then *Saint*. *Venerable* is the title given to a deceased person recognized as having lived a heroically virtuous life. To be recognized as a *Blessed*, one miracle acquired through the candidate's intercession is required in addition to recognition of heroic virtue ... Canonization requires a second miracle after beatification. The pope may waive these requirements. A miracle is not required prior to a martyr's beatification, but one is required before canonization. (usccb.org)

**Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque
Monday, October 20**

Margaret Mary: *"HAVE RECOURSE TRUSTFULLY TO GOD'S LOVING KINDNESS AND HE WILL NOT FORSAKE YOU ... Though you may have had the misfortune to offend Him, He is always ready to receive you, provided you return humbly to Him."*

**Act II
(Separated & Divorced Support Group)**

Our Act II monthly informal support group will meet this **Tuesday October 21st** at 7:30 pm in the Church Resource Centre/Library. With the support of others, you can begin to heal the emotional, social and spiritual devastation of divorce. Join us when you can. Contact our Parish office at 519-884-9311, or by email parish@stmichaelw.ca for more information.



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PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH #172

As the leaves change and the weather turns colder, we tend to spend more time indoors. ... Instead of everyone being on social media and playing online games, try an old-fashioned board game, working together to put a puzzle together, having a family book club, or watching a movie on TV together and pausing now and then to discuss what is going on and/or what might happen next.

INTERACTION IS THE KEY AND WHEN WE DO SO WE BUILD BONDS AND RELATIONSHIPS. Children talk to us and tell us things when they are ready, so the more time we spend together, the greater the chance we will hear about their concerns, joys, struggles and questions about the world. And don't forget, praying together each day and attending Mass as a family is another perfect way to bond.

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