



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

Tuesday 6:15-6:45 p.m.

Friday 8:30-9:00 a.m.

Saturday 4:00-4:45 p.m.



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 offers us the opportunity to weekly pray for those in our community who are in need. To become a member of the prayer network, or to add an intention, just drop us an email at stmikesprayer@gmail.com

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

Provides emergency grocery assistance to needy persons and families in our parish area. If there is an urgent need, please call 519-747-1090. A monthly collection to assist the Society in its work takes place on the First Sunday.

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 (Mk 10: 2-16)



In today's Gospel, Jesus affirms the sacred and sacramental nature of marriage. This teaching does not mean justification for an abusive or harmful relationship.

By saying, "**Let the little children come to me,**" Christ expresses his love for children, but also His love for the child of God that each of us is. Therefore, for the child of God who is wounded by the breakdown of commitment, the Lord urges them not to go away from Him but to come to Him, to find healing and strength in His arms.

Fr. Jamroz

WELCOME HOME TO ST. MICHAEL PARISH

Welcome, we are really glad you're here! Whether exploring, struggling or looking for a new Church Home - we extend a warm welcome to our parish and pray that you feel at home. Please introduce yourself and consider becoming a member of our Family of Faith. *For details on our parish life, registration, offering envelopes, pre-authorized or online giving, as well as to find out about ways of connecting, check out our website: www.stmichaelw.ca*



Tuesday, October 5, 2021

6:30 pm Rosary – led by the CWL
7:00 pm + Special Intentions of Ann Buckingham
 – Moya Quinton
7:30 pm Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction

Wednesday, October 6, 2021

12:15 pm + Evan Hoegler – Marianne Hoegler

Thursday, October 7, 2021

12:15 pm + Barbara, John & Mike Wingert
 – Marianne Hoegler

Friday, October 8, 2021

8:00 am + Virginia Ladroma – The Family

Saturday, October 9, 2021

5:00 pm + George Chrysler, Jr. – The Family
 + Rudy Ianni – Maria Ianni
 + Joanna Agnieszka Dutton – Ryszard Sychterz

Public Masses have resumed

We may welcome the number of people we can accommodate with two metres of social distance between individuals/households. All who participate in the liturgy are to wear masks.

Lord's Day Mass Times

Saturday at 5 pm
 Sunday at 9 am, 11 am and 7 pm

Parish Office Hours

The parish office is open for in person, Monday – Friday from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. If you are in need of a priest, you can contact Fr. Jamroz at 519-884-9311 ext. 27 or by email at pastor@stmichaelw.ca

Sunday Homilies Online

Sunday homilies are available weekly online in audio version through our parish website – just click on the button 'LISTEN TO HOMILY'.



CWL Rosary in October Before Mass & On-Line

The month of October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary and CWL members and parishioners are invited to join together in prayer. The Rosary will be prayed both in person and on-line:

Tuesdays at 6:30pm in the church:

A CWL member will lead the Rosary each Tuesday in October before the 7pm mass

Mondays at 7pm over Zoom:

Each Monday in October the Rosary will be lead over Zoom. Please contact Shani Pregelj by email at cwl@stmichaelw.ca or phone 519-883-8933 to request the Zoom link.



The future of St. Michael Catholic Church is filled with optimism. The One Heart One Soul campaign continues to provide hope to renew and transform our parish. In these uncertain times it has allowed us to solidify our finances thereby securing St. Michael's future for generations to come. We have been blessed to see St. Michael volunteers and parishioners come together to support the campaign. October will be the closing month for this active part of the campaign, and we are so grateful to those who have helped us achieve over 86% of our overall celebration goal of \$390,000. If you have not received your invitation to participate, pledge cards are available at the church entrances. Please unite with us to renew and transform our parish. Your donation matters. If you have any questions about the campaign, please contact Shari Guinta at sag90759@gmail.com or call the parish office at 519-884-9311.

Refugee Sponsorship Update: Great news! Our Syrian family arrives October 8th! See next week's bulletin for more details.

Africa - Harambee Child Sponsorships: October is Sponsorship Renewal Month. All sponsors should have received their updates and donation envelopes by the middle of next week. Information on renewing your sponsorship, or on becoming a first-time sponsor is available on the parish website.



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COVID Vaccines

The official position of the Catholic Church is that all available COVID vaccines are ethical and all Catholics who are able are encouraged to receive the vaccine. All employees serving in the Diocese of Hamilton are encouraged to be fully vaccinated or to submit to a COVID rapid test every Monday and Thursday in order to carry out their responsibilities. Volunteer liturgical ministers are required to be fully vaccinated. Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, encourages every member of the Catholic Church within our Diocese of Hamilton to be fully vaccinated.

Statement from the Canadian Catholic Bishops on Reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples of Canada

The Catholic Bishops of Canada, gathered in Plenary this week, took the opportunity to affirm and acknowledge to the Indigenous Peoples the suffering experienced in Canada's Indian Residential Schools. Many Catholic religious communities and dioceses participated in this system, which led to the suppression of Indigenous languages, culture and spirituality, failing to respect the rich history, traditions and wisdom of Indigenous Peoples. They acknowledged the grave abuses that were committed by some members of our Catholic community; physical, psychological, emotional, spiritual, cultural, and sexual. They also sorrowfully acknowledged the historical and ongoing trauma and the legacy of suffering and challenges faced by Indigenous Peoples that continue to this day. Along with those Catholic entities which were directly involved in the operation of the schools and which have already offered their own heartfelt apologies, the Catholic Bishops of Canada expressed their profound remorse and apologized unequivocally.

Together with the many pastoral initiatives already underway in dioceses across the country, the Bishops pledged to undertake fundraising in each region of the country to support initiatives discerned locally with Indigenous partners. Furthermore, they invited the Indigenous Peoples to journey with us into a new era of reconciliation, helping us to prioritize initiatives of healing, to listen to the experience of Indigenous Peoples, especially to the survivors of Indian Residential Schools, and to educate our clergy, consecrated men and women, and lay faithful, on Indigenous cultures and spirituality. They further committed to continue the work of providing documentation or records that will assist in the memorialization of those buried in unmarked graves.

A delegation of Indigenous survivors, Elders/knowledge keepers, and youth will meet with the Holy Father in December 2021. Pope Francis will encounter and listen to the Indigenous Peoples, so as to discern how he can support our common desire to renew relationships and walk together along the path of hope in the coming years. The Bishops of Canada have pledged to work with the Holy See and our Indigenous partners on the possibility of a pastoral visit by the Pope to Canada as part of this healing journey.

We are committed to continue the journey with the First Nations, Métis and Inuit Peoples of this land. For more information, please contact the diocese or visit www.cccb.ca.

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