



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

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.

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

Due to COVID-19, emergency food deliveries from our parish are currently on hold. If there is an urgent need, please call 519-742-8327 and press 2 for the House of Friendship food assistance program. Monthly collections have also been "paused" for 2022 due to inactivity for the foreseeable future.

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 15:1-32)



The fact that the father does not wait at home but runs towards his son, embraces, and kisses him, reveals deep truth about God's heart. Hans Urs von Balthasar points out that when we go astray, God does not merely wait for us but "pursues the lost one until he finds it." God's search for us does not mean that He doesn't know where we are. Instead, it tells us that God searches to find which path would be the best for us to find our way back. Thomas Merton says, "*God's love is at work bringing good out of all our mistakes and defeating even our sins.*"

Fr. Jamroz

WELCOME HOME TO ST. MICHAEL PARISH

Welcome, we are really glad you're here! We extend a warm welcome to our parish and pray that you feel at home. *For details on our parish life, check out our website: www.stmichaelw.ca*



Tuesday, September 13, 2022

7:00 pm + Bob McCann – Anthony & Magnell Robinson & Family

7:30 pm Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction

Wednesday, September 14, 2022

12:15 pm + Helen Benninger – The Family

Thursday, September 15, 2022

12:15 pm + Geraldine Lussier – The Family

Friday, September 16, 2022

8:00 am + Arthur Benninger – The Family

8:30 am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, September 17, 2022

5:00 pm + Walter Stone – The Family

Sunday Homilies Online

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

Parish Office Hours

The parish office is open for in person, Monday – Friday from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. Fr. Jamroz will be away from Tuesday, September 6 to Friday, September 16.

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 that are remembered privately at Mass during the prayers of the faithful. You can also have your request shared with our prayer group ministry. If you wish to have a prayer intention added, please go to our website www.stmichaelw.ca and click on the link on the bottom of the page or contact the parish office by phone or email.



Coffee Sunday

Join us next Sunday after the 9 and 11 am Masses in the parish hall for coffee and fellowship.

The Exaltation of the Cross

September 14, Mass at 12:15 pm

What does the Exaltation of the Cross mean?

The Exaltation of the Cross honors Christ's Cross, an instrument made sacred by the Lord's offering of Himself upon it for our salvation. It is celebrated on September 14.

"Yes, it is through the Cross that Christ is exalted. Today's feast of the Church speaks to us of this mystery. At the same time, it speaks of Christ who by means of the Cross lifts up humanity, lifts up all humanity and indeed all creation. 'For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved'"
Jn 3:17 (Excerpt from: Homily of St. John Paul II Feast of the Triumph of the Cross, 14-09-88)

Heartache to Healing – 7 week program - Grief Support

Wednesday evenings – October 19-November 30, 2022
7-8:30 pm (doors open at 6:30 pm)

Register by October 5 by contacting our Parish office
519-884-9311 or email parish@stmichaelw.ca

This program is designed to assist people after the death of a loved one, or a significant loss and follows the process developed by Dr. Bill Webster, an experienced leader in grief counselling. Everyone is welcome. There is no fee, but you must register by October 5th.

Visit our website for more information at
www.stmichaelw.ca/grief-support.

Heartache to Healing – Monthly Grief Support Group – Beginning September 14th

*****NEW*** We are pleased to offer monthly Grief Support on the 2nd Wednesday of every month from 7-8:30pm!**

There is still room for you, or your loved ones to join...

This group is open to anyone who is grieving the death of a loved one, or a significant loss. This group allows for more sharing with one another, which is proven to be beneficial for healing. You can attend when you're able to. Visit our website (www.stmichaelw.ca/grief-support), or contact our Parish office for more information.

Interested In Becoming Catholic?

Any adults who have not been baptized and are considering becoming Catholic, or any adults who have already been baptized in other Christian churches and wish to become full members of the Catholic Church, please contact Fr. Jamroz (pastor@stmichaelw.ca).

A program of formation (RCIA) begins in October and there is a place for you.



There will be a **CWL General Meeting on Tuesday September 13th** following the 7pm Mass. There will be some time to socialize and we have a few "fun" activities planned. We will get updates from CWL National as well as what's planned for the fall here in our parish. We invite all ladies in the parish to join us for this fun and informative meeting.

Children's Ministry registration is open
Do you want your children know they are loved by the Lord? Registration for Children's Ministry is now open on our parish website. The ministry for children from Junior Kindergarten to Grade 4 will start soon during both the 9 am and 11 am Sunday Masses. To register your child, please go to our parish website under Children and Youth Ministry. Please register each child separately. If you are interested in volunteering for this ministry or for more information, please send an email to catechist@stmichaelw.ca

Youth Ministry

Hey teens we have a place for you! We are so excited to invite you to our weekly youth nights for games, snacks, and a chance to explore life's biggest questions. Questions like... is there more to life than this? Who is Jesus? And why did He die? This 9-week-long program will run Friday evenings at 7 pm in the parish hall starting **September 16**. Please register on the parish website under Youth Ministry or contact the the parish office at parish@stmichaelw.ca



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PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH - Parenting Tip 142. As parents, we love our children unconditionally, but the tasks involved are still challenging. There are many moments when our children can annoy us, test us and even defy us! Our response can be the difference between positive learning and damage to our relationship. What is a parent's best strategy? Learn to pause between the time a problem occurs and the time you respond. Take a moment to count to ten, take a deep breath, close your eyes, say a quick prayer, or take your own time out. When you are calm and collected, address the issue in the way you feel will work best to solve the issue, not one based on high emotions. Family Ministry Office: 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.



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