



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

For food assistance in the Waterloo Region call 519-743-5576 Ext 340 to be directed to the program nearest you. SSVP is currently supporting the North of 60 project providing food assistance to Chesterfield Inlet, Nunavut as well as creating Essential Hygiene Kits for newly arriving Ukrainian refugees.

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 7:1-8,14-15,21-23)



The Gospel shows that religion goes deeper than rituals and practices. The people in the Gospel kept the religious law, but their worship was no more than lip service. So, quoting Isaiah, Jesus says, “**This people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me.**” St. James, in the second reading, teaches that “*pure and undefiled*” religion is to care for those who are most vulnerable and in need (James 1:27).

Today’s Liturgy of the Word emphasizes that true religion is expressed in both, religious practices and taking care of those around us.

Fr. Jamroz

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL PARISH

Welcome, we are glad you’re here! For details on our parish life, please see our website: www.stmichaelw.ca

Parish Office Hours

The parish office is open Monday to Friday from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. The Parish office will be closed on Monday, September 2nd for Labour Day.

MASS INTENTIONS

September 3, 2024

7:00 pm + For all students & staff returning to school

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

Wednesday, September 4, 2024

12:15 pm + Special Intentions of Marianne in Thanksgiving

Thursday, September 5, 2024

12:15 pm + Special Intentions of Quentin & Mieko Simms – Anthony & Magnell Robinson

Friday, September 6, 2024

8:00 am + Helen Benninger – The Family

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

Saturday, September 7, 2024

5:00 pm + Hilda Chrysler – The Family

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. The church will closed on Monday, September 2nd for Labour Day.

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 on our website at

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

MEMORIAL OF ST. GREGORY
Tuesday, September 3, 2024
Mass at 7 pm

Saint Gregory was ... a Benedictine monk... In 590 he was elected pope. His charity in feeding starving Romans, his protection of Jewish rights and his political diplomacy helped him earn the title 'Great.' (*livingwithchrist.ca*)

READY DAY ONE - SEND 'EM OFF SMILING
- BACK TO SCHOOL CAMPAIGN

Once again, this year St. Michael Parish is reaching out to young people in need. Our collection of school supplies will run until September 15th. Please see the display in the narthex of needed school supplies. Let's be part of helping every child in our community be Ready Day One!



MASS WITH BISHOP LOBSINGER
The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Saturday, September 14th - 10:30 am

We welcome His Excellency, Bishop Wayne Lobsinger to celebrate the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. 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 ... (*Ewn.com*)

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Our Children's Liturgy program for children in Junior Kindergarten to grade 4 will resume on **Sunday, September 15th** at the 11 am Mass. Registration is open online. You do need to complete a registration form for each child each year.

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 the parish office (parish@stmichaelw.ca). A program of formation (RCIA) begins in October and there is a place for you. Registration is also available online on our website.

ACT II (SEPARATED & DIVORCED SUPPORT GROUP) - 3RD TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH - 7:30PM

Our Act II monthly informal support group will continue to meet on the 3rd Tuesday of every month. Visit our website or contact our Parish office 519-884-9311, or email parish@stmichaelw.ca for more information.

REGISTER TO ATTEND OUR PARISH
BBQ - Saturday September 28th
(11am-2pm)

Saturday, September 28th will be our St. Michael Parish BBQ. Join us for a free lunch (**registration deadline for lunch is September 15th**) multi-generational activities, music, raffle, Bosco the Clown & more! The event will be held at the Knights of Columbus, Columbus Conference Centre, 145 Dearborn Pl. Waterloo. Registration is required by completing the online form (QR code), or by contacting our Parish Office - 519-884-9311 or email parish@stmichaelw.ca.



GRANT from CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION OF WATERLOO REGION

We are pleased to report that St. Michael Parish applied for and was the recipient of a grant from the CCFOWR in support of our Children's Ministry Program. Thanks to the generosity of the CCFOWR, we received just over \$4300 and have been able to purchase supplies, the 2024 VBS program and equip our children's room with a (much needed!) new rug, a whiteboard and 42 new children's chairs! We extend a sincere and heartfelt thank you to the CCFOWR!



DIocese of HAMILTON

CHILDREN'S CATECHETICAL
CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

Do your children attend public or private school or do you home-school? If you are wondering how to supplement their Catholic education, the Diocese of Hamilton offers programs for every age and stage from Kindergarten through to High School including programs specially designed to assist children preparing for the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation. For more information, the link below will take you to our webpage or you can contact Matthew at 905-528-7988 x 2339 or email: catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com



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