



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

Sunday's Gospel Reflection (Lk 6:20-26)

Jesus says that those who are **poor, hungry, those who weep, and who are defamed are blessed.** We wonder why. What blessing is that of being afflicted and troubled?



Roy Campanella, a famous baseball player, having an automobile accident found himself paralyzed and unable to walk. He found strength in the following: *“I asked for health that I might do great things. I was given infirmity, that I might do better things. ... I asked for all things that I might enjoy life. I was given life, that I might enjoy all things. ... Almost despite myself, my unspoken words were answered. ... I am, among people, most richly blessed.”*

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, February 18, 2025

7:00 pm + Bennett Roach – Jennifer Reddock
7:30pm-8:30pm Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction

Wednesday, February 19, 2025

12:15 pm + Deceased Priests & Religious of the Archdiocese of Toronto - Steve
+ Lucyna Jocz – Danuta Smola & Family

Thursday, February 20, 2025

12:15 pm + Anna Skwarek – Steve
+ Special Intentions of the National Executive of the Catholic Women's League of Canada

Friday, February 21, 2025

8:00 am + Janet Okolie – The Family
8:30am - 9am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, February 22, 2025

5:00 pm + Ernie Hollo – The Family
+ Stan Reitzel – Doug & Gai Brown & 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.

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>



WE ARE PILGRIMS OF HOPE

The Ordinary Jubilee of the Year 2025 is an opportunity for all people to enter into a pilgrimage of hope. ... WE ARE CALLED TO SEARCH FOR SIGNS OF HOPE AND BE SIGNS OF HOPE in our families, for our neighbours, the imprisoned, the sick and dying, the young and old. (From CCCB).

HEROES OF HOPE

The Working Centre in Kitchener, under the direction of Joe and Stephanie Mancini, celebrated the remarkable 40th anniversary of St. John's Kitchen last month – a significant milestone! Because people could count on the door being open every day is a major reason for the 40-year journey! Now, 80% of those who come daily to St. John's Kitchen live unsheltered, without a home. In the December 2024 Issue of GOOD WORK NEWS, the monthly publication of The Working Centre, Joe Mancini, attributes the initial success of St. John's Kitchen to the original team of volunteers. A new St. John's Kitchen will include meals, laundry facilities, washrooms, connection to resources and healthcare supports for those most vulnerable. HEROES OF HOPE INDEED! (From Bishop's Crosby Heart to Heart)



Family Day – office hours

The parish office and the Church will be closed on Monday, February 17th for Family Day.

Income Tax Receipts

Tax receipts for 2024 have been mailed out. The Government of Canada has made a change for this year that donations for January 1 to February 28th, 2025 can be used for 2024. If you would like a tax receipt for 2025 as of the end of February, please contact the parish office.

Separated & Divorced Support Group

Our Act II monthly informal support group meets on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7:30pm. With the support of others, you can begin to heal the emotional, social and spiritual devastation of divorce. Our next meeting is February 18th in the hall. Visit our website www.stmichaelw.ca/separated-and-divorced or contact our Parish office 519-884-9311, or at parish@stmichaelw.ca for more information.

The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle February 22, 2025

From the 4th century, this feast celebrates Peter and his successors as bishops of Rome and expresses gratitude for their service. "The 'cathedra' is literally 'the seat of the bishop.'" Pope Benedict XVI said ... "It is the symbol of his authority and, particularly, of his 'Magisterium' ..." To celebrate the 'Chair' of Peter means, then, giving it a strong spiritual significance and recognizing therein a privileged sign of the love of God. (livingwithchrist.ca)



VIRTUAL LEARNING WITH THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON: INFORMATION NIGHT

The Diocese of Hamilton is proud to partner with Dayton University's Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation (VLCFF) to offer certificate programs for ministry and enrichment for adult faith formation. Interested in learning more about our programs? ... Join us for a brief information session ... on **Wednesday, March 26, 2025 @ 7pm**. Registration for this event can be found here: <https://bit.ly/VLCFFinfo>.

THE REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL offers another crucial dialogue with *Resilient Genius* **February 25, 7:00 – 9:00 PM**. The film gives voice to children and youth affected by war, conflict, and political unrest. Thirteen children and youth immerse us in memories of Syria, Ethiopia, Ukraine, Rwanda, Afghanistan and Iraq, reflecting on their lives before, during, and after experiences of violence. ... Film Director Joanne Hodges and Rita Balla, Director, Diocesan Office for Refugees will provide further discussion following the film. **The event will be hosted online via Zoom. Register and view our full schedule at:** <https://hamiltondiocese.com/reel-justice-film-festival/> ...



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