



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 (Lk 2:22-40)



When Jesus, the very presence of God, is brought into the Temple, no one recognizes the significance of that event except Simeon and Anna. Both of them were righteous people and filled with the Spirit of God. As we are told, “**the Holy Spirit rested on Simeon**” and Anna “**never left the temple but worshiped there.**”

Simeon and Anna recognized God’s presence because they made themselves present to God. We do not pray to make God present to us; God is already present in our lives. We are invited to make ourselves present to God. We do so by walking in His ways and being open to the mysterious ways He acts in our lives.

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 4, 2025

7:00 pm + Donald Porterfield – Candy Smith
+ Special Intentions of Andrew & Cheryl
Guinta – Peter & Shari Guinta

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

Wednesday, February 5, 2025

12:15 pm + Souls in Purgatory - Steve
+ George Eranulli, Thresiamma and
Kakkappan Kuriappilly – Jesna Thomas

Thursday, February 6, 2025

12:15 pm + Vernon G. Edwards – Chris Johannes

Friday, February 7, 2025

8:00 am + Bennett Roach – Jennifer Reddock
+ Special Intentions of Dominic Posella
8:30am - 9am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, February 8, 2025

5:00 pm + Steve Hollo – The Family
+ Anna & Frank Gruber – The Miller Family
+ Special Intentions of Achillius Kristof,
Clement Kenneth Hartardi & Vivi Budiman
in Thanksgiving – Vivi Budiman

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>



THE FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD, February 2nd

Today's feast commemorates the day when Jesus was brought to the Temple by Mary and Joseph. This event stands as the fourth Joyful Mystery of the Rosary... In the Middle Ages, a tradition began of blessing candles and holding a procession of light on this day. As a result, this feast is also known as Candlemas: *Christ our light has come to us.* (See, livingwithchrist.ca)

February 2nd is also **World Day for Consecrated Life**. We pray for those who follow Christ by means of the practice of the evangelical counsels: *poverty, chastity, and obedience.*



Catholic Women's League Membership Recruitment Weekend February 8th/ 9th

Are you seeking to connect with like minded women and to grow in faith? Are you looking to get more involved in your parish? The CWL is a great opportunity to fulfill all this and more. ***All female members of the parish (16+) are welcome and encouraged to join the Catholic Women's League.*** There will be a speaker at the end of Masses next weekend and a display at the back to share more information about the Catholic Women's League and the benefits of becoming a member. Or email CWL@stmichaelw.ca with questions.



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St. Michael's Africa Project

Harambee Pub Night – Thursday February 6th This is the last weekend to buy tickets (\$20) for the Harambee Pub Night – Thursday February 6th at the Jazz Room in the Huether Hotel (Waterloo – 59 King St. N). The doors

open at 6 pm. Live music with Michael Kelly Cavan from 7 - 9:30 pm. Lots of fun games. Door Prizes! Tickets are also available at the parish office or by calling Isabelle at 519-746-7202.

February 16th Parish Family Day

Come celebrate Family Day weekend with your parish family on Sunday, February 16th from 12 pm to 2:30 pm. Lunch, games and activities for all. Please see the insert in the bulletin for details.

The Ones

If you are an adult who normally eats alone, come join other parishioners on the **first Friday** of each month at the Waterloo Knights of Columbus for Fish and Chips. For more information or to reserve your place, please contact Eleanor Horrigan at 519-885-3674 or horriganeleanor@gmail.com

OPENING THE HOLY DOOR: SPRING BOOK CLUB

The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis invites you to join us for a four-week virtual book club, exploring the new book by Joan Watson, "***Opening the Holy Door.***" Tuesdays from 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. **March 18-April 8, 2025.** Together we will reflect on the beautiful images of mercy and hope found on the Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, open to pilgrims and visitors throughout the Jubilee Year. Join us for this time of prayer and conversation, drawing into deeper fellowship during this Jubilee of Hope. Register at: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/>

THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

– **SAVE THE DATE!** Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2025? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Crosby and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 1, 2025 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is found under Upcoming Events on the home page at hamiltondiocese.com.



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