



# 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](mailto: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](http://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 1.1-4; 4.14-21)

Jesus assures His listeners that the prophecy of Isaiah He reads has come true. He is the One who brings “**recovery of sight to the blind, and freedom to the oppressed.**”



If we find ourselves among those who need God's grace, His forgiveness and light, then indeed this Scripture passage is “**fulfilled in our hearing today.**” It is those who need God, His grace and forgiveness, that the Lord gathers to His heart, forgives their sins, and heals their wounds.

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](http://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, January 28, 2025**

- 7:00 pm +** Special Intentions of Tyler O'Donovan
    - Candy Smith
  - + Special Intentions of Emma Weber**
    - Gabriele Klymenko
  - + Souls in Purgatory – Dominic Posella**
- 7:30pm-8:30pm** Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction

**Wednesday, January 29, 2025**

- 12:15 pm +** Anne Slipec – Pauline Holmes, Mary Young & Dawanna Roy
- + John Helm & Glen Walker**
  - Jesna Thomas
- + Bradley & Stewart Hartman – The Family**

**Thursday, January 30, 2025**

- 12:15 pm +** Special Intentions of Jennifer Are
  - Jennifer Reddock
- + Laura Ferro – Paul & Marie Lehman**

**Friday, January 31, 2025**

- 8:00 am +** Deceased Priests & Religious of the Diocese of Hamilton – Steve
  - + Sandra Keffer – Peter & Shari Guinta**
- 8:30am - 9am** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

**Saturday, February 1, 2025**

- 5:00 pm +** Joseph Hussey – Evelyn Hussey
- + Hilda Chrysler – The Family**
- + Fran Starr – Ken & Lynn West & 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](http://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 2<sup>nd</sup>

Next weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. This feast is also called **Candlemas** for the custom of blessing and using lighted candles. February 2<sup>nd</sup> is also the **World Day for Consecrated Life**. It is a special day to pray for the religious women and men and all God's people who "follow Christ by means of the practice of the evangelical counsels." Please bring candles from home that you wish to have blessed. **Candles for the Presentation of the Lord will be also available for purchase in the narthex.**



## Feast of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr, and the Blessing of Throats

St. Blaise is best known for the tradition of blessing throats linked to him. ... Blaise has long been associated with cures for afflictions of the throat, and the blessing of throats may take place on his feast day (February 3) or any time during the year (*see, Exert from Living with Christ*). **Next weekend at the end of all Masses we will have the Blessing of Throats.**

## St. Michael's Africa Project

**Harambee Pub Night – Thursday February 6<sup>th</sup>** Tickets (\$20) are on sale this weekend and next for Harambee Pub Night – Thursday February 6<sup>th</sup> 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 till 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. This is a fundraiser for the construction of the Blessed Theresa Gerhardinger Educational Centre in Nyalieng'a Kenya. Donations of door prizes (gift cards from restaurants or retail establishments) for this event would be greatly appreciated.



## Save the Date – February 16<sup>th</sup> Parish Family Day

Come celebrate Family Day weekend with your parish family on Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup> from 12 pm to 2:30 pm. Lunch, games and activities for all. Details coming soon.

## 2024 Income Tax Receipts

2024 income tax receipts are available for pick up at Coffee Sunday this weekend and at the parish office during the week. Those not picked up by January 31<sup>st</sup> will be mailed out on February 3<sup>rd</sup>. Just a reminder if you made donations for One Heart, One Soul, you will receive a separate tax receipt for those donations from the Diocese of Hamilton.



DIocese of Hamilton

## JUBILEE 2025 – PILGRIMS OF HOPE



The scene features a path journeying through rolling hills and farmers' fields, water, mountains, bright sun and sunrise, and birds....

As a whole, the image reflects pilgrimage. The Papal Bull, *Spes Non Confundit* also refers to themes such as:

- contemplating the beauty of creation,
- sharing the goods of the earth,
- cycles of growth,
- and new life.

The vibrant colours and the radiant sun are meant to evoke feelings of hope and joy. They symbolize the hope of each new day, and our ultimate hope of eternal life with Christ.

**YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT** Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations on Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup>. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night with vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) **on Saturday, February 1st at St. Michael Church** (80 University Avenue West, Waterloo, ON). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/> For more information, please contact: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)



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