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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 programing 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 12: 38-44)



The widow's offering was smallest of all, but in the eyes of Jesus it was priceless because she gave "**her whole livelihood**" (NAB). The word "*livelihood*" can be also translated as '*life*' itself. She did not give *something*; she offered her very self out of love for God and others.

The poor widow who offered herself is very close to Christ. He gave us all He had, His very life. Today's Gospel shows that paradoxically it is by losing and giving away that we truly save and keep. C.S. Lewis was right saying, "*Nothing you have not given away will ever really be yours.*"

Fr. Jamroz

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL PARISH

Welcome, we are glad you're here! For details on our parish life, please see our website: <u>www.stmichaelw.ca</u>

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, November 12, 2024

- 7:00 pm + Special Intentions of Nwando Nasa-Okolie -The Family
 - + Theresa Bonnie Gleason Kathy Shaw
 - + Special Intentions of Ross Cruikshank – Dean Cruikshank

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

Wednesday, November 13, 2024

12:15 pm + Paul Sabatini – The Family + Sandor Fulop – Susan Fulop

Thursday, November 14, 2024

12:15 pm + Rudy Ianni – Maria Ianni + Special Intentions of Steve

Friday, November 15, 2024

- 8:00 am + Deceased Priests & Religious of the Archdiocese of Toronto – Steve
 - + Deceased Members of the Robinson, Williams & Cook Families – The Family
- 8:30am 9am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, November 16, 2024

- 5:00 pm + Erwin Ste. Marie Thelma Ignor
 - + Donna Bruder Jerry & Dorothy Hinschberger
 - + Aziz Karim Charro Imad Cherro

Parish Office Hours

The parish office is open Monday to Friday from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm.

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 <u>www.stmichaelw.ca</u> 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



Book of Life During the month of November, our parish "Book of Life" is placed near the altar. You are welcome

to add the names of your loved ones who have died. They will be remembered at our parish Masses during November.



Loving God, have mercy on your people, and open our hearts to peace and love. Reward all who have died for their country, and grant that Canada and all nations may continue to work for peace and justice. Amen.

Remembrance Day, November 11

Let us pause on November 11, in silence, to remember and to pray for those who died for our country and let us pray also for the victims of aggression and inhumanity throughout the world.

Remembrance Day is a day to pray for peace, to consider what we are doing to bring God's peace into the world. Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me bring love. ... Where there is doubt, let me bring faith. Where there is despair, let me bring hope. (St. Francis).



Tuesday Nov. 12th Catholic Women's League Gathering Remembrance & Purgatory Presentation

There will be a gathering of Catholic Women's League (CWL) members in the parish hall **Tuesday November 12th** following the 7pm Mass. The evening will start with a time to remember deceased League members. We will listen to a presentation on purgatory including a craft to help us pray for and remember our departed family members. Bake sale planning will also take place. All ladies in the parish are invited to join us for this meaningful and important gathering.

Ministry of the Word Workshop

Please consider this an invitation to all current Ministers of The Word and those interested in participating in this ministry to attend an information/formation session on Thursday, Nov 14th at 7 pm in the church. This session will be a time to review the routine of the ministry of proclaiming the Word; what and how we do it. ALL Ministers of the Word are strongly encouraged to attend this session.

Sunday Missals

and Children's Sunday Missals are available for the new liturgical year. They are \$5 for the Sunday Missal and \$10 for the Children's Sunday Missal and are at the main doors of the Church. Please have exact change. Missals can also be purchased at the parish office.



CWL Bake Sale Saturday Nov 16th and Sunday Nov 17th *\$\$ Cash Only \$\$*

The Catholic Women's League will hold its annual Bake Sale Fundraiser the weekend of Nov 16th & 17th. Baking will be available for purchase in the parish hall after the 5pm, 9am and 11am Masses. Proceeds will be donated to charities supported by the CWL and our parish. **Donations of baked goods from CWL members and parishioners are appreciated.** Baking can be dropped off in the parish hall: Fri. Nov 15th, 9am – 11:30am, Sat. Nov 16th, 9am – 6pm & Sun. Nov 17th, 8:30am – 11:00am *Thank you in advance for supporting this event. Please note - we can only accept cash.*

St. Michael's Africa Project

Thank you to all of the Harambee Child Sponsorship sponsors who have already renewed their support for another year. If you are undecided about becoming a new sponsor and/or have unanswered questions, please contact Diane <u>atharambeeletters@gmail.com</u>. As in past years, please have all donations submitted before the end of November. Asante.



PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH On November 1st the Church celebrated the feast of All Saints. On that day, we celebrated with all those who have died and are now with God in heaven. ... November is a great month to explore the lives of saints each family members is named after, or saints who your children might be curious about, perhaps names of other relatives. Talk about how saints' lives were not always easy, but they did good and difficult things because they trusted and loved God. Our children grow and learn by the examples of others they see and hear about. Who better to imitate than the saints in heaven! (From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250) Liturgical Publications 3171 LENWORTH DR. #4 MISSISSAUGA, ON L4X 2G6 1-800-268-2637



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