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A Thanksgiving Prayer

Heavenly Creator,

*In this season of gratitude and abundance, we give You
thanks for our many blessings as we pray for all
who struggle with hunger and want.*

Be with them in the dark of night, when all hope seems lost.

Keep their faith strong as they await relief.

*And let Your goodness flow through our
hearts and hands as we reach out to one*

another in the full, true joy of Thanksgiving in Christ.

Amen

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Weekly Gospel Reflection (Mk 10: 17-30)



The young rich man keeps all the commandments but there is still something missing in his life. Looking at him with love, Jesus says, “**You lack one thing; go, sell what you own and give the money to the poor...**” A loving relationship with God means more than keeping rules. The man goes away sad because he is so attached to his wealth.

The man’s ‘riches,’ whatever it was, stood between him and God, that is, between him and a share in a true and meaningful life. What obstacle hinders me from becoming the person I have been called to be?

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 office will be closed on October 14th for Thanksgiving Day. **The parish office will be closed on Thanksgiving Day.**

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 14, 2024 – Thanksgiving Day

9:00 am – Mass of Thanksgiving

Tuesday, October 15, 2024

6:30 pm Rosary led by the CWL

7:00 pm + Special Intentions of James & Theresa

– Theresa Okonji

+ Peter Simac – Madeleine Reiter

+ Theresa Bonnie Gleason – Madeleine Reiter

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

Wednesday, October 16, 2024

12:15 pm + Special Intentions of Susan & Bob Bourque on their 35th Wedding Anniversary – Maria & Stefan Liko

Thursday, October 17, 2024

12:15 pm + Nyjah Brown – Evelyn Hussey

Friday, October 18, 2024

8:00 am + Special Intentions of Alida Hartman

– Derek & Lauren Hartman

+ Sara Barros – Maria Ianni

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

Saturday, October 19, 2024

5:00 pm + Special Intentions of the Temetio & Tonleu Families in Thanksgiving – Jemetio & Tonleu Family

+ Keith Barker, Sr. – The Family

+ Helen Kurtz – Jerry & Dorothy Hinshberger & Family

+ Chiquiquira de Alguindigue – Tiuley Alguindigue

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>

Rosary at 6:30 pm on Tuesdays in October

The CWL will lead the Rosary in the parish on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 pm prior to the 7pm Mass. All are welcome to join together in this wonderful prayer.



THANKSGIVING DAY - MASS 9:00AM

Please join us for Mass on

Monday, October 14th at 9:00 am.

We give thanks for all of God's blessings.

Thanksgiving and Praise

"...it is normal for us to ask something of God ... There is also reason to give thanks, and if we are attentive, we see that we receive so many good things from God ... Therefore, we must not only ask; we must also praise and give thanks: only in this way is our prayer complete" (*Pope Benedict XVI*).

"The letters of St. Paul often begin and end with thanksgiving ... 'Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you ... (Col 4:2).'" "Praise is the form of prayer which ... lauds God for his own sake and gives him glory, quite beyond what he does, but simply because HE IS. ..." (Catechism 2638-39).

Parish Family BBQ - Thank you!

Our first Parish Family BBQ was a great success with close to 500 people in attendance (and no rain!). There was plenty of food, music, dancing, photos, raffle prizes, with every child receiving a prize. It was a great opportunity to meet other families and individuals, strengthening our parish family. Photos will be shared soon on the Parish website.

Many thanks to our sponsors: Elmira Harvey's, Columbus Conference Centre/Knights of Columbus, All My Nails, Thunderstorm Productions and to everyone who donated prizes. Special thanks to our **OUTSTANDING** volunteers for their unwavering dedication that made this event so significant and beautiful.

The CCCB Webinar Series

The webinar series continues in the parish library Thursdays at 1 pm. All are welcome. Oct 17: The Prayer of Jesus/John 17; Oct 24: Lectio Divina/The Storm at Sea.

Act II (Separated & Divorced Support Group)

Our Act II monthly informal support group will continue to meet 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 October 15th in the parish hall. Visit our website (www.stmichaelw.ca/separated-and-divorced), or contact our Parish office 519-884-9311, or email parish@stmichaelw.ca for more information.

Ignatian Prayer

We invite you to experience the gift of Ignatian prayer, in the tradition of the Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius Loyola. Praying with the Gospel events of Jesus' life, death and resurrection, and sharing your prayer in a small faith community can strengthen your own faith and trust in the Trinity. We will meet on **Mondays at 7:00 pm** in the library for seven sessions on the following dates: October 21, 28, November 4, 18, 25, December 2, and 9. For more information, please contact Diane Jones, 519-616-2227, or Lois Zachariah, 519-885-1275.

All Saints Day – Friday, November 1st

Two Masses: 8 am and 7 pm

Our Catholic Faith has always believed that "*it is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for both the living and the dead.*" Our Parish Family will be praying for all deceased Parishioners and names of our Parishioners who have died during this past year will be read and remembered at the **7 pm Mass on November 1st.**



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YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT - SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. Saturday, November 2nd at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph. Contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

FRASSATI LEADERSHIP PROGRAM The Office of Youth Ministry will be holding a Catholic leadership program for young people in grade ten (ages 15-16). ... The goal of this program is that young people will join us for opportunities for formation as Catholic leaders and then go back to their respective communities to turn their learning into practice. Registration for this program closes October 25th and can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/frassati2024>



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