



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 (Mk 10: 46-52)



The blind Bartimaeus whose sight is restored stands for each person who seeks for light and hope. It is noteworthy that he is healed after he “**throws off his cloak**” and comes to Jesus. That gesture is a symbolic image. Throwing away his cloak Bartimaeus literally leaves behind his old life and places his whole trust in Jesus.

The story is an invitation to trust in Christ to the point of throwing away the old ‘cloak,’ whatever it is that separates us from the person we are called to be. Then we too will see new paths of grace in front of us.

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 parish office will be closed on Wednesday morning, October 30. The staff will be at a training session.**

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, October 29, 2024

- 6:30 pm** Rosary led by the CWL
- 7:00 pm +** Vincenza, Yanni, Fedora & Joe Donato
– Maria Ianni
- + Tony Villapiana** – Maria Ianni
- + Brendan Doherty** – Jerry & Dorothy Hirschberger
- 7:30pm-8:30pm** Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction

Wednesday, October 30, 2024

- 12:15 pm +** Stephanie Gallagher – Tony Bogan
- + Nicolina Volpe** – Maria Ianni

Thursday, October 31, 2024

- 12:15 pm +** Special Intentions of Maria in Thanksgiving to St. Anthony – Maria Ianni

Friday, November 1, 2024 – All Saints Day

- 8:00 am +** Special Intentions of Chinasa Okolie – The Family
- + Olga Gamracy** – Gerry & Denise Dolf
- 8:30am - 9am** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- 7:00 pm** – Deceased Members of St. Michael Parish

Saturday, November 2, 2024

- 5:00 pm +** Special Intentions of Chinasa & Rosemary Okolie– The Family
- + Deceased Members of the Tajouzem & Fokou Meguem Families** – The Jemetio & Tonleu Family
- + Leonard Punambolam** – The 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>

Rosary at 6:30 pm on Tuesdays in October

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



**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.**

**All Saints Day and All Souls Day
– what is the difference?**

All Saints Day is a Solemn Holy Day of the Catholic Church celebrated annually on **November 1st**. This day is dedicated to all the Saints, that is, those who have attained heaven both officially canonized and uncanonized. **All Souls Day** is observed on **November 2nd** and is dedicated to those who have died and not yet reached heaven.

**How do I gain an indulgence
for the dead?**

There are certain indulgences that apply only to the dead. For example, from November 1 through November 8 if you visit a grave and pray for the person, you can obtain a plenary indulgence for the deceased individual. And on November 2 you can obtain a plenary indulgence for the souls in Purgatory if you devoutly visit a church and pray an Our Father and the Creed. To gain indulgences, it is necessary that the faithful be in the state of grace. (*Catholic Answers*)



Book of Life During the month of November, our parish “Book of Life” will be placed near the altar. You are welcome to add the names of your loved ones who have died and are now with the Lord. They will be remembered at our parish Masses during November.

Sacramental Registration

Registration is now open on the parish website for First Communion (grade 2) and Confirmation (grade 7). We do not receive a list of children from the school which is

why it is necessary for parents to register their children for sacraments.

**Saint Vincent de Paul –
Christmas Project**

Once again, this year we will be providing Christmas gift cards to approximately 60 households needing our help in Waterloo. To fund this, collection boxes will be at the entrances of the church for all Masses on **November 2nd and 3rd**, and on **November 30th and December 1st**. Thank you for your continued generous support of this project.

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.

Youth Ministry

There will be no Youth Ministry on Thursday, October 31st. Youth Ministry will resume on November 7th.

Waterloo Knights of Columbus

The Waterloo Knights of Columbus invites all Catholic men, 18 and older, to join us! We are a charitable organization that helps in our community in many ways. To find out more or to visit us, call our recruitment manager Al Kehn at 519-778-2083 or email popkehn@gmail.com Is Jesus calling you today?



DIocese of Hamilton

“**BEYOND THE BRICKS**” is the title of the 100th anniversary celebration of St. Mary’s General Hospital in Kitchener. The celebration began October 17th at *Ken Seiling Waterloo Regional Museum* with words of welcome from Mark Fam, President of St. Mary’s. A moving film presented the long history of compassionate care at St. Mary’s ... The museum display can be visited through April 25, 2025. It is a “must see”! For details see <https://smgh100.ca/exhibit/>



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