

St. Mark Catholic Parish

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PASTOR: Fr. Don Sanvido
DEACON: Mr. Basil Markides
SECRETARY: Mrs. Pam Olinski

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday at 5:00 PM
Sunday at 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon., Wed., Thu., Fri. at 7:00 AM
Tuesday at 7:00 PM
Saturday at 9:00 AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 9:30–10:30 AM & 3:45–4:45 PM
or by appointment.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: First Tuesday evening of the month at the 7:00 p.m. Mass.
No prior notice necessary.

ADORATION CHAPEL

Perpetual Adoration: Spots open, see Chapel
Divine Mercy: Fridays 3:00 PM
Our Lady's Rosary: 1st Saturday at 10:00 AM
Benediction: 1st Sunday at 7:00 PM

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS: We invite you to register. Please fill out a form from the church lobby and drop it off at the parish office. Please call if you would like Father to bless your home.

BAPTISM: Infant baptism is celebrated on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 1:30 PM. A Preparation Meeting is held on the Wednesday evening preceding the baptism. Please fill out a form from the church lobby and drop it off at the parish office at least one month in advance. You will then be contacted by a member of the Baptism team.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

October through May at the 11:30 AM Mass.
Two separate drop-in programs for K-1 & Gr. 2-3. No need to register.

HOSPITAL VISITATION: Please advise the office of area hospital admissions to request a pastoral visit or the Sacrament of the Sick.

FIRST FRIDAY VISITS: Father will bring Communion to the sick on the 1st Friday of the month. Please call the office to schedule a visit.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING:

Instructions by appointment. Call 519-742-3979 or nfp@golden.net.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: White Box Collection on the last Sunday of the month. Call 519-571-8485 for information on food distribution.



"... The seed is sprouting and growing ..." (Mark 4:27)

MASS INTENTION REQUEST FORM

To have a Mass celebrated for a living or deceased loved one, please fill out this request form, place it in a plain envelope marked "Mass Intention," and drop it in the Sunday collection, or slip it under the door of the parish office if it is closed. Your intention will be printed in the bulletin and announced at the beginning of Mass.

Mass cards are available at the parish office during office hours, or you can find them already signed in the church lobby and in the adoration chapel.

If you prefer to make arrangements in person, you may do so during office hours, or over the phone. There is no charge for Mass intentions. The Bishop suggests an offering of \$10 per Mass.

I would like to have _____ Mass(es) celebrated for
HOW MANY?

☐ the intentions of (living) **OR** ☐ the repose of the soul of (deceased)

NAME OF LIVING OR DECEASED PERSON(S)

Please choose your preferred way of setting the date for this Mass:

☐ The date of the Mass does not matter.

OR

☐ The exact date does not matter, but I would prefer one of the following:

<input type="checkbox"/> 7:00 AM on a Weekday	<input type="checkbox"/> 5:00 PM on a Saturday
<input type="checkbox"/> 7:00 PM on a Tuesday	<input type="checkbox"/> 9:30 AM on a Sunday
<input type="checkbox"/> 9:00 AM on a Saturday	<input type="checkbox"/> 11:30 AM on a Sunday

OR

☐ I would like the Mass to be on this specific date*: _____

* Please keep in mind that our ability to accommodate a request for a specific date (especially for a weekend) can be difficult without sufficient notice. For this reason, we recommend submitting requests for weekend Masses a few months in advance.

Requested by: _____

Daytime Phone Number: _____

We will attempt to contact you by phone if we are unable to accommodate your request.

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Worship This Week:

April 24 – 30, 2017

Monday

7:00 am + Veronica & Alfred Broderick – Gloria Kubisewsky

Tuesday (FEAST – ST. MARK THE EVANGELIST)

7:00 PM - Int. of Kathy Smith – Catherine Mackid

Wednesday

7:00 am - Int. of St. Mark's Catholic Women's League

Thursday

7:00 am - In Thanksgiving – Sr. Rose Gabriel

Friday

7:00 am + Ginny Jans – Cecilia & Ron Caister

Saturday (MEMORIAL – ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA)

9:00 am - Int. of the Adeyemi Family – Tully family

Third Sunday of Easter (GR. 7 CONFIRMANDI ENROLLMENT)

Acts 2:14, 22b-28; 1 Peter 1:17-21; Luke 24:13-35

Sat. 5:00 PM + Wendel & Katrina Elter / Steve & Mary Hegedus

Sun. 9:30 am + Hien Tran – Tim Tran

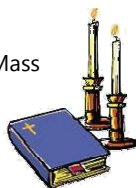
11:30 am - Int. of the Parishioners of St. Mark's

Please Note – MASS INTENTION REQUESTS

We have had an unusually high number of requests for Mass intentions to be celebrated on Saturdays at 5:00 p.m.

Because it will not be possible to fit all requests into the calendar year, some will have to be scheduled for other times (i.e. Sundays or, more likely, weekdays).

We are sorry for any inconvenience.



PARISH OFFICE CLOSED: Tuesday, April 25th

Offertory Collections

April 14-16, 2017

Easter envelopes.....	\$ 3,380.00
Sunday envelopes.....	\$ 2,761.00
Sunday loose	\$ 1,183.85
Sunday pre-authorized debits (MONTHLY AMOUNT x12÷52).....	\$ 1,294.15
TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS	\$ 8,619.10

Mortgage envelopes.....	\$ 70.00
Sunday pre-authorized debits (MONTHLY AMOUNT x12÷52).....	\$ 257.19
TOTAL MORTGAGE OFFERINGS	\$ 327.19

Share Lent	\$ 180.00
Needs of the Church in the Holy Land.....	\$ 1,804.60

Thank you for your generosity!

LITURGICAL ROLES

Apr. 29 & 30	Sat. 5:00PM	Sun. 9:30 AM	Sun. 11:30 AM
Altar Servers:	G. Johnston K. Buchanan	A./J. Rye	N./B./B. Starr
Commentator:	M. Dufresne	J. Flanigan	T. Lee
Lector:	M. Serschen	V. DeVries	C. Mackid
Ushers:	L. Macedo R. Phillips	F./B. Seaward P. Drohan	Can you help?
Gift Bearers:	Buchanan	Cerantola	Chacon
Eucharistic Ministers:	K. Friesen D. Weber C. Dokis	G. MacNeil L. McCullough	T./K. Boettger A. Monte

Meetings & Events This Week

DATE	TIME	ROOM	EVENT
<u>Sun. April 23</u>	12:45 pm	(CH)	Gr. 7 Confirmation Preparation (last session)
<u>Mon. April 24</u>	7:00 pm	(H)	Alcoholics Anonymous
<u>Tue. April 25</u>	6:00 pm	(CH)	Gr. 2 Catechism Class (class 5 of 8)
(OFFICE CLOSED)	7:00 pm	(L)	Separated & Divorced Level 3 (week 5 of 11)
	7:30 pm	(M)	Knights of Columbus meeting
<u>Wed. April 26</u>	7:00 pm	(B)	Women's Prayer Group
	7:15 pm	(CH)	9:30 Choir Practice
<u>Thu. April 27</u>	6:00 pm	(M)	Legion of Mary
	6:00 pm	(L)	S.M.Y.C.A. (St. Mark's Young Catholic Adults)
	7:30 pm	(CH)	5:00 Choir Practice
<u>Fri. April 28</u>	6:00 am	(L)	Men's Group
	7:30 pm	(J)	Legion of Mary Curia Meeting

Meeting Rooms: CH = Church H = Hall B = Basement
M = St. Matthew Room J = St. John Room L = St. Luke Room

Gr. 7 Confirmandi Enrollment Weekend

All students preparing for Confirmation are reminded that **next weekend (April 29/30)** is Enrollment weekend. You may come to whichever Mass you normally attend (Sat. 5pm, Sun. 9:30 or 11:30am) to complete your enrollment process. Fr. Don will give you an outline at your last preparation session today (April 23).

Confirmation Rehearsal: Thursday, May 4th at 6:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Confirmation: Friday, May 5th at 7:00 p.m.



An Opportunity to Sing!

The music ministry of St. Mark's would like to invite all parishioners to an informal vocal workshop on **Saturday, May 6th** from **12 noon to 2 p.m.** in the church. Local voice instructor and performer, Stephanie Kramer, will facilitate the session which will cover basic singing techniques in a fun and relaxed atmosphere. Sign-up sheet available at Mass. For more info please contact Linda Blake at mz.linda.blake@gmail.com or 519-729-4819.



Monthly Children's Mass

Dedicated to the children of our parish! At one Mass each month, children from First Communion age (Gr.2) to Confirmation age (Gr. 7) are given the opportunity to fully participate in the Holy Mass by doing the readings, prayers of the faithful, ushering and bearing gifts to the altar. **If you are interested in participating, please sign up on the blackboard in the narthex, or contact Jessica Heine (519-496-2328) for more details including practice dates.** When you add your name to the sign-up sheet in the narthex, please include your phone number so the leader can contact you.

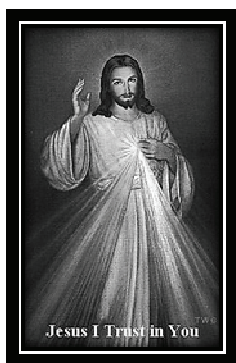


Volunteer(s) needed...

Our **altar servers' vestments** are in need of regular maintenance:

- **Hung in order after each weekend Mass** (i.e. hang them in order according to size so that servers can easily find their size). Currently we need someone to do this after the 9:30am Masses.
- **Mended as needed** (i.e. fixing buttons, hooks, ripped seams, etc.)
- **Laundered twice per year**

If you can help with any of these tasks, please contact Jane Petrovich at 519-886-0725 or email the parish office at stmark@rogers.com.



TODAY IS Divine Mercy Sunday

Sunday, April 23, 2017

3:00 P.M.

- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- Chaplet of the Divine Mercy
- Quiet Prayer
- Benediction

All are most welcome to attend.

If you are unable to join us, you may wish to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet at home, using an ordinary rosary...

1. Begin with: The Sign of the Cross,
1 Our Father, 1 Hail Mary and The
Apostles Creed.

**2. Then on the Our Father Beads
say the following:**

*Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and
Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly
beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in
atonement for our sins and those of the
whole world.*

3. On the 10 Hail Mary Beads say the following: *For the
sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole
world.*

(Repeat step 2 and 3 for all five decades).

4. Conclude with (three times): *Holy God, Holy Mighty One,
Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.*



Dear People of St. Mark's,

By now, many of you know about the annual clergy transfers.

I will be moving to Erin, Ontario. Father Stephen Murrin will be taking my place. I know that you will be as great a support to him as you have been to me.

Father Murrin is from another diocese, working in the diocese of Hamilton. Because he is not yet incardinated into our diocese, he cannot officially be named pastor, although as administrator he will exercise the same authority.

There are many things I would like to say to our good people – I will save the words for later. Please pray for all our priests and especially for our Bishop. He has demonstrated great kindness to me and wills only the well-being of his priests. Still, he cannot please everyone exactly as they wish.

As the Lord “sent” his disciples, so must we priests see our promise of obedience to the Bishop as a personal response to the Lord who “sent out” His workers.

God bless, Fr. Don

P.S. – The transfers take effect at 12 noon on Wed. June 28, 2017.

12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care

The Catholic Women's League of Canada calls all people of faith to join nationwide in 12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care on **Thursday, May 4th** as a profound witness to the sanctity of human life.

All parishioners, family and friends are invited to join St. Mark's C.W.L. in prayer and solidarity from 12 noon to 12 midnight in our chapel.

Please participate in this most urgent cause. A sign-up sheet is available on the C.W.L. table. For more information, please contact Anna Joseph at 519-577-8519. Those unable to attend are encouraged to join in prayerful support. As Pope Francis reminds us, “Let us not underestimate the power of so many voices united in prayer.”



Electronic Waste Drop-Off Day ... Mark your calendar!!

Knights of Columbus Kitchener and St. Mark's Councils are offering an Electronic Waste Drop-off Day on **Saturday, May 6th** from **9:00 am to 2:00 pm**. Items can be dropped off at **St. Mark's Church parking lot** ... We will accept any electronic items including computers, phones, T.V.'s, printers, monitors, stereos, etc.

ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION SAVES LIVES

Christine Jowett, Registered Nurse and Author will share with us her incredible journey through being an organ recipient and receiving the gift of life. Come learn about her personal journey and how *Trillium Gift of Life* works to provide help to those in need of organ donation and how they help the families of those who give life. **Monday, April 24th** at 1:00pm OR 7:00pm, **St. Francis of Assisi Parish Hall, Kitchener**. Free admission. Donation to Trillium Gift of Life would be greatly appreciated. For more info please contact St. Francis Health and Wellness Committee at assisiwalk@gmail.com.

GARAGE SALE – St. Teresa of Avila Church Hall, Elmira on **Friday, April 28th** (2:30 - 8 pm) and **Saturday, April 29th** (8 - 11 am). For more info please call Carol Kieswetter at 519-669-5392. Hosted by St. Teresa C.W.L.

38TH ANNUAL K-W WALK FOR LIFE – **Saturday, May 6th** beginning at Historic **St. Paul's Church** at 10:30am. Registration at 10:00am. Please call K-W Right to Life Office for pledge sheets or go to their website to print them (519.746.5433 or www.kwrtl.ca). Good food and prizes. Walk 3km and help support our educational programs or call the office to pledge.

OTTAWA MARCH FOR LIFE – **Thursday, May 11th**. Bus leaves **Fairview Park Mall** at 5:30am (Walmart parking lot). Park at the far end of the parking lot up against Fairway Road (near Hwy 8). Call the office to book your seat (\$20) 519-746-5433 or email kwrtl@golden.net.

Men interested in learning about the **PERMANENT DIACONATE Formation program** in the Diocese of Hamilton are invited to attend the information session on **Sunday, May 7th** at **St. Michael Church in Waterloo** after 11:00 a.m. Mass. To register or for more information, please contact Deacon Peter Gittens at diaconateformation@hamiltondiocese.com or 905-528-7988, ext. 2258.

3rd ANNUAL RECYCLING EVENT - ST. MARK SCHOOL - MAY 8-13

Monday, May 8th to Saturday, May 13th St. Mark Catholic School will be working with our community partners to *Reuse and Recycle* old electronics and clothing: **Monday to Friday 3:30 - 4:30pm, and Saturday 9am - 12Noon** the bin will be open for your donations. Old shoes and clothing should be in plastic bags and we encourage you to remove all personal data from electronics. In the past 2 years St. Mark C.E.S. staff and students have collected over 7 tons of clothing and electronics for recycling. **St. Mark C.E.S. is at 240 Autumn Hill Dr. Kitchener.** We look forward to donations from the Waterloo Region community.

-- Thank you from the staff and students of St. Mark School

MOTHERS' DAY BREAKFAST hosted by St. Clement's Church on **Sunday, May 14th** from 8 a.m. to 12 Noon at **St. Clements Community Centre**, 1 Green Street, St. Clements. Tickets are \$12 for adults; \$8 for children 12 & under; and Free for children 2 and under. For tickets contact Stacey Maher at 519-699-4774 or staceymaher@gmail.com or jrothfischer@outlook.com. Bring your appetite!

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