

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 and 3:45 - 4:45 PM
or at other times by appointment.

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. Please fill out a form from the church lobby and drop it off at the parish office. Parents and godparents are requested to come to the 11:30 AM Mass on the 1st Sunday of the month and stay for a brief preparation meeting.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD
October through May at the 11:30 AM Mass.
Three separate drop-in programs for K-1, Gr. 2-3, and Gr. 4-5. 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 arrange to have a Mass celebrated for the intentions of a living person, or for the repose of the soul of a departed loved one, please fill out this request form, place it in a **separate** envelope and drop it in the Sunday collection, or slip it under the door of the parish office outside of office hours. The 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 recommends an offering of \$10.

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:

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| <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 your request at least 2-3 months in advance.

Requested by: _____

Daytime Phone Number: _____

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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Worship This Week

APRIL 29 – MAY 5, 2013

Monday (memorial – St. Catherine of Siena)

7:00 am + Hien Tran – Tim Tran

Tuesday

7:00 pm + Richard Desautel – John & Linda Deneau

Wednesday

7:00 am + John Bauer – Marianne Dodsworth

Thursday (memorial – St. Athanasius)

7:00 am + Hung Van Nguyen – Phuong Nguyen

Friday (feast – St. Philip and St. James, Apostles)

7:00 am - Int. of Anna Merkley – Greg Merkley

Saturday

9:00 am + Barbara DuQuesnay – A. & R. Russell & family

Sixth Sunday of Easter (CONFIRMATION ENROLMENT MASSES)

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23; John 14:23-29

Sat. 5:00 pm + Irene Durrer – Ruthann & Rob Jewer & family

Sun. 9:30 am + Colleen Nagle – John & Colleen O'Connor

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



25th Anniversary News...

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday, June 2: Corpus Christi Prayer Walk

Sunday, August 25: Parish Picnic

Sunday, Dec. 1: 25th Ann. Mass & Reception

Many other activities involving schools, senior care facilities, families and the community will be coming up! As the date of each event approaches, more details will be given in the bulletin. We will also be renting a mobile sign for each announcement in order to give more of public profile to our anniversary.

Last August, Father Don invited anyone interested to be participants in St. Mark's 25th Anniversary Committee. If you would still like to participate on the committee or one of the sub-committees please contact Pam at the parish office. Thank you!



What Is The Meaning and Purpose of My Life? How Do I Find Happiness and Fulfillment?

If you're wondering if there's more to life than just "getting by" and are ready to focus on what really matters, then discover the extraordinary Catholic teaching known as the Theology of the Body. It will give you a revolutionary and fulfilling vision for life, as it offers a new way to authentically see yourself, your faith, your relationships, and your world.

Given to us by Pope John Paul II, the Theology of the Body is renewing marriages, awakening vocations, healing deep personal wounds, and setting people free to live the life of greatness to which we are all called.

In *An Introduction to the Theology of the Body: Discovering the Master Plan For Your Life*, an adult faith formation program, renowned author and theologian Christopher West unfolds God's extraordinary plan for all of humanity. If you desire to live out the fullest meaning and purpose of your life, then join us for this amazing discovery!

This retreat will be held on **Friday, May 3rd from 6:00 to 9:15pm, and Saturday, May 4th from 9:00 am to 3:15 pm.** The cost is \$10. **Bring your own lunch**, snacks and drinks will be provided during the retreat. An optional workbook is also available for \$15. For more information and to register, see the sign-up sheet in the narthex or contact Marg Bryson at 519-576-2904 or Lisa McCullough at 519-741-8386, or email nfp@golden.net.

Mother's Appreciation Brunch

St. Mark's C.W.L. will be hosting the 2nd annual "Mothers Appreciation Brunch." Please mark your calendars for **Sunday, May 26th** after the 11:30 a.m. Mass. There will be a 'Crowning of Mary' before brunch begins. Tickets are \$7 per person and girls 3 and under are free. Tickets will be available for purchase after all masses the weekends of May 4th, 11th and 18th only. This is open to all Mothers and we encourage you to share this special event with your Daughters, Mothers, Grandmothers, Aunts, Sisters and Sister in laws. New Members are always welcome.



Office Hours This Week

April 29 – May 3, 2013

Tues., Wed., Friday 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon

Pope's Pastoral Works Collection: Next weekend, May 4/5

This collection is taken up in the Easter Season and has a two-fold purpose: to support the Pope's Pastoral Services as Head of the Church, and to contribute to his works of charity.

St. Mark's Spirit Crew

Our Parish's Ministry for Youth ~ Grade 6 and Up

■ NEXT FAITH SHARING:

Friday, May 3rd from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the church.

Please come and join us for an evening of faith and fellowship. Remember your bible, a journal and a free will offering for the snack that will be provided. Please do let us know if you will be attending! Email Kate or Tom at the.boettgers@sympatico.ca.

The Diocese of Hamilton rejoices that **Rev. Mr. Allan Varlaki** will be ordained to Ministerial Priesthood at Christ the King Cathedral on May 4th at 11am by Bishop Douglas Crosby. **Please pray for our new priest, for men who are studying for the priesthood in our diocese, and for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life in our diocese.**

- Rev. W. Kuzma, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton

TODAY'S GOSPEL MESSAGE: *"Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."* [JOHN 13:34-35]

St. Mark's Parish congratulates all of the boys and girls who made their **First Holy Communion** on April 21st and April 28th...



Sacred Heart of Jesus, ever present in our lives, grant your loving grace to our first holy communicants.



Help still their hearts with mindful prayer and worship whenever they receive the Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

May the Holy Spirit shine a guiding light throughout the course of their lives, always leading these blessed children one step closer to the Kingdom of Heaven. Amen.

C.W.L. Corner ...

The Catholic Women's League of Canada is a national organization rooted in gospel values calling its members to holiness through service to the people of God.



HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW THE C.W.L.?

This Week's Question: Which national fund was established by the C.W.L. in 1993? **Last Week's Answer:** Doreen Lecky of Pickardville, Alberta designed the C.W.L. flag.



HopeSpring Cancer Support Centre Presentation

St. Mark's C.W.L. invites all parishioners to join us this **Tuesday, April 30th at 7:30 p.m. in the parish hall** (following the 7pm Mass) for a presentation by HopeSpring Cancer Support Centre. HopeSpring is a place where people fighting cancer, along with their family and close friends, can receive information and support. Refreshments will be provided, and a free-will offering will be collected for HopeSpring. We hope to see you there.

Charities Raffle

The Knights of Columbus Charities Raffle is in full swing! Prizes include **13 cash prizes** and **8 brand new vehicles!** Proceeds support the fight against Arthritis. Help the Knights make a difference in the community by purchasing a raffle ticket today. Please see a member of the Knights of Columbus in the narthex after Mass.



Attention ALL Grade 7 and 8 CONFIRMATION STUDENTS: (catholic and public schools)

Don't forget to come to Mass **next weekend** to participate in your **Enrollment Ceremony**. Please come to whichever Mass suits your schedule:

- Saturday, May 4th @ 5:00 p.m.
- Sunday, May 5th @ 9:30 a.m.
- Sunday, May 5th @ 11:30 a.m.

Father Don will be calling you up as a group during Mass to recite your words of enrollment.

Some Other Confirmation Reminders...

For **ST. MARK'S** Grade 7's and 8's:

- Rehearsal: **Wed. May 1st** at 7:00 p.m. at the church
- Gr. 7 Retreat: **Friday, May 3rd** from 9am-3pm at the church
- Confirmation: **Thursday, May 9th** at 7:00 p.m. at the church

For **ST. DOMINIC'S** Grade 7's and 8's:

- Rehearsal: **Thursday, May 9th** from 1-3 p.m. at the church
- Confirmation: **Saturday, May 11th** at 10:30 a.m. (Gr. 7's) and 1:30 p.m. (Gr. 8's)

For **ALL OTHER** Grade 7's and 8's:

- Confirmation: **Saturday, May 11th** at 10:30 a.m. OR 1:30 p.m.

If your child is planning on being Confirmed here in May, but you have NOT submitted a Confirmation Registration Form to the church, PLEASE call Pam at parish office (519-571-9200) as soon as possible. Thank you.

K-W & Area Right to Life Association 34th Annual Walk for Life

Saturday, May 4th ... Registration begins at 10:00 a.m. at St. Michael's Church, 240 Hemlock St. at University Ave., Waterloo. Walk begins at 10:30 a.m. (approx. 5 km) and is followed by pizza and dessert. Every \$50 pledge receives a chance for a \$150 gift certificate from McPhail's. Call the office for additional sponsor sheets or go to kwrtl.ca and print it from our Spring issue of News and Views. Prizes, draws, free balloons, good food. Meet old and new friends. Call 519-746-5433 or jane@kwrtl.ca.



K-W Right to Life Bus Trip to Ottawa

The 2013 **March for Life** will be in **Ottawa on Thursday, May 9, 2013**. The KW Right to Life chartered bus leaves at 5:30 a.m. from behind Burger King at Fairway Road and Wilson Avenue and returns by 11:00 p.m. Bus seats are \$60. Book your seat now by calling 519-746-5433 or email jane@kwrtl.ca.

Jumping Into Retirement!

Information Meeting presented by Bill Vollmer, Senior Financial Advisor, ARCA Financial Group. Sponsored by St. Francis C.W.L. **Wednesday, May 8th** with Mass at 7:00 p.m.; Speaker 7:45 p.m. St. Francis of Assisi Parish, 49 Blueridge Avenue, Kitchener. Topics: Investing for Retirement? Downsizing? Rental? Condo? Budgeting? Lifestyle Change? Bring questions. All are welcome.

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