

# 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:** 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday at 10:00 AM  
**Benediction:** 1<sup>st</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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:

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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 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.*

# EASTER SUNDAY

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## Worship This Week: April 6 – 12, 2015

### Easter Monday

\* NO MASS

### Tuesday

7:00 pm + Ruth Hayek – Ylanda

### Wednesday

7:00 am + Angelina Caporicci – Dan Wycoco

### Thursday

7:00 am - Int. of Drew Depratto – Jeanne Robinson

### Friday

7:00 am - Int. of the Gonsalves Family – Jeanne Robinson

### Saturday

9:00 am - Int. of Mary Greaney – Mark & Eleanor Lawlor

### Second Sunday of Easter / Divine Mercy Sunday

Acts 4:32-35; 1 John 5:1-6; John 20:19-31

**Sat. 5:00 pm** + Wilfrid & Phyllis Tully – Tully Family

**Sun. 9:30 am** - Int. of the Parishioners of St. Mark's

**11:30 am** + Jim Spicer – Joe, Marg and Family



### Offertory Collections

Mar. 28/29, 2015

Envelope Users.....	\$ 3,673.75
Loose monies.....	\$ 734.71
<b>TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS</b> .....	<b>\$ 4,408.46</b>
Mortgage Fund .....	\$ 1,942.10
Share Lent .....	\$ 275.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## **SPIRIT CREW** St. Mark's Ministry for Youth (Grade 6 and Up)

### ■ **YOUTH ALPHA FILM SERIES: (Grades 6 to 12 welcome)**

**Every other Friday from 7-9 p.m.**

Includes video, small group discussion. Snack provided.

**April 10 ... How Can I Resist Evil?**

**April 24 ... Does God Heal Today?**

**May 8 ... What About The Church and Telling Others?**

**May 22 ... Celebration Dinner**

For more information please contact Andrea Laughlin at [andreaappelman@hotmail.com](mailto:andreaappelman@hotmail.com) or 519-577-8553.

Visit [WWW.ALPHACANADA.ORG](http://WWW.ALPHACANADA.ORG).

### Gr. 7 Confirmation Preparation Sessions

For all Grade 7 students and parents, Sundays from 12:45 – 1:30 p.m. Currently on break for Easter. **Please come for our final class on Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>** for the topic: *The Sacrament of God's Mercy*.

### LITURGICAL ROLES

April 11 & 12	Sat. 5:00PM	Sun. 9:30 AM	Sun. 11:30 AM
Altar Servers:	C./B./T. Morgan	R./K. Ertel O. Dixon	J./A. Arruda A. Paz
Commentator:	C. Baumtrog	T. Angel	O. Sirju
Lector:	K. Smith	J. Flanigan	I. Kangaloo
Ushers:		G./T. MacNeil	C. Dignam F. Sawaya
Gift Bearers:	Buchanan	Rye	Devine
Eucharistic Ministers:	C. Dokis F./Y. Tully P. Appelman R. Landgraff	B. Seaward A. Simoes B. Starr M. Walser	A. Monte B./C. Voisin E. Weiss

### 33 Days to Morning Glory

You are invited to take part in this 7-week program here at St. Mark's Parish beginning **Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>** at 7:30 p.m. in the Church basement. The last week of the program concludes with a Mass and a May Crowning of Our Lady followed by the Consecration. The cost is \$3.50 per book. **Please see the posters in the church for full details.** To register, please email Kathy Smith at [kathysmith219@gmail.com](mailto:kathysmith219@gmail.com) or Denise Case at [sdcase@rogers.com](mailto:sdcase@rogers.com).

### Who is the Man of the Shroud?

**NOW AVAILABLE: 8" X 10" photo reproduction of the face of "The Man of the Shroud" corpus,** currently on exhibit at the *Pontifical Institute Notre Dame of Jerusalem Centre* in Jerusalem, Israel. Copies (suitable for framing) have been made for those who may want one, and are available after weekend Masses. **No charge, but a donation to our Mortgage Fund would be appreciated.** Each photo includes a short, written history. For more information please contact Laurie Brookes at 519-576-1488 or Edwina Weiss at 519-954-5669.



### Annual Mass with New Catholics

**Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. Mass, Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton**

The bishop invites those who are baptized or received into the full communion of the Catholic Church to a celebration of the Eucharist – all are invited to participate in this special liturgy as a sign of welcome to the newest members of Christ's Body.



**CCFC Coin Cans ...** If you have taken a *Canadian Food for Children* coin can, please be sure to **return it to the church by next Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>** so it can be collected and forwarded to the organization. Thank you for your generous support.

### Youth Choir seeking more members!

Would you like to meet some new friends? Then come on out **Monday evenings from 6-7pm** for practice in the church and join our Youth Choir! The choir sings at Mass twice a month and we would love for YOU to join us. If you would like more information, please contact **Sara** at [sarasawaya@hotmail.com](mailto:sarasawaya@hotmail.com).



"I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live." (JOHN 11:25)

**May all those who have been buried from our parish since last Easter find eternal peace:**

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|----------------------|--------------------|
| † George Winklemaier | † Michael Riddell  |
| † David Walser       | † Marie Czulinski  |
| † Karmen Paquette    | † Deborah Karai    |
| † Anastasia MacLean  | † Louise Illerbrun |
| † Anna Spitzl        | † Lawrence Hartman |
| † Ian Prong          |                    |

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

**Happy Easter to my brothers and sisters in the Risen Lord!**

The cross is the way, the resurrection of Christ is the victory. As Jesus' fidelity to His Father in heaven through His saving cross was rewarded by a resurrection, so will our fidelity to God's will be rewarded by a like resurrection.

The resurrection of the body is not to be understood in a figurative or metaphorical way. It is real, it is factual, it is concrete. On the last day, when the trumpet sounds, all the dead shall be raised and go before the judgement seat of God. The righteous shall share in the resurrection to glory – the unrepentant to the resurrection of the damned. Need we really know the latter part of the adage? Absolutely, yes. Why so? Because God respects our freedom. It is part of His love. The freedom we have and remember as Canadians every Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> is not an heirloom, but a sacred trust that must continually be understood, treasured and worked at. Freedom came at a price, and is never to be taken for granted. In an even more profound way, the freedom won by the death of the God-Man is a divine gift that is to be accepted in faith and translated into goodness and holiness. The good news is that we have been saved through the blood of the Lamb and we, through baptism and divine grace, become recipients of God's redeeming work. Our sacred duty, knowing the whole truth and nothing but the truth, includes helping others to Christ, and continually proclaiming Him before all. Cardinal Collins recently said in a homily, that the Good News of the Gospel is both victory in Christ and the responsibility to proclaim with clarity and charity the whole truth. It is our obligation in love.

During the Easter season which lasts until Pentecost Sunday, we will hear readings at Mass about Christian hope. Come to Mass as often as you can during this season to receive the body of the Risen Lord. His grace will keep us close to him. Pray for loved ones and others who may have drifted from God. Divine Mercy Sunday is next weekend. The chaplet will be prayed at 3:00 pm. It is a beautiful opportunity to do a resurrection thing – pray for the souls of others.

Finally, I wish to thank all who worked so hard to prepare for Easter so that we may be lifted up – our choirs, servers, readers, Eucharistic ministers and all who minister to their brothers and sisters in faith.

One more 'finally' ... Congratulations to Tanya Martin and Brittany Baker who were received into the fullness of the faith at the Easter Vigil. You are now as Catholic as the Holy Father himself. Be assured that you, too, will have to share in the cross of Jesus by dying to sin every day. In doing so, you will live a life more glorious and more fulfilling than you could have imagined.

May we all one day share in the mighty company of Holy Mary, Mother of the Church, St. Joseph, St. Mark and all the saints who help us from their place in heaven.

Happy Easter!

*Father Don*

**C.W.L. CORNER ...**



• **SUN. MAY 3<sup>rd</sup> – Mothers' Appreciation Brunch:**

Keep the date and bring your appetites! The C.W.L. in combination with the Knight of Columbus will be hosting our annual Mother's Brunch following the 11:30 Mass. Menu will include scrambled eggs, sausages, muffins, hash brown, fruit, juice, coffee/tea. **Tickets on sale at all Masses from April 11–26.**

**Advanced sales only – price to be announced.** Crowning of Mary will take place before the meal. Volunteers are needed to assist with clean up. Please sign-up at the C.W.L. table in the narthex.

• **Walking Club:** Ladies interested in forming a walking club (when weather is nicer) please contact Cathy at [cathy.gelsinger@yahoo.ca](mailto:cathy.gelsinger@yahoo.ca). One evening during the week, to be determined.

**NEW HEALTH CURRICULUM** – Do you have questions concerning the new directives from the ministry of education for family life programs in our Catholic schools? Join us at **St. Francis of Assisi Parish**, Kitchener, on **Wed. April 8<sup>th</sup>** when Dee Sproule, a Chaplain with the Waterloo Catholic District School Board, will speak to us on the present program and how the new program will be implemented in our Catholic Schools. Everyone welcome! **Prayer Service 7pm, speaker at 7:30pm.** Sponsored by St. Francis CWL. For more info contact Barbara 519-744-8955 or [bdiemert@rogers.com](mailto:bdiemert@rogers.com).



**BISHOP'S MESSAGE FOR EASTER 2015**

Dear friends in Christ:

At the beginning of our 40 day Lenten journey, we were marked with ashes in the Sign of the Cross – a stark reminder that we are going to die, all of us, sooner or later. Now, at the Easter celebrations, those ashes are washed away when we are “soaked” with the same Easter water with which The Elect are baptized! Death no longer has a claim on us. We know that God has the last word – and God's word for us is the same as His word for Jesus, who was crucified, died and laid in the tomb. **LIVE!** And so we do; **WE LIVE – IN HIM!**

**WE LIVE! WE LIVE IN HIM!** And that is what we celebrate this Easter and every Easter! It is why we “pull out all the stops” – the Easter fire, the huge Easter candle (Christ our light!), the many Scripture readings that point us to LIFE, the Easter water (Baptism – new life), the incense, the bells, the flowers – all of our senses are inundated because this message is so very important! **BECAUSE HE LIVES – WE LIVE! WE LIVE FULLY NOW**, and we enjoy the blessed promise that **WE WILL LIVE ETERNALLY WITH HIM THEN!** This is the hope that keeps us focused every day.

So, how do we choose to live? Like Him, we choose to live *for others*; that is the ideal toward which we strive each day, every day, one day at a time! It is what our Lenten discipline has helped us practice. It is expressed in the many small sacrifices we accepted, culminating, perhaps, in our Share Lent offering which supports the unknown poor in faraway places, waiting, longing for, our solidarity and support!

Together now, united in Him, we set out on 50 days of joyous Easter celebration – celebrating LIFE and self-giving LOVE. During these days, our FAITH in Jesus Christ can deepen, our HOPE in the fullness of life with Him can become ever more convinced, and our LOVE for one another, especially those in particular need, can increase!

**HAPPY EASTER!**  
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