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St. Mark Catholic Parish

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LORD'S DAY MASSES

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

WEEKDAY MASSES

No Monday Mass Tuesday - Saturday 7:00 AM Friday 6:00 PM

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Fridays 6:45 - 8:30 PM Saturdays 7:45 - 9:30 AM

CHAPEL

Divine Mercy: Fridays 3:00 PM

Our Lady's Rosary: 1st Saturday at 10:00 AM Perpetual Adoration: Spots open, see Chapel

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.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS: We would like to invite you to register. Registration forms can be found in the Narthex (lobby). Please call the parish office if you would like Father to bless your home.

BAPTISM: Infant baptism is celebrated on certain Sundays at 1:30 PM. Baptism forms are available in the Narthex (lobby).

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

EMERGENCY PAGER: In the event of a medical emergency, if you would like a priest to visit, call Father on the parish emergency pager at 519-585-4291.

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 narthex (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 \$10.00.

I would like to have HOW MANY? Mass(es) celebrated for
☐ 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: ☐ 7:00 AM on a Weekday ☐ 7:00 AM on a Saturday ☐ 9:30 AM on a Sunday ☐ 6:00 PM on a Friday ☐ 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) is directly related to the number of requests we receive, and how far in advance we receive them. 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.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Worship This Week...

Tuesday, August 28

7:00 AM Mass + Rudy Bertsch

Wednesday, August 29

7:00 AM Mass + Robert McDonnell

Thursday, August 30

7:00 AM Mass - Int. of Jacek Ohl

Friday, August 31

7:00 AM Mass + Bradley Garrett 6:00 PM Mass + Terrance Pepper

Saturday, September 1

7:00 AM Mass + Evelyn Higgins 5:00 PM Mass - Int. of Patricia Olinski

Sunday, September 2

9:30 AM Mass - Int. of the Parishioners of St. Mark's 11:30 AM Mass + Hung Van Nguyen

Readings For Next Weekend...



22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

 1st Reading:
 Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

 2nd Reading:
 James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27

 Gospel:
 Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Office Hours This Week...

TUESDAY, August 28	9:00 AM - 12 NOON
WEDNESDAY, August 29	9:00 AM - 12 NOON
THURSDAY, August 30	9:00 AM - 12 NOON





K of C Planning Meeting

The Knights of Columbus will meet this **Tuesday, August 28th at 7:00 p.m.** to plan the Installation of Officers, and Pot Luck Supper to be held Sept. 22nd.



Today is White Box Sunday

St. Mark's St. Vincent de Paul Society has placed its white box in the narthex this weekend (July 28-29) to accept your generous donations.

RE: Modesty

Sometimes when you attempt to make a point you leave out important parts of the equation.

I received a couple of letters (I am sure from ladies) on the whole modesty thing that I mentioned in a recent homily. I must admit, they both made some very good points. Men have a responsibility to control themselves — custody of the heart, eyes, etc. As well, men also have a responsibility to be modest and appropriate in both language and dress. Thank you, ladies, for reminding me of these points. However, next time please indicate who you are, so that I may address you personally.

- Fr. Don

For Adults (16+) Interested in Conversion

One of the chief works of the Church is to instruct people in the faith. There are always people being directed by the Holy Spirit to join the Church. If you or someone you know is interested then let us know as soon as possible. Many details must be discussed, of course, and we will do so at the appropriate time. For now, fill out the form below and get it to the office or to me personally. Keep praying for guidance and above all do everything possible to get to Mass every Sunday. May the Lord bring to completion the good work He has begun in you. God Bless. – Fr. Don

Name:	Age:
Phone Number:	
Address:	

P.S. – We need to discuss and complete forms that determine your baptismal status, marriage status, etc. This will be done in the strictest form of confidentiality.

St. Mark's Church - 25 Years as a Parish

It has been brought to my attention that next year St. Mark's will be celebrating 25 years of parish life. This, of course, is cause for a parish celebration and an opportunity to give God thanks together for the many blessings bestowed upon God's faithful in this parish.

So we need to meet with people who are skilled in organizing such special celebrations. I have set a date to meet – **Thursday, Sept. 6**th at **7:00 p.m.** in the St. Luke Room.

It is very helpful to have people who have had experience in big event planning. We'll have an open meeting and let the Holy Spirit take us from there. Bring ideas such as what to do, when, where, how, etc. etc. Thank you! – Fr. Don

How well do you know the C.W.L.?

This Week's Question: How long did it take the first 100 C.W.L. "branches" to be organized?

Last Week's Answer: The first National C.W.L. Convention in 1921 was held in <u>Toronto</u>.





Dear People,

I will need to make some changes in the weekday Mass and confession schedules...

Friday night Mass moving to Tuesday at 7:00 PM;

There are several Friday evenings, beginning in the Fall, when I must be out of town. Friday evenings are also often used as rehearsal nights for couples getting married the next day. Removing the evening Mass will allow me to finish up with any early wedding rehearsals, and then be on my way to my meeting. However I do not wish to leave those who work during the day without an opportunity for evening Mass — hence the offering of Mass on Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday morning Mass time changing to 9:00 AMSince I get back very late from my Friday night meetings, I thought most will not mind Saturday morning Mass at 9:00 a.m.

So our new schedule will look like this:

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

*	Monday	7:00 AM
*	Tuesday	7:00 <u>РМ</u>
	Wednesday	7:00 AM
	Thursday	7:00 AM

★ Friday 7:00 AM (no evening mass)

★ Saturday 9:00 AM

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

Saturday mornings: 9:30 - 10:30 AM (later if needed)

Saturday afternoons: 3:45 - 4:45 PM

I will also be available for confession after the Saturday evening Mass. Plus, you can flag me down wherever you see me, even if it's in the grocery store!

These changes will take effect on Tuesday, Sept. 4th. I hope the new times won't throw anyone off too much. To be sure, a sleep-in on Tuesday mornings and a later start to Saturday mornings will be of great help to a man who stays up very late (not because I'm out partying, that's for sure!), and needs this for sensible reasons. Most assuredly, there will be Friday evening Masses during Lent. Thank you for your understanding.

P.S. ... There may be times I have to cancel morning Mass on Monday, but rarely.

- Fr. Don

Dear Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion,

First of all, thank you for your devotion and service to the Lord and your parish.

I would very much like to meet with all the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion; firstly to review the procedures at Mass; secondly, that I may know how things are done regarding home visits, etc.; and lastly, to review Vatican policy on this ministry.

I see no problems, but it is a good thing to review procedures with the new pastor. Questions and comments are always helpful. The business part of the meeting should not last more than $\frac{1}{2}$ hour. We can conclude with prayer and then go home.

I hope I have chosen a suitable time for most (if not all) – **Wednesday, Sept. 12**th at 7:00 p.m. in the Church.

Thank you and God bless you.

P.S. ... If you cannot make the meeting, you can find out the important information from another Extraordinary Minister.

- Fr. Don

McMaster Catholic Students Association

If you are a student at, or entering, McMaster University in the Fall, then we'd like you to know about the McMaster Catholic Students Association, called MACSA!

MACSA is a great community of Catholic university students on campus, where you can learn more about the Catholic faith, meet some like-minded people, or explore how faith and university life can be reconciled.

Their website is <u>www.macsa.ca</u>, or visit their Facebook page at: McMaster Catholic Students Association.

10th Annual Diocesan Vocations Mass

Sunday, September 23rd at 11:00 a.m. at St. Joseph's Church, Fergus. Please join Bishop Crosby to pray to the Lord of the Harvest for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life, to listen more attentively to the call to holiness and to celebrate the gift of vocations within the life of the church. All are welcome to join in this joyful celebration of faith being hosted by the Catholic Women's League, Knights of Columbus and Serra Clubs of the Diocese. Light refreshments will be available following the celebration of the Eucharist.

Regional Food Bank Volunteer Request

Do you have time during weekdays? Would you like to volunteer with The Food Bank of Waterloo Region? <u>Drivers</u> and <u>Driver Assistants</u> are needed from Sept. – Dec. to help with scheduled food pick-ups. Drivers must have G license, clean driving record and provide a police check. Volunteers also needed in the warehouse for <u>Customer Service</u> (working with our member agencies and accepting donations from public), <u>Food Support</u> (moving food boxes into inventory) and <u>Forklift Operators</u>. These roles do require some heavy lifting. There are more positions in the warehouse as well as opportunities to help raise food and awareness of hunger in our community through special events over the fall and holiday season. For more info. call (519) 743-5576 ext 226, or email <u>roset@thefoodbank.ca</u> or visit <u>www.thefoodbank.ca</u>.

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