

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.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Worship This Week

February 2 – 8, 2015

Monday (FEAST – PRESENTATION OF THE LORD)
7:00 am + Nelly Andres – *Dan Wycoco*

Tuesday (FEAST – ST. BLAISE)
7:00 pm - Int. of Magda Gergis

Wednesday
7:00 am + Lawrence Hartman – *Maria Robas*

Thursday (MEMORIAL – ST. AGATHA)
7:00 am - Int. of the Gonsalves Family – *Jeanne Robinson*

Friday (MEMORIAL – ST. PAUL MIKI AND COMPANIONS)
7:00 am + Robinson Family – *Jeanne*

Saturday
9:00 am + Gordon Ariss – *D'Arcy & Olga Dufresne*

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Job 7:1-4, 6-7; 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23; Mark 1:29-39
Sat. 5:00 pm + Jack Soares – *Maria*
Sun. 9:30 am + Arcangelo Robles – *Detzler Family*
11:30 am - Int. of the Parishioners of St. Mark's

Offertory Collections	Jan. 24/25, 2015
Envelope Users.....	\$ 3,992.00
Loose monies.....	\$ 472.55
TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS	\$ 4,464.55
Mortgage Fund	\$ 290.00
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.
- **February 6th** ... *Why Did Jesus Die?*
 - **February 20th** ... *How Can I Have Faith?*
 - **March 6th** ... *Why and How Do I Pray?*

Sign-up at the Spirit Crew bulletin board in the narthex. For more information visit www.alphacanada.org or contact Andrea Laughlin at andreaappelman@hotmail.com or 519-577-8553.

Attention YOUTH of St. Mark's Parish! 
Do you like to SING?

Would you like to meet some new friends? Then come on out **every Monday evening 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. Please contact Sara at sarasaway@hotmail.com if you would like more information.

LITURGICAL ROLES			
Feb. 7 & 8	Sat. 5:00 PM	Sun. 9:30 AM	Sun. 11:30 AM
Altar Servers:	K. Buchanan G. Johnston	D. Bristol E. Chang R. Vezensyi	A./R. Maenpaa M. McCullough P. Mortens
Commentator:	C. Baumtrog	L. Rye	M. Oram
Lector:	L. Masbad	G. Rye	I. Kangaloo
Ushers:	L. Macedo K. Friesen	M. Walser L. Koehler	M. Schimus M. Monte
Gift Bearers:		Germann	Devine
Eucharistic Ministers:	C. Dokis N./K. Higgins G./G. Jans K. Friesen	D. Henri M. Lynch H. Kress L. Riedel S. Sawchuk	K./T. Boettger B. Denomme A. Joseph



CORRECTION! *Please note...* On every ministry schedule an extra weekend was added in error. Each schedule shows the correct weekend of March 28/29, followed by an extra, **incorrect** weekend of March 29/30 – the latter shall be ignored.

Bring your SPUDS to the Church during the month of February and the Knights of Columbus will deliver them to the House of Friendship for their annual Potato Blitz.



Blessing of Throats ... Fr. Don will be blessing throats in honour of the Feast of St. Blaise at the following Masses this week:
- **Tuesday, Feb. 3rd** at the 7:00 p.m. Mass
- **Saturday, Feb. 7th** at the 5:00 p.m. Mass
- **Sunday, Feb. 8th** at the 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Masses



February is Heart Month...

All parishioners are invited to join the C.W.L. this **Tuesday, Feb. 3rd** following the 7:00pm Mass (approx. 7:30) in the parish hall to learn about **female heart disease** with keynote speakers **Susan Dusick** (Certified Fundraising Executive and V.P. of St. Mary's Foundation) and **Maureen Leyser** (RNEC, BScN, MN, Nurse Practitioner – Cardiology). Goodwill donations to the Heart & Stroke Foundation will be accepted at the event. Light refreshments and a warm welcome will be served. To give us an estimate of attendees, **please sign up** at the CWL table in the Narthex.

ANNUAL ST. MARK'S PARISH KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

All-You-Can-Eat Pancake & Sausage Supper

Tuesday, February 17th from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. in the Church Hall. Tickets now on sale after all Masses in the narthex: Adults \$7 • Kids (3-6yrs.) \$2
Youth (7-16yrs.) \$5 • Under 3 yrs. FREE • Family Rate \$25



**How do I cope when I lose status in life?
How do I cope with humiliation?**

Lenten Twilight Retreat
FRIDAY, MARCH 6TH ST. MARK'S CHURCH

Begins with Supper at 5:00 p.m...
Watch next week's bulletin for more details!



We offer our sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of **Viktor Pomper**, wife of Theresa and father of Monika (Robert) and Stephan (Beatrix).
"Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him."

Confirmation Preparation Sessions for Grade 7 students and parents:

SUNDAY AFTERNOONS 12:45 – 1:30 PM (after 11:30 Mass)

All Grade 7 students and their parent(s) are requested to attend in preparation for receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation in May 2015. These 6 short sessions will provide an opportunity to learn more about our faith, so that Confirmation itself will be a truly meaningful celebration of the sacrament.

Remaining dates and topics:

- Feb. 1** - The Meaning of Baptism
- Feb. 15** - The Sacrament of Confirmation
- Mar. 1** - The Mass and the Eucharist
- Mar. 15** - The Call to Holiness (The 10 Commandments)
(3-week break due to Holy Week and Easter)
- Apr. 19** - The Sacrament of God's Mercy

Those with questions may contact Fr. Don or Pam at 519-571-9200.

Questionnaire on Marriage & Family

Pope Francis has called a Synod of Marriage and Family to be held in October of 2015 which is to include Bishops from around the world.

This is your invitation to participate in the gathering of information from the Hamilton Diocese. There are two ways that you may submit your responses:

- 1. Fill in the questionnaire** which can be found on the Hamilton Diocesan website at www.hamiltondiocese.com. The questionnaire seeks information from the faithful on the content of the *Lineamenta*, which is the working document for the upcoming Synod. It can be completed online, or printed and faxed or mailed to the Family Ministry Office. **Deadline for submission is Feb. 27th.**
- 2. Attend one of two focus group gatherings** where the questionnaire will be discussed and responses collected to include in the final report. **Both gatherings will occur from 7:00 - 9:00 pm** and you are asked to RRSP by phone (905-528-7988 ext. 2249) or e-mail (familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com) if you plan to attend. You may join in a focus group at **St. Michael Parish** (240 Hemlock Street, Waterloo) on **Tuesday, Feb. 17th** ... OR ... at the **Chancery Office** (700 King Street West, Hamilton) on **Thursday, Feb. 19th.**

The information being gathered will provide essential input to the Bishops as they prepare for the Synod. Please consider engaging in this process in one or both of the ways provided. For further information contact Teresa Hartnett at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250 or thartnett@hamiltondiocese.com.



DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2015? If so, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, June 7, 2015** at the **Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King** in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more

may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Please refer to the poster on the bulletin in the church lobby for information on how to register for the celebration, or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com.

C.W.L. CORNER ...

• Membership in the Catholic Women's League

Attention ALL ladies of the parish:

For existing members, it is time to pay your C.W.L. 2015 membership fee. For all other ladies, (16 and over) please consider joining our spiritual league! All membership fees received before the end of January will be eligible to win their 2015 CWL membership FREE. For a small annual fee of \$25, join women from across Canada in an organization that can foster and celebrate your Catholic faith. Helping other people in your community allows you to live your Christian values and be a positive role model to your families. A blue envelope is provided in your box of collection envelopes, and can be placed in the collection at any Mass. For additional information please contact the C.W.L. by email at: stmark@cwlgmail.com.

• TUE. FEB. 3 – Guest Speaker for Heart Month

See article on page one of this bulletin.



23rd Annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally

Saturday, March 7th, 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the **Metro Toronto Convention Centre** (255 Front St. W., Toronto). Ralph Martin, Sr. Ann Shields, Peter Herbeck, Guest Speaker: Al Kresta. High Mass (with Sunday readings) celebrated by Cardinal Thomas Collins. Separate Youth Event (13-18 yrs.), music, skits, power-packed talks. Rally Tickets: \$20 adults; \$10 youth.

BUS TRANSPORTATION: reserve your bus seat today – space is limited! Bus Tickets are \$15 per person, and the bus will leave from St. Mark's Church parking lot at 7:00 a.m. Call Anna Joseph to reserve your tickets at 519-577-8519.

PRIEST, PROPHET, KING ... Lenten Reflection Evenings

6 Thursdays beginning February 12th from **7-9 p.m.** at the **Chancery Office**, 700 King St. W., Hamilton. Through this presentation of Priest, Prophet, King, you will better understand Jesus, become more familiar with Scripture, and realize your own priestly, prophetic, and kingly mission. Using biblical insights and engaging stories, we come to see Jesus more clearly through the lens of the Old Testament. The cost for this series is \$25. Contact Monica at the Discipleship & Parish Life Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2238, or check out our website at www.hamiltondiocese.com for more information.

COME AWAY AND PRAY FOR AWHILE:

Praying with the Sisters of St. Joseph

All interested women are invited to join the Sisters of St. Joseph at the **Motherhouse**, 574 Northcliffe Avenue, Hamilton, on **Sat., Feb. 28**, from 9:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. The day will include Mass, a short talk, time for prayer and reflection. Lunch is included. Suggested contribution is \$20. Please call 905-528-0138 for directions or to **register by Feb. 22nd**. Looking forward to seeing you!

CURSILLO 2015 – We all know God, but how many of us truly know God on a personal and intimate level? A 3-day Cursillo weekend, which is a short review of Christianity, is designed to help you on that journey. If you are over 18 years of age, and are open to a closer relationship with our God and Saviour, consider a Cursillo weekend: **Men's Weekend: April 23-26** **Women's Weekend: April 30 - May 3** For more information, see the church bulletin board, speak with a "Cursillista" in your parish, Google cursillohamilton.org, or contact:

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