

# 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:** 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. 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 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](mailto: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 IN ORDINARY TIME

### Worship This Week

FEBRUARY 11 - 17, 2013

**Monday** (memorial – *Our Lady of Lourdes*)  
7:00 AM - Int. of Ron Robinson – *Jeanne*

**Tuesday**  
7:00 PM - Special intention of Y. Ioannidis

#### ASH WEDNESDAY

7:00 AM - Int. of Tammy Billau – *Ylanda*  
7:00 PM + Richard Reitzel – *Julie Burkholder*

**Thursday**  
7:00 AM + Mark Winklemaier – *George & Terry Winklemaier*

**Friday**  
7:00 AM + Souls in Purgatory  
6:00 PM - Special Intention  
6:30 PM - STATIONS OF THE CROSS

**Saturday**  
9:00 AM - Int. of Jeannie O'Shea

#### FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

*Deuteronomy 26:4-10; Romans 10:8-13; Luke 4:1-13*

SAT. 5:00 PM + Colleen Nagle – *Louise & Dave Lane*  
SUN. 9:30 AM + Marinha Coutinho – *Ben & Lynn Coutinho*  
11:30 AM - Int. of the Parishioners of St. Mark's



#### Office Hours This Week

Feb. 11-15, 2013

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

#### Offertory Collection Last Weekend

Feb. 2/3, 2013

Envelope Users.....	\$ 3,907.00
Loose monies.....	\$ 532.52
<b>TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS</b> .....	<b>\$ 4,439.52</b>
Parish Mortgage Fund .....	\$ 1602.31

### St. Mark's Spirit Crew

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

#### ■ NEXT FAITH SHARING

Friday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the church.

Come and learn more about our Faith, while allowing yours to grow, in a fun and safe environment. Bring your bible, a journal and your enthusiasm! A free will offering for the snack that is provided is graciously accepted. Please let us know you are coming by emailing: [the.boettgers@sympatico.ca](mailto:the.boettgers@sympatico.ca).

### Pancake and Ham Supper

Our Annual all-you-can-eat Pancake & Ham Supper will take place on **Shrove Tuesday, February 12<sup>th</sup>** from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. in the Church Hall. St. Mark's Knights of Columbus will be selling tickets in the narthex after all weekend Masses.  
**Family \$25; Adults \$7; Youth (7-16) \$5; Child (2-6) \$2; Under 2 FREE.**



**The Seminary Education Collection** helps in the training of future priests for our own diocese of Hamilton. We have been blessed with many good vocations to the priesthood and we hope that the number of those called to serve at God's altar in our communities and parishes will continue to grow. Presently we have 15 seminarians studying for our diocese at 3 different seminaries in Toronto and London. We invite you to join us in supporting the formation of our future priests by making a contribution to our annual Seminary Education Collection on the weekend of **Feb. 9/10**. May God bless us with many holy priests to serve in our own diocese of Hamilton.

#### Ash Wednesday: a day of fasting and abstinence

This week we will celebrate Ash Wednesday which will begin our season of Lent. Lent is a precious time of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving in preparation for our celebrations of Easter, when Christ died and rose from the dead for our salvation. Ash Wednesday is also a day of fasting and abstinence. There are only two days of fasting and abstinence prescribed by the Church: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday (Code of Canon Law #1251).

**Fasting** means eating less than normal. We are asked to eat one regular size meal and two smaller meals. Catholics between the ages of 16-60 are asked abide by this discipline.

**Abstinence** means abstaining from eating meat on this day. Catholics older than 14 years of age are asked to abide by this discipline.

**Stations of the Cross** will be offered each Friday during Lent. We will have Mass at 6:00 p.m. followed by the stations which will begin immediately after Mass. During the Friday evening Masses I will give short talks stretched over the Fridays on Jesus' march to Jerusalem, His trial, His sentencing, His way to the cross and crucifixion. I hope these will help us understand more the mystery of Christ's passion, death and resurrection. I will have stations of the cross booklets out for anyone who may wish to make the way of the cross privately before other weekday Masses.

#### Films, Fellowship & Faith

★ NO PRAYER NIGHT ON ASH WEDNESDAY ★

All Ladies Welcome! Women's Prayer Night will listen to "*Developing Power Thoughts*" by Joyce Meyer (Part 6 of 6) **next Wednesday, Feb. 20 at 7pm** in the Basement. Please bring any prayer requests with you for Intercessory Rosary.

#### Pilgrimage to The Holy Land: November 10-19, 2013

(Nazareth, Bethlehem, Cana, Jerusalem, and much more!)

Fr. Don Sanvido and Fr. Ed Mahony will be the priest chaplains for this pilgrimage to the Holy Land. The tour is organized through Skylink Holidays, the tour leader being Louise Kunkel. The total cost of the trip is **\$2,998 Canadian** (double occupancy) plus taxes. \$500 deposit is required to secure one spot on this tour. For registration forms contact Fr. Don at 519-571-9200. For further info, contact Joanne at Skylink Holidays 1-866-296-3345, or tour leader, Louise at 905-664-1871.

## February Potato Blitz

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting potatoes **each Sunday during February** for the annual Potato Blitz for the House of Friendship. Bring your spuds to the Church and we will deliver them.

## The Virtues – Channels of God's Grace

**Our Catholic Faith** is a 13-week series offered on **Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m.** by Fr. Don for the parishioners of St. Mark's. This series is intended to set aside time during our busy lives to be with the Lord in a deeper way and to learn about our Catholic faith.

Each evening begins with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and continues with a reading from scripture or catechism; a 10-15 min. talk about that week's featured Virtue; silent prayer; petitions or litany; blessing and Benediction. All are welcome!

### Remaining Topics:

**Feb. 14:** Humility

**Feb. 21:** Chastity, Modesty & Self Control

**Feb. 28:** Fidelity

**Mar. 7:** The Meaning of Fasting & Abstinence

## 2013 Easter Passion Play

Calling St. Mark's Actors of ALL Ages!! Join us for an **Information Session on Sunday, Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>** right after the 11:30 a.m. mass. Practices will begin Sun. Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> after 11:30am mass. There are no speaking lines, but we do need several actors, so please don't be shy! If you are unable to attend the info session, please contact Stephanie Baskerville (sbaskerville@sympatico.ca) to express your interest.

## 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Photo Directory

**portrait sessions are planned for February 25-27 and March 1-2.** (Mon. to Fri. sessions available from 2:30 to 8:30 p.m., and Saturday sessions available from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 pm.)

**TO SCHEDULE YOUR APPOINTMENT,**  
please sign up on the weekend after Mass in the narthex,  
or reach Paul at 519-743-0908 or [bpenticott@rogers.com](mailto:bpenticott@rogers.com).

We want ALL parishioners to be included in this special edition! **All photographed families receive a FREE directory and a FREE 8x10 colour portrait.** All photography and viewing of photos is done in one convenient 30-min. appointment at the church.

**Also! ... If anyone has snapshots of parish activities or groups, or any archival pictures,** and is willing to provide them for inclusion in the directory, please contact Paul at 519-743-0908 [bpenticott@rogers.com](mailto:bpenticott@rogers.com).

## Ladies' Lenten Retreat

St. Mark's C.W.L. invites **all ladies of St. Mark's Parish** to a Lenten Retreat on **Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>**. The day starts with Mass at 9:00 a.m. You will experience God's Grace as we reflect in prayer, hear talks by our very own Father Don and Deacon Basil, participate in the stations of the cross, and much more. Coffee, tea and snacks, will be provided throughout the day. Please bring a bagged lunch to add to the hot soup that will be available. Your experience will end at 4 PM. A goodwill offer would be appreciated. To register, please contact Anna Joseph at 519-577-8519 or Sue McGrath at [stmarkcwl@gmail.com](mailto:stmarkcwl@gmail.com).

## 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.*



### 2013 MEMBERSHIP

If you have not yet renewed your C.W.L. Membership, we encourage you to do so through the blue collection envelope or at our table in the Narthex. It is never too late and the benefits of your membership are eternal. We invite all catholic women to journey with us in a sisterhood of faith, fun and fulfillment. As a C.W.L. member, you joyfully affirm that God's presence blesses every part of your daily life. Please come and join us.

## St. Mark's Prayer Request Network

*Do you feel called to pray for others?  
Do you have time to pray?*



If you would like to pray for the needs of others as an **intercessor** (i.e. one who prays for the needs of others), please contact Kathy Smith at [stmarkprayers@gmail.com](mailto:stmarkprayers@gmail.com) or call 519-743-3108 so that prayer requests can be sent to you. (All prayer requests are considered confidential).

Public prayer for the intentions of the Prayer Request Network will take place every Tuesday night, ½ hour before Mass. For those who are able to attend, we will start promptly at 6:30 p.m. in the Church, offering a Rosary to Our Most Blessed Mother for all requests. Anyone is welcome to come and pray.

**Do you have a prayer request that you would like shared with the prayer network?** Whether it be urgent or on-going, we would be happy to pray for your request. Please send your request to [stmarkprayers@gmail.com](mailto:stmarkprayers@gmail.com). Within a day, your intention will be prayed for by intercessors in our parish family.

*We grow closer as a Parish Family when we share each other's hopes, joys, pains and sorrows through intercessory prayer.*

## 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally: Faith on Fire

**Saturday, March 2, 2013** at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre.

A Grace-filled Day with:

- \* His Eminence, Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto
- \* Father James Mallon, creator of the catechetical video series, *Dogmatic Theology and Catholicism 201*
- \* Ralph Martin, Sr. Ann Shields & Peter Herbeck
- \* Divine Mercy Celebration, Uplifting Music
- \* Eucharistic Healing Procession
- \* Confession and Holy Mass
- \* Separate Youth Event

Tickets \$20 for adults, and \$10 for youth. A bus will be available to take you to the Rally. We will depart St. Mark's Church at 7 AM. **NO TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE AT THE DOOR.** Call Anna Joseph at 519-577-8519 to reserve your tickets, and a seat on the bus.

## World Day of Prayer: March 1, 2013

Please join fellow Christians as we celebrate World Day of Prayer. Service will be held at Forest Hill United Church, 121 Westmount Road East, at 1:30 p.m.



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