

# St. Mark Catholic Parish

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**PASTOR:** Fr. Steve Murrin  
**DEACON:** Rev. 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

Tuesday at 7:00 PM  
Wed., Thur., Fri. at 7:00 AM  
Saturday at 9:00 AM

## CONFESSIONS

Saturday following 9:00 AM Mass  
and 4:00–4:30 PM or by appointment.

## ANOIDTING 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 bulletin board  
**Divine Mercy:** Fridays 3:00 PM  
**Our Lady's Rosary:** 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday at 10 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 6  
weeks in advance.

## 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.

## 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.

If you require a **Mass card** please make your request in person at the parish office during business hours.

The offering for a Mass (for living or deceased) is \$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 check ✓ 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

☐ 5:00 PM on a Saturday

☐ 7:00 PM on a Tuesday

☐ 9:30 AM on a Sunday

☐ 9:00 AM on a Saturday

☐ 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 # or email: \_\_\_\_\_

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

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Mass Intentions for the Week

Feb. 5 – 11, 2018

**Monday - NO MASS** (MEMORIAL – ST. AGATHA)

**Tuesday** (MEMORIAL – ST. PAUL MIKI AND COMPANIONS)

7:00 PM + Betty Germann

**Wednesday** (FERIAL)

7:00 am + Dianne Flood – *Marilyn Dufresne*

**Thursday** (FERIAL)

7:00 am + Joan Crawley – *Bernard*

3:00 PM – Mass at Forest Heights Long Term Care

**Friday** (FERIAL)

7:00 am – Int. of Brie Flood – *the Flood family*

**Saturday** (MEMORIAL – ST. SCHOLASTICA)

9:00 am + Cathy Grimwood – *Brian & Marie Lynch*

### 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Leviticus 13:1-2, 45-46; 1 Corinthians 10:31—11:1; Mark 1:40-45*

**Sat. 5:00 PM** + Virginia & Jack Smith – *Glenn & Kathy Smith*

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

11:30 am + Raymond Laurette – *the Laurette family*

St. Agatha was born around the year 231 in Sicily to a rich and noble family. She became a consecrated virgin, a state in life where young women choose to remain celibate and give themselves wholly to Jesus and the Church in a life of prayer and service. After undergoing repeated severe torture for not breaking her promise of chastity, she eventually succumbed to her injuries around the age of 20.

St. Paul Miki (and Companions) was the son of a Japanese military leader. He was born at Tounucumada, Japan, was educated at the Jesuit college of Anziquama, joined the Jesuits in 1580, and became known for his eloquent preaching. He was crucified on February 5 with twenty-five other Catholics during the persecution of Christians under the Taiko, Toyotomi Hideyoshi, ruler of Japan in the name of the emperor.

St. Scholastica, sister of St. Benedict, consecrated her life to God from her earliest youth and founded and governed a monastery of nuns.

### Offertory Collections

Jan. 27/28, 2018

Sunday envelopes..... \$ 2,690.93

Sunday pre-authorized debits (MONTHLY AMOUNTS x12÷52)..... \$ 1,204.15

Loose monies ..... \$ 727.75

**TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS..... \$ 4,622.83**

Mortgage envelopes..... \$ 205.00

Mortgage pre-authorized debits (MONTHLY AMOUNTS x12÷52) ..... \$ 259.50

**TOTAL MORTGAGE OFFERINGS..... \$ 464.50**

*Thank you for your generosity!!*

### MONTH OF FEBRUARY

#### Dedicated to the Holy Family

*"Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I give you my heart and my soul."*

#### HOLY FATHER'S INTENTION:

That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

### Meetings & Events This Week:

DATE	TIME	ROOM	EVENT
<b>Mon. Feb. 5</b>	7:00 pm	(M)	K of C District Meeting
	8:00 pm	(H)	Alcoholics Anonymous
<b>Tue. Feb. 6</b>	7:00 pm	(B)	Keys to Loving Relationships
	7:00 pm	(M)	11:30 Choir practice
<b>Wed. Feb. 7</b>	7:15 pm	(CH)	9:30 choir practice
	7:30 pm	(B)	Women's Prayer Group
<b>Thur. Feb. 8</b>	6:15 pm	(M)	Legion of Mary
	7:30 pm	(CH)	5:00 Choir practice
<b>Fri. Feb. 9</b>	6:00 am	(L)	Men's Group
<b>Sat. Feb. 10</b>	9:45 am	(CH)	Workshop for Eucharistic Ministers
<b>Sun. Feb. 11</b>	5:00 pm	(H)	Pancake & Sausage Supper

**Meeting Rooms:** B = Basement CH = Church H = Hall \* = Offsite  
J = St. John Room L = St. Luke Room M = St. Matthew Room

**Today we continue to read from Mark's Gospel**, learning more about the ministry of Jesus. Jesus cured Simon's mother-in-law, and she immediately began to serve Jesus and his disciples. Jesus also cured many others who were brought to him, healing their illnesses and driving out demons. As we will see throughout Mark's Gospel, Jesus did not permit the demons to speak because they knew his identity and would have revealed it to those who were present.

On the morning after this busy day, Jesus retreated in prayer, but was pursued by Simon and others who brought news that many people were looking for him. At this point in Mark's Gospel, we begin to see a distinct role for the inner circle of Jesus' disciples—they act as intermediaries between Jesus and the people. Jesus reports to his disciples that they need to leave Capernaum to preach in other places.

Today's Gospel completes a picture of Jesus' ministry: preaching, curing the sick, driving out demons, and then moving on to continue this work in another place. Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus did this throughout Galilee.

Jesus' compassion and healing of the sick is a sign of the Kingdom of God. The Church continues to extend Christ's healing presence to others in its ministry to the sick. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, the Church prays for spiritual and physical healing, forgiveness of sins, and comfort for those who are suffering from illness.

In today's Gospel we also notice the importance of prayer in Jesus' daily life. Jesus rose early in the morning, removed himself from the crowds, and went to a deserted place to pray. When the disciples found him, he told them that it was time to move on. We believe that in his prayers Jesus found guidance and direction from God. We also bring our decision-making to God in prayer, asking for his guidance and direction in our lives. ■



### Ash Wednesday ~ February 14, 2018

There will be 3 Masses celebrated on Ash Wednesday

7:00 AM ♦ 12 NOON ♦ 7:30 PM

Reminder that all Catholics are obliged to observe Ash Wednesday as a day of fasting and abstinence from meat.



Today we welcome our own **Deacon Basil Markides** as he speaks about **CHALICE – a Canadian, Catholic sponsorship program**. He will explain how you can help a destitute child at one of 56 mission sites in 15 developing countries. For more information, please visit [www.chalice.ca](http://www.chalice.ca).



FEB. 10 & 11	Sat. 5:00PM	Sun. 9:30 AM	Sun. 11:30 AM
Altar Servers:	E./T./T. Morgan	M./V. McCullough	C. Chacon
Commentator:	J. Deneau	V. DeVries	I. Kangaloo
Lectors:	K. Friesen M. Dufresne	P. Enticott J. Flanigan	B. Starr M. Monte
Ushers:	K. Friesen A. Montag	B. Coutinho D./I. Culley	M. Monte
Gift Bearers:	<i>Can you help?</i>	Seaward	Chacon
Eucharistic Ministers:	L. Macedo K. Smith F./Y. Tully	M. McCullough S. Sawchuk B. Seaward	B. Denomme F. Kangaloo S. Markides

### Parish Ministry Workshops

Thank you to everyone who signed up last Fall for different ministries in the parish. Over the next several months, I am planning on meeting with each ministry, either individually or as a group, to provide training/preparation as needed, as well as procedures.

To begin this process, I would like to meet first with **Ministers of the Eucharist** and, next, **Ministers of the Word**. In trying to consider a convenient time for most people, I have scheduled these **one-hour** workshops for 9:45, after the 9:00 am. Saturday Mass.

These sessions will be for both people who signed up for a new ministry, as well as for people currently involved in the ministry.

Thanks, *Fr. Steve*

IF YOU CURRENTLY BELONG OR WISH TO JOIN EITHER OF THESE MINISTRIES, PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND PLAN TO ATTEND:



★ **MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST**  
Saturday, Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:45 a.m.

★ **MINISTERS OF THE WORD**  
(**LECTORS** and **COMMENTATORS**)  
Saturday, Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:45 a.m.



### Annual Pancake & Sausage Supper

**SUNDAY**, February 11<sup>th</sup>

5:00 to 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall

Proudly presented by St. Mark's Knights of Columbus. Tickets now on sale after all Masses in the narthex: **Adults \$8; Youth (7-16) \$6; Kids (3-6) \$3; Family \$25; Kids under 3 FREE.** A limited number of tickets will also be available at the door on the night of the supper.



### Next Sacramental Preparation Meetings:

**FIRST COMMUNION:** Wed. Feb. 21 at 7:00 pm for Parents

**CONFIRMATION:** Sunday, Feb. 25 after 11:30 Mass for Parents



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**.

### Catholic Women's League News



**Thur. Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> – Lenten Retreat** - SAVE THE DATE and plan to attend. This event is open to the entire parish and this is one event you won't want to miss...

The rumour you heard is true ... we're excited to have Fr. Adrian Lee as our special guest facilitator! Details to follow in next week's bulletin.

### The One Thing Is Three:

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### Good Friday Passion Play - 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall

Open invitation to those wishing to participate. Please call Julio & Sonia Chacon at 519-954-2062 for more info.



### KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION FOR STUDENTS CURRENTLY IN THE ST. MARK SCHOOL BOUNDARY

Junior Kindergarten Registration for September 2018 will be held at ST. MARK CATHOLIC SCHOOL, 240 Autumn Hill Crescent, Kitchener, **Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** as well as **Thurs. Feb. 8 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.** Walk-ins not guaranteed – please call the school in advance to make an appointment (519-743-4682). *Children born in 2014 are eligible for Junior Kindergarten. Children born in 2013 are eligible for Kindergarten and only need to register if they were not in J.K. this year.*

### LENTEN RETREAT

**Thursday, February 22 ♦ Mass at 6:00 p.m.**

This retreat is open to the entire parish and this is one event you won't want to miss ... We're pleased to have **Fr. Adrian Lee** as our special guest facilitator. Fr. Adrian will celebrate Mass at 6pm, then we will retire to the hall with time for refreshments and socializing with the retreat to begin shortly thereafter. Further details to follow in next week's bulletin. **SAVE THE DATE AND PLAN TO ATTEND!**

*Save the date ♦ Reserve your bus seat ♦ Get your tickets!*

### 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally

*Join 3000+ voices in praise and Lifting Jesus Higher*

**Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> ♦ Metro Toronto Convention Centre**

**BUS leaves St. Mark's Church parking lot at 6:50 AM**

Bus tickets \$15 per seat (includes snacks, bus driver gratuity, laughter, and prayers). Rally tickets \$25 per Adult, \$15 per Youth.

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