

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: 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. 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 1st 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 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 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.

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Worship This Week

January 21-27, 2013

Monday (memorial – St. Agnes)

7:00 AM + Dorothy Farwell – Marilyn Dufresne

Tuesday

* 6:00 PM + Stephanie Deneau – John & Linda

Wednesday

7:00 AM - Int. of Helen Reinhardt – Bernard Crawley

Thursday (memorial – St. Francis de Sales)

7:00 AM - Int. of Susanne Roma – Greg Merkley

Friday (feast – Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle)

7:00 AM - Int. of Shirley & Ken Stemmler – Bernard Crawley

Saturday (memorial – St. Timothy and St. Titus)

9:00 AM + David Baggey – Baggey Family

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 9-10; 1 Corinthians 12:12-30; Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21

SAT. 5:00 PM - Int. of the Parishioners of St. Mark's

SUN. 9:30 AM - Int. of Daniel and Krystyna Ochinski

11:30 AM + Antoinette Kirkey – Lucy Monaco



Office Hours This Week

January 21-25, 2013

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

Offertory Collection Last Weekend Jan. 12/13, 2013

Envelope Users.....	\$ 3,395.00
Loose monies.....	\$ 411.44
TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS	\$ 3,806.44
Parish Mortgage Fund	\$ 370.00

St. Mark's Spirit Crew

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

■ NEXT FAITH SHARING

Friday, January 25th 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.



Knights of Columbus

Next monthly meeting of St. Mark's Council 9276:

Tuesday, January 22nd at 7:30 p.m. (after Mass)

www.kofc9276.org

Pancake and Ham Supper

Our Annual Pancake & Ham Supper will take place on **Shrove Tuesday, February 12th** in the Hall. St. Mark's Knights of Columbus will be selling tickets in the narthex after all weekend Masses starting January 26/27.



Winterlude 2013

10th ANNUAL DINNER, SILENT AUCTION & DANCE

THIS SATURDAY, January 26th at 6:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$35 and are on sale in the Narthex after all weekend Masses. Only 120 tickets will be sold – this is your last chance!



Films, Fellowship & Faith

All Ladies Welcome! Women's Prayer Night will listen to "Developing Power Thoughts" by Joyce Meyer (part 3 of 6) **January 23rd at 7:00 p.m.** in the church basement. Please bring any prayer requests with you for Intercessory Rosary following the DVD.

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. It began Dec. 6th with an explanation of the Mass.

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!**

Upcoming Topics:

Jan. 24: Wisdom

Feb. 21: Chastity, Modesty & Self Control

Jan. 31: Temperance

Feb. 28: Fidelity

Feb. 7: Fortitude

Mar. 7: The Meaning of Fasting & Abstinence

Feb. 14: Humility

Theology of the Body for Middle School

It's hard to be a teenager today. You have so many questions, important ones like, "Who am I? What does it mean to be human? How do I find the love that lasts? Is there really a God who has a plan for my life?" And it seems that everyone has a different answer to those questions.

Theology of the Body for Middle School is a program that aims to provide answers as well, but these answers are rooted in the rich heritage and teachings of our Church. It offers a safe place to ask these questions, and the chance to connect with people your own age who are searching just like you.

The program will run for 4 sessions, every other week, **beginning on February 1st from 6 to 9 p.m.** at the parish. This time the program is open to students in grade 7 and 8, as well as any students in high school who are interested. There will be opportunities for both large and small group discussions, games, and activities.

Registration begins the weekend of January 19/20 in the narthex after all Masses, and the coordinators of the program will be there to answer any questions you might have.

For more information contact Lisa or Mary-Emily McCullough at 519-741-8386 or Marg Bryson at 519-576-2904. We look forward to seeing you there!

Visit St. Mark's new parish website:
www.stmarkcatholicparish.org



25th Anniversary Photo Directory

In recognition of our parish's 25th Anniversary in 2013, we are planning a Special Edition Photo Directory.

Portrait sessions are planned for **February 14, 15, 16, 18, 25, 26, 27 and March 1st/2nd**. (Monday to Friday sessions available between 2:30 and 8:30 p.m., and Saturday sessions available between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 pm.)

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 appointment at the church. The scheduling for appointments will begin January 19/20.

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 Enticott, coordinator, at 519-743-0908 or bpticott@rogers.com.

Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes

Healing for Those Suffering in Mind or Body

St. Mark's Legion of Mary invites you all to attend our Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes, beginning on **Sunday, February 3rd until Monday, February 11th**. A prayer intention box will be offered each night. We will start at 6:30 p.m. each night (or after the 5:00 p.m. mass on Saturday the 9th). All are welcome to attend.



21st 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. Call Anna Joseph at 519-577-8519 to reserve your tickets. Please indicate if you are interested in taking a bus for an additional fee.

Attention Parents of Students in Grades 2, 7 & 8

If you have not yet registered your child for **First Communion** (gr. 2) or **Confirmation** (gr. 7 & 8) at St. Mark's Parish, please do so as soon as possible. Registration forms and info can be found in the narthex.

First Communion Catechism Classes (optional) will be starting up on February 5th at the parish. If you wish to have your child participate in these classes and have not yet registered them, please call the parish office at 519-571-9200.

Confirmation Preparation Classes for students in grades 7 and 8 who **DO NOT** attend St. Mark or St. Dominic School will be starting up at the parish near the end of February or March (dates to be announced). Grade 7/8 students at St. Mark's and St. Dominic's Schools will receive their preparation with Fr. Don at school during class time. If you have any questions, please call Pam at the parish office.

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.



■ ELECTION MEETING: Tuesday, January 22nd

Don't miss this opportunity to choose your Executive for the next 2 years! The evening begins with Mass at 6 pm to prepare us to make these important decisions and the election meeting begins at 7 pm.

Support for Persons Separated or Divorced

Would it help you to have people around you to understand what you're going through? Would you like to hear some ideas that will encourage you and help you to develop new ways of coping with the stresses in your life? The Kitchener/Waterloo/Cambridge/Guelph Support Group meets the 3rd Thursday of each month and they can help! There is NO COST.

When: **3rd Thursday of each month**

* Please note for January only the group will meet on the fourth

Thursday: January 24th

Place: **St. Mark's Parish, Kitchener**

Time: **7:00 – 8:00 p.m.**

Kindergarten Registration for St. Dominic Savio School

In September 2013, all children in Junior and Senior Kindergarten will attend school all day, every day at St. Dominic Savio. Please register your child now.

If your child was born in 2008 or 2009 you are invited to come into St. Dominic School at any time and pick up a registration package. Once you have this package, please make an appointment with the School Secretary, Mrs. Taylor, to come in and complete the process.

Please bring with you the following information:

- Your child's birth certificate
- Your child's baptismal certificate (*or yours, if they are not baptized*)
- Your child's immunization record

Appointments can be made for the following times to complete the registration process:

- **Tuesday, February 12** 4:30 – 7:30 p.m.
- **Wednesday, February 13** 9:00 – 11:45 a.m.
- **Thursday, February 14** 1:00 – 3:15 p.m.

We look forward to having your child join us.



Diocesan Prayer Calendar

This week, let us pray for...

- Mon. Jan. 21** - Rev. Jerry Punnassery, C.M.I.
- Tue. Jan. 22** - Rev. Ted Salman
- Wed. Jan. 23** - Franciscan Fathers (O.F.M.)
- Thur. Jan. 24** - Rev. Angus Smith
- Fri. Jan. 25** - Rev. Joe Selvanayagam
- Sat. Jan. 26** - Rev. Msgr. Edward House

"Loving Father, bless your Church with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, brothers and sisters. Give those whom You are calling to the married state and those You are choosing to live as single persons in the world the special graces that their lives require.

Form us all in the likeness of Your Son, so that through Him, with Him, and in Him, we may love You more deeply and serve You more faithfully. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen."

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