

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. 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. 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:

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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 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.

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Worship This Week

Jan. 27 – Feb. 2, 2014

Monday

7:00 am - Int. of Jenny

Tuesday (memorial – St. Thomas Aquinas)

7:00 pm Int. of Jason Wojcik – a friend

Wednesday

7:00 am - In Thanksgiving

Thursday

7:00 am + Elena Pestrutu – Dorin and Family

Friday (memorial – St. John Bosco)

7:00 am + Jan Nowakowski – Ernie & Lisa McCullough

Saturday

9:00 am - In Thanksgiving – Tom Morelli

PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Malachi 3:1-4; Hebrews 2:10-11, 13b-18++; Luke 2:22-40

Sat. 5:00 pm + Slavko Ucman – Cimermancic Family

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

11:30 am - Int. of Connie & Brooks Robinson – S. Baskerville

Confessions on Saturday, Feb. 1

Fr. Don will not be hearing confessions on Saturday morning (Feb. 1) as he will be attending the presentation of the film "Mary of Nazareth." Confessions will take place from 3:45-4:45.

Offertory Collections

Jan. 18/19, 2014

Envelope Users.....	\$ 2,913.00
Loose monies.....	\$440.66
TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS	\$ 3353.66
Mortgage Fund.....	\$ 100.00

Thank you for your generosity!



Knights of Columbus

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

Tuesday, January 28th at 7:30 p.m.

www.kofc9276.org



SPIRIT CREW

*St. Mark's Ministry for Youth
(Grade 6 and Up)*

■ NEXT FAITH SHARING: Friday, January 31st from 7-9 p.m.

Please come and join us for an evening of faith and fellowship. Remember your bible, a journal and a free will offering for the snack that will be provided.

Please let us know if you will be attending! Email Lisa at Imaenpaa@primus.ca or Christine at cutting_abcd@rogers.com.

LITURGICAL ROLES

FEB. 1 & 2	SAT. 5:00 PM	SUN. 9:30 AM	SUN. 11:30 AM
Altar Servers:	K. Buchanan C. Higgins	W./B. Flitton E. Chang	J./A. Arruda K. Shea
Commentator:	J. Deneau	J. Germann	O. Sirju
Lector:	N. Higgins	T. Germann	M. McCullough
Ushers:	L. Macedo K. Friesen	B./D. Cutting	E./V. McCullough J./P. McCullough
Gift Bearers:	Riddell	Seaward	Masbad
Eucharistic Ministers:	C. Dokis K. Friesen L. Macedo F./Y. Tully	S. Cerantola B./A. Cutting H. Kress M. Lynch	C./K. Dignam K. Boettger M./L. Fernando

Offertory Envelopes & Tax Receipts

Some people have not yet picked up their 2014 envelopes. These will continue to be available in the narthex until the end of January. If you were not assigned a box for 2014 and you would like one, please fill out a parish registration form or call the parish office. Thank you.

Also ... Please discard your old offertory envelopes from 2013.

The I.D. number on those envelopes now belongs to someone else. Therefore, when you continue to use those outdated envelopes (as some of you have been doing) you greatly increase the chance of administrative error, resulting in your donation being credited to someone else. Thank you for your co-operation.

TAX RECEIPTS will be available in the narthex in early February.

Those that remain unclaimed will be mailed before the end of the month.

Crucifixes Wanted

If anyone has a crucifix that they do not need, the parish would be happy to receive it. (*Anywhere from pocket-size to 12 inches in length – even the crucifix from a broken rosary.*) I have distributed all that I have, and I like to give them out to those who both need and desire one. They appreciate having them for their homes, or to wear around their neck or to carry in their pocket. For now, I'm only requesting crucifixes (*that is, the cross with an image of our Lord's crucified body*). Please wrap the crucifix in a cloth, paper, or a small box to protect it from damage, and place it in the box in the narthex marked "Crucifixes Wanted." You can be assured it will go a good home. Thank you very much! - Fr. Don



Blessing of Throats: Feb. 1 & 2

Following each Mass next weekend, Fr. Don and Deacon Basil will bless throats. This traditional blessing is connected with the Feast of St. Blaise, a bishop and martyr of the Church. All may receive this blessing if they so choose. The blessing goes as follows: "*Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may you be delivered from all ailments of the throat and from all other evil, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*"

Famous Catholic Prayers (PART 3)

The following prayer, called the Morning Offering, is used to begin our day. The Christian meaning of the word 'offer' is to exchange something less or lower for something more or greater. We may complain about our aches and pains or we may offer them up – exchanging complaint for compassion, understanding or a unity with Jesus' own sufferings. The following prayer calls us to unite our whole day and our experiences that day to Christ's redemptive work in union with the Church, God's people, and the success of St. Peter (the Pope).

The Morning Offering

Dear Lord, I offer you all my prayers, works, joys and sufferings of this day. In union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world, in reparation for all my sins, for the intentions of all my associates (be they family, friend, neighbor, etc.) and, in particular, for the Holy Father in Rome.
Amen.

- Fr. Don

Programs for Separated and Divorced

- LEVEL 1 - (Learning to Cope) and
- LEVEL 2 - (Accepting the Situation) are self-help programs intended to help separated and divorced persons gain a perspective on their divorce. Topics include: the process of divorce, self-image, stress, anger, guilt, loneliness, forgiveness, trust, singleness and children.

Course fees: \$35 (Level 1) and \$45 (Level 2).

Courses are held Tuesday evenings for 11 weeks, starting **March 18th** from 7pm – 9pm at **St. Francis of Assisi Church**, Kitchener. Contact Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249, or St. Francis Parish 519-745-7301 to register.

LEVEL 3 (Enhancing Self-Esteem)

is also available for interested people who have completed Level 1 & 2. It will be held on Tuesday evenings for 10 weeks starting **March 18th** at **St. Mark's Parish** from 7-9 p.m. Course fee \$40. Contact Family Ministry Office at (905)528-7988 ext. 2249 to register.

Cursillo Weekend

A Cursillo Weekend is a mini-course on the review of your Catholic faith, in a retreat atmosphere.



- It is ... a brief, exciting review of our Catholic Faith
 ... a series of talks given by lay people, and 2 priests, as chaplains
 ... an opportunity for worship, study, shared prayer, fellowship, laughter
 ... a help to grow spiritually and closer to Jesus Christ

If you know a person who has made a Cursillo Weekend, he/she can be your Sponsor, or we can find a sponsor for you. Anyone aged 18 to senior years is encouraged to experience this. If you are married it is recommended that both spouses experience this weekend. It is held in **Deemerton**, near Mildmay.

MEN'S WEEKEND: April 24 - 27, 2014 (Thur.-Sun. evening)

WOMEN'S WEEKEND: May 1 - 4, 2014 (Thur.-Sun. evening)

The cost is a \$200 offering (more or less, according to your means), for lodging and meals. This is a beautiful opportunity to "recharge" your spiritual batteries. Ask a friend to go with you. It is truly, a spiritually rewarding experience. For more information, or for an application form, talk with a "Cursillista" in your parish, or contact:

- Betty Enticott: 519-743-0908 benticott@rogers.com
 Marg & Doug Weber: 519-747-5937 marg.weber@sympatico.ca
 Diocesan Chaplain:
 Fr. Ray Reitzel, C.R. 519-725-1445 rayreitzelcr@live.com

C.W.L. Corner ...



2014 MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN Continues...

We invite all women to consider joining the C.W.L. even if you are not able to attend our events. The League is an advocate of Christian values in society and we have the unique opportunity to communicate our views to the government. Increasing our membership means we will have an even greater impact on government. Currently there are over 91,000 members across Canada. Please consider joining so we can make our collective C.W.L. voice louder and stronger.

Current C.W.L. members: Please remember when submitting your membership fee in the blue envelope to ensure you write your name on the envelope. Envelope numbers change every year and this will ensure your membership payment is matched to you and not someone else. Thank you.

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 **Saturday, Feb. 8th** from 9:30 am until 3:00 pm. The day will include Mass, spiritual talk by Sr. Janet Speth and time for prayer and reflection, Lunch is included. Suggested contribution is \$20. Please call 905 528-0138 for directions or to register by Feb. 2nd.

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2014?

If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, May 25th** at 1:30 p.m. at the **Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King** in Hamilton. Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest. Please refer to the poster on the church bulletin board for information on how to register for the celebration.

22nd Annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally "Hope Rising"

Saturday, March 1, 2014

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A Grace-filled Day with:

- *Compelling speakers
- * Inspiring Christian Music
- * Ministries with Prayers for Healing and Empowerment
- * 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.

We have arranged for bus transportation to depart from St. Mark's Church to the Convention Centre for an additional fee. Seats are limited, don't be disappointed, reserve your seats early!

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