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 $9:30-10:30\,\mathrm{AM}\ \&\ 3:45-4:45\,\mathrm{PM}$ 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 2^{nd} 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 $11:30\,\mathrm{AM}$ 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.

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I would like to have $\frac{1}{1000 \text{ MANY?}}$ Mass(es) celebrated for
\square the intentions of (living) OR \square 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: ☐ 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 Number

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

MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

Please keep this bulletin for reference throughout the month of August. Weekly bulletins will resume on Sept. 4th. During the summer, Mass times and Mass intentions can also be found on the church bulletin board. For changes and other items of importance, please listen to announcements after Mass, or check the parish website at: www.stmarkcatholicparish.org. Please note the Parish Office will be CLOSED EVERY FRIDAY until Labour Day. HAVE A SAFE AND BLESSED SUMMER!

Monday, August 1st (MEMORIAL – ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI)

★ 9:00 am + Fern Mainguy – Sherril Dokis

★ Civic Holiday **★** Office Closed

Tuesday, August 2

7:00 PM - Int. of the Baldassarra Family – $Gayle\ Cunningham$

Wednesday, August 3

7:00 am + Anastasia MacLean – *in gratitude*

Thursday, August 4 (MEMORIAL - ST. JOHN MARY VIANNEY)

7:00 am + Maria Da Silva - Isabel Rodrigues & family

2:00 PM - Mass at Bankside Terrace

Friday, August 5 ★ OFFICE CLOSED

7:00 am - Int. of Donovan Depratto - Jeanne Robinson

Saturday, August 6 (FEAST – THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD)

9:00 am - Int. of Darren & Marcy Depratto – Jeanne Robinson

19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - August 6/7

Wisdom 18:6-9; Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19; Luke 12:32-48

SAT. 5:00 PM + Fern Mainguy – Karen Krigner

SUN. 9:30 am - Intentions of the Parishioners of St. Mark's

11:30 am + John Blanchette - Diane Blanchette

Monday, August 8th (MEMORIAL – ST. DOMINIC)

7:00 am + Cajetan Manuel Toscano – Anthony T. & family

Tuesday, August 9

7:00 PM - Int. of Drew Depratto - Jeanne Robinson

2:30 PM - Mass at Lanark Heights Long Term Care

Wednesday, August 10 (FEAST – ST. LAWRENCE)

7:00 am + Buchat family - Terry & Gerry Gerth

Thursday, August 11 (MEMORIAL – ST. CLARE)

7:00 am + Sylvia Nagle - Kathleen & Ron Bumstead

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

Friday, August 12 * OFFICE CLOSED

7:00 am + Bernadina Weykamp - Gayle Cunningham

Saturday, August 13

9:00 am - Mario Modestina

20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - August 13/14

Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10; Hebrews 12:1-4; Luke 12:49-53

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

SUN. 9:30 am + Mary Shipp – *Nick & Sharon Cerantola*

11:30 am - Angelo Janice Dakota

LITURGICAL ROLES FOR SUMMER

★ Summer Sign-Up Sheets are posted on the blackboard in the narthex for all ministers to sign up for the summer months. Please continue to sign up as you are available. Thank you!

Monday, August 15th (Solemnity – The Assump. of the Bl. V. Mary)

7:00 am - Int. of Sandra Marty Headysh family

Tuesday, August 16

7:00 PM - In Thanksgiving to Good Saint Anne

Wednesday, August 17

7:00 am + Haswell Prescott – the Baggey family

Thursday, August 18

7:00 am - Int. of Scott & Sarah Lynch

Friday, August 19 ★ OFFICE CLOSED

7:00 am - Int. of Wes & Eylene Fraser

Saturday, August 20 (MEMORIAL – ST. BERNARD)

9:00 am + Robinson family – *Jeanne Robinson*

21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - August 20/21

Isaiah 66:18-21; Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13; Luke 13:22-30

SAT. 5:00 PM - Int. of the Gonsalves family – *Jeanne Robinson* **SUN. 9:30 am** - Intentions of the Parishioners of St. Mark's

11:30 am + Olivia Baptista – Jose Baptista

Monday, August 22nd (Memorial – The Queenship of the Bl. V. Mary)

7:00 am - Int. of Donovan Depratto - Jeanne Robinson

Tuesday, August 23

7:00 PM - Int. of Darren & Marcy Depratto – Jeanne Robinson

Wednesday, August 24 (MEMORIAL – ST. BARTHOLOMEW)

7:00 am - Int. of Drew Depratto - Jeanne Robinson

Thursday, August 25

7:00 am + Mrs. Sarzynski - Ernie & Lisa McCullough & family

Friday, August 26 * OFFICE CLOSED

7:00 am + Maria Da Silva – Isabel Rodrigues & family

Saturday, August 27 (MEMORIAL – ST. MONICA)

9:00 am + Pat Noone – *Mark & Eleanor Lawlor*

22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - August 27/28

Isaiah 66:10-14; Galatians 6:14-18; Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

SAT. 5:00 PM + Jimmy Murphy – *Mark & Eleanor Lawlor*

SUN. 9:30 am + Arlene Mary Poser – *Herman*

11:30 am - Intentions of the Parishioners of St. Mark's

* FATHER DON AWAY: Aug. 29 - Sept. 2 (NO WEEKDAY MASSES) (OFFICE CLOSED FRI. SEPT. 2)

23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Sept. 3/4

Wisdom 9:13-18; Philemon 9b-10, 12-17; Luke 14:25-33

SAT. 5:00 PM + Robinson family – *Jeanne Robinson*

SUN. 9:30 am - Int. of the Gonsalves family – *Jeanne Robinson*

11:30 am - Intentions of the Parishioners of St. Mark's

R.C.I.A.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults ...

Classes will begin in the Fall for all who are interested in becoming Catholic or considering the Catholic faith. Please call the parish office or speak to Fr. Don after Mass to inform us of your interest.

Syrian Family Sponsorship Update

In May 2016, through the Diocese of Hamilton, St. Mark's was matched with a Syrian family of 6. They are expected to come to Canada this summer and we look forward to welcoming them to our community. Thanks to the generous support of our parishioners, we are ready for their arrival! Now we are waiting for the federal government to confirm their travel date. Please pray for this family's safe and timely arrival!

Pop Can Tabs – Thanks to and God bless all of you who continue to save pop can tabs. This is a worthwhile cause. Tabs can be placed in the blue collection bin in the coat room corridor (across from the washrooms).

Attention Golfers!

Time is running out to sign up for the parish tournament! **Registration forms are available in the narthex and are due no later than August 7th.** Please fill out a form, include your payment and seal both in a plain envelope marked "GOLF" – drop it in the collection basket by Aug. 7th. Please include the full names of all the players for whom you are paying. Questions can be directed to Cathy at cathy.gelsinger@yahoo.ca or to the office.

DATE: Saturday, September 10th

PLACE: **Brookfield Golf Course,** Cambridge

TIME: 9 a.m. Shotgun Start

COST: **\$68 per person** (18 holes with Cart, Steak Dinner)

\$25 per person (Dinner only)

DINNER: At the course starting around 2:30-2:45 p.m.

Steak, potatoes, salad, rolls, tea/coffee/dessert

Our Road Sign



St. Mark's Finance & Maintenance Committee needs to replace the current lawn sign at the entrance to the church, as it can no longer be repaired. The committee is considering both static signage (similar to the existing sign) and digital signage

(with a changeable message). The committee is asking for parishioners to give their input – in the event that a changeable message sign is chosen – as to what types of messages you think would help us to achieve the goal of enriching our faith community and growing church attendance at all masses. Messages would need to be brief and could present information relative to church activities, invitations to attend, mass times and special events/activities such as our refugee program. Please submit your message ideas in one of the following ways:

- by email to stmark@rogers.com (subject line: "ROAD SIGN");
- using the **form** available in the Narthex;
- or call the church office at 519 571-9200.

"Keys to Loving Relationships"

"Keys" is a 10-week video-based program meant for anyone (married or single) who is looking for a more meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better "me" in all your relationships! The program runs Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 9:30 P.M. **starting Sept. 13th here at St. Mark's.** Cost is \$45. For info please call Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249. **S.M.Y.C.A.**

St. Mark's Young Catholic Adults (open to ages 19-35)

▶ Continuing each Thursday until August 25th, St. Mark's Young Catholic Adults is reading sections of Pope Francis's recent encyclical, *Amoris Laetitia (The Joy of Love)* before our weekly hour of Adoration. Each Thursday we begin at 7 pm, and finish between 8:30 and 9pm, in order that those who would like to are free to attend our weekly hour of Adoration from 9-10pm afterwards. RSVP on our Facebook event page, or email StMarksYoungCatholicAdults@gmail.com. This event series is FREE, no cost to attend!

CHRISTIAN YOUNG ADULTS OUTDOOR GROUP

Up-coming events for ages 20-40 years of age. All are welcome! FRI. AUG. 5: Miniature Golf, Wedges 'N Woods, 7:30pm SAT. AUG. 13: Picnic, Prayer & Faith Sharing, Riverside Park, 11am AUG. 27-28: Camping Retreat, Elora Gorge, Sat./Sun. Invite your friends! For more details please contact Erin at 519-721-7387 or info@darcysdogtraining.com. Join our Facebook page at Christian Young Adults Outdoors Group.

St. Vincent de Paul Society - Summer Food Supply

People often ask what food we need in the portable. As summer approaches, we are finding our shelves are more bare than usual. If you are thinking about buying, we are in need of the following: *tuna, canned meats, canned vegetables, canned fruits, kidney beans, chickpeas, pork and beans, cereal, peanut butter, jam.* Thank you for your ongoing support. – St. Mark's Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Today is White Box Sunday. Our St. Vincent de Paul Society has placed a White Box in the narthex today (July 30/31) for anyone wishing to make a donation. Thank you for your support of those less fortunate in our community.

ARE YOU SEPARATED OR DIVORCED? LET US HELP ...

LEVEL 1 - (Learning to Cope), and LEVEL 2 (Accepting the Situation) are self-help programs intended to help separated / divorced persons gain a perspective on their divorce. Topics meant to offer hope and personal growth include: the process of divorce, self-image, stress, anger, guilt, loneliness, forgiveness, trust, singleness and children. Fees are \$35 (Level 1), and \$45 (Level 2). Levels 1 and 2 will be held Tuesday evenings for 11 weeks, starting Sept. 13th from 7 to 9pm at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Kitchener. To register contact the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249 or St. Francis 519-745-7301.

Thinking about Separation or Divorce? – Is your marriage or that of a relative or friend heading for divorce? Do you feel helpless? Do you know how to save that marriage? **Retrouvaille** is designed to help marriages regain their health. It helps spouses re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples that have already separated or divorced. For confidential information about, or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on **October 14**th please call 905-664-5212 or email: hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca or visit retrouvaille.org.

FOUNDATIONS FOR MINISTRY PROGRAM 2016-17

The "Foundations for Ministry" Program is a course designed to offer lay Catholics the opportunity to **learn more about the foundations of our Catholic faith:** Church history, scripture, morality, sacraments and prayer. This foundation is useful to parishioners who serve in a variety of ministries. The course will be offered in Hamilton starting Sept. 8th. For more information and/or registration forms, please contact Monica at the Discipleship & Parish Life Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238 or visit www.hamiltondiocese.com.

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