

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.

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 bulletin board
Divine Mercy: Fridays 3:00 PM
Our Lady's Rosary: 1st Saturday at 10 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. 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 1st 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:

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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 # or email: _____

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

TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions for the Week

June 11 – 17, 2018

Monday - NO MASS (MEMORIAL – ST. BARNABAS)

Tuesday (FERIAL)

2:00 PM - Mass at Lanark Heights Long Term Care

7:00 PM + Carmen Cardoza – Ron & Kathy Bumstead

Wednesday (MEMORIAL – ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA)

7:00 am + Isabel Fonseca – Carlos & Leonor Fonseca

Thursday (FERIAL)

7:00 am + Alfredo Beruman – Carlos & Leonor Fonseca

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

Friday (FERIAL)

7:00 am - In Thanksgiving – Kathy Smith

Saturday (FERIAL)

9:00 am + Mary Mansour – Eric & Rosemary

11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ezekiel 17:22-24; 2 Corinthians 5:6-10; Mark 4:26-34

Sat. 5:00 PM + Mary & Nicholas Sawarna and sons Nicholas & Michael – *from the Sawarna siblings*

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

11:30 am + Jose Almeida & Anuciacao Costa – *Jose and family*

St. Barnabas, born Joseph, was an early Christian, one of the prominent Christian disciples in Jerusalem. He and Paul the Apostle undertook missionary journeys together and defended Gentile converts against the Judaizers. They traveled together making more converts, and participated in the Council of Jerusalem. Barnabas' story appears in the Acts of the Apostles, and Paul mentions him in some of his epistles. Clement of Alexandria and some scholars have ascribed the Epistle of Barnabas to him, but his authorship is disputed. Although the date, place, and circumstances of his death are historically unverifiable, Christian tradition holds that Barnabas was martyred at Salamis, Cyprus, in 61 AD. He is traditionally identified as the founder of the Cypriot Orthodox Church. Barnabas is usually identified as the cousin of Mark the Evangelist on the basis of Colossians 4. Some traditions hold that Aristobulus of Britannia, one of the Seventy Disciples, was the brother of Barnabas.

St. Anthony was born Fernando Martins in Lisbon, Portugal and died in 1231. Following his ordination to the priesthood, he joined the Franciscan Order and changed his name to Anthony. He eventually travelled to Morocco to spread God's truth, but became extremely sick and while recovering, spent much of his time in prayer and study. Noted by his contemporaries for his powerful preaching, expert knowledge of scripture, and undying love and devotion to the poor and the sick, he was one of the most quickly canonized saints in church history. He was proclaimed a Doctor of the Church on 16 January 1946. He is also the patron saint of lost things, '*St. Anthony, please look around; something is lost and must be found.*'

Baby Bottle Campaign for Marillac Place

Don't forget to return your baby bottle to the church next weekend (June 16/17). Thank you for your support.

For more info please visit www.marillacplace.ca.

Meetings & Events This Week:

DATE	TIME	ROOM	EVENT
<u>Mon. June 11</u>	8:00 pm	(H)	Alcoholics Anonymous
<u>Tue. June 12</u>	6:30 pm	(J)	Search & Rescue group
	7:30 pm	(M)	Knights of Columbus Executive meeting
<u>Wed. June 13</u>	6:30 pm	(CH)	9:30 Choir practice
	7:30 pm	(B)	Women's Prayer Group
<u>Thur. June 14</u>	6:15 pm	(M)	Legion of Mary
	7:30 pm	(B)	33 Days to Morning Glory (DVD series)
	7:30 pm	(CH)	5:00 Choir practice
<u>Fri. June 15</u>	6:00 am	(L)	Men's group

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

Today's Gospel (Mark 3:20-35)

In the section of the Gospel just before these verses, Jesus calls his Twelve Apostles. Now he performs his first exorcism. It is told within the context of conflict with his family.

A crowd so large has gathered that Jesus and his disciples are not even able to eat their bread. His family comes to take him away because they think he is beside himself. And the scribes think he is possessed by the devil. Jesus points out to them the absurdity of their thinking that he uses the devil to cast out demons. In fact, it is Jesus who ties up the strong man, Beelzebub, and overcomes him.

He concludes with a brief saying about the forgiveness of sins. All sin can be forgiven except for blasphemy against the Holy Spirit. It's not known exactly what he means by this. It could be that the only sin that can't be forgiven is the one that cuts you off from the source of forgiveness, the Holy Spirit.

Mark then brings Jesus' family back into the picture. They are not presented in a critical light but are just trying to see him. This gives Jesus the opportunity to point out that family for him is not based on blood.

In the belief of our Roman Catholic faith, there are six sins that blaspheme against the Holy Spirit.

1. **Despair** (believing that one's evil is beyond God's forgiveness)
2. **Presumption** (glory without merit, that is, hope of salvation without keeping the Commandments, or expectation of pardon for sin without repentance)
3. **Envy** (sadness or repining at another's growth in virtue and perfection)
4. **Obstinacy in sin** (wilful persisting in wickedness, and running on from sin to sin, after sufficient instructions and admonition)
5. **Final impenitence** (to die without either confession or contrition for our sins)
6. **Impugning the known truth** (to argue against known points of faith, and this includes misrepresenting parts or all of the Christian faith to make it seem undesirable). ■



JUNE 16 & 17	5:00 PM Mass	9:30 AM Mass	11:30 AM Mass
Altar Servers:	G./S. Morgan N. D'Souza	E./T./T. Morgan	B./B. Starr R. Robin
Commentator:	K. Friesen	P. Enticott	M. Monte
Lectors:	M. Dufresne J. Deneau	T. Lee C. Mackid	M. Oram I. Kangaloo
Ushers:	A. Montag K. Friesen	J. Kelly B. Coutinho M. Walsler	C. Dignam
Gift Bearers:	<i>Can you help?</i>	Seaward	Chacon
Eucharistic Ministers:	C. Dokis F./Y. Tully	M./L. Fernando H. Kress	S. Markides R./L. Masbad

Catholic Women's League News

ACCESSIBLE DOOR FUND – This funding will go toward the installation of 2 automatic door openers at the main entrance to the church. **Special donation envelopes for this fund are available in the narthex – just look for the wheelchair.** Envelopes can be dropped in the collection basket during Mass, or brought to the office. As usual, credit will be given on your year-end tax receipt.



USED BOOK SALE – *on-going in the St. John's Room*
Please visit the tables often as the selection changes with new donations. Donated books can be left under the coat racks in the hallway across from the ladies' restroom. *Thank you for your support! All proceeds to St. Mark's Accessible Door Fund.*

♦ **Next Mass for CWL Intentions:** Tuesday, June 26th at 7:00 pm

Offertory Collection

June 2/3, 2018

Sunday envelopes	\$ 3,313.93
Sunday pre-authorized debits (MONTHLY AMOUNTS x12÷52)	\$ 1,196.77
Loose monies	\$ 397.60
TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS.....	\$ 4,908.30
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Mortgage envelopes	\$ 820.00
Mortgage pre-authorized debits (MONTHLY AMOUNTS x12÷52)	\$ 247.96
TOTAL MORTGAGE OFFERINGS.....	\$ 1,067.96
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"Canada Summer Jobs Program" diocesan collection.....	\$ 2,309.69
<i>Thank you for your generosity</i>	

Church Grounds

A group of parishioners have joined together to help care for the church grounds and planting in some most needed areas. If you would like to help out a couple of hours a week or if you have any annuals or perennials that you are able to donate, please see me after Mass or leave your name with Pam at the parish office. Also, donations of any good used garden tools and equipment that you may be discarding or replacing would be greatly appreciated. ~ Fr. Steve



The Month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

In the apparitions to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Jesus gives these twelve promises for those who are devoted to His Sacred Heart:

1. I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.
2. I will establish peace in their families.
3. I will console them in all their troubles.
4. They shall find in My Heart an assured refuge during life and especially at the hour of their death.
5. I will pour abundant blessings on all their undertakings.
6. Sinners shall find in My Heart the source of an infinite ocean of mercy.
7. Tepid souls shall become fervent.
8. Fervent souls shall speedily rise to great perfection.
9. I will bless the homes where an image of My Heart shall be exposed and honoured.
10. I will give to priests the power of touching the most hardened hearts.
11. Those who propagate this devotion shall have their names written in My Heart, never to be effaced.
12. The all-powerful love of My Heart will grant to all those who shall receive Communion on the First Friday of nine consecutive months the grace of final repentance; they shall not die under my displeasure, nor without receiving their Sacraments; My heart shall be their assured refuge at that last hour.

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD – St. Mary's Parish welcomes 3-year-old children (born 2015) to register for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. The program will run in the Lower Hall of St. Mary's Parish, 56 Duke St. W. Kitchener from October 2018 – May 2019. Registration forms are available online: www.stmarysrcchurch.ca. Please return registration forms to St. Mary's parish office by June 30th. Contact Emily Nyenhuis (emilylukenyenhuis@gmail.com) / 226-600-6704 for more information or any questions.

The Carmel of St. Joseph Guild invites all members, families and friends to attend the **FEAST OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL MASS** to be held **Sunday, July 15th** at 2:00 pm at the **Monastery**. Rosary will precede the Mass. Celebrant will be Most Rev. Douglas Crosby.

SVDP BARBECUE SUPPER & SILENT AUCTION at St. Joseph Church, Kitchener – 148 Madison Ave. S. -- **Saturday, June 16th** starting at 6:00pm. BBQ meal \$8 includes salads, fruit and squares – tickets at the door. Door prizes. Silent Auction 6:00 to 7:15.

"HEARTS SET ABLAZE" RETREAT FOR GIRLS, June 22-24, for girls 11-15 years of age, led by the Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate at **St. Ambrose Parish, Cambridge**. A weekend of faith, friendship, prayer, and fun! The cost is \$75. Applications: <http://solisisters.ca/youthretreats.html>. Questions: Email Sr. Mary Augustine at srmaryaugustine@solisisters.ca.

ANNUAL 9-DAY NOVENA TO ST. ANN, July 18-26. The Novena will include Mass starting at 7pm each evening throughout, blessing with the relic of St. Ann and novena prayers as well as confessions following the Mass. Anointing of the Sick will take place on Friday, July 20th at 7pm. The Most Rev. Douglas Crosby, OMI, Bishop of Hamilton, will celebrate Mass for the Feast of St. Ann on Thursday, July 26th at 7pm. A reception will follow in St. Ann's School Gym. Everyone is welcome. Wheelchair / Walker accessible.

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