

St. Mark Roman Catholic Parish

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PARISH STAFF

Rev. Roque Concepcion – *Pastor*

Rev. Mr. Philip Fernandez – *Deacon*

Mrs. Pam Olinski – *Parish Secretary*

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM

Monthly Filipino Mass: *Third* Saturday 7:00 PM

WEEKDAY MASS

Tuesday - Friday 12:00 NOON

First Saturday 9:00 AM

CONFESSIONS

Wednesdays & *First* Fridays 11:00 - 11:45 AM

Saturdays 4:15 - 4:45 PM or by appointment

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS – We invite you to become a registered parishioner. Please fill out a form from the church lobby and drop it in the collection basket or at the parish office. Please call if you would like Father to bless your home.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES / PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBIT

To receive an annual tax receipt for your donations you are encouraged to use offertory envelopes and/or to enroll in our monthly debit plan. Offertory envelopes can be requested by filling out a parish registration form, or if you are already registered, simply call the office to request a box. Debit plan enrollment forms are available in the church lobby.

BAPTISM – Infant baptisms are celebrated during Sunday Mass. Two months' notice is required. Please pick up a baptism form in the church lobby, introduce yourself to Father after Mass and give him your completed form at that time. A date for baptism can be confirmed by the parish office after you have met with Father and started the preparation process.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) – Adults seeking conversion to the Catholic faith are invited to inquire with the parish priest. This program begins each Fall and runs until Easter.

MARRIAGE – At least 6 months' notice is required. Please introduce yourselves to Father after Mass to start the process.

ANOIDING OF THE SICK / HOSPITAL VISIT

If you or someone you know is in need of the Sacrament of the Sick, please call the parish office or see Father after Mass. Please advise the office of hospital admissions to request Anointing or a pastoral visit.

PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Dominic Elementary 3 Westforest Trail 519-576-5503

St. Mark Elementary 240 Autumn Hill Cres. 519-743-4682

Resurrection Secondary 455 University Ave. W. 519-741-1990



“... The seed is sprouting and growing ...” (Mark 4:27)

REQUESTING A MASS INTENTION

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 drop it in the mail. Your intention and your name will appear in the bulletin, and will be announced during Mass. **If you require a Mass Card**, please make your request in-person at the parish office during business hours.

The offering (stipend) for a Mass Intention is \$10 per Mass.

Number of Masses requested: _____ Offering enclosed: \$_____

Name of person(s)
to be remembered: _____

☐ LIVING ☐ DECEASED

Please choose your preferred way of setting the date for this Mass:

☐ The date of the Mass does not matter.

OR

☐ I would like the Mass to be on this specific date*: _____

** Please note: Requests for specific dates (birthday, anniversary of death or wedding) should be submitted several months in advance to avoid disappointment. Sunday Masses may only be requested twice per year. All other requests will be satisfied on a weekday. We will attempt to contact you if we are unable to accommodate your request.*

LIGHTING A SANCTUARY LAMP

You may request to have one or both lamps burn for a special intention or for the repose of someone's soul. Cost is \$5 per candle, per week. Simply drop a plain envelope marked “Sanctuary Lamp” into the collection and include the stipend and the name of the person(s) you wish to remember. Names will be published in the bulletin at the beginning of that week.

Please light the
Sanctuary Lamp(s) for: _____

☐ LIVING ☐ DECEASED

Offering enclosed: \$_____

REQUESTED BY _____

DAYTIME PHONE # OR EMAIL _____

MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE MONTH OF JULY

Please keep this bulletin handy for the month of July. The next bulletin will be published on July 30th for the month of August. For new items of importance, please listen for announcements after Mass, or check the parish website at

www.stmarkcatholicparish.org.

Have a safe and blessed summer!

Tuesday, June 27 (FERIAL)

12 Noon - Int. of Fr. Kevin Upendran – *St. Mark's Parish*
6:00 PM - **GRADUATION MASS** with *St. Dominic's Gr. 8 Class*

Wednesday, June 28 (MEMORIAL – ST. IRENAEUS)

12 noon † Peter Tam Nguyen – *Melissa*
 † Jose Varkey – *Sijimol Jose*
 † Bill Gies – *Garry & Cinda Mahn*

Thursday, June 29 (SOLEMNITY – SAINTS PETER AND PAUL)

12 Noon - Int. of Fr. Roque Concepcion – *St. Mark's Parish*

Friday, June 30 (FERIAL)

12 Noon † Colette Martel – *Pat & Margaret Drohan*

First Saturday, July 1 (FERIAL)

9:00 am - Int. of Emily – *Patricia McCullough*

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – JULY 1/2

2 Kings 4:8-12a, 14-16; Romans 6:3-4, 8-11; Matthew 10:37-42

Sat. 5:00 PM † Robert Eckert – *St. Mark's Parish*
 † Brandon Michael Pais – *Philip & Joan Fernandez*
 † Augustino Maria Nguyen – *Tuyen Nguyen*
Sun. 9:30 am † Trevor Vitali – *Larry & Sharon Koehler*
11:30 am – Intentions of the Parishioners of St. Mark

Tuesday, July 4 (FERIAL)

12 Noon - In Thanksgiving for Divine Mercy – *Toscano*

Wednesday, July 5 (FERIAL)

12 noon † Eylene Fraser – *Randy Seyler*
 † Souls in Purgatory – *Sijimol Jose*
 † Blanche Gallop – *Dokis Family*

Thursday, July 6 (FERIAL)

12 Noon - Int. of Unnimaya Jose

Friday, July 7 (FERIAL)

12 Noon † Maria Campos – *Campos family*

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – JULY 8/9

Zechariah 9:9-10; Romans 8:9, 11-13; Matthew 11:25-30

Sat. 5:00 PM † Patrick Weber – *Carol*
 † Jennifer McFadden – *Garry & Cindy Mahn*
 † Joaquim Clemente – *Leonor Fonseca*
Sun. 9:30 am † John Kurpel
11:30 am – Intentions of the Parishioners of St. Mark

Tuesday, July 11 (MEMORIAL – ST. BENEDICT)

12 Noon † Mark Flood – *Brian & Marie Lynch*

Wednesday, July 12 (FERIAL)

12 noon † Bert O'Connor – *Nick & Sharon Cerantola*
 - Int. of Lisa Maenpaa – *Ian & Fiona Kangaloo*
 † Don Andrews & family – *Paul & Betty Enticott*

Thursday, July 13 (FERIAL)

12 Noon † Gary Bielaski – *Knights of Columbus*

Friday, July 14 (FERIAL)

12 Noon † Karen Coulas – *Pat & Margaret Drohan*

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – JULY 15/16

Isaiah 55:10-11; Romans 8:18-23; Matthew 13:1-23

Sat. 5:00 PM † Fernando Correia – *Nicolina*
 † Clara Herteis – *Bruce & Christine Cutting*
 † Tom Herteis – *Bruce & Christine Cutting*

7:00 PM – **MONTHLY FILIPINO MASS**

Sun. 9:30 am - Intentions of Paul & Betty Enticott

11:30 am – Intentions of the Parishioners of St. Mark

Tuesday, July 18 (FERIAL) **NO MASS**

Wednesday, July 19 (FERIAL) **NO MASS**

Thursday, July 20 (FERIAL)

12 Noon † Antonio Claro & family – *Ilda*

Friday, July 21 (FERIAL)

12 Noon † Tam Nguyen – *Melissa*

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – JULY 22/23

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19; Romans 8:26-27; Matthew 13:24-43

Sat. 5:00 PM † Tania Yonan – *Grace Tran*
 † Amelia Monte – *Zenaida Macedo*
 † Randy William Keip – *Brian & Marie Lynch*
Sun. 9:30 am – Intentions of the Parishioners of St. Mark
11:30 am † Teresa Viveiros – *Justina Costa & family*

Tuesday, July 25 (FEAST – ST. JAMES)

12 Noon † Maria Jesus Soares & family – *Maria*

Wed. July 26 (Feast – St. Anne & St. Joachim, Parents of Blessed Virgin Mary)

12 noon † Tania Yonan – *Grace Tran*
 † Xuyen Nguyen – *Melissa*
 † Deceased family members of Nicolina Correia

Thursday, July 27 (FERIAL)

12 Noon - Int. of Unnimaya Jose

Friday, July 28 (FERIAL)

12 Noon † Barbara Seyler – *Randy*

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – JULY 29/30

1 Kings 3:5-12+; Romans 8:28-30; Matthew 13:44-52

Sat. 5:00 PM † John Kurpel – *Pat & Margaret Drohan*
 † George Brezina – *Pam*
 † Int. of Veronica Bediako-Cra – *The McCulloughs*
Sun. 9:30 am - Int. of Gloria Cunha – *The McCulloughs*
11:30 am – Intentions of the Parishioners of St. Mark



LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER!
The Sanctuary Lamps burn this month for:
 + Mitchell & Stella Kopecki (week of June 26)
 A Special Intention (July 3-30)
 + Giuse Su van Pham (week of July 31)



LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

Due to space restrictions in this bulletin for the month of July, **kindly consult your most recent schedule** for liturgical ministry duties. If you have misplaced yours, please email the office to have one emailed to you. If you are scheduled for a ministry and are unable to attend that particular Mass, PLEASE find a replacement so that we are not left looking for ministers at the last minute before Mass begins. *Thank you!*



SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

OPEN: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
9:30am – 4:30pm

CLOSED: MONDAYS & FRIDAYS
and the week of July 10-14

Coffee Sundays on hiatus for the summer!

Thank you to all the volunteers who look after setting up, making coffee, plating treats, serving, and cleaning up! We could not do it without you! **If you would like to help out when Coffee Sundays resume in the Fall, please call or email the parish office. We are always looking for more volunteers ... many hands make light work!**



Diocesan Prayer Calendars for the months of July and August are posted on the church bulletin board.



Canada Day – July 1

Canadians should seek to be witnesses to Christ in Canada and the world, and to continue working to influence those in government to act from Christian principles and attitudes. Christians, realizing they do not have a lasting home here, should pray and work for justice and peace in Canada and throughout the world, so that all God's people may share in the goods of this earth. God's kingdom will come only when all people are ready to let Christ's teaching guide and rule their lives and actions.

- Taken from the Ordo Liturgical Calendar 2022-2023

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

RCIA is a program and faith journey for Adult Baptism, Confirmation, and First Communion. This is also open to anyone who would like to have a refresher course on Catholic Faith. **The program will start in September** and registration forms will be available in the foyer. If you have any questions, please speak to Father Roque.

North of 60... The St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Mark's Parish is supporting the "North of 60" program again this year, with the items collected going to the residents in **Chesterfield Inlet, Nunavut**. Currently, they are most in need of **BAKING POWDER (454g size)** and **GROUND COFFEE (any size)**. **★ items can be dropped in the blue tub in the narthex until August.** To learn more about this initiative, please visit: <https://ssvp.ca/special-projects/north-of-60/> or <https://twitter.com/NO60KW>. Your support of this program is greatly appreciated!



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF JULY

For a Eucharistic life

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

Visiting Missionary Priest – July 8/9

Fr. Joseph Srambickal, V.C., a Vincentian Missionary Priest from India, will be visiting our parish on the weekend of July 8th & 9th to participate in our Annual Missionary Cooperation Plan. Fr. Joseph will share his missionary experience at all the Masses that weekend and will make an appeal on behalf of the Vincentian Missions.

The Vincentian Congregation (V.C.), a Religious Congregation, was founded in Kerala, India in 1904 and modeled after the Congregation of the Mission founded by St. Vincent de Paul. Members of this flourishing Religious Congregation are engaged in Mission Work in all parts of India, East Africa and Peru. **To learn more about them, please visit their website: www.vincentians.in.**

The Vincentian Missionaries need our help to carry out their many missionary, educational and charitable activities. They need our special financial support for the training of young men studying for priesthood.

There will be a special mission collection on July 8/9 to help the Missionary work of the Vincentian Fathers. We urge you to be very generous in your mission offering since these Missionaries need our help. Please keep Fr. Joseph Srambickal, and all the Vincentian Missionaries in your prayers. Thank you.

Pre-Authorized Giving... Since the Fall of 2015, our Parish has been offering pre-authorized giving as an option to parishioners. Pre-authorized giving allows you to give to the parish intentionally and faithfully through scheduled monthly transfers from your bank account. It helps to ensure regular, dependable contributions to the parish. Even more importantly, it affords an opportunity to reflect on all that God has given you, and prayerfully decide how much of this you will return to God through your offering to the parish. **To enroll, please fill out a "Pre-Authorized Giving" pamphlet**, found on the information wall in the narthex. Any questions can be directed to the parish office at stmark@rogers.com.

Are you a student, interested in pursuing medical school?

The Dr. H. Patrick and Mrs. Gayle E. Cunningham Medical **Scholarship** (\$13,000) has been established to provide grants for Catholics who want to pursue medical school. If you are interested or know anyone who is, please encourage them to apply. **The application deadline is July 28, 2023.** Details can be found on the poster in the narthex, and questions can be directed to Mary Claire Morgan at mcmorgan@hamiltondiocese.com.

Diocesan Marian Days – First Saturday of each month from July to October at the **Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph**. Confessions at 9:00 a.m.; Holy Mass at 10:00; Rosary Procession at 11:00 a.m.; Guided Tours of the Basilica are available from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.; Holy Hour and Marian Catechesis at 1:00 p.m.; Closing Benediction at 2:00 p.m. All are invited! Please bring a lunch. Contact the Basilica for info: 1-519-824-3951.

French Boys Choir (Young Singers of Lambersart)

This famous choir is making another Canada/USA tour and one of their stops will be on **Thursday, July 13th** at 7:00 p.m. at **Blessed Sacrament Church** in Kitchener, 305 Laurentian Drive. Free admission, no reservation required, first come first seated.



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