

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. 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 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.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Worship This Week:

March 27 – April 2, 2017

Monday

7:00 am - Int. of Eric Kubica – *Catherine Mackid*

Tuesday

★ NO MASS TODAY

Wednesday

★ 6:00 PM + Ginny Jans – *Mark & Teresa Denomme*

Thursday

7:00 am - Int. of Colette Dokis – *Catherine Mackid*

Friday

6:30 PM + Roger Plante – *Colette Dokis*

7:00 PM - STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Saturday

9:00 am - Int. of Employees of Guillevin Int. – *Mary F.*

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Ezekiel 37:12-14; Romans 8:8-11; John 11:1-45

Sat. 5:00 pm + Veronica & Alfred Broderick – *G. Kubisewsky*

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

11:30 am + Una Clarke – *Fiona Kangaloo*

★ Our pipes will be replaced this week (Mar. 27-31)

This work will demand periods when the water is shut off. Hence, I will be away from the parish on Tuesday, so there will be no Mass here that day, and Wednesday's morning Mass will be moved to 6:00 p.m. My regrets for any inconvenience. The good news is that we should be leak-free for years to come! – *Fr. Don*

Offertory Collections

March 18/19, 2017

Sunday envelopes	\$ 2,690.00
Sunday loose	\$ 430.35
Sunday pre-authorized debits (MONTHLY AMOUNT x12÷52) ..	\$ 1,234.62
TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS	\$ 4,354.97
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Mortgage envelopes	\$ 440.00
Sunday pre-authorized debits (MONTHLY AMOUNT x12÷52) ..	\$ 242.88
TOTAL MORTGAGE OFFERINGS	\$ 682.88

Thank you for your generosity!

LITURGICAL ROLES

	April 1 & 2	Sat. 5:00PM	Sun. 9:30 AM	Sun. 11:30 AM
Altar Servers:	B./C. Morgan	<i>Can you help?</i>	N./A. Gallagher	
Commentator:	M. Dufresne	J. Germann	L. Masbad	
Lector:	M. Serschen	D. Bristol	S. Roma	
Ushers:	L. Macedo R. Phillips	M. Walsler K./J. Snyder	<i>Can you help?</i>	
Gift Bearers:	Weber	Rye	<i>Can you help?</i>	
Eucharistic Ministers:	K. Friesen L. Macedo C. Dokis	B. Cutting P./B. Enticott	R./P. Masbad B. Starr	

Today is White Box Sunday... The St. Vincent de Paul Society has placed a White Box in the narthex this weekend (Mar. 25/26) for anyone wishing to make a donation.

Meetings & Events This Week

DATE	TIME	ROOM	EVENT
<u>Sun. Mar. 26</u>	3:00 pm	CH / H	Legion of Mary Acies (with Benediction)
<u>Mon. Mar. 27</u>	7:00 pm	(H)	Alcoholics Anonymous
<u>Tue. Mar. 28</u>	6:00 pm	(J)	Gr. 2 Catechism Class (2 of 8)
	7:00 pm	(L)	Separated & Divorced Level 3 (1 of 11)
	7:30 pm	(M)	Knights of Columbus meeting
<u>Wed. Mar. 29</u>	7:00 pm	(B)	Women's Prayer Group
	7:15 pm	(CH)	9:30 Choir Practice
<u>Thu. Mar. 30</u>	6:00 pm	(M)	Legion of Mary
	6:00 pm	(L)	S.M.Y.C.A. (St. Mark's Young Catholic Adults)
	7:30 pm	(CH)	5:00 Choir Practice
<u>Fri. Mar. 31</u>	6:00 am	(L)	Men's Group
<u>Sun. April 2</u>	12:45 pm	(CH)	Gr. 7 Confirmation Preparation (5 of 6)

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

Passion Play ... Saint Mark's drama group invites you to participate in the play "**The Passion of Christ**" on **Good Friday, April 14th**. No speaking is required. If you would like to participate, please contact Sonia & Julio Chacon at 519-954-2062 for details and practice times.

Separated & Divorced Support Groups

Tuesday evenings for 11 weeks, **March 28 to June 6** from 7-9 p.m. Level 1 (*Learning to Cope*), Level 2 (*Accepting the Situation*) and Level 3 (*Enhancing Self Esteem*) are self-help programs intended to help separated and divorced persons move forward from their divorce healthier and stronger. Topics are meant to offer hope and personal growth and include: the process of divorce, self-image, stress, anger, guilt, loneliness, forgiveness, trust, singleness and children. Levels 1 & 2 will be held at St. Francis of Assisi Parish (Queen & Westmount), Kitchener; **Level 3 will be held here at St. Mark's Parish.** Course fees: \$35 (Level 1), \$45 (Level 2) and \$40 (Level 3). Contact the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or St. Francis Parish 519-745-7301 to register (Level 1 & 2), or online at: www.hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/divorce-separation.php

Annual Mass With New Catholics

Saturday, April 22nd at the 5:00 p.m. Mass Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton
Each year, the bishop invites those who are baptized or received into the full communion of the Catholic Church to a celebration of the Eucharist at the Cathedral Basilica in Hamilton. All are invited to participate in this special liturgy as a sign of welcome to the newest members of Christ's Body in the Diocese of Hamilton.



An invitation to pray to

Mary, Our Mother of Perpetual Help

The Legion of Mary of St. Mark's community is inviting all to join them in prayers to Mary, Our Mother of Perpetual Help for their families, friends, for the sick, in thanksgiving, for those who have fallen away from the faith ... for whatever is on your heart. Please join the Legionaries on Friday's from 11am to 12noon in the Chapel. *For where there are two or three gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.* (MATTHEW 18:20)



Book Donations - The Legion of Mary is requesting donations of **Christian books, in good condition**, to replenish their Book Borrow shelves. Please drop off your books in the St. Matthew's Room. If you have any questions please call Colette at 519-576-7490.

Join us for Chapel Adoration

St. Mark's Catholic Women's League has adopted an hour of adoration on **Sundays from 4-5 p.m.** All are welcome to join them.

Seven Sorrows of Mary Rosary

During Lent the Seven Sorrows Rosary will be made available, by the Legion of Mary, for the purchase price of \$20 each (at cost). These rosaries are handmade and the beads are made of hematite stone. Please call Colette at 519-576-7490 if you are interested in purchasing one.

UPCOMING LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICES

(Communal services with multiple priests available)

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| Wed. Mar. 29 | 7:00 pm | St. Aloysius, Kitchener |
| | 7:00 pm | St. Agatha, St. Agatha |
| Thur. Mar. 30 | 7:00 pm | St. Clement's, St. Clements |
| | Sun. April 2 | 10:00 am St. Anne's, Kitchener |
| | 1:00 pm | St. Jerome's University, Waterloo |
| Mon. April 3 | 7:00 pm | St. Mary's, Kitchener |
| | 7:30 pm | St. Louis, Waterloo |
| Tues. April 4 | 7:00 pm | St. Clement's, Cambridge |
| | 7:30 pm | St. Agnes, Waterloo |
| Wed. April 5 | 7:00 pm | St. Joseph's, Kitchener |
| | 7:30 pm | St. Michael's, Waterloo |
| Thur. April 6 | 7:00 pm | Blessed Sacrament, Kitchener |
| | 7:00 pm | St. Teresa of Avila, Elmira |
| | 7:30 pm | Our Lady of Lourdes, Waterloo |



DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE SOLIDARITY QUILT – As part of D & P's 50th anniversary celebration, a giant solidarity quilt is being created in dioceses all across Canada by our members and partners in the Global South. Each diocese is creating a square, and a pilgrimage will take the pieces across the country. The pieces of the quilt will be on display on **March 29th at St. Michael's Parish** in Waterloo beginning with evening prayer at 7pm. All are welcome to attend.

ST. ALOYSIUS PARISH LENTEN MISSION: "From Font to Glory"

Directed by Msgr. Murray Kroetsch, Chancellor of the Diocese of Hamilton. All are invited to participate to prepare well to celebrate the feast of Easter! Come and renew your baptismal promises, and experience the joy of the Risen Christ!

- **March 25/26** – Introduction during all weekend Masses
- **March 27 and 28** – 7:00 pm Mass and Talk
- **March 29** – 7:00 pm Talk followed by Penitential service with visiting priests

C.W.L. ANNUAL TWILIGHT RETREAT

Tuesday, March 28th at St. Teresa Church, Kitchener (44 Leonard Street). Speaker will be Fr. Brian Quigley, MCCJ at 5:15 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Dinner at 6:00 p.m. (ticket is required for dinner). Memorial Mass for C.W.L. Members and families starting at 8:00 p.m. \$15 per person. For tickets call Mary Helen at 519-570-4375.

COME AND CELEBRATE THE GOLDEN JUBILEE OF GRACES

Guelph Spiritan Group is hosting a retreat that welcomes everyone to a day of celebrating the work of the Holy Spirit in our Dioceses with a time of Praise and worship, powerful witness talks, insightful teaching based in Sacred Scripture and a healing service before the Blessed Sacrament. Fr. Pierre Ingram will be the guest speaker. Father grew up in Guelph and is currently a professor at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit. **Saturday, April 8th** from 8:00am to 3:00pm at **St. Joseph Church, Guelph**. Mass at 9:00am. Registration fee \$10. Bring your own bagged lunch. For more information or to register please contact Ana Percic at 519-824-8456.

DEMENTIA UNDERSTOOD: Canadian statistics (2015) indicate that 564,000 people are currently living with dementia and within 15 years this number is projected to increase to 937,000. This represents 1.1 million Canadians affected directly or indirectly by the disease. Join us for a workshop that aims to demystify dementia by clarifying the causes and manifestations of the disease. The presentation will also support care givers by offering practical tips for working with the person who has dementia. This workshop is well suited for both professionals and any individual who works with or has family members with dementia. Join us on **Thursday, April 20th** from 7-9:30 PM at the **Diocesan Chancery Office**, 700 King St. West, Hamilton. For more information, or to register (walk-ins that evening are welcome) contact the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or look on our website at www.hamiltondiocese.com. The event is free and all are welcome, so bring a neighbor or friend.

ANNUAL C.W.L. CARD PARTY – Wed. April 26th at St. Anthony Daniel Parish Life Centre, Kitchener. Tickets \$15 available at the parish office or call Joan Schurter at 519-893-7429.

PORNOGRAPHY continues to be a growing crisis in our society and the link to human trafficking has been documented. Children as young as 8 years of age through to adulthood are being negatively impacted by the pornographic culture in which we live. The Waterdown Stop Human Trafficking Committee is hosting their annual conference on **Saturday, April 29th** from 9 – 1 pm. Their speakers, Michelle Brock and Glendyne Gerrard, will offer practical ways for all to respond to this crisis. You will also have a chance to view a powerful documentary on the impact of pornography, entitled "Over 18." The conference is being held at **Notre Dame Centre** (Emmaus Room, 1921 Snake Road) in Burlington. To register call 289-813-0703, or e-mail stophumantraffickingwaterdown@gmail.com; cost is \$10 per adult to be paid at the door.

ANNUAL PRIESTHOOD & CONSECRATED LIFE DINNER

The Serra Club of Hamilton celebrates the 14th Annual Priesthood & Consecrated Life dinner on **Thursday, May 11th at Liuna Station Banquet Centre in Hamilton**. For details visit: www.celebrationprl.wixsite.com/dinner, or email celebrationprl@gmail.com or call Margaret at 905-628-5682.

BLESSED & BROKEN ADULT RETREAT – May 26-28 at St. Ignatius

Deemerton Retreat Centre, Sideroad 20 N, Mildmay. \$165 per person (covers room & food). "We know Him in the breaking of bread and we know each other in the breaking of bread" (Dorothy Day). Come break bread with us...laugh, cry, pray...in the private, idyllic setting of the St. Ignatius Centre in Deemerton. For details contact Frances Walker at franceswalkermusic@gmail.com or 226-339-3059 (cell) or 519-213-0233 (home).

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