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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 and 3:45 - 4:45 PM or at other times by appointment.

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. Three separate drop-in programs for K-1, Gr. 2-3, and Gr. 4-5. 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 arrange to have a Mass celebrated for the intentions of a living person, or for the repose of the soul of a departed loved one, please fill out this request form, place it in a **separate** envelope and drop it in the Sunday collection, or slip it under the door of the parish office outside of office hours. The 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 recommends an offering of \$10.

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I would like to have HOW MANY? Mass(es) celebrated for
☐ 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: ☐ 7:00 AM on a Weekday ☐ 7:00 PM on a Tuesday ☐ 9:00 AM on a Saturday ☐ 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 your request at least 2-3 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 11 - 17, 2013

Monday

7:00 AM + David Baggey - Baggey Family

Tuesday

7:00 PM + Alphonsus Lambe - Legion of Mary

Wednesday

7:00 AM - Int. of Krystyna Ochinski

Thursday

7:00 AM - Int. of Josh Hayek - Ylanda

Friday

7:00 AM - Int. of Nivasan, Savery and Janakan 6:00 PM + Elena Pestritu – Dorin Pestritu

6:30 PM - STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Saturday

9:00 AM + Souls in Purgatory

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Isaiah 43:16-21; Philippians 3:8-14; John 8:1-11

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

SUN. 9:30 AM + John Chircoski - wife

11:30 AM + Tess O'Hanlon - Hugh & Carole Courtney

+ Ken Dawson - 11:30 Choir



Office Hours This Week March 11-15, 2013

Tues., Wed., Thurs. 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon

Offertory Collection Last Weekend March 2/3, 2013 TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS \$ 4,528.95 Parish Mortgage Fund \$ 1,230.00

St. Mark's Spirit Crew

Our Parish's Ministry for Youth ~ Grade 6 and Up

■ 30-HOUR FAMINE: Friday, March 15 – Saturday, March 16

The Spirit Crew is once again going to participate in a 30-hour Famine during Lent. This will be a time of fun, fellowship and fasting. This is an overnight event held at the church starting on Friday, March 15th and concluding after an evening meal on Saturday, March 16th. All money raised from this event will go to our St. Vincent de Paul Society, as well as to the Mexico Mission trip. Please come and join us. You will not be disappointed. We have many fabulous activities planned that will keep you busy during the time of fasting.

Those interested can pick up information and pledge sheets on the Youth Bulletin Board in the narthex. Permission slips need to be returned to the Envelope in the Youth box in the Narthex. Pledges will be turned in when you join us on March 15th. Registration is limited to 30 youth, so please get your signed permission slip in early!

■ NEXT FAITH SHARING

Friday, March 22nd from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the church.

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 do let us know if you will be attending! Email Kate or Tom at the.boettgers@sympatico.ca.

Prayer for a New Pope

O Lord Jesus Christ, Supreme Pastor of Your Church, we thank you for the ministry of Pope Benedict XVI and the selfless care with which he has led us as Successor of Peter, and Your Vicar



Good Shepherd, who founded Your Church on the rock of Peter's faith and have never left Your flock untended, look with love upon us now, and sustain Your Church in faith, hope, and charity.

Grant, Lord Jesus, in Your boundless love for us, a new Pope for Your Church who will please You by his holiness and lead us faithfully to You, who are the same yesterday, today, and forever. Amen.

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Programs for Separated & Divorced in K-W

All Kitchener Waterloo Programs are from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. To register please call Teresa Hartnett at (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249, or visit: www.hamiltondiocese.com/offices/familyministry/divorce-separation.php

LEVEL 1 - Learning to Cope (Tuesday Evenings for 11 weeks) March 19 - May 28, 2013

St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Kitchener

LEVEL 2 - Accepting the Situation (Tuesday Evenings for 11 weeks) March 19 - May 28, 2013

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LEVEL 3 - Enhancing Self Esteem (Tuesday Evenings for 10 weeks) March 19 - May 21, 2013

St. Mark's Parish, Kitchener

Mission to Mexico 2013

At Easter this year a group of 18 people from our Christian family will be traveling to Mexico to build a school for a very needy community. In the past, we have built homes for individual families, but have come to realize the need for a place for the children of the area to go to school. We are looking to build 3 separate classrooms that will be like the portables we would see in our school yards. The cost to build is about 3 times what we have had to supply in the past

In order to help raise funds, we as a team are hosting a **Silent Auction THIS SUNDAY, MARCH 10**TH (note the change of date) from 2-4 p.m. It will be held at the Artline Salon, 678-202 Belmont Ave. West in Kitchener. Please come and join us in this venture. Together we can all make a difference in these children's lives. For further information, please contact Kate Boettger at 519-745-6065.

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2013? On June 2, 2013 at 1:30 pm. Bishop Douglas Crosby will celebrate a Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral of Christ the King in Hamilton. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only – those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest). Please register by May 1st to be sure your name is included in the program. Details are available on the poster in the narthex of the church.

About Baptism...

The Code of Canon (Church) Law preserves the rights of Catholic adults to have their children baptized. One must also remember that parents and, in a supportive role, godparents must promise to do all they can to raise the child in the Catholic faith. This is a tall order for many do not know the faith given the powerful and destructive influences within the secular world – influences which can even corrupt religious people if they drift from the faith.

Every member of this parish has the sacred duty of witnessing in word and deed to the joy of living in Christ, to the profession of the creed, to uphold the commandments brought to fulfillment in the Law who is Jesus Christ. It is the duty of all Catholics to shed light on the life that the Lord wills us to live, and gently, though without compromise, remind those under our influence why chastity (for example) is a joy and frees us from much evil in favour of all that is good, godly and life-giving.

For baptism, Catholic parents and godparents must renounce Satan and his kingdom of darkness – atheism, agnosticism and the post-modern secular attitudes floating about that teach all religious are the same (pick one or a preferred blend of all the 'religions'). The latter is even worse than the outright denial of God. Included in the renunciation of evil are the occult practices such as fortune telling, palm reading, magic (this does not mean card tricks which are only slight of hand), Ouija boards, horoscopes, contacting the dead (as opposed to asking the saint's intercession or praying for our dead) and other such things. C.W. Lewis, the great Christian writer, warns of two extremes regarding the dark side. One is materialism which denies that the devil exists. The other is the preoccupation with the realm of darkness. Both are to be avoided like the plague.

Godparents: Both should, ideally, be baptized, confirmed, practicing Catholics 16 years of age or older (a slightly younger person may be suitable, pending assessment). One godparent <u>must</u> fit the above description. You may have a baptized Christian who stands in as a Christian <u>witness</u> with the Catholic sponsor, as is sometimes the case with a married couple. Both godparent(s) and witness must acknowledge their responsibility to support the child's spiritual growth as a <u>Catholic</u>. One male and one female godparent is the norm. A non-baptized person may not stand as a godparent or Christian witness.

The child's names cannot be offensive to Catholic teaching – like "Dark" – yes, this has been put forth and denied as acceptable. Best to avoid names that are of celestial origin which smack of horoscope reading – Moon, Sun, Star, etc. Though not strictly forbidden, the Christian virtues such as Purity or Chastity should not be selected (in my opinion). These can be fuel for teasing and ridicule, and at any given time in a person's development might be quite contradictory to the manner in which they live, thereby creating occasion for mockery. Choose at least one name that is taken from a canonized saint with whom you have an affinity. You may even discover what your child should be named. One baby girl seemed to have a musical tone to her baby sounds, so they named her Cecilia. When she gets older, the parents can tell her what Catholic woman power is really all about – the fidelity Cecilia had toward her husband and the undying and unshakable love she had for God.

- Fr. Don

Films, Fellowship & Faith

All Ladies Welcome! Women's Prayer Night will listen to "Fruit of the Spirit" by Joyce Meyers (Part 2 of 8), Wednesday, March 13 at 7pm in the Basement. Please bring any prayer requests with you for Intercessory Rosary following the CD.

C.W.L. Corner ...

The Catholic Women's League of Canada is a national organization rooted in gospel values calling its members to holiness through service to the people of God.



How well do you know the C.W.L.?

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION: A tenth maple leaf was added to the League insignia to recognize what event?

Last Week's Answer: The first organizational meeting of what later became the C.W.L. took place at <u>St. Joachim's Church in Edmonton</u>, Alberta

Man of the Shroud Exhibit

The Shroud of Turin, a photographic replica, is coming for the very first time in Ontario to Blessed Sacrament Parish, 305 Laurentian Drive, Kitchener on **March 19-26, 2013**. There will be Shroud Scholars for live-presentation, Museum Boards, Passion of Christ Replicas, and the 14 foot linen cloth which bears the image of a man scourged and crucified believed by millions to be the burial cloth of Jesus. All are welcome and admission is free.

Weekday Exhibit Viewing: 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. & 6-9 p.m. (Tuesday, March 26: closing time is at 8:00 p.m.)
Saturday, March 23: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. and 8 - 10 p.m.
Sunday, March 24: 1- 4 p.m. and 6-10 p.m.

Shroud DVD's made available for viewing during the Exhibit. Visiting Shroud Scholars: Russ Breault and Phillip Wiebe, Ph.D. For Shroud Scholar presentation times or group reservations please contact: shroud.kitchener@hotmail.com or visit www.blessed-sacrament.ca. To learn more on the exhibit, please visit: www.manoftheshroud.org.

Why You(th) Need Church

Join us for an evening of concerts and talks aimed at renewing the Catholic culture, featuring Canadian Gospel Music Association Award winners *Critical Mass* and *Mags* along with speakers David and Jodie Wang, on **Friday, March 22**nd at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary's High School, Kitchener. Advance tickets \$10 (\$12 at door). Sponsored by the Kitchener Knights of Columbus Council 1504. Contact Peter Penlington at peter.penlington@gmail.com or 519-897-0269.

Prophets Foretold

Palm Sunday, March 24th at 3:00 p.m. St. Michael's Church (Waterloo) invites you on a musical journey with the foretold Christ. Prophets Foretold is a Lenten meditative presentation on the life of Christ with readings of Messianic prophecies and a Mass choir singing choruses from Handel's Messiah. This is the first presentation of an exciting collaborative ecumenical project involving St. Michael's RC Church, St. Jacobs Mennonite Church, Calvin Presbyterian Church, Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Blessed Sacrament RC Church Choir and Leupold Chorale. Free-will offering supports Grand River Regional Cancer Centre. Visit www.stmichaelw.ca or call 519-884-9311.

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