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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 & 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. 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. 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 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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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
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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:

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

Daytime Phone Number:

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Worship This Week

March 17 - 23, 2014

Monday

7:00 am + Kathleen Blanchard - Peter & Rosemary Walsh

Tuesday

7:00 pm + Alphonsus Lambe – *Legion of Mary*

Wednesday (solemnity – St. Joseph)

7:00 am - In Thanksgiving – *Luiz Macedo*

Thursday

7:00 am - Intentions of Mary Greaney – M./E. Lawlor

Friday

7:00 am - Intentions of Roy Robinson

6:30 pm + David Baggey – Baggey Family

<u>Saturda</u>y

9:00 am - Intentions of Ruth Hayak – *Ylanda*

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Exodus 17:3-7; Romans 5:1-2, 5-8; John 4:5-42

<u>Sat</u>. 5:00 pm + George & Isabell Beckner – *Paul & Angela*

- Intentions of the Parishioners of St. Mark's

<u>Sun</u>. 9:30 am + Gerald Detzler – *Detzler/Wolfgram/Bradley families*

11:30 am + Ronald & Kathleen Blanchard – J. & L. Cote



STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT:

Before all weekday Masses, led by a lay person. After Friday evening Mass, led by Fr. Don.

Offertory Collections	March 8/9, 2014	
Envelope Users	\$ 3,217.00	
Loose monies	\$611.80	
TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS	\$ 3,828.80	
Mortgage Fund	\$ 505.00	
Thank you for your generosity!		



- <u>NEXT FAITH SHARING</u>: Friday, March 21st from 7-9 p.m. 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 let us know if you will be attending! Email Lisa at Imaenpaa@primus.ca or Christine at cutting_abcd@rogers.com.
- <u>30-HOUR FAMINE</u>: Friday, March 28th Saturday, March 29th All youth from grade 6 to 12 are invited to participate in this fun, annual overnight event. Fundraising and permission forms can be found on the Spirit Crew bulletin board. Signed permission forms are due by <u>Sun. March 23rd</u> please hand them in to the Spirit Crew Mailbox found on the back wall of the narthex. There is limited space so get your permission form in to the Church ASAP to guarantee your spot. For more information please contact Christine at cutting abcd@rogers.com.

LITURGICAL ROLES				
MAR. 22 & 23	SAT. 5:00 PM	SUN. 9:30 AM	SUN. 11:30 AM	
Altar Servers:	V./P./J. Miller	R./K. Ertel D. Bristol	B./B. Starr K./N. Starr	
Commentator:	C. Baumtrog	P. Enticott	J. Petrovich	
Lector:	C. Baumtrog	J. Flanigan	P. Masbad	
Ushers:	A./T. Montag	F./B. Seaward	B. Voisin F. Sawaya	
Gift Bearers:	Miller	Haid	Maenpaa	
Eucharistic Ministers:	C. Dokis F./Y. Tully K. Smith	S. Sawchuk A. Simoes M. Walser M.E. McCullough	J. McCullough D. Henri B./S. Markides A. Monte	

Legion of Mary

■ MEET & GREET: TODAY! Sunday, March 16th

Stephanie Baskerville (new President of the Legion of Mary) looks forward to meeting all Auxiliary Legionaries of St. Mark's Parish at an informal 'meet and greet' today in the St. Matthew's Room between 10:30 and 11:15. All Auxiliary Members of the St. Mark's Our Lady Queen of Heaven Praesidium, are invited to drop in to visit so Stephanie can make your acquaintance.



■ ACIES & POTLUCK: Sunday, March 30th

All Active and Auxiliary Legionaries are invited to attend the Acies at **St. Aloysius Church** (11 Tray+ Katnor Avenue, Kitchener). The Procession will begin at 3:00 p.m. sharp. Please be there for 2:45 p.m. to gather and process in with our Praesidium's banner. Families are welcome to attend. Potluck to follow.

Good Friday Stations of the Cross

The St. Mark's Drama Group is underway with planning and rehearsing for the Stations of the Cross, which will be held on **Good Friday at 7p.m.** in the Church. Actors and dancers of all ages are still required, as we are hoping to make this our



biggest performance ever! **Practices will be held every Sunday after the 11:30am Mass** for about an hour and I truly hope to see you at our next one! In my own experience as an actor, there was no better way for me to draw closer to Jesus than by being a part of renacting His final day on Earth. Please contact me for more information. – *Stephanie Baskerville* (sbaskerville@sympatico.ca)

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH — Marriage is never a static affair — life events, changing family situations and growing older all contribute to a relationship in motion! As you build your marriage, the foundation becomes solid and "bricks and mortar" are added, but don't be fooled into believing the task is complete. Maintenance is what keeps marriages strong: spend time together; remember to speak words of love and appreciation; talk about what you are doing well and what you need to improve as a couple. When we continue to put effort into our marriages, the ride is filled with excitement and joy! submitted by Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 ext. 2250

Famous Catholic Prayers (PART 9)

St. Patrick (feast day March 17) was born in Great Britain about the year 385. As a young man he was captured and sold as a slave in Ireland where he worked tending sheep. He had a vision of God, escaped Ireland, and promised to give his life to God. He became a priest and later, as a bishop, went to Ireland to convert the pagan hoards and establish the Church. The only historical writings we have about him are his Confessions. In these writings we read of his battles with pagan lords, with the roman governor and even with British bishops. The later he criticized for not speaking out loudly enough against those who exploited his people. Patrick was apparently criticized by many of the elite for his forthright and socalled "boorish" language, selectively used when speaking his mind to the high and mighty. Many speculate and depict in art Patrick as being a rough and tumble man, physically and mentally equipped to tackle the many challenges to be faced. This segment (below) of his breastplate reveals that Christ was both his mission and his enduring strength as he struggled to bring the Good News to Ireland. Perhaps Patrick, even more than the leprechaun, best exemplifies the feisty nature of "the fighting Irish." He died in 461 – no one knows exactly where. Have a happy St. Patrick's Day, all you Irish, and salute the man who brought the faith to your people.

The Breastplate of St. Patrick (excerpt)

I summon today all these powers between me and those evils, Against every cruel and merciless power that may oppose my body and soul, Against incantations of false prophets,

Against black laws of pagandom,

Against false laws of heretics,

Against craft of idolatry,

Against spells of witches and smiths and wizards,

Against every knowledge that corrupts man's body and soul;

Christ to shield me today

Against poison, against burning,

Against drowning, against wounding,

So that there may come to me an abundance of reward.

Christ with me, Christ before me,

Christ behind me, Christ in me,

Christ beneath me, Christ above me,

Christ on my right, Christ on my left,

Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down,

Christ when I arise,

Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,

Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,

Christ in every eye that sees me,

Christ in every ear that hears me.

– Fr. Don

"MARY OF NAZARETH" - Saturday, March 29th at 10:00 a.m. Branches Catholic Ministries will once again be hosting this PG-rated film at the Landmark Cinema Gateway Park (formerly Empire Studios) in Kitchener. This new, epic motion picture on the remarkable life of the mother of Christ from her childhood through to the Resurrection of Jesus vividly captures the essence of Mary's profound faith and trust in God, as well as her compassion and concern for others and her desire for all to come to know and grow in a deeper relationship with her Son. Tickets (\$12) are not available at the box office – they must be purchased online at www.go2branches.com. Advance purchase recommended. All proceeds from this event support the mission of Branches Catholic Ministries – bringing Catholic faith to modern culture through conferences, special events, and the facilitation of adult faith formation programs and youth ministry. For further info contact B.C.M. at 905-685-7000 or info@go2branches.com.

Mission to Mexico: April 26th - May 4th

A group of your fellow parishioners are paying their own way to travel to Mexico to participate in building a school for a community in need. Some have made this trip for the last 4 years, and have seen first-hand the impact of these efforts on families and the community.

The area is made up of large fruit farms, and people have travelled there from other parts of Mexico to find work. There is great poverty in the area, as families struggle for low wages and try to provide for basic needs. Providing a school is the first step in helping to break out of the poverty cycle. Education is key.

Your support, if you feel you are able, can be offered in two ways:

- The purchase of building and school supplies: Basics are provided, but you can help to provide extras such as windows and ventiliation, classroom supplies for the teachers and students. Monetary donations would help with the purchase of what is most needed locally.
- *Drivers to provide airport transportation to and from Toronto:* This would mean early departure on Saturday, April 26th and/or pick-up in the afternoon or evening of Sunday, May 4th.

Please consider helping in their efforts to build and better this community. **To offer your assistance, please contact Kate and Tom Boettger** at **519-745-6065** or the.boettgers@sympatico.ca.

AREA LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICES				
DATE	TIME	CHURCH		
Wed. March 19	1:00 pm	St. Francis Church		
Wed. March 26	7:00 pm	St. Aloysius Church		
Mon. March 31	7:30 pm	St. Louis Church		
Tues. April 1	7:00 pm	St. Clement's Church		
Tues. April 1	7:30 pm	St. Agnes Church		
Wed. April 2	7:30 pm	St. Michael Church		
Thur. April 3	7:00 pm	St. Agatha Church		
Thur. April 3	7:30 pm	Our Lady of Lourdes Church		
Sun. April 6	3:00 pm	Sacred Heart Church		
Mon. April 7	7:00 pm	St. Mary's Church		
Tues. April 8	7:00 pm	St. Anthony Daniel Church		
Tues. April 8	7:30 pm	St. Anne's Parish		
Wed. April 9	7:00 pm	Blessed Sacrament Church		
Thur. April 10	7:30 pm	St. Joseph's Church		
Tues. April 15	7:00 pm	St. Teresa of Avila Church, Elmira		
Wed. April 16	7:00 pm	St. Mark's Church		

"ROMEIROS DE KITCHENER" (PILGRIMAGE): Sunday, March 23rd Pilgrimage starting at 6:30 a.m. from Our Lady of Fatima Church (300 Simeon St., Kit.) to St. Anthony Daniel Church (Ottawa & Franklin Sts.) to Woodland Cemetery and back to Our Lady of Fatima for Mass at 11:00 a.m. followed by lunch at the Kitchener Portuguese Club. For more information, please contact Dorvalino Lima (519-578-2025) or John Lima (226-600-6432).

GOOD FRIDAY FISH & CHIPS: Friday, April 18th

Eat-in or Take-out, 11am to 6pm at the **Maryhill Community Centre**. Unreserved seats 11am to 3pm / Reservations only from 4-6 pm / Take-out window open all day. Haddock Fish with Fresh Cut Fries served with coleslaw, tartar sauce and lemon. 1-piece Dinner \$11 or 2-piece dinner \$13. Dessert and refreshments also available. CASH ONLY. Reservations for hall seating or take-out orders of 5 or more must be made by Thursday, April 17th at 519-648-2939 or maryhillfishfry@outlook.com.

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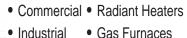
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