

# 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:** 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday at 10:00 AM

**Benediction:** 1<sup>st</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

## EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Worship This Week

March 3 – 9, 2014

#### Monday

7:00 am - Int. of the Flynn Family – *Noreen Flynn*

#### Tuesday

7:00 pm + Jack Soares – *Maria*

#### ASH WEDNESDAY

7:00 am + Jan Nowakowski – *Mary Emily McCullough*

5:30 pm - **CONFESSIONS** (until 6:30pm)

7:00 pm + John Dufresne – *Marilyn Dufresne*

#### Thursday

7:00 am + Elena Pestritu – *Dorin and Family*

#### Friday (WORLD DAY OF PRAYER)

7:00 am - Int. of Joanne Bush & Family – *Jan & Louis Cote*

1:00 pm - **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE**

6:30 pm + Kathleen Blanchard – *Carl & Agnes Santoni*

#### Saturday

9:00 am - Int. of Ron Denomme & Family – *Jan & Louis Cote*

#### FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

*Genesis 2:7-9, 16-18, 25; 3:1-7+; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11*

**Sat. 5:00 pm** + Slavko Uzman and the Cimermancic Family

**Sun. 9:30 am** + Angelina Shouftas – *Mom, Dad & George*

**11:30 am** + Domenico Altomare – *Olinski Family*

- Int. of the Parishioners of St. Mark's

#### 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

**Feb. 22/23, 2014**

Envelope Users..... \$ 3,588.00

Loose monies..... \$362.22

**TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS** ..... **\$ 3,950.22**

Mortgage Fund..... \$ 230.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*



### ST. MARK'S MINISTRY FOR YOUTH (Grade 6 and Up)

■ **NEXT FAITH SHARING:** Please check next week's bulletin for the date of our next Faith Sharing!! ☺

■ **30-HOUR FAMINE:** Friday, March 28<sup>th</sup> - Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup>

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 Sun. March 23<sup>rd</sup>** – 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](mailto:cutting_abcd@rogers.com).

#### LITURGICAL ROLES

MARCH 8 & 9	SAT. 5:00 PM	SUN. 9:30 AM	SUN. 11:30 AM
Altar Servers:	Z./J. Riddell	R./J. Henri R. Vezensenyi	A./R. Maenpaa A. Paz
Commentator:	C. Baumtrog	J. Germann	T. Boettger
Lector:	N. Higgins	T. Germann	K. Phillips
Ushers:	J./L. Deneau	D./M. Walser	B./K./B./E. Starr
Gift Bearers:	Loth	Seaward	Petrovich/Hartwell
Eucharistic Ministers:	C. Dokis N./K. Higgins G. Balm A. Bendia	T. Angel B. Seaward P./B. Enticott D. Henri	R. Masbad P. McCullough L. McCullough B./S. Markides

#### Baptism Preparation Meeting

**Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the St. John Room**

All parents having children baptized on Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup> are reminded of the preparation meeting this Wednesday. Because this is Ash Wednesday, **the time of the meeting has been changed to 6:00 p.m.** so as not to conflict with the Mass at 7:00 p.m.

#### Show Me The Way: A C.W.L. Lenten Retreat

Sister Elaine Arsenault, Sister of Social Service, facilitated our Advent Retreat. Due to the overwhelming positive response, she has kindly agreed to present at our Lenten Retreat on **Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup>**. The day begins with Mass at 9:00 a.m. followed by muffins and coffee. We will provide soup and drinks at noon and suggest you bring a brown bag lunch as well. The day will include prayer, song and quiet reflection and will close at 3:30 p.m. A freewill offering will be collected for Sister Elaine and Rita for their ministry and expenses. **All members of the parish are welcome. Please register by March 7<sup>th</sup>** by e-mail to [stmarkcwl@gmail.com](mailto:stmarkcwl@gmail.com) or to Cathy Voisin at 519-742-8592.

#### Legion of Mary News

■ **MEET & GREET: Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup>**

Stephanie Baskerville, the new President of the Legion of Mary would like to hold an informal 'meet and greet' for all the Auxiliary Legionaries of St. Mark's Parish. If you are an Auxiliary Member of the St. Mark's Our Lady Queen of Heaven Praesidium, please drop in to visit Stephanie in the St. Matthew's Room any time between 10:30 and 11:15 a.m. so that she can make your acquaintance. She looks forward to seeing you!

■ **ACIES & POTLUCK: Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**

All Active and Auxiliary Legionaries are invited to attend the Acies at **St. Aloysius Church** (11 Traynor 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 7:00 p.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 re-enacting His final day on Earth. Please contact me for more information.

Sincerely, **Stephanie Baskerville** ([sbaskerville@sympatico.ca](mailto:sbaskerville@sympatico.ca))



## Lenten Practices

### Ash Wednesday: A day of fasting and abstinence

This week we will celebrate Ash Wednesday which will begin our season of Lent. Lent is a time of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving in preparation for our celebrations of Easter, when Christ died and rose from the dead for our salvation. Ash Wednesday is also a day of fasting and abstinence. There are two days of compulsory fasting and abstinence prescribed by the Church: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday (Code of Canon Law #1251).

**Fasting** means eating less than normal. We are asked to eat one regular size meal and two smaller meals. Catholics between the ages of 16-60 are asked to abide by this discipline.

**Abstinence** means abstaining from eating meat on this day. Catholics older than 14 years of age are asked to abide by this discipline.

Note: We are also encouraged to continue the traditional practice of abstaining from meat every Friday. As well, one should not engage in excessive entertainment throughout the Lenten Season, and most certainly not on Good Friday.

**Stations of the Cross:** I will lead the Stations of the Cross immediately following the 6:30 p.m. Mass each Friday during Lent (except Good Friday). One of our lay people will lead us in the stations prior to each weekday Mass.

**Confessions:** I will be hearing confessions prior to weekday Masses in the St. Luke Room.

**Easter Duty:** We have from Ash Wednesday until Pentecost Sunday to receive the Holy Eucharist. This, of course, means that every Catholic who has already received the Eucharist must be spiritually prepared to celebrate the mysteries of our faith in communion with the entire Church. This reminds us all of the call to conversion and that there is no sin worth hanging onto that keeps us from this unity with Christ and His Church. This means that we must make a good confession during this holy time.

I encourage everyone to try to come to Mass during the week throughout the Lenten and Easter seasons. Hopefully, we will establish the joyful habit of attending Mass whenever and wherever we possibly can. Remember as well to visit the Blessed Sacrament as often as possible. All things are passing away – but the Eternal Lord, Jesus Christ, is now and will be forever be the true joy of mankind with the Holy Spirit and Our Father in Heaven.

-- Fr. Don

## Famous Catholic Prayers (PART 7)

**The Way of the Cross** is a powerful devotion used particularly during Lent. After the introduction of each station, the leader says **“We adore Thee, O Christ, and we praise Thee.”** All respond **“Because by Thy Holy Cross, You have redeemed the world.”**

I prefer to use the pronouns “Thee” and “Thou” when referring to the Lord. Formal language has fallen out of usage these days. Check out the newscasters at CNN or CBC or any other news station – it’s always “you guys” even when speaking to the ladies. At least we can use formal pronouns in our common prayers to the Lord (e.g. “Thy kingdom come...”). – Fr. Don

**CURSILLO WEEKEND** - A mini-course on the review of your Catholic faith in a retreat atmosphere; a series of talks; an opportunity for worship, study, shared prayer, fellowship, laughter; a help to grow spiritually and closer to Jesus Christ. **MEN'S WEEKEND: April 24-27. WOMEN'S WEEKEND: May 1-4.** Both in Deemerton, Ontario. \$200 offering (more or less, according to your means), for lodging and meals. For details call:

Betty Enticott: 519-743-0908 benticott@rogers.com  
 Marg & Doug Weber: 519-747-5937 marg.weber@sympatico.ca  
 Fr. Ray Reitzel, C.R. 519-725-1445 rayreitzelcr@live.com

## C.W.L. Corner ...



### ■ SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR UPCOMING EVENTS!

- March 7:** World Day of Prayer at St. Mark's
- March 15:** Lenten Retreat with Sr. Elaine Arsenault
- May 4:** Mother Daughter Brunch
- Sept. 13:** Wine Tour (CWL Members Only)

## World Day of Prayer: Friday, March 7th at 1:00 p.m.

This Friday, March 7<sup>th</sup> St. Mark's will be hosting World Day of Prayer. The Service will start at 1:00 p.m. and a light reception will follow in the Church Hall.

World Day of Prayer is a worldwide movement of Christians of many traditions who come together on the first Friday of March to observe a common day of prayer each year. Through W.D.O.P. we affirm our faith in Jesus Christ and become aware of the whole world. We are enriched by the faith experience of Christians of other countries and cultures, share the burdens of other people and pray with and for them. We become aware of our own talents and use them in service of God's world. Prayer and action are inseparable and both have immeasurable influence in the world.

PLEASE JOIN US if you can. **We need a few volunteers** to take part in the service ... 3 people, including myself, as well as volunteers to help set up the reception, greet and seat people and hand out strips of paper and a pen to everyone who enters. We would gladly accept some squares, cookies or muffins for the reception as well. If you are able to help out, please contact me either by phone or email.

This is open to all women and men. There is a free will collection basket that will go around during the service and an envelope for donations of \$10 or more will get a tax receipt. This money goes to the World Day of Prayer Organization.

Blessings,

**Donna Henri** (Past President of St. Mark's C.W.L.)  
 519-579-9492 / s\_henri@yahoo.com

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

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