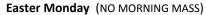
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Worship This Week

APRIL 1 - 7, 2013



★ 7:00 PM + Pamela George – Russell & Whalen Families



7:00 PM + Ken Keene - Russell & Whalen Families

7:00 AM + David Baggey - Baggey Family

THURSDAY

7:00 AM + Mark Winklemaier - George & Terry

FRIDAY

7:00 AM + Pamela Reimer - Russell & Whalen Families

SATURDAY

9:00 AM - Int. of Josh Hayek - Ylanda

Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:12-16; Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; John 20:19-31 SAT. 5:00 PM - Int. of the Parishioners of St. Mark's SUN. 9:30 AM + Vital Mendes - Maria De Melo

- Int. of Roby & Samra Makonen – E. Habtay

11:30 AM + Olivia & Eileen Macedo - Luiz Macedo



Office Hours This Week April 2 - 5, 2013

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

Offertory Collection Last Weekend March 23/24, 2013

| Envelope Users | \$ 3,852.25 |
|------------------------|-------------|
| Loose monies | \$ 564.09 |
| TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS | |
| Parish Mortgage Fund | \$ 100.00 |

St. Mark's Spirit Crew

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

■ NEXT FAITH SHARING

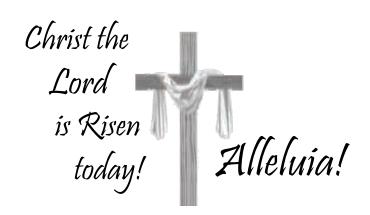
Friday, April 5th from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the church.

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.



Today is White Box Sunday

St. Mark's St. Vincent de Paul Society has placed its white box in the narthex this weekend (March 30-31) to accept your donations. Thank you for your generosity.





BISHOP OF HAMILTON

Easter Sunday, 2013

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Easter is always the celebration of new life. In the midst of darkness and death, the Resurrection of Jesus Christ is the promise of new life. We follow Him closely so that we will share in new life with Him.

Recently, I celebrated the funeral of a long-time friend after a lengthy illness. His wife, family, and friends, grieved his loss deeply. Their sadness and tears were palpable. Yet they were consoled by their belief that he was with the Lord – in a better place: no more pain, no more suffering, no more tears. It is, when all is said and done, a great consolation.

The family was also consoled by the knowledge that "love never ends." Their love for him, and his for them, continues beyond death. Their prayers for him are effective, as are his prayers for them.

At Easter we celebrate the fullness of life and love. We say that Jesus Christ is "the first-born from the dead." And we believe that we rise with him: we are "co-heirs" with him to the fullness of life with God.

When darkness and sin and death threaten to overwhelm, let us always remember that we share in the promise of new life. Let it be our reassurance and our joy. With confidence in the Resurrection then, let us love one another as He loves us!

Sincerely in the Risen Christ and Mary Immaculate,

(Most Rev.) Douglas Crosby, OMI Bishop of Hamilton

> Visit our parish website at: www.stmarkcatholicparish.org





25th Anniversary Photo Directory

We want ALL parishioners to be included in this special edition! All photographed families receive a FREE directory and a FREE 8×10 colour portrait. All photography and viewing of photos is done in

one convenient 30-min. appointment at the church.

Additional portrait sessions have been planned for: Wed. April 10 • Thur. April 11 • Mon. April 22 • Tue. April 23

TO SCHEDULE YOUR APPOINTMENT, please sign up on the weekend after Mass in the narthex, or reach Paul at 519-743-0908 or bpenticott@rogers.com.

Also! ... If anyone has SNAPSHOTS of parish activities or groups, or any archival pictures, and is willing to provide them for inclusion in the directory, please contact Paul at 519-743-0908 bpenticott@rogers.com.

BIBLE **STUDY**



James is one of the most practical books of the Bible. Like the book of Proverbs, it is a book of wisdom, a collection of teachings on issues faced by ordinary Christians in everyday life. These teachings speak loudly to all those who feel torn between the competing demands of this world and their faith. This study offers "pearls for wise living" by applying the wisdom of James to the present. For anyone who has struggled to live a truly Christian life, James offers a wealth of practical solutions for handling and even sanctifying everyday circumstances.

In James: Pearls for Wise Living, you will:

- Find an anchor to hold you steady through the storms of life
- See how God's wisdom helps us face suffering and temptation
- Learn the secret to finding joy in the midst of trials
- Learn how just a few small words can change your entire life for better or for worse
- Find reasons to trust in God's providence over wealth or position or personal talent
- Learn to recognize the source of discord and the way to peace

James: Pearls for Wise Living will be offered at St. Mark's Parish on Thursdays from April 4th to June 13th at 7:00 p.m. (previous week's DVD will be repeated @ 6:30 p.m.).

To learn more, or to register, please email Deacon Basil Markides at bmarkides@rogers.com.

Should you require the work book, please put your order in ASAP, or feel free to order your own from 1-800-884-1171 or visit www.sunrisemarian.com.

Annual Mass with New Catholics

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 of Christ the King in Hamilton. This year's celebration will take place on Sunday, April 7th at 4:00 **p.m.** All are invited to participate in this special liturgy as a sign of welcome to the newest members of Christ's Body in our Diocese of Hamilton.

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: What is the most northern C.W.L. council in Canada?

Last Week's Answer: The blessing of the new CWL flag in August 1990 took place in St. Patrick's Basilica, Montreal.

HopeSpring Presentation

St. Mark's C.W.L. invites all parishioners to join us on Tuesday, April 30th at 7:30 p.m. in the parish hall (following the 7pm Mass) for a presentation by HopeSpring Cancer Support Centre. HopeSpring is a place where people fighting cancer, along with their family and close friends, can receive information and support. Refreshments will be provided, and a free-will offering will be collected for HopeSpring. We hope to see you there.

Two-Year Lenten Series on Vatican II

Morning talks at St. Francis / Evening talks at St. Michael's (schedules available in the narthex)

The talk originally scheduled for February 21st was cancelled due to illness, and has now been rescheduled for **Thursday**. April 4th as follows:

CONSTITUTION ON THE SACRED LITURGY

(Sacrosanctum Concilium) by Monsignor Murray Kroetsch

■ St. Francis of Assisi Parish

49 Blueridge Avenue, Kitchener 519-745-7301 9:00 am Mass • 9:30 am Refreshments • 10-11:30 am Session (Parking is very limited. Please carpool!)

St. Michael Parish

240 Hemlock Street, Waterloo 519-884-9311 6:00 pm Mass • 6:30 pm Soup • 7:30-9:00 pm Session

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.

K-W & Area Right to Life Association 34th Annual Walk for Life

Saturday, May 4th ... Registration begins at 10:00 a.m. at St. Michael's Church, 240 Hemlock St. at University Ave., Waterloo. Walk begins at 10:30 a.m. (approx. 5 km) and is followed by pizza and dessert. Every \$50 pledge receives a chance for a \$150 gift certificate from McPhail's. Prizes, draws, free balloons, good food. To obtain a pledge sheet, contact K-W

Right to Life at 519-746-5433 or kwrtl@golden.net.



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