

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.

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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Worship This Week

March 10 – 16, 2014

(MARCH BREAK)

Monday

7:00 am + Lori Bassani – *Voll Cousins*

Tuesday

7:00 pm + David Baggey – *Baggey Family*

Wednesday

7:00 am + Macedo Family – *Luiz*

Thursday

7:00 am + Souls in Purgatory – *Hegedus Family*

Friday

7:00 am + Hung Van Nguyen – *Phuong Nguyen*

6:30 pm Int. of Maria DaSilva – *Julie Burkeholder*

Saturday

9:00 am Int. of Marie Loughlin – *Bernard Crawley*

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Genesis 12:1-4; 2 Timothy 1:8b-10; Matthew 17:1-9

Sat. 5:00 pm - Int. of the Parishioners of St. Mark's

Sun. 9:30 am + John Chircoski – *Pat Chircoski*

11:30 am + Hung Van Nguyen – *Phuong Nguyen*



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 1/2, 2014

Envelope Users..... \$ 3,614.90

Loose monies..... \$417.22

TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS **\$ 4,032.12**

Mortgage Fund..... \$ 1,030.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Knights of Columbus Lenten Retreat for Men

St. Mark's Knights of Columbus is once again offering a Lenten retreat for the men of the parish. It begins with dinner at 5:30 p.m., followed by Mass at 7:00 and a time of quiet meditation after Mass. All men of the Parish are welcome and encouraged to attend.



SPIRIT CREW

St. Mark's Ministry for Youth (Grade 6 and Up)

■ 30-HOUR FAMINE: 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 Sun. March 23rd** – 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. 15 & 16	SAT. 5:00 PM	SUN. 9:30 AM	SUN. 11:30 AM
Altar Servers:	K. Buchanan C. Higgins	C./M. Haid E. Chang	T./K. Shea S. Silvester
Commentator:	C. Dokis	T. Angel	O. Sirju
Lector:	V. De Vries	B. Crawley	M. McCullough
Ushers:	L. Macedo K. Friesen	B. Coutinho B. Cutting	C. Dignam M. Monte
Gift Bearers:	Buchanan	Germann	Masbad
Eucharistic Ministers:	C. Dokis K. Friesen R./P. Masbad	C. Haid M./L. Fernando K. Friesen L. Riedel	B./C. Voisin M./L. Fernando E. Weiss

FOUND: Unique silver ring

Found last week in the church. Please call or email the parish office if you have lost it (519-571-9200 / stmark@rogers.com).

Legion of Mary News

■ MEET & GREET: Sunday, March 16th

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 30th

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. – *Stephanie Baskerville* (sbaskerville@sympatico.ca)

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH – For many of our children Lent is

a time to give something up; it becomes simply a time of self-denial. Parents need to help their children understand that Lent is really a time to connect with their baptism and the teachings of our faith – it is a time to prepare ourselves for Easter. Explain to your children that we give something up as an act of self-denial, but also to unite ourselves with the world's poor; we fast, not just from food, but from poor behaviours and actions that do not make us Christ-like; we pray, not just for ourselves, but for all those in need. Reading and talking about Jesus' passion, praying as a family, engaging together in works of charity – these are all ways that families can journey through Lent together. This Lent, help your children engage in activities and take the time to become closer to God – it will make their Easter so much more meaningful.

submitted by Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 ext. 2250

Famous Catholic Prayers (PART 8)

666 – the triple six that has come to represent Satan. Next to God, The Beast hates us the most. Perhaps the above number (6) in the superlative degree (666) is used because on the 6th day God created man. Though he seeks to ruin us, he is the loser and we have God, His saints and His angels on our side. The evil one is a trickster – but he cannot outwit the Almighty. So let us employ the strategy of heaven – pray, confess, receive the Eucharist – “*We are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.*” (St. Paul)



Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

– Fr. Don

Lenten Practices

Good Friday: A day of fasting and abstinence

Last week we celebrated Ash Wednesday which began 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. 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 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

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

RETROUVAILLE: A LIFELINE FOR TROUBLED MARRIAGES

Many couples struggle, alone and confused, with their difficulties. Retrouvaille offers those in troubled and painful marriages the chance to rediscover themselves, their spouse and a loving relationship in their marriage. You are NOT alone. Please don't wait. Program takes place **March 21-23** in **Niagara Falls**.

For confidential information or to register for the program, please call 905-664-5212 or email retrovaille.hamilton@cogeco.ca or visit www.retrovaille.org.

50+ EXPO – Stephen Woodworth, Member of Parliament for Kitchener Centre, is hosting his 5th Annual 50+ Expo at the **Stanley Park Community Centre** on **Saturday, March 29th** from 12:30 to 4:00 p.m. Admission and all aspects of this event are completely free. Information booths, guest speakers and a light snack will be a part of the event. Registration is not required, but as a courtesy will facilitate our planning. Please call 519-741-2001.

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

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS – On **Sunday, May 25th**

Bishop Douglas Crosby will celebrate the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at the **Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King** in Hamilton at 1:30 pm for couples married 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years in the year 2014. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only – those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if assistance is required). To participate in the celebration, please refer to the poster on the bulletin board in the narthex.

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