

St. Mark Roman Catholic Parish

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PARISH STAFF

Rev. Stephen Murrin – *Pastor*
Rev. Mr. Philip Fernandez – *Deacon*
Mrs. Pam Olinski – *Parish Secretary*

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday at 5:00 PM
Sunday at 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM
No Children's Liturgy of the Word until further notice.

WEEKDAY MASS

Tuesday through Friday at 12:00 NOON
First Saturday of the Month at 9:00 AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturday at 4:15 PM or by appointment.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS – We invite you to become a registered parishioner. Please fill out a form from the church lobby and drop it in the collection basket or at the parish office. Please call if you would like Father to bless your home.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES / PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBIT – To receive an annual tax receipt for your donations you are encouraged to use offertory envelopes and/or to enroll in our monthly debit plan. Offertory envelopes can be requested by filling out a parish registration form, or if you are already registered, simply call the office to request a box. Debit plan enrollment forms are available in the church lobby.

BAPTISM – Baptisms are celebrated during Sunday Mass. Two months' notice is required. Please pick up a baptism form in the church lobby, introduce yourself to Father after Mass and give him your completed form at that time. A date for baptism will be confirmed by the parish office only after you have met with Father.

MARRIAGE

At least 6 months' notice is required. Please introduce yourselves to Father after Mass to start the process..

ANOINTING OF THE SICK / HOSPITAL VISITATION

If you or someone you know is in need of the Sacrament of the Sick, please call the parish office or see Father after Mass. Please advise the office of hospital admissions to request Anointing or a pastoral visit.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Call 519-571-8485 for information on food distribution.

PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Dominic Savio Catholic Elementary School

Principal: Pat Runstedler
3 Westforest Trail 519-576-5503

St. Mark Catholic Elementary School

Principal: Gary Lankowski
240 Autumn Hill Crescent 519-743-4682

Resurrection Catholic Secondary School

Principal: Marisa Munroe
455 University Avenue West 519-741-1990



"... 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 drop it in the mail. Your intention will appear in the bulletin.

If you require a Mass card please call or email the parish office to make pick-up arrangements.

The offering (stipend) for a Mass Intention is \$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

I would like the Mass to be on this specific date*: _____

**Please submit requests as far in advance as possible to reserve preferred dates.*

Sunday Masses may only be requested twice per year.

All other requests will be satisfied on weekdays.

Requested by: _____

Daytime Phone # or email: _____

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

Mass Intentions for the Week



May 2 – 8, 2022

Tuesday * NO MASS TODAY

Wednesday (FERIAL)
12 Noon + Ngam Nguyen – *Rose Nguyen*

Thursday (FERIAL)
12 Noon + Raphael Napasa – *McCullough family*

First Friday (Memorial – St. Francois De Laval, Patron of Bishops of Canada)
12 Noon – Int. of Fr. Steve Murrin – *Frank & Yvette Tully*

First Saturday (FERIAL)
9:00 am – Int. of Pam Olinski & family – *Frank & Yvette Tully*
2:00 PM - **WEDDING**

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER – May 7-8

Acts 13:14, 43-52; Revelation 7:9, 14b-17; John 10:27-30

Sat. 5:00 PM – Int. of Philip Fernandez & family – *Frank & Yvette Tully*
Sun. 9:30 am + Maria & Ernesto Camara & family – *David Costa*
11:30 am – Intentions of the Parishioners of St. Mark
2:00 PM - **FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS**



John 21:1-19 ♦ Jesus appears to the disciples for a third time after his Resurrection and shares a meal with them.

In Lectionary Cycle C, our Sunday Gospels are usually taken from the Gospel of Luke. The Gospels for the Easter Season, however, are taken from the Gospel of John. Today's Gospel is one of the post-Resurrection appearances reported by John. Recall that in John's Gospel, Jesus appears first to Mary of Magdala, second to all of the disciples except Thomas, and finally to Thomas and the disciples (which we heard last Sunday). After those appearances, John's Gospel seems to conclude with a reference to other signs that Jesus gave after his Resurrection, which have not been recorded.

Because it follows this apparent conclusion, most scholars believe today's Gospel passage (and all of John 21) to have been an addition to John's original text. Because there are significant differences between this report and the other appearances described in John's Gospel, it is quite likely that this story is from a different source. There are details in the story that recall Jesus' call to Simon Peter and the other fishermen as well as the miraculous catch of fish (found in the Gospel of Luke, with parallels in the other Synoptic Gospels). The end of the chapter, where Jesus asks Peter three times whether he loves him, most likely is meant to represent the reconciliation that occurred between the community represented by John's Gospel with the larger Christian community represented by Peter. This Gospel reading is a rich and textured story that speaks of Jesus' presence in the Eucharist and our commission to serve others as Jesus did.

Last week we heard that Jesus appeared to the gathered disciples in a locked room, probably in Jerusalem. In today's Gospel, the disciples are no longer in Jerusalem; they are in Galilee, returning to their work of fishing. Simon Peter is still presented in the role of leader: when he announces that he is going fishing, the other disciples follow. They spend the night fishing but are unsuccessful.

Jesus calls to them from the shore, but just as when Jesus first appeared to Mary of Magdala, the disciples do not recognize him immediately. Still, they follow the stranger's instructions and bring in a large haul of fish. It is at this point that one of the disciples (the "disciple whom Jesus loved") realizes that Jesus is appearing to them. Upon hearing this news, Simon Peter leads the way again, jumping from the boat and swimming to shore. The other disciples follow in the boat, dragging the fish.

The disciples have brought to shore a tremendous catch of fish that Jesus has directed them to find. But once on the shore, they see that Jesus has already prepared fish and bread on a charcoal fire. Jesus directs the disciples to bring their catch of fish as well. Jesus is host at the meal that follows, feeding the disciples the bread and fish. In this detail we see allusions to the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and the fishes told in [John 6](#).

There are also allusions in the Gospel to our gathering for the celebration of the Mass. In the Eucharist, we too are fed by Jesus in the bread and wine that have become his very Body and Blood. We also find in this story insight about the Presentation of the Gifts at Mass. The gifts we bring to the altar, bread and wine, are made from gifts that God gave first to us: grain and grapes, the fruit of the earth. God has no need of anything further. Yet God accepts the offering we bring—bread and wine, "the work of human hands"—and transforms our offering into the gift of his very presence.

After the meal, Jesus directs himself to Simon Peter. The community of John's Gospel probably looked down on Peter because of his denial of Jesus. This dialogue with Simon Peter is a reversal of Peter's three denials. Peter is forgiven. Having been restored to friendship with Jesus, Simon Peter is sent on a mission. "Feed my lambs . . . Tend my sheep . . . Feed my sheep." These commands indicate that Peter is to be as Jesus, even unto sacrificing for the flock. As Jesus has fed Peter in this meal and as Jesus feeds us in the Eucharist, so he also sends us to follow him, asking that we offer our lives in service and sacrifice. ■



LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER
The Sanctuary Lamps burn this week for:
The Repose of the soul of Linda Hopf



You may request to have one or both lamps burn for a special intention or for the repose of someone's soul. Cost is \$5 per candle, per week. Simply drop a plain envelope marked "Sanctuary Lamp" into the collection and include the stipend and the name of the person(s) you wish to remember.



Preparation for Confirmation for children in Grade 7 is currently underway with at-home study material emailed from the parish directly to parents who have enrolled their child. If you have not yet enrolled your child, please contact Pam at the parish office a.s.a.p.



We offer our sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of **Sr. Rose Gabriel, c.s.j.**
[\(https://www.dermody.com/memorials/sr-rose-gabriel-csj/4911461/\)](https://www.dermody.com/memorials/sr-rose-gabriel-csj/4911461/)
"Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen."

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

As COVID-19 continues to challenge all of us, we have sadly had to make the decision to cancel the Anniversary Mass for 2022. Bishop Crosby would still like to honour those celebrating special milestones, so we invite you to click the following link to request a letter and certificate from the Bishop honouring your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversary:
<http://crm.hamiltondiocese.com/registermass/weddinganniversary.aspx>

Called to write? If so, you are welcome to St. Mark's **Writers' Group**. We meet with the goals of improving our writing, encouraging one another, and publishing our work. If you write, or aspire to write, fiction or non-fiction that is compatible with Catholic ideals, please contact Jane Petrovich at 226-220-7993. We meet every Saturday online on Skype.

Liturgical Ministers

| May 7-8 | 5:00PM Mass | 9:30AM Mass | 11:30AM Mass |
|------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| Commentator: | D. Behl | T. Germann | L. Gimenez |
| Reader 1: | S. Benner | J. Stankiewicz | I. Kangaloo |
| Reader 2: | M. Dufresne | T. Angel | M. Oram |
| Ushers: | C. Weber P. Fernandez | V. Chen M. Walser | B./C. Voisin |
| Eucharistic Ministers: | A. Bendia C. Weber | T./K. Boettger | C. Dignam F. Kangaloo |

The diocese has given the okay for all liturgical ministers to resume their ministries at Mass (i.e. altar servers, ushers, gift bearers, readers, Eucharistic ministers). **If you would like to resume or sign-up for one of these roles, please see Fr. Steve after Mass, or call/email Pam at the office.**

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VOCATION SEEDS ♦ Third Sunday of Easter ♦ May 1, 2022

How am I being called to feed the lambs of Jesus? Could it be as an ordained or consecrated person? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton ...
 905-528-7988 | vocations@hamiltondiocese.com
www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

LEARNING MORE ABOUT OUR CATHOLIC FAITH

Evenings with His Excellency

BISHOP WAYNE LOBSINGER

Live Online OR In-person (Hamilton)

Final Sessions: Friday, May 13th and June 10th ♦ 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Join Bishop Lobsinger online or in person at Canadian Martyrs Church (1349 Main Street West, Hamilton). Each month we will methodically go through the "Catechism of the Catholic Church". **There is no registration, no fee and no homework.** Come ready to learn and ask all the questions you always wanted to ask about our Catholic Faith. Watch live online at: www.canadianmartyrshamilton.com or view previous sessions on YouTube at: <https://tinyurl.com/mxz7dtuv>

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR ❖ This week let us pray for...

| MAY 2 | MAY 3 | MAY 4 | MAY 5 | MAY 6 | MAY 7 |
|------------------------------|---------------------|--|----------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Rev. Florian Stasinski, C.R. | Rev. Jim Valk, C.R. | Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate (S.S.M.I.) | Rev. Adam Wroblewicz, C.R. | Very Rev. Aleksander Mazur, S.A.C. | Rev. Sutherland MacDonald, C.R. |

Prayer for Vocations ... God, the source of creation and love, You invite each of us to serve you through the life which is your gift. May your grace encourage men and women to heights of holiness through service to the Church as priests, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen.

C.W.L. NEWS...



♦ **C.W.L. SELLING MOTHER'S DAY ROSES!** Mini Potted Roses on sale after each Mass on May 7th & 8th ... \$8 each

♦ **DAILY PRAYER FOR UKRAINE:** This is open for anyone that would like to join. The Provincial Christian Family Life Chair, Colleen Martin, will be reciting the Divine Mercy Chapel with the assistance of an online video **each morning at 8:00 a.m. EST** until there is peace in Ukraine once again. Please feel free to join her any day you wish. If you wish to volunteer to recite the chaplet in person on any day, please email Colleen Martin in advance at cwclcf@tbaytel.net. Meeting ID: **828 4886 9346** / Passcode: **b9Yh73**

Meeting: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82848869346?pwd=WmJac2RXZTlhYWdzZlhmNjZBYkKdz09>

Celebration of Priesthood & Consecrated/Religious Life 2020-2022
 Serra Club of Hamilton invites you to an Appreciation Mass on **Tuesday, May 3rd** at the **Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King** (Hamilton) starting at 7:00 p.m. We will celebrate and honour our brothers and sisters who have chosen the Priesthood or Consecrated/Religious Life and have marked their 50th Anniversary serving the Diocese of Hamilton in 2020, 2021 and 2022. Please visit the website: Celebration of Priesthood and Religious Life Dinner or call Margaret Carreiro at 905-628-5682 for further details.

"THE CHOSEN" (Season 1) Study Group ... *The Chosen* is the first multi-season television series about the life of Christ, as witnessed through the eyes of those He impacted. Directed by Dallas Jenkins (The Resurrection of Gavin Stone) and distributed by VidAngel Studios. Join us at **Our Lady of Lourdes, Waterloo** parish office, starting **Friday, May 6th** from 6-8 p.m. Our study group will begin watching one episode per week of season 1 which will be followed by discussions and fellowship. For more info and to register please email: lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com with your name and contact information.

MOTHER'S DAY HIGH TEA LUNCH hosted by **Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Waterloo**, on **Sunday, May 8th** at 12:00 noon in the Parish Hall. Bring your whole family. Adults \$20, Seniors \$15, Children under 8yrs \$10 (first come, first served). For more info and to purchase tickets, please call or email Patrycja at OLOL parish office: 519-886-0342 or lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com.

HAMILTON SPEAKER SERIES

Aging with Wisdom and Grace

May 18, 2022 from 7:00-8:30 PM virtually on ZOOM

Presenter: Dr. Elizabeth Bookser Barkley. Using her own experiences and the wisdom of her contemporaries, Dr. Barkley will explore some of the physical, emotional and psychological issues we face as we age. The presentation will be interactive, challenging participants to reflect on their own aging journey. Pope Francis has repeatedly spoken of the importance of the elderly in our society, join us to embrace this important stage of life. Dr. Elizabeth Bookser Barkley, Ph.D., is a professor of English at Mount St. Joseph University in Cincinnati, Ohio. She is the author of four books, including *Life After Death: Practical Help for the Widowed*, and numerous feature articles. She is married, the mother of three daughters and the grandmother of seven.

This free event is part of the Diocesan Year of the Family Speaker Series. This session takes place on ZOOM. To register, or for more information please visit the Diocesan website at <https://amorislaetitia.hamiltondiocese.com/speaker-series> or contact Teresa Hartnett at thartnett@hamiltondiocese.com or 905-528-7988 ext. 2250. See poster in the narthex for subsequent talks.



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