

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. A Preparation Meeting is held on the Wednesday evening preceding the baptism. Please fill out a form from the church lobby and drop it off at the parish office at least one month in advance. You will then be contacted by a member of the Baptism team.

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.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Worship This Week:

May 16 – 22, 2016

Monday

7:00 am + Theresia Bauer – *Mary Ann Dodsworth*

Tuesday

7:00 PM + Jim Collins – *the McCullough family*

Wednesday

7:00 am + Ann Kavanagh – *Fiona Kangaloo*

7:00 PM - **ALTAR SERVERS' AWARDS** - Sponsored by K-W Serra Club

Thursday

7:00 am - Int. of Sandra Appelman

3:00 PM - *Mass at Mount Mary with students from St. Dominic C.E.S.*

Friday

7:00 am - Int. of Ron & Catherine Robinson – *Jeanne R.*

Saturday

9:00 am - Int. of Alberto & Artemesia Simoes – *B./M. Lynch*

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Proverbs 8:22-31; Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15

SAT. 5:00 PM + Burns Family – *B./C. Burns*

SUN. 9:30 am - Intentions of the Parishioners of St. Mark's

11:30 am + Relatives of Antonio & Amelia De Sousa

2:00 PM - **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED:

Friday, May 20 and Monday, May 23

Offertory Collections

May 7/8, 2016

Sunday envelopes.....	\$ 2,078.75
Sunday pre-authorized debits (MONTHLY AMOUNTS x12+52).....	\$ 1,388.65
Loose monies	\$ 502.10
TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS.....	\$ 3,969.40

Mortgage envelopes.....	\$ 341.00
Mortgage pre-authorized debits (MONTHLY AMOUNTS x12+52)	\$ 301.15
TOTAL MORTGAGE OFFERINGS.....	\$ 642.15

Pope's Pastoral Works..... \$ 20.00

Thank you for your generosity!!



SPIRIT CREW

St. Mark's Ministry for Youth (*open to Grades 6 - 12*)

■ NEXT FAITH-SHARING: Friday, May 27th (7-9 p.m.)

Join us for an evening of faith and fellowship. Remember your bible, a journal and a free will offering for the snacks provided. Please let us know if you will be attending by emailing Christine Cutting at stmarkspiritcrew@gmail.com.

★ Important Dates for

Grade 2's receiving First Communion:

Tue. May 17	6:00 PM	last catechism class
Sat. May 21	12:30 PM	Catechism Retreat **
Sun. May 22	2:00 PM	First Holy Communion (<i>St. Dominic's</i>)
Sun. May 29	2:00 PM	First Holy Communion (<i>St. Mark's</i>)



** Please note that the Catechism Retreat on May 21 is ONLY for those children who have been attending Tuesday night catechism classes.

LITURGICAL ROLES

MAY 21 & 22	Sat. 5:00PM	Sun. 9:30 AM	Sun. 11:30 AM
Altar Servers:	Z./J. Riddell	E. Chang R. Vezensyi	A. Arruda C. Chacon
Commentator:	J. Deneau	B. Sawarna	M. Oram
Lector:	B. Burns	J. Flanigan	M. Monte
Ushers:	L. Macedo R. Groothuis	G./T. MacNeil	B. Voisin M. Schimus
Gift Bearers:	Weber	Cerantola	Masbad
Eucharistic Ministers	C. Dokis G./T. MacNeil F./Y. Tully K. Friesen	P./B. Enticott M./L. Fernando B. Cutting	T./K. Boettger S. Markides A. Monte



Attention Altar Servers! We still need 2 more servers for our First Communions on May 22 and 29 at 2:00 p.m. Sign-up sheets are posted on the glass in the narthex. If you can help, please sign up a.s.a.p. Thank you for your service!

Attention ALL Parish Volunteers!!

Please sign up for your

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BAR-B-Q



FOR ALL WHO VOLUNTEER IN ANY MINISTRY AT ST. MARK'S PARISH

WED. JUNE 22nd ~ 6 to 9 p.m.

FOOD ... BEVERAGES ... FUN ... LIVE MUSIC!



Please sign up TODAY after Mass in the narthex if you plan to attend!

"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers and sisters, you did it for me." MATTHEW 25:40

Look for our Legion of Mary's new BOOK AND ROSARY CART this weekend!

There are many books you can borrow, or help yourself to a free rosary. Pick up a rosary for your child, grandchild or yourself. Pick up a colouring page for your little ones and a pamphlet on how to pray the rosary. Come check us out ... we meet Thursday evenings at 7:15 p.m. in the St. Matthew Room – all are welcome! Visit us on Facebook by searching "Lom St Marks"

Baby Bottle Campaign for Marillac Place

St. Mark's is proud to participate once again in the baby bottle campaign in support of Marillac Place. Marillac Place relies heavily on donations from our community to keep its doors open. **Bottles are available for pick up in the narthex.** Please consider supporting this important cause by filling a bottle with your spare change and **returning it to the church on Father's Day weekend (June 18/19).** For more info please visit www.marillacplace.ca. Thank you for your support.

R.C.I.A. – Are you considering joining the Catholic Church?

Classes begin in the Fall and continue until Easter. If you are interested in finding out more about the process of conversion (R.C.I.A. - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) please contact Father Don at 519-571-9200.

Congratulations

St. Mark's Parish congratulates all those who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on May 13th, 2016.

Please pray with us that the Holy Spirit will enlighten their minds and touch their hearts as they seek to understand more deeply their Baptismal Promises to live a life more closely united to Christ.

Prayer for Our Newly Confirmed

Father, pour out Your Spirit upon our newly confirmed. Grant them a new vision of Your glory, a new experience of Your power, a new faithfulness to Your Word, and a new consecration to Your service. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Refugee Sponsorship Update

St. Mark's is now FIRST in line to be matched with a Syrian family. The diocese is working hard and is keeping us updated – but we're still likely several weeks away from any news. In the meantime, we're preparing for their arrival and hope you can help.

One of our top priorities is finding temporary accommodation (for up to 6 people) for when the family first arrives – a place they can call home for up to 2 months. Affordability is important as is easy access to public transit, cooking facilities and, ideally, a private entrance. By having up to 2 months, the family will have a chance to get to know our community and help us know where they'd like to settle down. If you know of a suitable apartment or residence, please contact the parish office.

We continue to seek translators within our parish. The official language of Syria is modern Arabic. There's also a possibility that the family may be more comfortable with other dialects. If you or someone you know is fluent in Arabic, Levantine, Mesopotamian, Kurdish, Armenian or Azeri, please contact the parish office or Mike Serres at 519-744-8780 or michael.serres@bell.net.

Our collection of in-kind donations – appliances, furnishings and other household items – will begin as soon as we're matched with a family. We'll also be happy to help with the transport of larger items (such as tables and chairs). If you'd like to help with an in-kind donation, please watch the bulletin for details.

Together, our parish family has the opportunity to help a Syrian family find peace, safety, comfort and a new beginning. Thank you for your continued support!

Have questions and concerns about Canada's EUTHANASIA and ASSISTED SUICIDE legislation? Come learn what the new legislation will mean for you and those you love. The Executive Director of the *Euthanasia Prevention Coalition*, Alex Schadenberg, will speak at **Holy Family Parish**, New Hamburg, on **Tuesday, May 17th**. Refreshments served at 7:00 pm; talk begins at 7:30 pm. Bring a friend and hear about this concerning issue and find out what we can do about it!

ANNUAL SPRING CARD PARTY – Wed. May 18th, hosted by St. Francis C.W.L., **St. Francis Parish Hall**, 49 Blueridge Ave. Kitchener from 1 – 4 p.m. Doors open at 12:30; Light Lunch at 1 p.m. Advanced tickets only, \$15 each. Proceeds to Innisfree House, Waterloo Region's newest residential palliative care centre. Games, fun and prizes galore! Call St. Francis Parish office for tickets or information 519-745-7301 or kmanley@rogers.com.

C.W.L. CORNER ...

• UPCOMING EVENTS:

Mon. May 16 - C.W.L. Meeting
Sat. June 4 - Cushion Repair
Thur. June 23 - Potluck Dinner



WORKING AGAINST SUICIDE – The Government of Canada has introduced Bill C-14, *An Act to amend the Criminal Code and to make related amendments to other Acts (medical assistance in dying)*. This proposed legislation, which responds to the decision of the Supreme Court of Canada in early 2015, will make euthanasia and assisted suicide legal and more accessible in our entire country. The Supreme Court decision and current legislative efforts are in stark contradiction to the endeavours of individuals, families and communities to counteract the dangers and sufferings of suicide. To express your concerns about the legislation, visit www.hamiltondiocese.com or www.canadiansforconscience.ca/.

THIRD FRIDAY REPARATION PROGRAMME – Join us on **Friday, May 20th** from 11:00 A.M in **St. Joseph Comboni Rectory Chapel**, (148 Madison Ave S., Kitchener) as we pray together to adore, console and do reparation to Our Agonizing Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament for the Devotion to the Most Precious Blood of Jesus Christ. Holy Mass at 7:00 P.M. in the Chapel. Bring your written petitions.

8TH ANNUAL VACATION BIBLE / LEGO ROBOTICS CAMP

July 25-29, 2016 at **St. Louis Church** in Waterloo (53 Allen St. E.). VBS is run in the mornings and Lego camp in the afternoons. Children (ages 5 -11) can be registered for either or both. VBS theme this year is "Circus of Stars - Spotlight on the Father." **Early bird registration until May 21st**. Early bird fee for the entire week for full days is \$100 per child / \$160 per family. Fees after May 21st are \$110 per child / \$185 per family. To register or for more info contact Kelly Krause at St. Louis Parish at 519-743-4101 or kkrause@hamiltondiocese.com

RETREAT DAY FOR MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: "Vessels of Mercy: The Minister of Communion in the Body of Christ" will take place at the **Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph** on **Sat. May 28** from 9:30 – 12:30. Cost \$5. Advanced registration is required to (905) 528-7988 ext. 2243 or e-mail mcarreiro@hamiltondiocese.com.

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSIONS – Sunday, May 29th

- ▶ St. Louis Parish in Waterloo and the Waterloo Knights of Columbus are holding a Eucharistic Procession on the sidewalks in the **St. Louis Church area** (53 Allen St. E. in Waterloo) to three outdoor altars. Join us **right after the 11:30 am Mass**. Duration about half an hour.
- ▶ **St. Boniface Church in Maryhill** is also holding their annual Corpus Christi procession to the two outdoor altar houses, **right after the 10:00 a.m. Mass**. Everyone is welcome. *There will be a Corpus Christi Brunch immediately following at the Maryhill Heritage Park Community Centre.* Scrambled eggs, bacon, hash browns, toast, coffee or tea and milk or juice will be provided all for a free will offering.

LISTOWEL GARDEN PARTY & BEEF DINNER – Friday, June 3rd at **St. Joseph's Parish Centre**, 1025 Wallace Ave. N. Listowel. Cash Draws totalling \$2000, Penny Booth, Silent Auction, Bingo, Grand Draw at 8:00 p.m. Beef Dinner served 4:30-7:30 p.m. Adults \$15 in advance by May 29th / \$17 at the door. 5-10 year-olds \$7. Pre-Schoolers Free. For tickets call Gloria 519-291-3648 or Bev 519-291-4400 ext. 3.

Join *Living with Dignity* and the *Euthanasia Prevention Coalition* for **A RALLY ON PARLIAMENT HILL IN OTTAWA** on **Wednesday, June 1st** from 12 noon to 1:30 pm. Make plans to join us for a peaceful rally opposing euthanasia and assisted suicide. The theme of the rally is *Caring, Not Killing: Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide are not the answer*. Contact us at info@collectifmedecins.org if you are planning to join us.

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