

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.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Mass Intentions for the Week



May 23 – 29, 2022

Tuesday (FERIAL)

12 Noon + Carma DaSilva – Maria Soares

Wednesday (FERIAL)

12 Noon + Maria Campos – Campos family

Thursday (MEMORIAL – ST. PHILIP NERI)

★ NO 12 NOON MASS TODAY

6:45 PM - Mass & Crowning of Mary
+ Peter Tam Nguyen – Melissa Nguyen

Friday (FERIAL)

12 Noon + Claire & Fernand Mainguy – Karen Krigner

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD – May 28-29

Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23 or Hebrews 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Luke 24:46-53

Sat. 5:00 PM – Intentions of the Parishioners of St. Mark

Sun. 9:30 am + Ray Drystek – Terry & Gerry Gerth

11:30 am + Clarence Voisin – Voisin family

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Monday, May 23 – Victoria Day

Have a safe long weekend!



LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER

**The Sanctuary Lamps burn this week for:
The Repose of the soul of Duc Nguyen**



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.

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>

May 22 - Today's Diocesan Collection is for
THE POPE'S PASTORAL WORKS

Special envelopes can be found in your offertory box.

This collection provides an opportunity for Catholics to make a financial offering to assist the Holy Father. One-third of the funds collected is for what is traditionally known as Peter's Pence: donations used by the Pope for his charitable contributions to those most in need. Two thirds of the collection is to support the Universal Church (see Canon 1271). Information about how Peter's Pence is used, as well as donations in response to Canon 1271, is available in the Holy See's yearly financial report.

"Each individual Christian and every community is called to be an instrument of God for the liberation and promotion of the poor, and for enabling them to be fully a part of society. This demands that we be docile and attentive to the cry of the poor and to come to their aid... The old question always returns: 'How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods, and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?' (1 John 3.17)."

Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium*, 187



JOHN 14:23-29 ♦ Jesus promises his disciples that the Father will send the Advocate, the Holy Spirit.

This portion of John's Gospel comes near the end of the first of four chapters that make up Jesus' long farewell discourse at the Last Supper. This section of chapter 14 actually sums up the themes of the opening of the discourse: the Christian's life is not shaped by Jesus' absence but by God's abiding presence; God's presence overcomes anxiety about God's absence; and the present holds in it the seeds of a fresh future shaped by love, not fear.

These verses also contain a glimpse of some of the other themes of the farewell discourse: Jesus' relationship with the Father and the disciples' relationship to Jesus connect the disciples to the Father as well. Jesus promises to send an Advocate or intercessor who will remind the disciples of everything that Jesus taught them and bring them peace.

Jesus is preparing his disciples in advance for his absence so that they will continue to believe in him and not feel all alone after his return to the Father. After the initial excitement of his Easter appearances, Jesus will remain with his followers in a very different way throughout the centuries.

As our celebration of the Easter season is coming to an end, the liturgy reminds us that Jesus remains with us through the Holy Spirit, who teaches us everything we need to know, reminds us of all that Jesus taught, and brings us peace. ■

OPEN HOUSE RECEPTION

St. Mark's Knights of Coumbus
invite you to a special reception

**Next Sunday, May 29th
after the 11:30 a.m. Mass**

to honour **Bernard Crawley** and **Luiz Macedo** in
recognition of their service to their parish and community.

ALL ARE WELCOME!



VOCATION SEEDS ♦ 6th Sunday of Easter ♦ May 22, 2022

Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him and we will come to Him. How will I respond to that love? Am I being called to the priesthood, diaconate or religious life? If God is calling you, contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton ...

905-528-7988 | vocations@hamiltondiocese.com
www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

Liturgical Ministers

May 28-29	5:00 PM Mass	9:30 AM Mass	11:30 AM Mass
Commentator:	S. Rellinger	T. Angel	I. Kangaloo
Reader 1:	D. Behl	T. Boettger	L. Gimenez
Reader 2	S. Benner	J. Deneau	M. Oram
Ushers:	C. Weber P. Fernandez	J./K. Snyder	B./C. Voisin
Eucharistic Ministers:	G. Kubisewsky J. Fernandez	P. Enticott M. Walsler	E. Weiss D. Seymour-Weber

The diocese has given the okay for all liturgical ministers to resume their ministries at Mass. 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 the parish office.**

Grief Relief - Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? You are not alone!

The Diocese of Hamilton will be offering a four week online grief program on **Tuesday evenings** from 7-8:30 p.m. on **May 17, 24 & 31, and June 7, 14 & 21st**. Find out more on the Diocesan website and **register to receive the zoom link** at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/grief-support>, or call Teresa Hartnett at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

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

MAY 23	MAY 24	MAY 25	MAY 26	MAY 27	MAY 28
Rev. Kevin D'Souza	Rev. Piotr Golinski	School Sisters of Notre Dame (S.S.N.D.)	Rev. Andrew Czarny	Rev. Phillip E. Cook	Rev. Peter Ciallella

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.Y.O. Camp Brébeuf
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CYO Camp Brébeuf in Rockwood, Ontario is **hiring teenagers and young adults** as camp counsellors for this summer. Please visit www.campbrebeuf.ca/employment for more information.



LET'S HELP THOSE IN NEED!

Pajama & Sock Drive



We are collecting **NEW** and **UNUSED** PAJAMAS and SOCKS in **ALL SIZES** to give to **victims of domestic violence and sexual assault**. Items will be collected at the parish, and then distributed through St. Mary's Hospital.

Items can be placed in the bin in the narthex.

Thank you for your support!

Corpus Christi Procession - You are invited to St. Boniface Church in Maryhill for their traditional annual Corpus Christi Procession to the two outdoor altar houses. **Sunday, June 19th** immediately after the 10 a.m. Mass. Everyone is welcome!

C.W.L. News...



♦ Crowning of Mary & General Meeting

Please join us on **Thursday, May 26th** starting at 6:45 p.m. for the Crowning of Mary, followed by Mass at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome. After Mass we will gather for our General Meeting of Members, and a presentation on the Indigenous Education Series Workshop, presented by our very own Jane Petrovich.

♦ **The Dignity of Conserving Care Webinar** with Dr. Margaret Cottle. Featured live on May 7th, this is **now available to watch on our national website** (www.cwl.ca). Please share this very important webinar with your family and friends.

♦ **Human Trafficking Webinar – Sat. May 28th at 12 noon** (Ontario time). Presented by Joy Smith. Please see the bulletin board in the narthex for more information.

DIOCESAN YOUTH MINISTRY OFFICE VIRTUAL PRESENTATION:

Accompanying Forward – An Afternoon with Roy Petitfils **Friday, May 27th at 1:00 p.m.** for a virtual conversation about accompanying young people as they try to navigate their new realities and their mental health. Roy is a Catholic author, speaker and psychotherapist with more than 25 years of experience ministering to youth and young adults in parishes, dioceses, and schools. Registration can be found by [clicking here](#) or on our Diocesan website under Youth Ministers Events and Resources.

LEARNING MORE ABOUT OUR CATHOLIC FAITH

Evenings with His Excellency, Bishop Wayne Lobsinger

Live Online **OR** In-person (Hamilton)

June 10th ♦ 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Join Bishop Lobsinger online or in person at Canadian Martyrs Church (1349 Main Street West, Hamilton). This is the final session, methodically going 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>

The Anger Iceberg

Getting Angry is only the tip of the Iceberg. Anger is a secondary emotion. Understanding the cause of anger is the first step to managing it. This Workshop will identify the causes of anger and will explore our own beliefs and patterns of response. Learn how to respond to anger on a day-to-day basis in a healthy, constructive, and creative ways. Facilitated by Anna Racine (biography at www.annaracine.org). **Cost: \$65** (includes lunch). **Saturday, June 11th** from 9:30 am - 3:30 pm at **Mount Carmel Spiritual Center**, 7020 Stanley Avenue, Niagara Falls, Ontario (www.carmelniagara.com). Register at 905-356-4113 ext. 4200 or reservations@carmelniagara.com.

The Maryhill Historical Society Canada Day Celebrations

Friday, July 1st. Bring your own picnic lunch – treats and water will be supplied, limited supply of free ice cream cones for all and craft kits for the children. Walking tours of the village and the Old Walled Cemetery (no wagon rides). Antique display, music and reminiscing. Gather at the flagpole at 11 a.m. at Edward Halter House. Day ends at 3pm.

Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mass

The Carmel of St. Joseph Guild invites all members, families and friends to attend the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mass on **Sunday, July 17th** at 2:00 p.m. at **St. Agatha Catholic Church**, 1839 Notre Dame Drive, St. Agatha. The Rosary will precede the Mass. The celebrant will be Rev. Bishop Crosby, Bishop of Hamilton. Reception with light refreshments to follow.



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