# 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  $9:30-10:30\,\mathrm{AM}\ \&\ 3:45-4:45\,\mathrm{PM}$  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  $2^{nd}$  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  $11:30\,\mathrm{AM}$  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 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

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I would like to have $\frac{1}{1000 \text{ MANY?}}$ Mass(es) celebrated for				
$\square$ the intentions of (living) <b>OR</b> $\square$ 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:  ☐ 7:00 AM on a Weekday ☐ 7:00 PM on a Tuesday ☐ 9:00 AM on a Saturday ☐ 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.

#### Worship This Week:

May 30 - June 5, 2016

#### Monday

7:00 am - Int. of Keith & Helen Reinhardt - Jeanne Robinson

Tuesday (FEAST - THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY)

7:00 PM + Florence Shulist - Terry & Gerry Gerth

Wednesday (MEMORIAL - ST. JUSTIN)

7:00 am - Int. of Margaret Sanvido

#### **Thursday**

7:00 am - Int. of Donovan Depratto - Jeanne Robinson

2:00 PM - Mass at Bankside Terrace

Friday (SOLEMNITY - THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS)

7:00 am - Int. of Drew Depratto - Jeanne Robinson

Saturday (MEMORIAL - THE IMMACULATE HEART OF THE BL. VIR. MARY)

9:00 am - Int. of the Gonsalves family - Jeanne Robinson

#### 10<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1 Kings 17:17-21a, 22-24; Galatians 1:11-19; Luke 7:11017

SAT. 5:00 PM - Intentions of the Parishioners of St. Mark's

SUN. 9:30 am + Dave Walser - the Walser family

**11:30 am** + Mrs. Carolina Toscano – *Anthony and family* 

#### **PARISH OFFICE CLOSED: Friday, June 3**

Offertory Collections	May 21/22, 2016
Sunday envelopes	
Sunday pre-authorized debits (MONTHLY AMOUNTS x12÷	52)\$ 1,388.65
Loose monies	<u>\$ 354.75</u>
TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS	\$ 4,214.40
Mortgage envelopes	\$ 80.00
Mortgage pre-authorized debits (MONTHLY AMOUNTS X	12÷52) \$ <b>301.15</b>
TOTAL MORTGAGE OFFERINGS	\$ 381.15
Thank you for your generosity!!	



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

#### ■ NEXT FAITH-SHARING: Friday, June 10<sup>th</sup> (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.

#### **Today is White Box Sunday**

The St. Vincent de Paul Society has placed a White Box in the narthex this weekend (May 28-29) for anyone wishing to make a donation.

#### 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.

LITURGICAL ROLES			
JUNE 4 & 5	Sat. 5:00 <sub>PM</sub>	Sun. 9:30 AM	Sun. 11:30 AM
Altar Servers:	V./P./J. Miller	R./J. Henri	B./B./K./N. Starr
Commentator:	M. Dufresne	L. Rye	K. Phillips
Lector:	M. Serschen	G. Rye	L. Masbad
Ushers:	K./T. Friesen	T./J. Germann J. De Sousa	C. Dignam M. Monte
Gift Bearers:	MacNeil	Seaward	Chacon
Eucharistic Ministers	C. Dokis G. Balm A. Bendia L. Macedo	H. Kress J. McCullough A. Simoes D. Henri M. Lynch	B./C. Voisin E. Weiss D. S. Weber B. Denomme

#### **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  $22^{nd} \sim 6$  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



#### Refugee Sponsorship Update

Through the Diocese of Hamilton, St. Mark's has been matched with a Syrian family of six! We'll be welcoming this family to our community within the next 4 to 8 weeks – and we hope you can help:

- Our Furniture and Household Item Donation Drive is now underway! Please see the insert in today's bulletin for complete details.
- We're still seeking temporary accommodation (required for 1-2) months, upon the family's arrival). If you know of an affordable basement apartment, in-law suite or some other type of residence that can accommodate 6 people, has cooking facilities, a full bathroom and a private entrance, please contact the parish office.

#### **Corpus Christi Processions** THIS SUNDAY, MAY 29th

• St. Boniface Church (Maryhill) right after the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

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. Free will offering.

- St. Louis Church (Waterloo) right after the 11:30 a.m. Mass.
- St. Joseph's Church (Kitchener) 2:00 to 3:30 pm (side entrance).

#### **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. All bottles need to be returned to the church by Father's Day weekend (June 19). For more info please visit www.marillacplace.ca. Thank you for your support.

Congratulations

St. Mark's Parish congratulates all of the boys and girls who made their **First Holy Communion** on May 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>...

Sacred Heart of Jesus, ever present in our lives, grant your loving grace to our first holy communicants.

Help still their hearts with mindful prayer and worship whenever they receive the Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

May the Holy Spirit shine a guiding light throughout the course of their lives, always leading these blessed children one step closer to the Kingdom of Heaven. Amen.



Please pray for the 467 couples who will celebrate their 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> and 60+ years of married love at the <u>Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass</u> today (May 29), that their celebration of the Eucharist with Bishop Douglas Crosby will nourish their love and strengthen their commitment to one another.

The Pope's Pastoral Exhortation, *The Joy of Love* (Amoris Laetitia) will be made available to all who wish to read this lengthy but rich and easy-to-read document. If you would like us to order a copy for you, please send an email with your name, phone number and # of copies that you want to the parish office (stmark@rogers.com) or, write the information on a slip of paper and drop it in the collection. Please do so promptly so that I can order them soon. Thank you. – Fr. Don

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Do we really believe that it is Christ in the Eucharist – truly, Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity? Yes we do, so come and adore Him for 1 hour at least once a week. Parents, find some time to bring your children whenever you can and be in the loving, protective presence of the Saviour. Come and love Him, for He surely loves us in the most perfect of ways. Blessings will come to you – even miracles. If I was to say there was a goldmine with a bottomless pit of free gold, we'd all be there often. His holy presence is of infinitely more value. If we read this and think, "ho hum," then there is something wrong with us. We are sick. Let us go to Him and He will mend and comfort us. If we can't stay for an hour, then drop in for as long as you can. He will be pleased to see you. This is a time for you and the Lord together. Pray, read, reflect and bring your joys and sorrows to Him.

Our chapel is open 24-7. For those who come in the late evening and throughout the wee hours of the morning, there is a code to unlock the door for entrance. Call us and we'll give it to you. This is a safety feature that we have in place. If you wish to come out in the hours when most are sleeping, great! We need more of the faithful to adore then. If you would like to visit, please let us know and we can give you some suggested times. Join the "great ones" who pray for us as we sleep (I am a sleeper, for fear of missing the 7am Mass!). So, why not give the nocturnal adorers a special title. They would not want it, of course. But they are with Him and we are grateful, and they are blessed. The above came to me while in His presence the other day. Tell my children I want to bless them with the security of my perfect love. As many have said – and I only repeat – "we cannot afford not to come." And once we do go, we realize we have found our oasis. P.S. --- Thanks to Father Bill Trusz for starting up Eucharistic Adoration here at St. Mark's parish. - Fr. Don

#### C.W.L. CORNER ...

• UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sat. June 4 – Chapel Cushion Repair Thur. June 23 - Potluck Dinner



#### SAFEGUARDING PERSONS MOST AT RISK

Bill C-14 is now before the Parliament of Canada. No matter how it may be amended, it is an affront to human dignity, an erosion of human solidarity, and a danger to all vulnerable persons – particularly the aged, disabled, infirm and sick who so often find themselves isolated and marginalized. Moreover, it is a violation of the sacrosanct duty of healthcare providers to heal, and the responsibility of legislators and citizens to assure and provide protection for all, especially those persons most at risk. For information to share with others about the negative impact of physician-assisted suicide, visit www.hamiltondiocese.com or <a href="https://www.cccb.ca/site/eng/media-room/euthanasia-and-assisted-suicide/4463-campaigns-against-physician-assisted-suicide">www.cccb.ca/site/eng/media-room/euthanasia-and-assisted-suicide/4463-campaigns-against-physician-assisted-suicide</a>.

Join Living with Dignity and the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition for A RALLY ON PARLIAMENT HILL IN OTTAWA – Wed. 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 to join us.

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

#### **MARIAN PILGRIMAGE DAYS: 5 FIRST SATURDAYS**

\* Year of Mercy Indulgence will be granted to all who attend
10:00 AM TO 2:00 PM on: JUNE 4, JULY 2, AUG. 6, SEPT. 3, OCT. 1
St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in Waterdown invites you to come and participate in their Marian Pilgrimage Days. This is to fulfill the request of Our Lady of Fatima to pray in a special way on the First Saturday of the month and in union with our Lady we will invoke God's blessings and graces for our family, Church and world. Each month, one of our Bishops will be here to celebrate the Mass and preach the homily. All are welcome to join us for this day of prayer and devotion! \*\* Please bring a lunch.

MARYMOUNT CEMETERY SPRING MEMORIAL MASS – Most Rev. Daniel Miehm, Auxiliary Bishop of Hamilton, will celebrate the Spring Memorial Mass on Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. at Marymount Cemetery, Guelph. All are welcome to attend. For more information, please call Dominic Tersigni at (519) 836-8814, or visit www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca.

#### ST. TERESA OF AVILA'S 27th ANNUAL GARDEN PARTY

**Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, St. Teresa of Avila Church, Elmira.** Community Bar-B-Q in the Parish Hall from 5-8 p.m. and Outdoor Snack Booth. Bingo, penny table, silent auction, bouncies, tombola, video games, inside / outside activities, play area for kids 5 and under and much more. Evening ends with fireworks at 9:30 p.m. All are welcome!

GOSPEL OF LUKE STUDY SERIES – continues Wednesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at **St. Michael's Parish, Waterloo** with Sr. Bernadette Caron's presentation "Perseverance in Prayer." No cost. Supplemental reading resources available for \$5 (please bring exact change). For future dates or to register, please call Monica at 905-528-7988 ext. 2238.

**8<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL VACATION BIBLE / LEGO ROBOTICS CAMP: July 25-29** at **St. Louis Church, Waterloo**. VBS in the mornings and Lego camp in the afternoons. Children (ages 5 -11) can be registered for half or full days. Fees are \$110 per child / \$185 per family. To register contact Kelly Krause at St. Louis Parish at 519-743-4101 or <a href="kkrause@hamiltondiocese.com">kkrause@hamiltondiocese.com</a>.

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