

St. Mark Catholic Parish

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PASTOR: Fr. Steve Murrin
DEACON: Rev. 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

Tuesday at 7:00 PM
Wed., Thur., Fri. at 7:00 AM
Saturday at 9:00 AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturday following 9:00 AM Mass
and 4:00–4:30 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 bulletin board
Divine Mercy: Fridays 3:00 PM
Our Lady's Rosary: 1st Saturday at 10 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 6
weeks in advance.

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.

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.

If you require a **Mass card** please make your request in person at the parish office during business hours.

The offering for a Mass (for living or deceased) 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 check ✓ 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

☐ 5:00 PM on a Saturday

☐ 7:00 PM on a Tuesday

☐ 9:30 AM on a Sunday

☐ 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 # or email: _____

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

TRINITY SUNDAY



May 28 – June 2, 2018

Please note Fr. Steve is away on a week-long retreat, so there will be **NO DAILY MASS** this week.

June 2/3 - SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40; Romans 8:14-17; Matthew 28:16-20

Sat. 5:00 PM + Byron & John Schreiber – *Helen Simpson*

Sun. 9:30 am + Marcella Eby – *Rob Kraft*

11:30 am - Int. of the Parishioners of St. Mark's

The Church Year – Ordinary Time

This week, after the first Sunday after Pentecost, begins what is referred to as Ordinary Time in the Church.

It is called "ordinary" not because it is common but simply because the weeks of Ordinary Time are numbered. The Latin word *ordinalis*, which refers to numbers in a series, stems from the Latin word *ordo*, from which we get the English word *order*. Thus, the numbered weeks of Ordinary Time, in fact, represent the ordered life of the Church—the period in which we live our lives neither in feasting (as in the Christmas and Easter seasons) or in more severe penance (as in Advent and Lent), but in watchfulness and expectation of the Second Coming of Christ.

Ordinary Time is a feature of the current (post-Vatican II) liturgical calendar. In the traditional Catholic calendar used before 1970 and still used in the celebration of the Traditional Latin Mass, as well as in the calendars of the Eastern Catholic Churches, the Sundays of Ordinary Time are referred to as the Sundays After Epiphany and the Sundays After Pentecost.

In any given year, there are either 33 or 34 Sundays in Ordinary Time and the last Sunday of the Year, the week before Advent, concludes with the Feast of Christ the King.

Offertory Collections

May 19/20, 2018

Sunday envelopes.....	\$ 1,549.93
Sunday pre-authorized debits (MONTHLY AMOUNTS x12÷52).....	\$ 1,196.77
Loose monies	\$ 864.25
TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS.....	\$ 3,610.95

Mortgage envelopes.....	\$ 140.00
Mortgage pre-authorized debits (MONTHLY AMOUNTS x12÷52)	\$ 247.96
TOTAL MORTGAGE OFFERINGS	\$ 387.96

Thank you for your generosity

Today is White Box Sunday

St. Mark's Society of St. Vincent de Paul has placed a White Box in the narthex this weekend (**May 26/27**) for anyone wishing to make a donation. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Bishop Crosby has announced a special collection to take place next weekend to assist charities in the Diocese unable to access Federal Government funding through the Canada Summer Jobs Program. This special collection is to be taken on the weekend of **June 2-3, 2018** in all Parishes. No envelopes are being provided. Parishioners are encouraged to place their donations in envelopes marked for this purpose.

To read the full letter from Bishop Crosby regarding this collection, please visit: <https://tinyurl.com/yan89u3g>.

Meetings & Events This Week:

DATE	TIME	ROOM	EVENT
<u>Mon. May 28</u>	8:00 pm	(H)	Alcoholics Anonymous
<u>Wed. May 30</u>	6:30 pm	(CH)	9:30 Choir practice
	7:30 pm	(B)	Women's Prayer Group
<u>Thur. May 31</u>	6:15 pm	(M)	Legion of Mary
	7:30 pm	(B)	33 Days to Morning Glory (DVD)
	7:30 pm	(CH)	5:00 Choir practice
<u>Fri. June 1</u>	6:00 am	(L)	Men's group
<u>Sat. June 2</u>	10am-5pm	ALL	Knights of Columbus

Meeting Rooms: B = Basement CH = Church H = Hall * = Offsite
J = St. John Room L = St. Luke Room M = St. Matthew Room

This week we return to the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. This Sunday and next Sunday (feast of Corpus Christi), however, are designated as solemnities, special days that call our attention to the central mysteries of our faith.

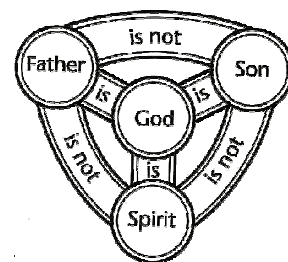
Today, on the first Sunday after Pentecost, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. This feast invites us to consider what we believe about God, who has revealed himself to us in the Trinity, one God in three Persons. The Gospel for this Solemnity is taken from the Gospel of Matthew.

In its conclusion, Matthew's Gospel quickly moves from the disciples' discovery of Jesus' empty tomb and Jesus' appearance to Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to the commission that Jesus gives to his disciples in today's Gospel.

The final commission, as this part of Matthew's Gospel is sometimes called, is given on the mountaintop. Throughout Scripture, many of the most important events happen on a mountaintop, and Matthew used this motif often. Peter, James, and John saw Jesus transfigured on the mountaintop, and Jesus taught the crowds from the mountaintop in the Sermon on the Mount.

In today's Gospel, the eleven disciples go the mountaintop in Galilee, as Jesus had instructed them through Mary Magdalene and the other Mary. They see Jesus, and they worship and doubt at the same time. Jesus approaches them and commissions them to baptize and teach. It is a task for which Jesus had previously prepared his disciples; recall that Jesus had already sent the twelve apostles to preach the Kingdom of God and to heal. Yet earlier, the Twelve were sent only to the House of Israel; in this final commission, the eleven are told to go to all nations. The mission of Jesus is now to be taken to all people, and the task is to baptize and to teach.

Jesus commissions his disciples to baptize in the name of the Trinity; this is one of the clearest attestations for Baptism in the name of the Holy Trinity found in Scripture. Other New Testament references to Baptism describe it as being celebrated in the name of Jesus. As we read this Gospel on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, we are reminded that this central mystery of faith is meant to be lived. As baptized Christians, we share in the life of the blessed Trinity and seek to invite others to share in God's love. ■





JUNE 2 & 3	5:00 PM Mass	9:30 AM Mass	11:30 AM Mass
Altar Servers:	G./S. Morgan N. D'Souza	E./T./T. Morgan	B./B. Starr R. Robin
Commentator:	M. Dufresne	J. Flanigan	L. Masbad
Lectors:	K. Friesen J. Deneau	T. Angel T. Boettger	M. Monte M. Oram
Ushers:	A. Montag K. Friesen	T./J. Germann L. Koehler	B. Voisin
Gift Bearers:	<i>Can you help?</i>	Seaward	Chacon
Eucharistic Ministers:	C. Dokis F./Y. Tully	S. Cerantola B. Coutinho A. Joseph	A. Monte F. Kangaloo E. Weiss

Church Grounds

A group of parishioners have joined together to help care for the church grounds and planting in some most needed areas. If you would like to help out a couple of hours a week or if you have any annuals or perennials that you are able to donate, please see me after Mass or leave your name with Pam at the parish office. Also, donations of any good used garden tools and equipment that you may be discarding or replacing would be greatly appreciated. ~ Fr. Steve



"33 Days to Morning Glory"

Join us on a spiritual journey through this **6-week DVD series** by Fr. Michael Gaitley. Learn about Mary through the lives of the saints. By prayer and meditation... prepare your heart for spiritual growth. Begin a personal relationship with Mary, the Queen of Heaven. Consecrate yourself to the Heart of Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary. **Starts Thursday, May 31st** (Feast of the Visitation of Mary) at **7:30 p.m.** with Deacon Basil in the basement meeting area.



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 16/17).** For more info please visit www.marillacplace.ca. Thank you for your support.

Parenting Tip ~ Experts have known for a long time that what children can't express, they act out. As parents it is our role to analyze what may be causing poor behaviour and then help our children identify and work through their angst. Once children learn to use their words and express their feelings, life will be calmer in your household and they will gain skills that will help them throughout their lifetime. When your children act up, suppress your anger and help them to understand what is really going on; you will find both of you will be smiling more often.

Catholic Women's League News



♦ Our **Book Sale** is on-going so we encourage you to please visit the tables often through the next few weeks. The selection will change as we continue to accept donations. Donated books can be left under the coat racks in the hallway across from the ladies' restroom. Thank you for your support! All proceeds to the St. Mark Accessible Door Project.

♦ **Next Mass for CWL Intentions:** Tuesday, June 26th at 7:00 pm

ADORATION FOR LIFE: Come, let us adore Jesus in the Eucharist - Console His Heart Wounded by abortion and sins against the Sanctity of life. **Friday, June 1st, 6-7pm at St. Teresa Church Adoration Chapel** (44 Leonard St. Kit.) and **Saturday, June 2nd, 11am-12noon at St. Mary's Church** (56 Duke St. W. Kit.). Call KW Right to Life for more information or how you can start Adoration for Life at your church. 519.746.5433

29TH ANNUAL GARDEN PARTY - Friday, June 8th at St. Teresa of Avila Church, Elmira. Community BBQ in the hall from 5-8 p.m., Outdoor Snack Booth with chips, soft drinks, fresh popcorn and candy. Lots of fun for young and old - bingo, penny table, silent auction, bouncies, tombola, video games, inside and outside activities, play area for children 5 and under and much more. Books for Sale as well. Come and enjoy an evening of food and fellowship. Fun starts at 5:00 p.m. and ends with fireworks at 9:30 p.m. All are welcome!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CAR SHOW - Maryhill Heritage

Community Centre Complex, Saturday, June 16th, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wheel chair accessible. Air conditioning area for your comfort. Free admission for all. No pets allowed please. People's Choice award. BBQ food and raffles. Live music and refreshments. All funds to local charities. Sponsored by the Maryhill Knights of Columbus. For more information call Doug (519) 648-2939.

HEARTS SET ABLAZE RETREAT - For girls aged 11 to 15 years, **June 22-24 at St. Ambrose Parish, Cambridge**, led by the Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate. A weekend of faith, friendship, prayer, and fun! The cost is \$75 and applications can be downloaded at www.solisisters.ca/youthretreats.html. Questions about the retreat may be directed to smaryaugustine@solisisters.ca (Sr. Mary Augustine).

Marriage Tip ~ Expressing gratitude to those we love goes a long way to making them feel appreciated, but as Michele Weiner-Davis (The Divorce Busting Center) pointed out in her recent blog, negativity bias, which scientists refer to as a tendency to be more sensitive to negative stimuli, often causes relationship problems. This bias makes it easy for us to slip into the habit of remarking on anything that is wrong or negative, and forgetting to express the good we experience and feel. We can help overcome this natural bias by being purposeful in our interactions: express appreciation often, say thank you frequently and remember to tell your spouse what you love about your relationship. Doing a frequent check-up is a sure way to ensure you are more positive than negative, which will be reflected in the positive feelings in your marriage.

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