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 9:30–10:30AM & 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

☐ 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.

The exact date does not matter, but	It I would prefer one of the following:
— 7:00 AM on a Weekday	5:00 PM on a Saturday
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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

November 3 – 9, 2014

Monday

7:00 am + Kathleen Blanchard – Carl & Agnes Santoni

Tuesday (MEMORIAL – ST. CHARLES BORROMEO)

7:00 pm + Frank Duff – St. Mark's Legion of Mary

Wednesday

7:00 am + Krystyna Jach - St. Mary's Hospital CVICU - Int. of the Family of Roldan Yacup

Thursday

7:00 am - Int. of the Family of Roldan Yacup

Friday

7:00 am - Int. of the Family of Roldan Yacup

Saturday

9:00 am - Int. of the Family of Roldan Yacup

Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Corinthians 3:9b-11, 16-17; John 2:13-22 Sat. 5:00 pm + Jack Soares - Maria

Sun. 9:30 am + Dave Walser – Marianne and Family

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

Offertory Collections	<u>Oct. 25/26, 2014</u>		
Envelope Users	\$ 4,474.00		
Loose monies	<u>\$ 346.20</u>		
TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS	\$ 4,820.20		
Mortgage Fund	\$ 1,355.00		
Thank you for your generosity!!			

SPIRIT CREW

St. Mark's Ministry for Youth (Grade 6 and Up)

■ NEXT FAITH-SHARING NIGHT

Friday, November 14th from 7-9 p.m.

Faith Sharing Meetings are held bi-weekly throughout the school year in the Church Basement. Come expecting to learn more about your faith through discussion and bible teaching along with forming great friendships with other youth. Please remember to bring your bible, a pencil/pen and a donation for the snack that will be provided. Please let us know if you will be attending! Email Christine at cutting_abcd@rogers.com.

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

Help bring joy and hope to children living in remote corners of the world who are victims of war, disease and poverty. This Christmas season pack a shoe box filled with school supplies, hygiene items and toys. Empty boxes can be picked up in the narthex starting November 1st. Please return filled shoeboxes to the Church by Sunday, November 16th. Children receiving the shoeboxes really appreciate a full box, so please be mindful of that when packing. Thank you for helping this worthy cause!

LITURGICAL ROLES							
NOV. 8-9	Sat. 5:00 PM	Sun. 9:30 AM	Sun. 11:30 AM				
Altar Servers:	V./P./J. Miller	R./J. Henri	B./B. Starr K./N. Starr				
Commentator:	M. Dufresne	J. Germann	T. Boettger				
Lector:	J. Robinson	J. Deneau	L. Masbad				
Ushers:		M. Walser L. Koehler	B. Voisin J. McCullough				
Gift Bearers:	Buchanan	MacNeil	Chacon				
Eucharistic Ministers:	C. Dokis G. Balm C. Baumtrog A. Bendia	T. Angel / C. Haid S. Cerantola B. Coutinho B. Cutting	C./K. Dignam R./P. Masbad				

Remembering Our Dead during the Month of November

All are invited to write the names of your deceased loved ones in our Book of the Dead, so that they may be remembered at all the Masses throughout November. You will find the book at the front of the church near the altar.



Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

GRADE 7 CONFIRMATION

Parents' Information Meeting

This Wednesday, Nov. 5th at 7:00 p.m. at the Church Registration Forms for Confirmation were distributed to all grade 7 students at St. Mark's and St. Dominic's Schools this past week. Please check your child's backpack, fill out the form and bring it with you to the information meeting. You will also need to bring a copy of your child's baptism certificate. If your child attends a different school, you can obtain a form in the church lobby, or call the parish office to have one emailed to you.

Children's Liturgy Program resumes November

We are happy to announce that children's liturgy will resume at the 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass beginning in November, for children aged 6 to 9. If you would like to get involved, please contact Rosemary Victor at rosievictor@gmail.com as soon as possible.

Today is White Box Sunday

St. Mark's St. Vincent de Paul Society has placed its white box in the narthex this weekend (Nov. 1/2) to accept your donations.

Thank you!! ... St. Mark's St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank the students, teachers and families who so generously donated to our recent Food Drive. St. Dominic Savio School community collected 566 lbs.; St. Mark's School community collected 1,128 lbs.; and the parishioners of St. Mark's Church donated 120 lbs. Our thanks also go out to the students and teachers of St. Marks' School who sorted the food for us - what a great help! Thanks to all of you our shelves are well-stocked again.

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St. Mark's Parish cordially invites you to a **PARISH MISSION** by Fr. Alex Joseph, C.Ss.R. **Nightly on November 24, 25 & 26 from 6:30pm – 8:30pm** THEME: **Nurturing Families Through Faith, Prayer and Love** Come and join us for an opportunity to touch and be touched by Jesus who heals us in the Holy Eucharist and Eucharistic adoration; witness effective proclamation of the Word of God; rediscover and increase your faith. Renew, Rejuvenate and Rejoice! All are Welcome!

It would be a good thing to prepare ourselves, should the call come to parishes, to assist those who will need to find a new homeland – i.e. refugees. It would be helpful if we formed a group that could help with such matters and other things like Share Lent, Development and Peace, etc. I am not exactly sure how we will proceed or the exact motive of such a gathering. I do think we need to have people informed on issues of the day and ready to mobilize should the call come to us. The Spirit of God will guide us. If interested, please email your name, address, phone number and age to Pam at the parish (stmark@rogers.com), or drop a note with the same information into the collection basket on the weekend. I will call a meeting in late November or early December. Thank you and God bless. – *Fr. Don*

Praying for vocations... If you love priests and religious men and women, please support them by joining us in praying for vocations. Vocation Saturday is an initiative of the Vocation Office of the Diocese of Hamilton to gather people from across the diocese to unite in prayer for vocations. Join us on **Sat., Nov. 15**, at **St. Michael's Church in Waterloo**, for 9:00 a.m. Mass and Holy Hour.

Instruction in the Catechism of the Church

Sessions geared toward those who need updating on the fundamentals of Christianity, using the Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. All are welcome. Topics will include: Who is God? What do we believe about heaven, hell, purgatory? What are angels and how do they influence us? What the scriptures teach us about life issues such as human sexuality, abortion, euthanasia, stem cell research, etc. In short, we will cover three fundamental areas of Christian life: What we believe; How we are to live; How do we pray.

Those interested in learning and/or updating on things that matter eternally are asked to fill out the form below. There will then be an initial meeting to define the best time to meet for the majority of the group, on an every-other-week schedule. Catechisms will be purchased based on the number of people interested.

Please bring this completed form to our first meeting on **Friday, November 14th at 6:30 p.m.** or email the church office (stmark@rogers.com) to be put on the list.

NAME:			
PHONE:			

E-MAIL:

C.W.L. Corner ...

Attention all members of St. Mark's C.W.L... There is a very important meeting **this Tuesday**, **November 4th** in the church hall following 7:00 p.m.



Mass. All members are encouraged to make every effort to attend this very important meeting to **elect our new Executive**. Your participation in the election process is critical to keeping our council vibrant.

Book Borrow ... Have questions of a spiritual nature that you are struggling with? Want to learn more about the Lives of the Saints? Require prayer cards or Rosaries? Then be sure to check out our Legion of Mary's "Book Borrow," located in the St. Matthew's Room of our parish. Two large black bookshelves in the St. Matthew's room hold books on several different spiritual subjects, prayer cards and Rosaries, medals, scapulars, and other items that will help you to further your spiritual journey. Borrow these items for as long as you need them, no signing out required, and bring them back when you're done with them. It's that simple! The Legion of Mary will also have a cart in the Narthex every other weekend after the Sunday Masses. Look for the cart this month and stop by to see what we've got to offer. The Legion of Mary is also happy to accept any spiritual items that you may wish to donate to our Book Borrow. Please leave your items in a marked box/bag in the St. Matthew's Room for us to shelve. Please note that we do not accept fiction novels, unless they are written by Christian authors with a clear Christian/Catholic theme.

FIRST FRIDAY MONTHLY HEALING MASSES

Friday, November 7th at 8:00 p.m. at St. Teresa's Church (44 Leonard Street, Kitchener). The Bukas-Loob Sa Diyos (Open in Spirit to God) Covenant Community, BLD Grand Valley Outreach, Kitchener (a prayer group approved by the Diocese of Hamilton) invites you to come, taste and see the goodness of the Lord at St. Teresa's Church on the first Friday of every month. Join them for an uplifting evening and experience the Love of the Lord. Fellowship following the Anointing of the Sick. All are welcome.

MONTHLY DAY OF PRAYER

Friday, Nov. 14th at **St. Anne's Parish**, 268 East Avenue, Kitchener. Mass at 8:00 am. Day ends at 3:00 p.m. Bring a bag lunch. Tea and coffee provided . To register, call or e-mail St. Anne's at 519-745-5302 or stannesfamily@gmail.com. See poster for details.

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY FOR ADVENT

A study on the Gospel of St. Mark begins on **Wed., Nov. 26th** from 6 - 7 p.m. in **St. Mary's Church** (Lower Hall), 56 Duke St. W, Kitchener. Please bring your bible and a friend!

FUNDRAISING CONCERT

Friday, November 28th at 7:00 p.m. at **St. Mary's Church** (56 Duke St. W.) Kitchener. This concert is presented by the Kitchener Knights of Columbus Council 1504, featuring the voices of the renowned **St. Michael's Choir School** in concert with the **Waterloo Regional Police Male Chorus**. It is with immense pride that Council 1504 invites you to enjoy a memorable presentation and financially help support both the preservation of St. Mary's and St. Michael's Choir School's distinguished program. This is a great start to Christmas celebrations with family and friends. **Tickets are \$35 before Nov. 7th – or \$45 after that date**, and are available at St. Mary's Parish office, or call 519-893-1504, or buy online at www.kofc1504.com. All proceeds will go to St. Mary's Church and the St. Michael's Choir School. Liturgical Publications 3171 LENWORTH DR. #12 MISSISSAUGA, ON L4X 2G6 (800) 268-2637

