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PARISH STAFF

Rev. Roque Concepcion – Pastor Rev. Mr. Philip Fernandez – Deacon Mrs. Pam Olinski – Parish Secretary

LORD'S DAY MASSES Saturday 5:00 PM Sunday 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM

WEEKDAY MASS Tuesday - Friday 12:00 NOON <u>First</u> Saturday of the Month 9:00 AM

CONFESSIONS

Wednesdays & <u>First</u> Fridays 11:00 - 11:45 AM Saturdays 4:15 - 4:45 PM or by appointment



"... The seed is sprouting and growing ..." (Mark 4:27)

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. Domir	nic Savio	Catholic	Element	tary	Schoo
Principal:	Marylin L	Dawson			

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

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 and your name will appear in the bulletin, and will be announced during Mass.

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:

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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 <u>several weeks in advance</u> 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.



Nov. 7 – 13, 2022

- Tuesday
12 Noon(FERIAL)
+ Maria & Ernesto Camara & family David CostaWednesday
12 Noon(FEAST DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA)
+ Macedo Family Luiz
- Thursday(MEMORIAL ST. LEO THE GREAT)12 Noon+ Maria Do Tuyen Nguyen
- Friday(MEMORIAL ST. MARTIN OF TOURS)12 Noon+ Gierodimo Nguyen Tuyen Nguyen

33RD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME – Nov. 12/13

Malachi 4:1-2; 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12; Luke 21:5-19 Sat. 5:00 PM + Joseph Siopiolosz – St. Mark's Parish Sun. 9:30 am – Intentions of the Parishioners of St. Mark 11:30 am + Claire Khunaysir – Sawaya family

ST. MARK'S PARISH FAMOUS Spaghetti Supper & Caesar Salad

THIS SUNDAY, November 6th 5:00 to 7:00 in the Parish Hall



\$15 Adults

\$10 Children

4-12 YEARS

\$35 Family

2 ADULTS & 3

CHILDREN

FREE admission

for kids 3yrs & under

Sponsored by St. Mark's Knights of Columbus, an annual tradition returns after a 3-year pandemic hiatus!

Bring your family and friends for superb spaghetti, a delicious Caesar salad, a great dessert, hot and cold drinks and plenty of fun.

Don't want to eat in the church hall? Take-home will be available at 5pm.

TICKETS STILL ON SALE: Today and at the door Available after mass in the narthex, or at the door. Call John Deneau at 519-741-0434 or text 226-789-1094

or email jdeneau@sympatico.ca

Sacramental Enrollment Masses Nov. 19 & 20

Children who wish to receive the Sacrament of **First Holy Communion (gr. 2)** or **Confirmation (gr. 7)** will be invited to submit their enrollment form to the parish on the weekend of November 19/20 at the Mass time of their choice. <u>Blank forms</u> <u>along with a letter from Fr. Roque have been sent home through</u> <u>the parish schools</u>. If you did not receive one, or have children in another school, please contact the parish office so that correspondence can be emailed to you.



LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER! The Sanctuary Lamps burn this week for A PRIVATE INTENTION



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.



THIRTY-SECOND WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

On the Thirty-second Sunday of Ordinary Time, in **Luke's Gospel**, the Sadducees ask sly questions of Jesus, hoping to confuse him on the idea of a Resurrection. Jesus refutes them by quoting Moses: "the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob; and he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive."

The first readings this week are from the pastoral letters to Titus, Philemon, and the Second and Third Letter to John.

Continuing Luke's Gospel, we hear Jesus talk about scandal and about forgiveness. Jesus tells us to be obedient to what God calls us to do and simply say, "we have done what we were obliged to do." Jesus tells the confrontational Pharisees that the Kingdom of God's coming can't be "seen" and it won't be announced. "For behold, the Kingdom of God is among you." "But first [the Son of Man] must suffer greatly and be rejected by this generation." All we can do is to be faithful: "Whoever seeks to preserve his life will lose it, but whoever loses it will save it." Finally, Jesus tells the parable "about the necessity for [his disciples] to pray always without becoming weary." God will give justice to those who call out to him with faith.

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COMING SOON: ALPHA 2023

Right here at St. Mark's ... and you're invited!

Alpha is back! This 11-week program brings people together for conversations about life, faith and Jesus, helping to answer questions like:

Who is Jesus? Why and how do I pray? Does God heal today?

More information to come.

In the meantime, tell your friends and mark your calendar: Thursday evenings, February 16 to April 27 6:45 to 9:15 p.m.

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

"Help bring joy and hope and the Good News of the Gospel to a child living in remote corners of the world who are victims of war, disease, disaster and poverty and the ongoing COVID pandemic. This Christmas Season pack a shoebox filled with school supplies, hygiene items and toys. **Empty shoeboxes are still available for pick up in the narthex**. **Please return filled shoeboxes to the Church by Sunday, November 13th.** Thank you for helping this worthy cause.

BIBLE STUDY... Fridays from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the St. John Room -- *All are welcome!* Please bring your bible and paper and pen. Masks are optional. Questions? Please contact Karen at <u>bkkrigner@rogers.com</u>.



NOV. 12/13	5:00 рм Mass	9:30 AM Mass	11:30 AM Mass
Altar Servers:	J./P./V. Miller	R. Jerold P./T. Pereira	C. Chacon J./S. Garrucho
Commentator:	D. Behl	P. Enticott	I. Kangaloo
Reader:	A. Fernandez	V. DeVries	M. Oram
Ushers:	C. Weber P. Smith	I./D. Culley	C. Dignam
Eucharistic Ministers:	P. Fernandez H. Psutka	M. Walser A. Joseph	E. Weiss K. Dignam



ADORATION *of the* BLESSED SACRAMENT Tuesdays through Fridays 1:00 - 4:00 PM in the <u>CHURCH</u>

4:00 - 8:00 PM in the CHAPEL

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

For children who suffer

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) (AND CATHOLIC FAITH REFRESHER COURSE)

RCIA is a program and faith journey for Adult Baptism, Confirmation, and First Communion. We meet on **Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the St. John Room**. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, please fill out an RCIA form in the foyer or call Fr. Roque at 519-571-9200 for more details. This is also open to anyone who would like to have a refresher course on the Catholic Faith – **all are welcome!**

Monthly Filipino Mass 3rd Saturday of every month at 7:00 p.m. Mass will be a mix of Filipino and English.

ALL ARE WELCOME!



World Youth Day 2023

There are limited spots available to any young people aged 18-35 who wish to participate in the Diocesan pilgrimage to **Lisbon**, **Portugal** for World Youth Day 2023. World Youth Day is a life-changing opportunity that gathers young Catholics from all around the world together with the Holy Father, Pope Francis, for days of prayer and celebration. More information about this pilgrimage opportunity and registration can be found at https://wyd.hamiltondiocese.com.

WYD Fundraising Dinner: A Taste of Portugal

Save the Date! The Diocesan World Youth Day Planning Team warmly invites you to a fundraising dinner at **St. Mary's Church in Hamilton** on **Saturday**, **February 4, 2023.** Join us as we celebrate the delegation of young people who will be attending World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal this summer while enjoying fine Portuguese food, music and cultural dance! Tickets will be available soon. Full tables available for families or parish teams. Please call 905-528-7988 for more details or to reserve tickets: wyd@hamiltondiocese.com.

C.W.L. News...

Do you wish you were part of a group that fed mind, body and soul? Do you yearn for a way to 'right' some of the 'wrongs' in today's world? All that and



so much more awaits for only \$40 with a membership in St. Mark's Catholic Women's League! Gift memberships are also available for a special woman in your life. **C.W.L. Membership Drive launches November 19/20.** Talk to ladies in the Narthex for more information and to sign up, or contact Sue Sawchuk, Organization Chair at 519-277-1898 or email <u>stmarkcwl@gmail.com</u>.

"Act II" Separated & Divorced Support Group

3rd Tuesday of every month from 7:30-8:30pm at St. Michael Parish basement, 80 University Ave W., Waterloo. No fee, join when you can. For more info call 519-884-9311 or visit www.stmichaelw.ca/separated-and-divorced.

K-W Right to Life 50th Anniversary Dinner

Friday, November 18th – Doors open at 5:00 p.m. Fish Dinner at 6:00 p.m.at the Waterloo Knights of Columbus Centre in Waterloo. Call early to reserve a seat or table 519.746.5433 or email jane@kwrtl.ca. Celebrating 50 years of service in the KW area. Includes founding member Carole Reitzel with special guest speaker: Jack Fonseca from Campaign Life Coalition.

Lecture Series at Holy Rosary Parish, Guelph Wednesdays 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Community Room.

<u>Nov. 9th</u> - The Future: Why Aren't We Scared to Death? *with Greg Kennedy*. Despite the global damage done to our environment, our faith can lead us to hope for a better future. Find out why. Greg Kennedy facilitates retreats and practices spiritual direction at the Ignatius Jesuit Centre. He is the author of several books, including An Ontology of Trash (SUNY Press 2006); Reupholstered Psalms volumes I-III (Novalis 2020- 2022); and Amazing Friendships between Animals and Saints (Novalis 2021)

<u>Nov. 16th</u> - "Jesus' Special Friends: Martha, Mary, and Lazarus" <u>with Fr. Eric</u> <u>Jensen</u>. Fr. Eric was born in Montreal, taught at St. Paul's High School, Winnipeg, and then was pastor of St. Ignatius Parish, Winnipeg. He is now directing the Spiritual Exercises at Loyola House, Guelph. He is the author of a number of books.

<u>Nov. 23rd</u> - Living the Mystery of God with Trust and Joy <u>with Emily Orlando</u>. Our vocations in life are callings that lead us into growing in and sharing our faith, which are acts of entrusting and deliberate gratitude that leads to joy in the Lord. Emily was born and raised in Guelph, the oldest of 8 children. A widow with 4 children and a grandmother of 2, she is a retired teacher who somehow fills her time with enough to do to keep her busy and contemplating.

<u>Nov. 30th</u> - God's Design for Us: Who are we Called to Be? Who are we Capable of Being? <u>with Mrs. Teresa Hartnett</u>. Teresa is the Director of Family Ministry for the Diocese of Hamilton and is passionate about helping individuals, couples and families to grow strong, healthy and happy, both in how they live and in their faith! She is also the author of Nighttime Devotional for Teen Girls, a book about how to strengthen teen faith.

Coping with the Holidays ... when someone you love is gone Christmas is an especially challenging holiday to cope with and the Diocesan Family Ministry Office offers a special workshop on the First Sunday of Advent

each year to help you cope with the season. When it does not feel like "Peace on Earth," know that you are not alone. Learn and share strategies for coping at Christmas. Know that your loss is not forgotten. Join us on **Sunday**, **Nov. 27**th from 1:00 - 3:00 PM at the **Chancery Office, 700 King Street West, Hamilton**. To register please call 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or you may register via email at <u>familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com</u>.

