

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 AM & 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
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

The exact date does not matter, but I would prefer one of the following:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 7:00 AM on a Weekday | <input type="checkbox"/> 5:00 PM on a Saturday |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 7:00 PM on a Tuesday | <input type="checkbox"/> 9:30 AM on a Sunday |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 9:00 AM on a Saturday | <input type="checkbox"/> 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.

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

220 - 1

Worship This Week

November 17 – 23, 2014

Monday (MEMORIAL – ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY)
7:00 am + David Baggey – *The Baggey Family*

Tuesday
7:00 pm + Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary

Wednesday
7:00 am - Int. of the Family of Ramirez Garcia

Thursday
7:00 am - Int. of the Family of Ramirez Garcia

Friday (MEMORIAL – THE PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY)
7:00 am - Int. of the Family of Ramirez Garcia

Saturday (MEMORIAL – ST. CECILIA)
9:00 am - Int. of the Family of Ramirez Garcia

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING
Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17; 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28; Matthew 25:31-46
Sat. 5:00 pm + Joseph and Molly – *Lalitha & Marius*
Sun. 9:30 am - Int. of the Family of Ramirez Garcia
11:30 am - Int. of the Parishioners of St. Mark's

Offertory Collections

Nov. 8/9, 2014

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| Envelope Users | \$ 3,722.00 |
| Loose monies | \$ 404.15 |
| TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS | \$ 4,126.15 |
| Mortgage Fund | \$ 1,053.00 |

Thank you for your generosity!!



SPIRIT CREW

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

■ **NEXT FAITH-SHARING NIGHT**

Friday, November 28th 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 SHOEBOX WAREHOUSE**

VOLUNTEERING: Friday, December 5th from 7-9:30 p.m.

This community service event is for all high school youth. We will be inspecting and sorting shoeboxes. It is a fun way to get more of your hours to put toward your community service requirements. We will leave the Church parking lot at 6:20 p.m. and arrive back at the Church by approximately 10 p.m. If you are interested in attending this event, please e-mail Christine at cutting_abcd@rogers.com by Sunday, November 30th.

LITURGICAL ROLES

| NOV. 22-23 | Sat. 5:00 PM | Sun. 9:30 AM | Sun. 11:30 AM |
|------------------------|---|---|--|
| Altar Servers: | Z./J. Riddell | R./K. Ertel O. Dixon | J./A. Arruda A. Paz |
| Commentator: | C. Baumtrog | B. Sawarna | M. Devine |
| Lector: | N. Higgins | D. Bristol | R. Dom.-Rey |
| Ushers: | L. Macedo K. Friesen | B. Cutting J. Detzler | C. Dignam F. Sawaya |
| Gift Bearers: | | Rye | Masbad |
| Eucharistic Ministers: | C. Dokis L. Macedo R./P. Masbad K. Smith | A. Bendia P./B. Enticott M./L. Fernando | L. McCullough M.E. McCullough J./P. McCullough |

Ladies' Advent Retreat

"Keeping Christ in Christmas" ... All ladies of the parish are invited to join the Catholic Women's League for our Advent Retreat on **Thursday, Dec. 4th** at 7:00 p.m. (following 6:30 Mass). Please come prepared to share your favourite Christmas traditions and, if possible, one of your favourite Christmas treats to share (and the recipe!). You'll also need your Rosary, notebook and singing voices. Opportunity for personal intentions and prayer ministry will be available. To help with planning, please RSVP to stmarkcw@gmail.com or Cathy Voisin at 519-742-8592 or sign up in the Narthex after Mass the weekends of Nov. 23 and 30.

Winter Coat Drive

St. Mark's Knights of Columbus invites you to donate your gently used winter coats and snowpants to the bin in the church lobby before November 20th. They will be taking all donations to the Salvation Army on November 21st to aid them in their Coat Drive.



Angel Tree

Christmas is coming, and our Angel Tree is now set up in the narthex. If you would like to buy a gift to make Christmas special for a child, please choose an angel, purchase your gifts, and **return them to the church (unwrapped) with the angel attached NO LATER than Sun. Dec. 14th**. Please do not buy clothing, as we do not know the sizes (winter accessories accepted). Gift certificates are always appreciated, especially for older children. If you happen to have extra wrapping paper or bags that you are willing to donate, we would certainly appreciate them. Thank you for your ongoing support! - *Society of St. Vincent de Paul*

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES

TODAY (Nov. 16) is the deadline for filled shoeboxes to be returned to the Church. Thank you for helping this worthy cause!

ST. MARK'S PARISH MISSION

Nightly - November 24, 25 & 26

6:30pm – 8:30pm

"Nurturing Families Through Faith, Prayer and Love"

St. Mark's will be having a mission to help us get ready for the Advent/Christmas season. **The theme of the mission will be centered on the family and the call to holiness.** I am pleased to have with us for these days **Fr. Alex Saurianthadathil, C.Ss.R.**, henceforth known to us as "Fr. Alex." He will conduct the mission for us. Fr. Alex is a young priest from Sault Ste. Marie diocese and has given numerous missions in the past. We welcome Fr. Alex to our parish and invite all of you to attend these mission days. They can be for us a kind of retreat and when entered into in a spirit of openness and prayerfulness, a great source of blessing. All from our parish, our city and beyond are most cordially invited to attend. **Here is a brief outline of the mission schedule:**

* Fr. Alex will preach at all the weekend Masses on Nov. 22/23 (Sat. 5:00 p.m.; Sun. 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.)

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| Mon., Nov. 24: | 2 – 4 PM | Confessions |
| | 6:30 PM | Mass followed by Mission |
| Tues., Nov. 25: | 11:00 AM | Visit the Schools with Fr. Don |
| | 2 – 4 PM | Confessions |
| | 6:30 PM | Mass followed by Mission |
| Wed., Nov. 26: | 2 – 4 PM | Confessions |
| | 6:30 PM | Mission |
| | 8:00 PM | Mass |

As well Fr. Alex will speak to us about, and arrange times for: **adoration** (in the church), the **anointing of the sick**, and the **blessing of individual families**. On Tuesday we will visit our schools.

A huge welcome to Fr. Alex and a big welcome to all who wish to attend our mission.

GRADE 7 CONFIRMATION ... If you MISSED the information meeting on Nov. 5th please contact the parish office as soon as possible to obtain a handout from the meeting (and a registration form if you have not already got one). Forms and handouts are also available in the church lobby.

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 to the left of the altar.

Church Bulletin Advertising

On Nov. 28 Liturgical Publications will begin setting up the advertisements that support the printing of our church bulletin for the coming year. Please lend your support by advertising your product or service regularly on the back page of our bulletin. Call **Liturgical Publications** at 1-800-268-2637. Ads will begin running in February 2015.



C.W.L. CORNER ...



DONATIONS – Each month at our general meeting we have a voluntary collection for a charitable organization. This past year we have made donations to Big Brothers, Carmelite Monastery in St. Agatha, World Day of Prayer and Sister Elaine Arsenault's charity work. At our November general meeting members decided to make donations of \$200 to each of the following charitable organizations: St. Vincent de Paul, Lisaard House, Canadian Mental Health Association.

UPCOMING EVENTS – Mark your calendars!

- **Thur. Dec. 4** – Advent Retreat: Keep Christ in Christmas
- **Wed. Jan. 14** – C.W.L. Potluck – Secret prayer sisters are revealed!
- **Tue. Feb. 3** – Guest Speaker for Heart Month: Susan Dusick from St. Mary's Foundation

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

MEXICO MISSION ... A group of St. Mark's parishioners, in co-operation with the Vineyard Church in Guelph, is planning a mission trip to Mexico once again. The team is looking for interested people willing to pay their own travel costs, help in fund raising, and take a week beginning April 25, 2015 to travel to the Baja region of Mexico and help build a community. It has not yet been determined what will be built, but possibilities are homes for individual families, a school or a church. The project depends on the size of the team. Please consider taking part in this experience ... you will never be the same! Interested people are asked to contact the team: Tom and Kate Boettger at 519-745-6065 or email the.boettgers@sympatico.ca.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR - **Tue. Nov. 18th** from 1 – 6:30 p.m. at the **Marian Residence**, 640 Hillview Rd., Cambridge. All are welcome!

Attention All Teachers...

EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

Often, conscientious teachers and parents are looking for **contemporary curriculum material with a moral perspective**. There is help! Visit www.theinterim.com/interim-plus. The material addresses life issues in our society. Teachers in all subject areas (**history, geography, philosophy, religion, family studies, mathematics, business, sciences, and philosophy**) might welcome this special material in their lesson planning, where applicable. It's a free service of The Interim, Canada's life and family monthly www.theinterim.com.

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