

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.

THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILLICA

Worship This Week

November 10 – 16, 2014

Monday (MEMORIAL – ST. LEO THE GREAT)

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

Tuesday (MEMORIAL – ST. MARTIN OF TOURS) **REMEMBRANCE DAY**

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

Wednesday (MEMORIAL – ST. JOSAPHAT)

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

Thursday

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

Friday

7:00 am + Family Members of Marius & Lalitha Fernando

Saturday

9:00 am - Int. of Catherine Robinson – *Jeanne*

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prov. 31:10-13, 16-18, 20, 26, 28-31++; 1 Thess. 5:1-6; Mt. 25:14-30

Sat. 5:00 pm - Int. of the Parishioners of St. Mark's

Sun. 9:30 am + Anna Spitzl – *John & Hedwig Helmond*

11:30 am + Anne & Tom Howcroft – *Hingley & Howcroft Families*

Offertory Collections

Nov. 1/2, 2014

Envelope Users.....	\$ 3,628.00
Loose monies.....	\$ 542.49
TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS	\$ 4,170.49
Mortgage Fund.....	\$ 1,155.00

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 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. 15-16	Sat. 5:00 PM	Sun. 9:30 AM	Sun. 11:30 AM
Altar Servers:	K. Buchanan G. Johnston	D. Bristol E. Chang R. Vezensyi	A./R. Maenpaa M. McCullough P. Mortens
Commentator:	K. Friesen	P. Enticott	M. Oram
Lector:	L. Masbad	V. DeVries	M. Monte
Ushers:		G./T. MacNeil	M. Schimus M. Monte
Gift Bearers:	Weber	Germann	Maenpaa
Eucharistic Ministers:	C. Dokis N./K. Higgins G./G. Jans K. Friesen	D. Henri M. Lynch H. Kress L. Riedel S. Sawchuk	K./T. Boettger B. Denomme A. Joseph

GRADE 7 CONFIRMATION

Parents' Information Meeting

If you MISSED the 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).



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. **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!

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!

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.



50/50 Draw Winner ... Congratulations to **Denise Case** who won the 50/50 Draw at our Ennio Renon Memorial Italian Dinner last Sunday, November 2!

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.

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

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

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: _____

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.

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.

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.

Thinking about priesthood or religious life?

Find out by attending a **Discernment Group** (a monthly morning of prayer, reflection and lunch). Next gather is on **Saturday, Nov. 15th** at **St. Michael's Church, Waterloo**. Begins at 9am with Mass, Holy Hour, Discernment Groups for men and women, and lunch. For more information visit www.HamiltonVocations.com.

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 \$45**, available at St. Mary's Parish office, 519-893-1504, or buy online at www.kofc1504.com. All proceeds to St. Mary's Church and the St. Michael's Choir School.

36th Annual Advent Novena

AN INVITATION TO PREPARE WELL FOR CHRISTMAS

Nine daily Masses at 6:30AM at **St. Agnes Church** (75 Bluevale Street N., Waterloo) from **Friday, December 5th to Saturday, December 13th** (note exception: Mass on Sunday, Dec. 7th is at 9am or 11am, or, you are welcome to attend your own church on this day). Make this Advent a special time of preparation for Christmas by joining your Twin-City friends who have been keeping this Advent tradition for many years. Bring along a friend! Everyone is welcome! Plenty of time to get to work afterwards!

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