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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 and 3:45 - 4:45 PM or at other times by appointment.

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. Please fill out a form from the church lobby and drop it off at the parish office. Parents and godparents are requested to come to the 11:30 AM Mass on the 1st Sunday of the month and stay for a brief preparation meeting.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

October through May at the 11:30 AM Mass. Three separate drop-in programs for K-1, Gr. 2-3, and Gr. 4-5. 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 arrange to have a Mass celebrated for the intentions of a living person, or for the repose of the soul of a departed loved one, please fill out this request form, place it in a **separate** envelope and drop it in the Sunday collection, or slip it under the door of the parish office outside of office hours. The 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 recommends an offering of \$10.

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I would like to have HOW MANY? 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.
OR
☐ The exact date does not matter, but I would prefer one of the following: ☐ 7:00 AM on a Weekday ☐ 7:00 PM on a Tuesday ☐ 9:00 AM on a Saturday ☐ 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 your request at least 2-3 months in advance.
Requested by:
Daytime Phone Number:

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

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Worship This Week

October 15-21, 2012

Fr. Don is away on holidays this week, and will return Friday evening. As such, there will be NO WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK.

SATURDAY

7:00 AM + Souls in Purgatory

SUNDAY (29th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Isaiah 53:10-11; Hebrews 4:14-16; Mark 10:35-45 or 42-45

SAT. 5:00 pm + John Bauer – Marianne Dodsworth SUN. 9:30 am + Joao Coelho - Annabelle Costa

11:30 am + Gaspar de Amorim – Jose Amorim

- Int. of the Parishioners of St. Mark's



Office Hours This Week October 15-19, 2012

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon

Offertory Last Week: October 6/7, 2012

Registered Envelope Users	\$ 3,656.00
Loose monies	. \$ 379.75
TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS	\$ 4,035.75
Parish Mortgage Fund	\$ 915.00
S.V.d.P. September White Box Collection	\$ 739.86

St. Mark's Spirit Crew

Our Parish's Ministry for Youth ~ Grade 6 and Up

■ NEXT FAITH-SHARING

Friday, October 19th from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the church

All youth in grades 6 and up are welcome! Please bring a bible, a journal and your enthusiasm. A free will offering will be accepted for the snack that will be provided. Please make sure you reply to the leadership team by email so we have an opportunity to provide enough snack: the.boettgers@sympatico.ca. If you have any questions please call Kate or Tom Boettger at 519-745-6065.

■ HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY SERVICE EVENT

Thursday, November 1st from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Waterloo Regional Food Bank. All highschool students welcome! Please keep this date free so you can join us for an evening of service. You will be able to use this time for Community Service hours. More details to come!

"The Faith We Believe: Unpacking The Creed"

This booklet, produced by the Pastoral Offices of the Diocese of Hamilton, is available to all parishioners in the baskets in the narthex. PLEASE TAKE A COPY HOME WITH YOU. It is a reflection on The Creed – a look at what we say, and what we mean by what we say. May this booklet help you to reflect on what you proclaim, so that during this Year of Faith, you might rediscover the joy of believing in God amidst such a wonderful community of faith.

Dear People,

By now, I should be in the States with a group of gentlemen that I have been travelling with for 35 years or so. Many in



our group are getting a little long in the tooth, so this will likely be our last kick at the cat. I am sorry I had to miss the dance – well, for me, the music. I love crisis music, and if anyone tapes the singing I would appreciate borrowing your tape to have a listen. In any case, I hope a good time will be had by all.

Presently, Alpha is well under way and I wish God's blessings on all involved.

Once Alpha is completed, I hope to have an excellent follow-up series on The Catholic Church by Father Robert Barron. Alpha introduces many to God, the Trinity, and especially the Life of our Lord. Fr. Barron's series will lead many to rejoice in what they will learn about and/or what will be renewed in their Catholic faith.

As I write this, it has occurred to me that I need to find a priest so that I may confess before I leave Canada. I will keep you in my prayers. Father Michael Isabelle will be filling in for the weekend, and for any funerals that may arise. My thanks go out to him.

God bless you and I will remember St. Mark's parishioners while I offer Mass this week.

Theology of the Body ... a "must" today!

Pope John Paul II spoke and wrote extensively about the traditional Catholic understanding of the human person and human sexuality. He saw what was happening in the world. The body was, more and more, seen as a pleasure centre, and there are many out there willing and able to entice the multitudes into the hellishness of lustful and truly inhuman living. Of course, no one was ever made healthier, happier or safer because of this.

Some have picked up the Pope's challenge to learn, live and teach about the body in a way that reflects the central Christian mystery of the Incarnation – the Son of God made flesh. The Christian world needs to learn and be able to speak the message of love, hope and true joy. "We are our bodies," says the Holy Father, when they reflect the inner beauty of who and what God wants us to be.

At some point soon, presentations open to all will be offered on the above. More to come...

- Fr. Don

Many thanks!! to the staff and students at Resurrection C.S.S. for donating the proceeds of their food drive to our parish St. Vincent de Paul Society. We received over 2,100 lbs. of food, plus monies to help us buy more perishables and meat for our families. Thank you Rez!!

-- St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Mark's Parish

Films, Fellowship & Faith Nights

Women's Prayer Night invites the women of St Mark's to join us every Wednesday evening for DVD presentation, popcorn, fellowship and lively discussion. We begin Wednesday, October 17th at 7:00 p.m. in the Church basement. Our films will range from Bible presentations by Ray Vanderlaan, Communion with Christ by Deacon James Keating, to talks by the ever popular Joyce Meyers. No study involved, just come on out and enjoy the night as women of faith. All ladies welcome! Please contact Kathy Smith at kathysmith219@gmail.com or Lisa Williamson at lgwilli@golden.net or speak to Denise Case.

Mission to Mexico

A group of parishioners from St. Mark's, including youth as young as 16, has travelled to Mexico in the spring for the last three years. These trips have not been vacations, but rather missions to be the hands and feet of Jesus. We have built homes for 3 families in need, and helped to change lives. This has been a very humbling, and rewarding endeavor.

We are preparing to make this trip again from March 30 to April 7, 2013, and are looking for people interested in attending. Participants pay the cost of travel and lodging, and provide the labour to complete the build. We work with missionary groups who have established themselves in the area, and provide us with room and board during the week. These are not luxury accommodations, but bare bones lodging, and basic meals. There will be an informational meeting on Sunday, October 28th, at 1:00 p.m. here at the church. This will involve a short video presentation, and include past participants, available to answer your questions. Alternatively, you may contact Ron Denomme at 519-884-3389 or Greg Williamson at 519-570-4983. Please consider taking part in this adventure.

Annual Christmas Bazaar

Saturday, November 3rd from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the parish hall. We are looking for vendors of all types to help make this annual event a success. Tables are limited, so they will be reserved on a first-come first-served basis. If you are interested in booking a table, please contact Susan at 519-744-4469 or email sweetsbysusan@rogers.com.

Ennio's Famous Spaghetti Supper

is back again here at St. Mark's. Sponsored by St. Mark's Knights of Columbus, this dinner is now an annual tradition here in our parish. Mark on your calendar **Sunday**, **November 4**th and join us with your family and friends from **4:30 to 6:30 p.m.** for superb Italian food and plenty of fun! **Tickets go on sale after all weekend Masses this weekend (Oct. 13/14).**

 Adult:
 \$10.00
 Children (2-6 yrs.):
 \$4.00

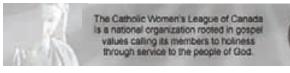
 Youth (7-11 yrs.):
 \$7.00
 Children under 2 yrs.:
 FREE

Funeral Luncheon Committee

We would like to update the volunteer list for the Funeral Luncheon Committee. Please note that we now expect that lunches will be provided by an outside caterer, as is the norm in most other parishes. However, we still need helpers to serve food and prepare drinks, and of course, clean up after the lunch is over. If you are often available during the day and are interested in helping out, or being the leader for this group, please leave your name and phone number at the parish office. Thank you!

WANTED: Altar Servers for Funerals

We are in need of some <u>adult</u> volunteers to serve at the altar during funerals here in the church. If you are often available during the day, and would like Fr. Don to train you to be an altar server for funerals, please call the parish office and leave your name and phone number, or see Fr. Don after Mass. Also, if there are any current <u>youth</u> altar servers who would like to serve at funerals, and who would have a parent available during the day to transport them from school to the church, please let Pam know by calling the parish office so that we can create a list for future reference. Thank you!



C.W.L. Corner ...

SAVE THE DATES

November

• Mass at the Monastery in St. Agatha. Date to be announced.

Monday, December 3rd

• Rosary at 6:00 p.m., Potluck at 6:45 p.m.

Tueday, January 22nd

• Mass at 6:00 p.m., Executive Election at 7:00 p.m.

How well do you know the C.W.L.?

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION: What important C.W.L. Statement was issued on February 6th, 1987?

Last Week's Answer: On Oct. 25, 1980, Newfoundland was granted C.W.L. provincial status.

Bereavement Support Group

Has someone you cared about died? Are you feeling emotional, grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you wondering if these feelings and your reactions are normal? Are you wondering if you are going to "make it"?

If you said YES to any of these questions, you may be interested in joining people are experiencing the same feelings of loss. A Bereavement Support Group will begin on **Monday, November 5**th from 1 to 3 p.m. at St. Francis Parish, 49 Blueridge Ave., Kitchener. Anyone who has experienced the loss of a significant person in their life is welcome to come. It is in being with others who are also grieving that a light begins to come through at the end of the tunnel. For more information please call Barbara Diemert, 519-744-8955 or St. Francis Parish. Registration is appreciated as there are some materials to order.

Marriage and Parenting Tips for the Month

PARENTING TIP

Spending time conversing with our children is a perfect way to pass on knowledge and values and a great way to learn about who they are as a person. The fall season offers parents a perfect time to head outdoors as a family for a hike, where you can take some time to chat about the beauty of God's creation, the value of nature and our need to be stewards of God's world. Taking time to connect with our children allows us to influence them and simply enjoy each other's company!

MARRIAGE TIP

Angry words, spoken in the heat of the moment, can be emotionally scarring. When anger surfaces, the old adage "count to ten before you speak" is a good one to remember; it provides a buffer to calm the emotions. Anger is a normal emotion, but how and when it is expressed can result in a positive or negative relationship moment. Take a few seconds and ask yourself how you might best express your anger without leaving lasting marks on your love relationship.

From Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office (905-528-7988 ext.2250)

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