

St. Mark Roman Catholic Parish

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PARISH STAFF

Rev. Stephen Murrin – *Pastor*
Rev. Mr. Basil Markides – *Deacon*
Mrs. Pam Olinski – *Secretary*

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday at 5:00 PM
Sunday at 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 7:00 PM
Wed., Thur., Fri. 7:00 AM *
Saturday 9:00 AM
(*First Friday 7:00 PM followed by Benediction)

CONFESSIONS

Saturday following 9:00 AM Mass
and 4:15–4:30 PM or by appointment.

BLESSED SACRAMENT ADORATION CHAPEL

Perpetual Adoration – Spots available,
see chapel bulletin board
Divine Mercy – Fridays 3:00 PM
Our Lady's Rosary – First Saturday at 10 AM

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. Dates for preparation and the 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 set up an appointment.

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 – 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 Mass.

If you require a Mass card please make your request in person at the parish office during business hours, or call the office to make pick-up arrangements.

The offering for a Mass (for living or deceased) is \$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:

7:00 AM on any weekday 5:00 PM on any Saturday

7:00 PM on any Tuesday 9:30 AM on any Sunday

9:00 AM on any Saturday 11:30 AM on any 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 several months in advance.

Requested by: _____

Daytime Phone # or email: _____

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

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions for the Week 

October 22 – 28, 2018

Monday - NO MASS

Tuesday (FERIAL)

7:00 PM - Int. of Mary Catherine Flannery – *Flood family*

Wednesday (FERIAL)

7:00 am + Jim Lehmann – *Colm & Kay Dignam*

Thursday - NO MASS

Friday - NO MASS

Saturday (FERIAL)

9:00 am - Intentions of the Catholic Women's League

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jeremiah 31:7-9; Hebrews 5:1-6; Mark 10:46-52

Sat. 5:00 PM + Cimermanic Family

Sun. 9:30 am + Gregory Mantil – *Pat & Margaret Drohan*

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

* Please note there will be **no Masses on Thursday and Friday** this week while Fr. Steve is away at the annual Clergy Seminar.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY (Oct. 21, 2018)

At the initiative of Pope Pius XI in 1926, the second last Sunday during October became known as World Mission Sunday.

Catholics throughout the world are invited to pray for and give to the Missions. The collection this Sunday is organized by the Pontifical Missions Society. The funds collected assist some 1,250 mission dioceses under the responsibility of the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples. As agreed by the Holy See and the Bishops of Canada, a portion of the Canadian contributions to this collection will continue to be used until 2020 to assist six dioceses in Northern Canada which for many years had also been under the jurisdiction of the Congregation.

"How I long to find the right words to stir up enthusiasm for a new chapter of evangelization full of fervour, joy and generosity. I once more invoke the Holy Spirit. I implore him to come and renew the Church, to stir and impel her to go forth boldly to evangelize all peoples." (Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium*, 261).

Offertory Collection 2018

Oct. 13/14.

Sunday envelopes.....	\$ 2,509.00
Sunday pre-authorized debits (MONTHLY AMOUNTS x12÷52).....	\$ 1,200.46
Loose monies	\$ 499.70
TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS.....	\$ 4,209.16

Mortgage envelopes.....	\$ 260.75
Mortgage pre-authorized debits (MONTHLY AMOUNTS x12÷52)	\$ 254.88
TOTAL MORTGAGE OFFERINGS.....	\$ 515.63

Accessible Door Fund.....\$105.00

- Thank you for your generosity -

"TOASTY TOES" SOCK DRIVE

St. Mark's is happy to support #ToastyToes2018 again this year by collecting donations of NEW, WARM sock (no dress socks) from Oct. 10 until Nov. 10 for those experiencing or at risk of homelessness in Waterloo Region. Socks are the most requested but **LEAST donated item** at shelters ... and wet or worn out socks can lead to a **multitude of foot-related health problems**. Last year the campaign collected 32,400 pairs of new socks. Twenty social profit groups benefited from these donations. Men's socks are most needed, but women's and children's socks are also welcome. See white donation bin in the narthex.



Meetings & Events This Week:

DATE	TIME	ROOM	EVENT
<u>Mon. Oct. 22</u>	8:00 pm	(H)	Alcoholics Anonymous
<u>Tue. Oct. 23</u>	7:00 pm	(B)	Keys to Loving Relationships
	7:30 pm	(M)	Knights of Columbus General meeting
<u>Wed. Oct. 24</u>	6:30 pm	(CH)	9:30 Choir practice (and 7:30 social)
	7:00 pm	(B)	Women's Prayer Group
	7:15 pm	(M)	"The One Thing is Three" DVD series
<u>Thur. Oct. 25</u>	6:15 pm	(M)	Legion of Mary
	7:30 pm	(CH)	5:00 Choir practice
<u>Fri. Oct. 26</u>	6:00 am	(L)	Men's group
	6:30 pm	(H)	Legion of Mary Curia meeting
	7:00 pm	(L)	Writers' Group
<u>Sat. Oct. 27</u>	10:30 am	(L)	Writers' Group

Meeting Rooms: B = Basement CH = Church H = Hall * = Offsite
J = St. John Room L = St. Luke Room M = St. Matthew Room

In this Sunday's Gospel, we continue to read from the section of Mark's Gospel that reports Jesus' journey to Jerusalem. Last Sunday we heard Jesus lament the particular challenges those with many possessions face in order to enter the Kingdom of God. Jesus then predicts his passion to the Twelve, who are amazed and afraid. In this part of Mark's Gospel, Jesus' words to his closest disciples seem to be intended to prepare them for the events that will occur in Jerusalem.

In today's Gospel, James and John ask to be given seats of honor when Jesus enters into his glory. Once again, the disciples seem to be selective in what they hear Jesus say. They want to share Jesus' glory, but do not appear to understand that his glory will be preceded by his suffering. Jesus notes their lack of understanding and predicts the suffering they will endure for the sake of the Gospel. Jesus says that the honor they seek is not his to give. When the other ten hear what James and John have asked, Mark reports that they are indignant. Jesus takes the opportunity to teach them.

Jesus explains the importance of service and sacrifice in the life of a disciple. In particular, he seems to be preparing the Twelve for their leadership roles in the emerging Christian community. Echoing the Gospel we heard several weeks ago (on the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Mark 9:33-37), Jesus acknowledges that his teaching is countercultural. In today's Gospel, Jesus contrasts the dynamics within the community of disciples with those shown by the rulers of the Gentiles.

Following Jesus' example of sacrificial love continues to be countercultural in our day as well. We might take this opportunity to consider our models of authority and examine our own exercise of authority. On whose example do we model our leadership? ■

RCIA ... If you are interested in becoming a Catholic or knowing more about the Catholic Faith, you may leave your name and contact information with the parish office to be enrolled in The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (commonly referred to as R.C.I.A.). This is a formation and preparation process that **begins in the Fall of 2018** and consists of weekly evening meetings that will continue until April 2019 ending in the last week of Lent. To become a full member of the Catholic Faith, a person must receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist. The program, therefore, is for people who have (1) never been baptized; (2) been baptized in another Christian Faith and are now seeking to be accepted into full communion with the Catholic Church, and (3) been baptized in the Catholic Church but have not received both Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.

Liturgical Ministers

OCT. 27 - 28	5:00 PM Mass	9:30 AM Mass	11:30 AM Mass
Altar Servers:	V./P./J. Miller G./S. Morgan	E./T./T. Morgan	B. Starr R. Robin
Commentator:	K Friesen	B. Sawarna	I. Kangaloo
Lectors:	M. Dufresne J. Deneau	T Angel J Flanagan	M. Monte M Oram
Ushers:	L Macedo I Cimermancic	F. Seaward M. Walser	B Voisin
Gift Bearers:		Cerantola	
Eucharistic Ministers:	F./Y. Tully K. Friesen	A. Joseph M. Walser T. Angel B. Coutinho	C./K. Dignam I./F. Kangaloo

St. Mark's Parish Famous Italian

Spaghetti Supper & Salad Bar

SUNDAY, NOV. 4 | 5:00 to 7:00 PM | Parish Hall

Back again! Sponsored by St. Mark's Knights of Columbus, this dinner is now an annual tradition here in our Parish. Bring your family and friends for superb Italian spaghetti, a delicious multi-item salad bar, a great dessert, wine/beer bar and plenty of fun. This year we also have a Silent Auction sponsored by the C.W.L. All proceeds from this year's Dinner and Auction will go to St. Mark's Accessible Door Fund! **Tickets NOW ON SALE** after all weekend Masses in the Narthex:

Adults: \$12 | Children 4-12 yrs.: \$7 | 3 yrs. & under: FREE
Family Rate (2 Adults + 3-4 kids): \$40 (additional kids \$2 each)

To reserve tickets call John Deneau at 519-741-0434 or text 226-789-1094.



40 DAYS FOR LIFE. Pray to End Abortion!

Peaceful prayer vigil in front of

Freeport Hospital from 7AM to 7PM

Daily from Sept. 26th to Nov. 4th

St. Mark's Parish has agreed to sponsor *Tues. Oct. 30th

and together we are committing to filling all the hours on this day. We need at least two people to sign up for each hour. Adopt-A-Day sign-up sheets can be found on the 40 Days for Life table in the narthex. You can also sign up for more prayer hours by either going online at www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener or calling Ewelina at 519-589-2919 or Patrick at 519-748-5548. It is VERY IMPORTANT that you sign up BEFORE coming to the vigil site to prevent one of the committee or emergency back-up members from driving out to the site. Details on the poster in the narthex! (*please note change of date from Oct. 17)



Final Vows of Raphael Ma, C.R.

The Congregation of the Resurrection cordially invites you to the Profession of Final Vows* of Raphael Ma, C.R. You may remember Raphael from when he spent a summer here at St. Mark's as a seminarian in 2013. Thank you for your support and prayers over the years! This joyful event will take place on **Wed. Nov. 21st** at 7:00 p.m. at **St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Kitchener**. A light reception will follow.

(*Please note that the Final Vows are not yet an ordination to the diaconate or the priesthood; these rites are yet to come.)

C.W.L. News

◆ Next Mass for CWL Intentions: Sat. Oct. 27 at 9:00am

◆ **SILENT AUCTION FUNDRAISER:** Bidding opens Oct. 26th and closes Nov. 4th at the Spaghetti Supper. Thank you to those who have already donated items. We are still seeking items ... suggestions are gift cards/certificates, small appliances, household items, artwork, electronics, donations of your time/skill (child care, painting, yard work, snow removal, baking, etc.), a product or sample from your work. No minimum dollar value as we will bundle some smaller items together. Please drop off your donations to Pam during office hours before Oct. 22 or call Kim Friesen to arrange pick up (519) 500-1964. Thank you!



FEAST OF ALL SOULS

Friday, November 2nd

Mass at 7:00 p.m.



On this day, and throughout the month of November, the Church calls our thoughts to our beloved dead.

We are reminded to pray for our dead, and offer acts of charity and Mass intentions for the repose and union of their souls to God. By doing so, grace enables us to remember the bond of love that existed in life and strengthen that bond, undefeated by death.

During Mass this evening, the names of our beloved dead will be called out and Mass offered for their intention.

To include your beloved dead for the intentions of the Mass that day, please place the names of the deceased on a blank envelope and place in the Offertory Collection or give to Pam, at the Parish office.

If you would like to request a **candle** to burn in their memory during Mass, please include a **\$5 offering for each candle** you request. These will be 5-day candles that you may take home at the end of Mass or leave for them to continue to burn in the church.

LOOKING AHEAD...

Solemnity of All Saints: Thursday, November 1st

All Souls' Day: Friday, November 2nd

First Sunday of Advent: December 2nd

Gr. 2 / Gr. 7 Enrollment Sunday: December 1st/2nd at all Masses
(for Gr. 2's seeking First Communion and Gr. 7's seeking Confirmation)

Sacrament of Confirmation: Tuesday, March 26th

Sacrament of First Holy Communion: Sundays, May 26th and June 2nd

Preparation for the Sacraments of First Eucharist or Confirmation

If you have a child attending Grade 2 or Grade 7 at either St. Mark's or St. Dominic's Schools, you will be receiving in a couple of weeks a letter from the parish (via the school) concerning the Sacramental Preparations for First Communion (for grade 2's) and Confirmation (for grade 7's). **If your child is seeking one of these Sacraments but does not attend either of the parish schools (or is in a different grade), please call the parish office and let us know.**

Service of Light and Remembrance for Children who have Died

Tuesday, Oct. 30th at 7:30 p.m. at St. Michael's Church, Waterloo.

A special prayer service in honour of young lives lost, regardless of circumstances (e.g. accidents, illness, miscarriages, still birth etc.). All who have been touched by these young lives are invited to attend and feel the love of God and find comfort in knowing God loves all He has created.

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