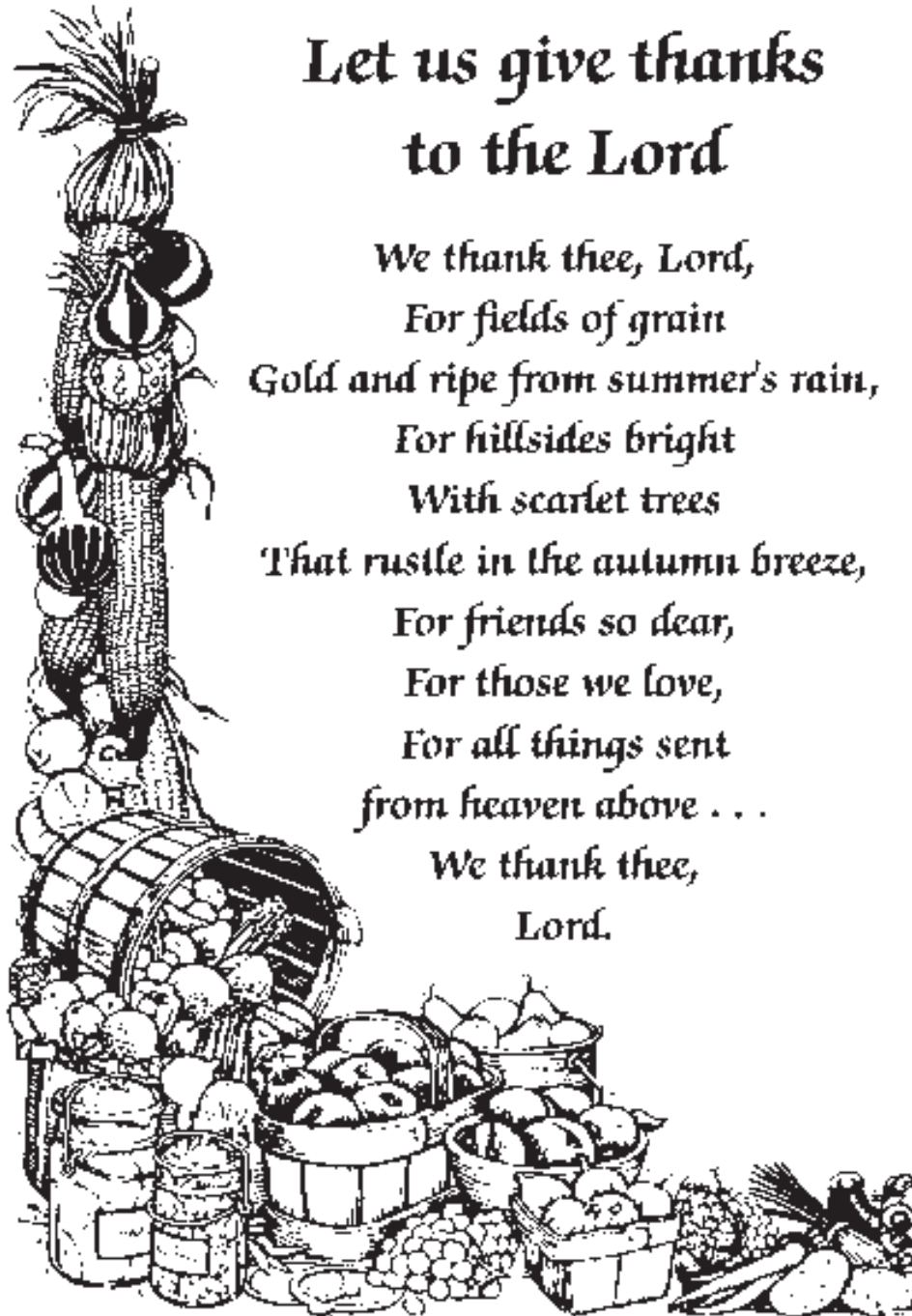


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Let us give thanks to the Lord

We thank thee, Lord,
For fields of grain
Gold and ripe from summer's rain,
For hillsides bright
With scarlet trees
That rustle in the autumn breeze,
For friends so dear,
For those we love,
For all things sent
from heaven above . . .
We thank thee,
Lord.



Worship This Week

OCTOBER 14 – 20, 2013

Monday THANKSGIVING

★ 9:00 am - Int. of Jenny

Tuesday (memorial – St. Teresa of Jesus)

7:00 pm + Theresia Bauer – *Trudy Dallosch*

Wednesday (memorial – St. Marguerite D'Youville)

7:00 am + Leona & Dolphis Gagnon – *John & Elaine Kelly*

Thursday (memorial – St. Ignatius of Antioch)

7:00 am + Doug Lorentz – *Brian & Marie Lynch*

Friday and Saturday

★ NO MORNING MASSES

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time (WORLD MISSION SUNDAY)

Exodus 17:8-13; 2 Timothy 3:14–4:2; Luke 18:1-8

Sat. 5:00 pm + Souls in Purgatory – *Henrique DaSilva*

Sun. 9:30 am + Ludwig Michaelis – *Michaelis Family*

11:30 am + John Bauer – *Pat & Mary Ann Dodsworth*
- Int. of the Parishioners of St. Mark's



LITURGICAL ROLES

OCT. 19 & 20	Sat. 5:00 PM	Sun. 9:30 AM	Sun. 11:30 AM
Altar Servers:	K. Buchanan C. Higgins	W. & B. Flitton E. Chang	J. & A. Arruda M. McCullough
Commentator:	M. Dufresne	H. Chang	T. Boettger
Lector:	J. Simone	V. De Vries	K. Phillips
Ushers:	J./L. Deneau	B./D. Cutting	McCullough's
Gift Bearers:	Riddell	Germann	John
Eucharistic Ministers:	C. Dokis N./K. Higgins G./T. MacNeil	T. Angel B./L. Coutinho P./B. Enticott	M./L. Fernando D. Henri R./P. Masbad

Public Speaking and Oral Reading Workshop

Attention all Lectors and Commentators!

Would you like to improve your public speaking voice when reading or commentating at Mass?

Join us for this no-cost, fun-filled workshop this

Thursday, October 17th from 7:00 to 7:55 p.m. in the church.

No need to sign up, just come out and have some fun!



World Mission Sunday: October 20, 2013

Next week every parish across the world will celebrate World Mission Sunday. It is a global sign of the Universal Church and Mission. Your **prayers** and **donations** will help support **churches, hospitals, schools** and **vocations** in countries where the Church is beginning, where it is new. Please be as generous as possible to the collection for the Propagation of the Faith.

Offertory Collections

October 5/6, 2013

Envelope Users..... \$ 4,230.00

Loose monies..... \$ 807.31

TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS \$ 5,037.31

Mortgage Fund..... \$774.00

Needs of the Canadian Church (annual diocesan collection) 337.00

Thank you for your generosity!

St. Mark's Spirit Crew

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

■ COMMUNITY SERVICE EVENT AT THE FOOD BANK

All High School aged students are invited to share in a community service event to be held at the **Waterloo Region Food Bank** in Kitchener. We will be going this **Thursday, October 17th from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.** This event can be used for your high school community service hours. Come out and enjoy a fun evening helping out our community. Please email Christine at cutting_abcd@rogers.com to let us know if you are able to attend. **If interested in attending, please fill out a permission form which can be found on the youth bulletin board, and return to the Spirit Crew Mailbox by Monday, October 14th.**

■ NEXT FAITH SHARING: Friday, October 18th from 7-9 p.m.

Please come and join us for an evening of faith and fellowship. Remember your bible, a journal and a free will offering for the snack that will be provided. Please do let us know if you will be attending! Email Lisa at lmaenpaa@primus.ca or Christine at cutting_abcd@rogers.com.



Thanksgiving Food Drive

The St. Vincent de Paul Society has placed bins in the narthex this week to accept donations of non-perishable food items. If you wish to contribute, please consider much needed items such as peanut butter, canned fruit and vegetables, beans, soups, juice, cereal and pasta. All donations are greatly appreciated.

2012 Financial Report: More copies are available in the narthex of the church if you did not receive a copy that was inserted in the bulletin at the end of September.

Next weekend (**October 19/20**) members of the parish **Finance and Maintenance Committee** will be available in the narthex after all the Masses to answer questions relating to the report.

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, October 27th** and join us with your family and friends from **4:30 to 6:30 p.m.** for superb Italian food, a great salad bar and plenty of fun! Tickets (same price as last year!) will be sold after all weekend Masses in the Narthex by good looking members of the Knights of Columbus.

Adult: \$10.00 **Children (2-6 yrs.): \$4.00**
Youth (7-11 yrs.): \$7.00 **Children under 2 yrs.: FREE**



Do you like to sing?

St. Mark's is planning to have a mass choir to sing at our **25th Anniversary Mass at 3 p.m. on Sunday, December 1st, 2013.** Everyone is welcome to join the choir - folks who sing in the shower, past choir members, and of course current St. Mark choir members. **Practices will be held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., every Wednesday evening in November.** If you are interested in joining this special choir, please sign up in the Narthex, or contact Linda Blake for more information.

Interested in Writing?

Several St. Mark's parishioners have formed a writers' critique group for the purposes of improving our writing, encouraging one another, and publishing our work. If you write, or aspire to write, fiction or non-fiction that is compatible with Catholic ideals, and would be interested in participating, please contact Jane Petrovich at 519-886-0725. We meet every other Friday. **Next meeting is Oct. 18th.**

Dear People of St. Mark's...

I will be away for two weeks this Fall: From October 18-25 I will be on my yearly vacation to South Carolina with a bunch of old guys. My second period of absence will be November 10-19 when I will be a chaplain on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Just to let you know, by Canon Law, priests are allowed 4 weeks holidays per year (3 weekends). Normally I would not be away two weeks in the Fall, it just happened that way.

During my absence, **Fr. Zygmunt Baranowski** will cover both weekends and several weekdays for daily Mass. He is an old friend, a recently retired priest residing in the Kitchener area. He is a very holy man, devout and reverent. I know you will welcome him warmly, as usual.

Two tips for when he is here: Number one, he prefers not to talk a lot before Mass so that he can prepare himself. Number two, he gave the greatest sermon ever preached in this diocese on the Holy Trinity. Invite him to preach the sermon here next year. Don't be surprised if you get a big smile and even a big laugh out of him.

I thank my old friend for covering for me. I think you will be blessed by him – as I'm sure he will be by our good people.

– **Fr. Don**

The Catechism of the Catholic Church is a wonderful resource to learn more about Christianity and our Catholic faith. I would like to offer an opportunity to dig into our catechism using the shorter, concise compendium to the Catechism. The format I will use (as I have in the past) is simple and one that seemed to help people in the past. Essentially, we read sections of the texts together, then I will offer comments and ask for comments and questions from those present. I will offer this every other week. Each session will be wrapped up in 1 hour (lasting not one second longer than 1 hour and fifteen minutes in total). Prayer will be part of each session – mostly traditional Catholic prayers. At the first session I will hand out the Catechism (i.e. compendium). There will be a cost for these (about \$15). The most likely night to have these sessions will be Wednesday or Friday from 7:00 to 8:15. **If interested, please fill out the form below and drop it in the collection...**

**I am interested in participating in the
Catechism Compendium Sessions:**

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

- I prefer: Wednesdays 7:00 – 8:15 p.m.
 Fridays 7:00 – 8:15 p.m.
 no preference

Elsewhere in the Region...

UNWANTED ELECTRONICS PILING UP?

You can do away with any of your unwanted electronics and help the Kitchener Knight of Columbus in their charitable works. Council 1504 and the Ontario Electronic Stewardship are sponsoring an electronic recycling drive on **Saturday October 26th** from 9:00 a.m. till 2:00 p.m. in **St. Anthony Daniel Church parking lot** at Franklin and Ottawa Streets. Computers and accessories, printers, scanners, telephones and household stereo equipment will be accepted. Help the Knights of Columbus and the environment. For more information contact: Council 1504 at 519-893-1504 or Brian Hughes at hughesbrian@hotmail.com or Reinhart Schreiter at rkschreiter@hotmail.com.

MASS FOR CANCER SURVIVORS AND THOSE LIVING WITH CANCER

A special mass for those living with cancer, their families and caregivers, and for cancer survivors will be celebrated **Saturday, October 26th** at 1:00 p.m. at **Blessed Sacrament Church**, 305 Laurentian Dr., Kitchener. The church is wheelchair accessible. Celebrant and Homilist: Auxiliary Bishop Daniel Miehms of Hamilton Diocese. The Sacrament of the Sick will be administered by the Bishop and priests present. Reception in the Parish Centre following the Mass. For further information or questions, please contact Estelle at (519) 745-1936.

DINNER THEATRE

St. Teresa's Church, Elmira is presenting their 5th Dinner Theatre production, 'THE BUS STOP', on **October 25th, 26th and 27th, November 1st, 2nd and 3rd**. This play is presented immediately following a delicious catered meal in the church hall. Friday and Saturday evenings doors open at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6:00 p.m. Sunday evenings doors open at 4:30 p.m. with dinner at 5:00 p.m. Tables will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Cost is \$35 per ticket. Call (519) 669-3387 for tickets.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Have you lost a significant person in your life through death? Are you feeling an overwhelming grief at 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 who are experiencing the same feelings of loss. A Bereavement Support Group will begin on **Monday, November 4th** from 1 – 3 p.m. at **St. Francis Parish**, 49 Blueridge Ave., Kitchener. 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 at 519-744-8955 or St. Francis Parish. Registration is preferred as there is some material to order.

BUS TRIP TO SEE "THE PRIESTS IN CONCERT"

Hamilton Place, Wednesday, November 13th at 7:30 p.m.

A trio of Irish Roman Catholic Priests, "The Priests" have been singing to sold out audiences around the world since their debut in 2008. Sample their astounding voices at www.thepriests.com or at www.youtube.com & search "The Priests". Your \$89.00 price per person includes deluxe motorcoach transportation & concert ticket. Pick-up locations in Kitchener & Waterloo. **Booking Deadline for this bus trip is October 15th**. Please call Marj of Robin Hood Tours at 519-653-2207 or e-mail: mag9@sympatico.ca. *Concert presented by The Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Hamilton.*

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