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 $7:00\,\mathrm{AM}$ Tuesday at $7:00\,\mathrm{PM}$ Saturday at $9:00\,\mathrm{AM}$

CONFESSIONS

Saturday $9:30-10:30\,\mathrm{AM}\ \&\ 3:45-4:45\,\mathrm{PM}$ 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 2^{nd} 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 $11:30\,\mathrm{AM}$ 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.

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I would like to have $\frac{1}{1000 \text{ MANY?}}$ Mass(es) celebrated for
\square the intentions of (living) OR \square 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 ☐ 5:00 PM on a Saturday ☐ 7:00 PM on a Tuesday ☐ 9:30 AM on a Sunday ☐ 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 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.

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Worship This Week:

October 3 - 9, 2016

Monday

7:00 am + Fern Mainguy - Sherril Dokis

Tuesday (MEMORIAL - ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI)

7:00 PM - Int. of Dan & Helen McGeehan – D. & G. Dunlop

Wednesday

7:00 am + Anastasia MacLean – *in gratitude*

Thursday

7:00 am + Victoria Dypak - Dan & Rose Wycoco

2:00 PM - MASS AT BANKSIDE TERRACE

Friday (MEMORIAL – OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY)

7:00 am - Int. of Brian Flood - Flood family

9:00 am - Int. of Brendan Flood - Flood family

28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2 Kings 5:14-17; 2 Timothy 2:8-13; Luke 17:11-19

SAT. 5:00 PM + Lena Fagan – Eleanor Lawlor

SUN. 9:30 am + Jimmy Murphy - Bernie & Barrie McCourt

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

Offertory Collections	Sept. 24/25, 2016
Sunday envelopes	\$ 2,496.00
Sunday pre-authorized debits (MONTHLY AMOUNT x12÷5	
Loose monies	<u>\$ 270.95</u>
TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS	\$ 4,124.45
Mortgage envelopes	\$ 145.00
Mortgage pre-authorized debits (MONTHLY AMOUNT x1.	
TOTAL MORTGAGE OFFERINGS	
Needs of the Canadian Church	\$ 448.00
Thank you for your generosity!!	!

S.M.Y.C.A.

St. Mark's Young Catholic Adults (open to ages 19-35)



▶ Meeting weekly on Thursday evenings for a variety of study, prayer, praise and worship activities, followed by our weekly hour of Adoration. See our board in the narthex for monthly social events:

OCT. 15: Life-Chain Pub Night (6:15pm)

OCT. 22: Halloween Hijinks (7:00pm)

For full event details, visit our Facebook at StMarksYoungCatholicAdults or email us at StMarksYoungCatholicAdults@gmail.com. Join us!

St. Mark's **Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel**



All are welcome to our chapel to spend time visiting with our Lord Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Please consider making a weekly commitment to an hour of your choice, or by signing up for one of these vacant hours:

- Sunday 4-5pm
- Tuesday 12-1am
- Saturday 11-12noon

- Monday 3-4am
- Tuesday 3-4am
- Saturday 12noon 1pm

- Monday 9-10am
- Tuesday 4-5am
- Saturday 6-7pm
- Thursday 7-8am
- Saturday 7-8pm
- Friday 7-8pm

LITURGICAL ROLES Sat. 5:00PM Sun. 9:30 AM Sun. 11:30 AM Altar Servers: Thank you to all who signed up for these Commentator: ministries, either as new or returning Lector: members! Watch for full "October to June" Ushers: schedules to be ready for pick-up in the Gift Bearers: Eucharistic narthex. Ministers:

Monthly Children's Mass

We will be having a monthly Mass dedicated to the children of the parish. Children from First Communion age (Gr.2) to Confirmation age (Gr. 7) will be given the opportunity to fully participate in the Holy Mass by doing the readings, prayers of the faithful, and bearing gifts to the altar. If you are interested in participating please sign up on the blackboard in the narthex, or contact Jessica Heine (519-496-2328) for more details. When you add your name to the sign-up sheet in the narthex, please include your phone number so the leader can contact you for practice times.

First Communion & Confirmation PARENT INFORMATION MEETINGS:



First Communion Info. Meeting: For parents of children in Gr. 2, Thursday, October 20th at 7:00 p.m. in the Church.



<u>Confirmation Info. Meeting:</u> For parents of children in <u>Gr. 7</u>, **Thursday, October 13th** at 7:00 p.m. in the Church.

Registration Forms for these sacraments are currently being distributed to students in Grades 2 and 7 at St. Mark's and St. Dominic's Schools. Please check your child's backpack, fill out the form and bring it with you to the information meeting.

If your child attends another school, please pick up a form today in the church lobby, fill it out, and bring it with you to the info meeting.



Save the date! ... Saturday, October 29th 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

> Drop in to the Parish Hall to shop from over 25 different vendors!

\$\$ • PROCEEDS WILL GO TO OUR MORTGAGE FUND • \$\$

Syrian Family Sponsorship Update

Dear friends, On behalf of St. Mark's sponsorship committee, I'm delighted to share that the Syrian family sponsored by our parish arrived from Lebanon on Monday, September 19, safe and sound. This family of six – a father, mother and four children from ages 4 to 12 - are now part of our community. Their joy at seeing their new home was overwhelming. And the thanks and genuine appreciation they've expressed have been humbling. Our focus now is to help them settle into their new surroundings, so they feel welcome and safe. We'll keep you updated as things progress. In the meantime, thank you all for your prayers, support and generosity. As a parish, we've come together and will hopefully make a meaningful difference in this family's life. God bless! - Daina Feick

For information about our chapel, please call Colette at 519-576-7490.

Rosary for the Unborn

Join us on Tuesday evenings in October at 6:40 p.m. in the church to pray the Rosary for the Unborn, in solidarity with the 40 Days for Life fall campaign Led by the Catholic Women's League. All are welcome.

LIFE CHAIN MEMORIAL 2016 - TODAY! Sunday, October 2nd 2:00-3:00pm in front of Kitchener City Hall, 200 King Street West. Bring your family and friends and hold a sign. A short talk at 2:50pm. We remember and pray for all concerned for the now over 4,000,000 babies that have died in Canada since 1970 from abortion. Jane Richard - KW Right to Life President 519.746.5433 jane@kwrtl.ca. "Any country that accepts abortion, is not teaching its people to love, but to use any violence to get what it wants." - St. Mother Teresa

ODAYS FOR LIFE.

40 Days for Life will be holding a Campaign beginning on Sept. 28th and ending on Nov. 6th. We will stand and pray in witness in front of Freeport Hospital for all life but especially for the weakest and most defenseless – the child in the womb. Daily hours will be from 6 am until 9 pm, seven days a week. To sign up for hours or more info please visit: www.40daysforlife.com. Our parish has agreed to adopt Fri. Oct. 14th & Wed. Oct. 26th. Please see Susie in the narthex for sign up sheet and more info.

From the Pastor's Desk...

SUNDAY MINISTRIES: Thank you for signing up for the various ministries. Schedules will be put out soon and training for those just getting started will also happen soon.

LEGION OF MARY: Should be in operation soon. I thank those who kept it going when we lost several members who moved out of town. Those who have taken it to heart to "reboot" our legion will bring a fresh (and true to our mission) approach to the Legion. Pray about becoming a member. We want our Legion to succeed and grow and devotion to Our Lady will be strengthened. Call us soon!

EMAILS are increasingly the mode for communication. By all means, continue to email Pam (our secretary) about parish matters. However, if you want direct contact with me, please phone. I'll return your call ASAP. I have no computer nor do I have computer savvy, so I never dig out the emails. As well, please make phone messages clear (i.e. name and phone number) as sometimes I get really garbled messages which prohibits me from returning calls.

RECTORY BASEMENT: The restoration wheels are in motion. It looks like we'll be able to match the remaining flooring. I'm told we should be back in business by approximately mid-October.

- Father Don

R.C.I.A. ... Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Would you like to find out more about becoming a Catholic? Are you a Catholic who would like to grow in your own faith journey by helping others explore the love of God? Classes will begin in November for all who are interested in becoming Catholic or considering the Catholic faith. Please call the parish office or speak to Fr. Don after Mass soon to inform us of your interest.

C.W.L. CORNER ...

 NEXT MEETING: Monday, October 3rd @ 7:00 p.m. (instead of Thanksgiving)



The Waterloo Region Marriage Preparation Course is in need of a couple who can give a talk on Natural Family Planning.

The talk, complete with PowerPoint presentation, has already been created. We are seeking a couple to present it. This couple must have some experience using NFP, and accept the Catholic Church's teachings on Sexuality and Family Planning as explained in Humanae

The course is also in need of married volunteer facilitator couples. You will gain more by sharing your experience than you give. Sharing your story is a great way to reconnect with your spouse. Please consider joining the Waterloo Region Marriage Preparation team. Time commitment: help out as often as you can commit – the course runs 8 times per year (approx. once a month, with summers off). Anyone interested is asked to please contact: Kathy Fahey at marriageprep.waterloo@gmail.com.

Are you in the process of planning your wedding?

Don't wait to register for the Waterloo Region Marriage Preparation Couse. Application forms and dates are available at your parish. Please speak to your pastor for a registration form. Please contact Kathy Fahey at marriageprep.waterloo@gmail.com for information.

ANIMAL BLESSING - Tues. Oct. 4th at 7:00 pm at the Peace Garden in the rectory parking lot at **St. Francis Church**, 49 Blueridge Ave. Kitchener (In case of rain we will go into the church.) St. Francis of Assisi believed in proclaiming the Good News to all of God's creatures. Bring your pet to this beautiful celebration and join us in celebrating the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY WORKSHOP/RETREAT DAY

Saturday, October 15th from 10:00am - 2:30pm at the Chancery Office, 700 King St. W., Hamilton. Cost: \$30 includes lunch & patterns. Are you involved or would like to start a Prayer Shawl Ministry in your parish? Consider joining us for this day of sharing, reflection & prayer while we knit and crochet! Please bring a pair of 8mm knitting needles or a crochet hook & some varn. Please register by Oct. 11. Contact Monica at the Discipleship & Parish Life Office at 905-528-7988, x 2238 or check the website www.hamiltondiocese.com for more information.

ST. ANNE PARISH FALL CARD PARTY

Monday, October 24th, Corner of East & Pandora Avenues, Kitchener. Doors Open at 6pm, Lunch served at 7pm. Admission \$8. Great Prizes, Two \$50 Cash Prizes, Quilts and so much more!

ST. ANTHONY DANIEL PARISH 50th ANNIVERSARY

You are invited to join us for a great evening of choral and organ music! LAURIER SINGERS CHAMBER CHOIR with LEE WILLINGHAM (conductor) and JAN OVERDUIN (concert organist) will bring you a feast of beautiful music from the 17th to 21st Century! Join us Friday, October 28th at 7:30 PM, 29 Midland Drive, Kitchener. Tickets \$15 at the door or purchase in advance by calling the parish at 519-893-6960.

ROCK 'N ROLL IS HERE TO STAY! 50's& 60's Music - Fundraiser for 7 year old Dalton who has Muscular Dystrophy. He needs an elevator in his home. Saturday, Oct. 29th from 8 p.m.- 1 a.m. at the Bridgeport Rod & Gun. Please contact Doug or Sandy Zinger (519) 648-2939 for tickets.

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