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 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 <i>(living)</i> OR \square the repose of the soul of <i>(deceased)</i> | |
| 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 ☐ 9:00 PM on a Tuesday ☐ 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-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Worship This Week

September 29 - October 5, 2014

Monday (FEAST – STS. MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS)

7:00 am - Int. of Drew Depratto - Jeanne Robinson

Tuesday (MEMORIAL – ST. JEROME)

7:00 pm + David Baggey - Baggey Family

Wednesday (MEMORIAL - ST. THERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS)

7:00 am - Int. of Ylanda

Thursday (MEMORIAL - THE HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS)

7:00 am + Kathleen Blanchard – *Carl & Agnes Santoni*

7:00 pm - Mass at the Carmelite Monastery in St. Agatha

Friday (FEAST – ST. JOHN DE BREBEUF & ST. ISAAC JOGUES)

7:00 am + George Winklemaier – Ron & Kathy Bumstead

Saturday (MEMORIAL - ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI)

9:00 am + Ruth Hayek - Ylanda

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 5:1-7; Philippians 4:6-9; Matthew 21:33-43

Sat. 5:00 pm + Cimermancic Family

Sun. 9:30 am - Int. of the Parishioners of St. Mark's

11:30 am + Jack Soares - Maria

| Offertory Collections | Sept. 20/21, 2014 |
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| Envelope Users | \$ 3,266.25 |
| Loose monies | <u>\$ 698.75</u> |
| TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS | \$ 3,965.00 |
| Mortgage Fund | \$ 120.00 |
| Thank you for your generosity! | |



■ MOVIE NIGHT

Friday, October 3rd from 7-9 p.m.

All youth and their parents are invited to attend our Movie Night where we will be showing the movie "**God's Not Dead**." Please let us know if you will be attending. Email Christine at cutting_abcd@rogers.com.

■ MILK BAG MATTRESS CRAFTING AFTERNOON Sunday, October 5th after the 11:30 a.m. Mass

We will be crafting (cutting/sorting) all of the milk bags that our parishioners have generously donated to help us craft our mattress for those countries in need. They will be used at cholera clinics for patients. Join us at approx 12:45 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. You don't have to stay for the whole event if you can't. Bring a bagged lunch to eat before we get started crafting. You may use this event towards your high school community service hours, so bring along your sheets to get them signed.

First parish Golf Tournament a big success!

Thanks to all who came out and supported this event – our players, all who donated or helped to procure prizes, and all the helpers at the banquet. Most notably, our appreciation goes out to Cathy Gelsinger who was the organizer for the tournament and made it all happen. We are indebted to Peter Appelman and all who helped him prepare the great meal that was served. It was a day of fun and fellowship for those who share an interest in the game that Mark Twain referred to as "a good walk spoiled." God willing, we'll do it again and make it a tradition!

PRAY FOR PEACE

There is a time for fun and recreation – there is also a time for serious prayer. As we all know, for many on this planet fun is not an option. The Holy Father has called us to pray for peace in the world – Saturday, October 4th, the feast of St. Francis, is a day that he asks us to set aside for this. Of course, pray this intention every day. Pray for both the righteous and those who perpetrate evil. It is not one hundred percent clear who is who in this regard. God be merciful to this world that you chose to save and not condemn. Do you know what we can do, here in Canada, to promote peace? Love our neighbour and forgive others.

PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS

Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

where there is injury, pardon;

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light;

where there is sadness, joy.

O, Divine Master,

grant that I may not so much seek

to be consoled as to console;

to be understood as to understand;

to be loved as to love;

For it is in giving that we receive;

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

it is in dying that we are born again to eternal life.

PARISH YARD SALE

Saturday, October 4th ... 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Donations of new and gently used items would be greatly appreciated. Items can be dropped of at the parish office during regular office hours or in the evening at 162 Bankside Drive. For evening drop off please contact Edwina at 519-954-5669 to arrange a time. Proceeds from the yard sale will go to parish needs.

Meeting for All Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick

Please join Fr. Don for a brief meeting on **Wed. Oct.** 8th at 6:30 p.m. We will be going over current needs of the sick and of the ministers, discussing how things are going, asking/answering any questions, and reviewing church guidelines and policies with regard to the distribution of communion. All Eucharistic ministers taking communion to nursing homes and private homes are asked to attend.

PARENT INFORMATION MEETINGS for First Communion & Confirmation:



FIRST COMMUNION Parent Info Meeting:

For parents of children in <u>Grade 2</u>

Thursday, October 9th 7:00 p.m. in the Church



CONFIRMATIONParent Info Meeting:

For parents of children in Grade 7

Wednesday, November 5th 7:00 p.m. in the Church

Registration Forms for these sacraments will soon be 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 a different school, you can obtain a form in the church lobby.

C.W.L. Trip to Carmelite Monastery in St. Agatha

All are welcome! Join us **this Thursday, October 2nd** – we will meet in the church parking lot at 6:00 p.m. to carpool to the monastery in St. Agatha. Fr. Don will celebrate Mass with us at 7:00 p.m., and afterwards we will have a talk from Sister and an opportunity to purchase religious items from the monastery. The sisters always appreciate donations from visitors, and currently are most in need of monetary donations so we will be taking up a collection. Also if you wish to bring a snack to share it would be appreciated. If you plan on joining us, please sign up at the C.W.L. table in the narthex.

<u>BLESSING OF ANIMALS</u> - Saturday, October 4th at St. Francis of Assisi Parish. This event takes place outside (if weather is inclement we move inside) and is open to anyone who has an animal in their life. The service is quite short, which is usually good for the animals! All denominations welcome.

LIFE CHAIN MEMORIAL

Sunday, October 5th from 2-3 pm in front of **K-W Health Centre**, 835 King St. West. Hold a sign along King St. to remember the millions of lives slaughtered in the womb for the sake of expediency. A short memorial service will be held at 2:50 p.m. at the memorial site with a wreath, candles, letters and poems for babies and parents, all victims of abortion. Christmas cards will be for sale at the site.

MISSION TRIP TO HAITI ... Celza Bonilla, a parishioner of St. Mark's, is going on a mission trip to Haiti on November 8th. If you are interested in sending along donations with Celza for the children of Haiti, please consider the following: Children's water bottles, boys/girls backpacks, boys soccer shoes and uniforms. All new or gently used items will be accepted. Donations of cash to cover airline costs to transport goods will also be accepted. Any overflow of funds will be donated to The Sisters of Charity in Portau-Prince. Please contact Celza at 519-721-9540 to make arrangements. Items will be accepted until October 25th.

Mary wants YOU!

The Legion of Mary is a lay apostolic association of Catholics who, with the sanction of the Church and under the powerful leadership of Mary Immaculate, Mediatrix of all Graces, serve the Church and their neighbor on a voluntary basis in about 170 countries. With the approval and support of the Popes and a great many Bishops, Priests and Religious as well as the prayers and efforts of legionaries, the Legion, by the grace of God, has grown into a worldwide organization with several million members.



Our Lady Queen of Heaven Praesidium is looking for new Active and Auxiliary members to join our ranks and become a Legionary with us, to further the mission of the Church and to further glorify God. The requirements of Active Members is the weekly attendance at our Tuesday night meetings, plus an hour or two per week for our additional Works, such as saying the Rosary with residents of various retirement homes. The requirements for Auxiliary membership is to say a daily set of prayers and Rosary during your own devotional time.

We need both Active and Auxiliary members in order to be a successful Legion for Mary, our Mother.

Our Legion is holding a **Columban Drive** on **Saturday, October 4**th and **Sunday, October 5**th to answer any questions that you may have. Come and visit our table in the Narthex after all three Masses for more information on how you can become an Active or Auxiliary Legionary!

THE DIOCESAN CHOIR, under the direction of Sharon Fazari, provides musical leadership at the major Diocesan liturgical celebrations each year. Rehearsals begin Monday, October 6th and are usually held on Mondays in Hamilton. Registration for both new and returning members is available online at the diocesan website (www.hamiltondiocese.com) or by calling the Liturgy Office at 905-528-7988 before September 24th.

<u>THE FORGIVENESS PROJECT</u> uses the real stories of victims and perpetrators to explore concepts of forgiveness, and to encourage people to consider alternatives to resentment, retaliation and revenge. This unique opportunity to explore the possibilities of forgiveness will be open to the public on **Saturday, October 18**th from 4pm to 7pm and on **Sunday, October 19**th from 8:30am through to 3pm in **St. Mary's lower church hall,** 56 Duke St. W., Kitchener, with a 2pm presentation and discussion.

RETROUVAILLE: You Can Help Your Marriage

Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry at each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about, or to register for the program which begins with a weekend on **October 24-26, 2014** in Niagara Falls please call 905-664-5212 or email retrouvaille.hamilton@cogeco.ca or visit www.retrouvaille.org.

MEMORIAL MASS ... Most Reverend Matthew Ustrzycki, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of Hamilton, will offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for the souls of those buried in the cemeteries in the Guelph area on Saturday, November 1st at 11:00 a.m. at Marymount Cemetery in Guelph. All are invited. For more information please call 519-836-8814 or 1-800-661-5985, or visit www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca.

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