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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

Daytime Phone Number:

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 HOWMANY? 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 ☐ 9:30 AM on a Sunday ☐ 9:00 AM on a Saturday ☐ 11:30 AM on a Sunday
OR
1 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:

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 October 1-7, 2012

MONDAY

7:00 AM - Int. of John-Paul Markides - Markides Family

TUESDAY

7:00 PM + Gertrude Millen - Donalda Millen

WEDNESDAY

7:00 AM + Mr. K. S. Joseph – K. O. Baby and Family

THURSDAY

7:00 AM + Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY

7:00 AM - Special Intention

SATURDAY

★ NO MORNING MASS TODAY

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Genesis 2:18-24; Hebrews 2:9-11; Mark 10:2-16 or 2-12

SAT. 5:00 pm + Fran Clarke – Sharon & James Dreher

SUN. 9:30 am + Duarte Barbosa – Maria De Melo

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



Office Hours This Week October 1-5, 2012

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

Offertory Last Week: September 22/23, 2012

\$ 3,341.00
<u>\$ 394.64</u>
\$ 3,735.64
\$ 155.00

St. Mark's Spirit Crew

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

■ FAITH-SHARING

Friday, October 5th from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the churchAll 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 regarding this event, please do not hesitate to call Kate or Tom Boettger at 519-745-6065.

■ 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!



I will be away on holidays from Friday, October 12th until Friday, October 19th.

There will be no weekday masses here on those days. Fr. Michael Isabelle will be

celebrating the Masses on the weekend of October 13/14.

Monthly Anointing of the Sick

The church has given us the sacrament of healing to strengthen the Christian soul, bring merry and peace to the repentant heart, renew our hope in times of fear or distress, and yes, bring healing to our bodies and minds.



What I can do as a priest is to offer this sacrament to people on a regular basis. So, on the **first Tuesday of every month** I will offer to our people this sacrament right after the gospel **during the 7:00 p.m. Mass**. There will not be a homily at this Mass for many other activities take place in our parish.

The sacrament is for those who:

- 1. are baptized Catholic;
- 2. have reached the age of reason and have some understanding of sin;
- have a sickness that truly burdens them (a hangnail or simple cold is not sufficient);
- have sorrow for their sins (This sacrament does not free a person from grave or mortal sin. Therefore Confession should precede the reception of the anointing.);
- 5. seek the sacrament so they can, above all, serve the Lord and His Church. Come with faith and trust in God, and His Providential care.

Have people truly received healing through this sacrament? Always – and even from things like cancer, diabetes, and other such maladies. Above all, ask for the will to always will God's will – that it may be done. This disposition best prepares us for the Great Healing – Paradise.

Through the apostle, James, the Lord has commanded us: "Are there any who are sick among you? Let them send for the priests of the Church, and let the parents pray over them, anointing them in the name of the Lord; and the prayer of faith will save the sick person, and the Lord will raise them up; and if they have committed any sins, their sins will be forgiven." (from the ritual of anointing, adapted from the letter of James)

St. Mark's Children's Liturgy of the Word

Program resumes this Sunday (Sept. 30) at the 11:30 AM Mass. Children from Kindergarten to Grade 2 are welcome to participate. If you have any questions or would be interested in volunteering, please contact Katie Gouett at 519-954-3308.

R.C.I.A.

All adults (16+) interested in becoming Catholic – our first meeting will be at the parish on **Wednesday**, **October 3rd at 7:00 p.m.** in the St. Luke's Room. We look forward to seeing you there.

First Holy Communion Meeting

All parents of children in grade 2 who wish to make their First Holy Communion in April 2013 are asked to come to an important Information Meeting on **Thursday, October 4**th at 7:00 p.m. in the church. If your child does not attend either St. Mark or St. Dominic Savio schools, please pick up a First Communion registration form in the church lobby, fill it out, and bring it with you to the meeting on Oct. 4th.

Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary

All are welcome to attend the Legion of Mary's celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. Please join us **next Sunday, October 7**th at 10:45 a.m. to say the Rosary in honor of our Blessed Mother. This could be a great way to kick off your Thanksgiving Day festivities with your families!



St. Mark's 25th Anniversary Celebration 1988 – 2013 • Join our parish preparation team to help celebrate this great event! Meet on **Wednesday, October 10**th at 7:00 pm in the church. Bring your experiences and ideas!

FREE DANCE!

Saturday, Oct. 13th at 8:00 p.m. at St. Mark's Parish Hall. Music provided by Mid-Life Crisis. Admission tickets available after masses on week-end of Sept. 29th and 30th. Only 1 pair of tickets per couple.



Annual Christmas Bazaar

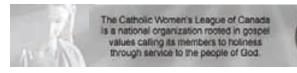
Saturday, November 3rd from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the parish hall. We are looking for vendors of all types to help make this annual event a success. Tables are limited, so they will be reserved on a first-come first-served basis. If you are interested in booking a table, please contact Susan at 519-744-4469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

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.

Interested in writing?

Several St. Mark's parishioners are interested in forming 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. Time and place to be determined.



C.W.L. Corner ...

Our Lady of the Rosary Shrine Trip – Saturday, October 13th The C.W.L. of St Mark's Parish is proud to provide you with another opportunity to be part of this wonderful trip to Our Lady of the Rosary Shrine in Merlin, Ontario. We will travel by deluxe coach to the shrine. Our day will start with a visit to the grounds, then an open-air Mass (weather permitting), lunch, Rosary procession, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and finish with Benediction. The Shrine has various trails and a store you can explore. Our bus will leave at 7:30 am sharp from St Mark's church parking lot, and return between 5:30 and 6 pm. Cost is \$27 per person. Please dress for the weather and bring a bag lunch. Tickets will be on sale in the Narthex this weekend and next weekend only (Sept. 29/30 & Oct. 6/7) so reserve your seat today. Visit www.olshrine.ca for more info, or contact Kim Friesen at 519-500-1964 or stmarkcwl@gmail.com, or Anna Joseph at 519-577-8519 or cjoseph1231@rogers.com.

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

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION: The C.W.L. Action Plan that was set in 1965 had this as the League's Motto. What is it? *Last Week's Answer:* In 1963, the C.W.L. sent one million rosaries to Chile.

Volunteer Screening Reminder

This is a reminder for those who are currently volunteering in high risk ministries and who received a letter over the summer asking for an updated police check for work in the vulnerable sector (high-risk ministry involving youth, the elderly, the disabled, etc.).

If you received a letter and have not yet submitted your completed police check, please complete the application by the first week of October (as it takes 4-6 weeks before the check is completed).

The **leaders of the following ministries** are asked to email Mary-Emily McCullough (<u>maryemily.mccullough@gmail.com</u>) in order to receive some further information and answer any questions you may have regarding this initiative:

Youth Group; Eucharistic Minsters to the Sick (the coordinators for each of the different nursing homes); Legion of Mary; Marriage Tribunal; Children's Liturgy of the Word; Vacation Bible School; Knights of Columbus; Children's Choir.

Thank you very much for your help in this initiative, and for your service to our parish family. May the Lord continue to bless you in your ministry!

Mass for Cancer Survivors & those Living with Cancer A special Mass for those living with cancer, their families and caregivers, and for cancer survivors will be celebrated on Saturday, October 13th at 1:00 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament Church in Kitchener. Celebrant and Homilist will be Bishop Emeritus Matthew F. Ustrzycki. The Sacrament of the Sick will be administered by the Bishop and priests present. Reception to follow in the Parish Centre. For information, please contact Estelle (519) 745-1936 or Shirley (519) 744-6067.

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