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

WEEKDAY MASSES

No Monday Mass Tuesday - Saturday 7:00 AM Friday 6:00 PM

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Fridays 6:45 - 8:30 PM Saturdays 7:45 - 9:30 AM

CHAPEL

Divine Mercy: Fridays 3:00 PM

Our Lady's Rosary: 1st Saturday at 10:00 AM Perpetual Adoration: Spots open, see Chapel

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.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS: We would like to invite you to register. Registration forms can be found in the Narthex (lobby). Please call the parish office if you would like Father to bless your home.

BAPTISM: Infant baptism is celebrated on certain Sundays at 1:30 PM. Baptism forms are available in the Narthex (lobby).

HOSPITAL VISITATION: Please advise the office of area hospital admissions to request a pastoral visit or the Sacrament of the Sick.

EMERGENCY PAGER: In the event of a medical emergency, if you would like a priest to visit, call Father on the parish emergency pager at 519-585-4291.

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 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 narthex (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 \$10.00.

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I would like to have HOW MANY? 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 AM on a Saturday ☐ 9:30 AM on a Sunday ☐ 6:00 PM on a Friday ☐ 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) is directly related to the number of requests we receive, and how far in advance we receive them. We recommend submitting your request at least 2-3 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-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Worship This Week ...

* Please note our NEW Mass Times:

MONDAY, September 10

★7:00 AM Mass - Int. of Miss Ann Baby Joseph

TUESDAY, September 11

★7:00 PM Mass + Jack Soares - Maria Soares

WEDNESDAY, September 12

7:00 AM Mass + Gertrude Millen - Joyce & Gerry Dales & family

THURSDAY, September 13

7:00 AM Mass + Maria Aracely Melata – Sr. Aracely

FRIDAY, September 14

7:00 AM Mass - Special Intention – Jeanne Robinson

SATURDAY, September 15

★9:00 AM Mass + Souls in Purgatory

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, Sept. 15/16

Isaiah 50:5-9a; James 2:14-18; Mark 8:27-35

SAT. 5:00 pm + Gertrude Millen – *Ron & Kathy Bumstead*

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

11:30 am + Mr. Sirju – McCullough Family

NEW Confession Times

Saturday mornings: 9:30 - 10:30 AM Saturday afternoons: 3:45 - 4:45 PM

Office Hours This Week ...

TUESDAY, Sept. 11	9:00 a.m. to 12 noon
WEDNESDAY, Sept. 12	9:00 a.m. to 12 noon
THURSDAY Sent 13	9.00 a m to 12 noon



Offertory Last Week ... AUGUST 25/26, 2012

Registered Envelope Users	\$ 3.354.25
Loose monies	
TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS	\$ 3,768.34
Parish Mortgage Fund	\$ 776.00

St. Mark's Spirit Crew ...

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

Calling all youth grade 6 and up!

If you would like to be part of the St. Mark's Spirit Crew, please sign up on the sheets in the church lobby. We are looking for your name, phone number, email address as well as noting your answers to a brief survey. PLEASE PRINT NEATLY!

Our first event is a Games Night planned for Friday, Sept. 21st from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the church hall. Come one, come all and plan to bring a friend!



Meeting of all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Wednesday, Sept. 12th at 7:00 p.m. in the Church

Review procedures at Mass, Vatican policy, home visits, questions, comments, etc.

Come and See

Looking for answers? The alpha Course is an opportunity for anyone to explore the meaning of life in a relaxed, non-threatening manner. It's low key, friendly and fun! Listen, learn, discuss, discover and ask anything.



You are invited to a "Come and See" on **Thursday, Sept. 13th at 7:00 p.m.** There will be an opportunity to ask questions and check out a sample video. Refreshments will be provided. For more information or if you are interested in helping out on the course please contact Ron Denomme at 519-884-3389 or rondenomme@live.ca.

"Caring for the Caregiver"

St. Mark C.W.L. is hosting this presentation and ALL ARE WELCOME! Please join us on **Wednesday, September 19th at 7:30 p.m.** in the church hall. We are pleased to welcome Teresa Hartnett, Director at the Family Ministry Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. This excellent presentation is pumped full of information that can help you cope, no matter what age you are, with making sure you take care of YOU first. We are looking forward to seeing you there. So that we have enough chairs and refreshments, please RSVP to Donna by phone at 519-579-9492 or email stmarkcwl@gmail.com.

Christmas Bazaar

With school just around the corner, we have a realization that Christmas is fast approaching and we have "just the thing" to help you with some of those shopping worries.

Our annual St. Mark Christmas Bazaar & Bake Sale will take place on **Saturday, November 3**rd from **8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** 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.

Youth Leadership Needed!

The St. Mark's Spirit Crew, a youth group for young people in grade 6 and up, is looking for more leadership volunteers. We are involved in faith sharing, community Service and special events throughout the school year.

The commitment can be flexible, but remember that many hands make light work.

If you are interested in becoming involved in this very rewarding ministry, please contact **Kate or Tom Boettger** at 519-745-6065.

For Adults (16+) Interested in Conversion

One of the chief works of the Church is to instruct people in the faith. There are always people being directed by the Holy Spirit to join the Church. If you or someone you know is interested then let us know as soon as possible. Many details must be discussed, of course, and we will do so at the appropriate time. For now, fill out the form below and get it to the office or to me personally. Keep praying for guidance and above all do everything possible to get to Mass every Sunday. May the Lord bring to completion the good work He has begun in you. God Bless. – Fr. Don

Name:	Age:
Phone Number:_	
Address:	

P.S. – We need to discuss and complete forms that determine your baptismal status, marriage status, etc. This will be done in the strictest form of confidentiality.

Are You Separated or Divorced? Let us help ...

LEVEL I - (Learning to Cope) and LEVEL II - (Accepting the Situation)

Both are self-help programs intended to help separated and divorced persons gain a perspective on their divorce. Topics include: the process of divorce, self-image, stress, anger, guilt, loneliness, forgiveness, trust, singleness and children. Course fee: \$35 (Level I) and \$45 (Level II). The courses are held Tuesday evenings for 11 weeks, **starting Sept. 11**th from 7pm – 9pm at **St. Francis of Assisi Church** (Queen & Westmount), Kitchener. Contact Family Ministry Office at (905)528-7988 ext. 2249 or St. Francis Parish 519-745-7301..

LEVEL III (Enhancing Self-Esteem) – is also available for interested people who have completed Level I and II. It will be held on Monday evenings for 10 weeks **starting Sept. 10**th at St. Mark's Parish (55 Driftwood), Kitchener, from 7pm -9pm, course fee \$40, contact Family Ministry Office at (905)528-7988 ext. 2249 to register.

40 Days for Life

K-W Right to Life will once again join 250 other cities in undertaking a 40-day prayer vigil to pray for God's help to stop the slaughter of innocent human life through induced abortion.

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For 40 days from **Sept. 26**th **to Nov. 4**th, people will silently pray outside abortion facilities for the Lord's grace to stop this heinous evil. (It is believed that an average of 12 children are killed at Freeport Hospital each week.) Participants undertake to pray silently (and peacefully!) on the roadside opposite the entrance to **Freeport Hospital** (which houses the local centre for the procedure) for a one-hour period during the event. Although the event provides public visibility, its primary purpose is to plead for God's help to stem this tide of murder in Canada and the world. In the past, several local parishes have undertaken to cover each hour of a single day (from 6am to 8pm). It has been suggested that St. Mark's Parish might be able to do this. A Saturday or Sunday would seem to offer the best opportunity for many people to take part. Anyone interested can contact Bernard Crawley at bjc63@rogers.com or 519-744-1952. If enough interest is shown, a date and schedule will be prepared. More info available from K-W Right to Life at www.kwrtl.ca or 519-746-5433.

The Catholic Women's League of Canada is a national organization rooted in gospel values calling its members to holiness through service to the people of God.



C.W.L. Corner ...

Hello Ladies! We hope you all had a fantastic and safe summer. The St. Mark C.W.L. Executive has been working hard to plan upcoming events for the remaining months of 2012. We hope you can join us for all or as many as you are able to. We are excited to offer you the following:

"Caring for the Caregiver" – Wednesday, September 19th Mass at 6:00 p.m.; Meeting at 7:00 p.m.; Speaker at 7:30 p.m. Service pins will be presented this evening during the meeting portion. If you have reached your 10th, 25th, 40th or 50th year as a C.W.L. member and you have not received your pin, please let us know. With parish transfers, etc., not all years of service have been accounted for so it would be helpful if you could let us know what year you joined so that our records can be fixed if they are incorrect.

Our Lady of the Rosary Shrine Trip – Saturday, October 13th More information to follow very soon.

Novena to St. Therese of the Child Jesus

As the Carmelite Nuns prepare to celebrate the Feast Day of St. Therese of the Child Jesus on October 1st, you are invited to join them in their Novena in her honour. By reciting the prayer below from Sept. 23rd to Oct. 1st, we confidently implore the intercession of this great Carmelite saint who has promised to spend her heaven doing good on earth.

Novena Prayer (Sept. 23 – Oct. 1) Remember, O most gracious Rose Queen, your promise of never leaving any request made to you without an answer, and of coming down to earth to do good. Full of confidence in your power with the Sacred Heart, we implore your intercession in our need and beg of you to obtain the Rose we so urgently request, if such be God's holy will. Amen.

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

This Week's Question: Fill in the blank: In 1948, the C.W.L. office moved from Montreal, Quebec to

Last Week's Answer: The Knights of Columbus made a gift of \$3,000 to get the newly formed C.W.L. started in Canada.

Threats to the family in 2012

Are you prepared to meet the challenges that GSA's will bring to your child's school this fall? Are you able to inform and educate your child about the new initiatives inherent in Bill 13 which promote an alternative sexuality? What can you expect from your school trustee/MPP/MP or principal about curriculum and discussions revolving around important social issues such as abortion, homosexuality, euthanasia? Be inspired, informed and engaged at Campaign Life Coalition's Pro-life Forum in Kitchener! Saturday, September 15th at St. Aloysius Parish Hall (11 Traynor Avenue) at 8am (Mass) followed by breakfast & registration at 8:30 am and forum continues from 9-4pm. Adults: \$25.00; Students: \$15.00. For more info or to register, please call 1-800-730-5358 or visit www.campaignlifecoalition.com/KitchenerPLF.

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