# 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.

I would like to have \_\_\_\_\_ 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 Weekd 7:00 AM on a Saturd

| 7:00 AM on a Weekday  | 5:00 PM on a |
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| 7:00 AM on a Saturday | 9:30 AM on   |
| 6:00 PM on a Friday   | 11:30 AM on  |

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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.

# Worship This Week ...

## \* PLEASE NOTE New Mass Times:

- **MONDAY, September 3** (later mass time due to Labour Day) 9:00 AM Mass - Int. of Miss Ann Baby Joseph
- **TUESDAY**, September 4 7:00 PM Mass + Gertrude Millen – St. Vincent de Paul Society
- WEDNESDAY, September 5 7:00 AM Mass + Tillie Doepel – G. Dunlop
- **THURSDAY, September 6** 7:00 AM Mass + Maria Aracely Melata – Sr. Aracely
- FRIDAY, September 7 7:00 AM Mass + Mary West – B. Crawley

SATURDAY, September 8 9:00 AM Mass + Souls in Purgatory

**TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, September 8/9** Isaiah 35:4-7a; James 2:1-5; Mark 7:31-37

**SAT.** 5:00 pm + Hung Van Nguyen – Phuong Nguyen

- SUN. 9:30 am Int. of the Parishioners of St. Mark's
- 11:30 am + Elizabeth Dubé McCullough Family

# Office Hours This Week ...

| TUESDAY, Sept. 4   | 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon |
|--------------------|----------------------|
| WEDNESDAY, Sept. 5 | 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon |
| THURSDAY, Sept. 6  | 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon |

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

| Registered Envelope Users              |           |
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| TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS                 |           |
| Parish Mortgage Fund                   | \$ 635.00 |
| Missionaries of Africa (White Fathers) |           |

# Parish News ...

# St. Mark's Church - 25 Years as a Parish

It has been brought to my attention that next year St. Mark's will be celebrating 25 years of parish life. This, of course, is cause for a parish celebration and an opportunity to give God thanks together for the



many blessings bestowed upon God's faithful in this parish.

So we need to meet with people who are skilled in organizing such special celebrations. I have set a date to meet, this Thursday, Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Luke Room.

It is very helpful to have people who have had experience in big event planning. We'll have an open meeting and let the Holy Spirit take us from there. Bring ideas such as what to do, when, where, how, etc. etc. Thank you! - Fr. Don

# **NEW Weekday Mass and Confession Schedule**

The following changes take effect Tuesday, Sept. 4, 2012:

Mondays will now have a morning mass at 7:00 a.m.; Tuesdays will no longer have a morning mass, but will now have an evening mass at 7:00 p.m.; Fridays will no longer have an evening Mass; Saturday's morning mass time will change to 9:00 a.m.

## **NEW WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE:**

| ★ Monday   | 7:00 AM                   |
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| ★ Tuesday  | 7:00 <u>РМ</u>            |
| Wednesday  | 7:00 AM                   |
| Thursday   | 7:00 AM                   |
| ★ Friday   | 7:00 AM (no evening mass) |
| ★ Saturday | 9:00 AM                   |

## **NEW CONFESSION SCHEDULE:**

Saturday mornings: 9:30 - 10:30 AM

★ Saturday afternoons: 3:45 - 4:45 PM

Confessions may also be heard spontaneously, or by appointment by calling the parish office at 519-571-9200.

# Dear Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion,

First of all, thank you for your devotion and service to the Lord and your parish.

I would very much like to meet with all the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion; firstly to review the procedures at Mass; secondly, that I may know how things are done regarding home visits, etc.; and lastly, to review Vatican policy on this ministry.

I see no problems, but it is a good thing to review procedures with the new pastor. Questions and comments are always helpful. The business part of the meeting should not last more than ½ hour. We can conclude with prayer and then go home.

I hope I have chosen a suitable time for most (if not all) -Wednesday, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Church.

Thank you and God bless you.

P.S. ... If you cannot make the meeting, you can find out the important information from another Extraordinary Minister.

- Fr. Don

# "Caring for the Caregiver"

St. Mark C.W.L. is hosting this presentation and ALL ARE WELCOME! Please join us on Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup> 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<sup>rd</sup>** 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 firstserved basis. If you are interested in booking a table, please contact Susan at 519-744-4469 or <u>sweetsbysusan@rogers.com</u>.

# 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: |  |  |
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| 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.

# Other News ...

# Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows

Join us at St. Mary Our Lady of the Seven Sorrows Parish, Kitchener, on **Saturday, September 15<sup>th</sup>** as we celebrate our Feast Day and the 155<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Our Parish! Mass followed by all day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament begins at 8 am, Seven Sorrows Rosary at 12 noon, Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3 pm and Benediction prior to 5 pm Mass. Our day of prayer continues at 6:30 pm with an inspiring conversion story of a local young man, Joel Corbeil, whose journey took him through a brush with the occult and a dramatic encounter with the Holy Spirit. We conclude our day with Evening Prayer at 7 pm followed by a Wine and Cheese Reception in the Lower Church. Everyone is welcome!

# 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Diocesan Vocations Mass

**Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>** at 11:00 a.m. at St. Joseph's Church, Fergus. Please join Bishop Crosby to pray to the Lord of the Harvest for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life, to listen more attentively to the call to holiness and to celebrate the gift of vocations within the life of the church. All are welcome to join in this joyful celebration of faith being hosted by the Catholic Women's League, Knights of Columbus and Serra Clubs of the Diocese. Light refreshments will be available following the celebration of the Eucharist.



The Catholic Women's League of Canada is a national organization rooted in gospei 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 19<sup>th</sup>** 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 10<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup> or 50<sup>th</sup> 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 13<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup>, you are invited to join them in their Novena in her honour. By reciting the prayer below from Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> to Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>, 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:** When the C.W.L. was newly formed in Canada, which organization made a gift of \$3,000 to get them started?

**Last Week's Answer:** It took only <u>one year</u> for the first 100 C.W.L. branches to be organized.

# From the Pastor's Desk ...

I was asked last week to sign a passport for someone. Unfortunately, I could not, since I did not know the person long enough. By now, I think, most people know that any adult who carries a valid passport and has sufficient knowledge of the applicant, can be a guarantor (as long as they are not a close family member). Most everyone knows a valid passport holder who, in turn, knows them well – much more than we as priests often did. Liturgical Publications 3171 LENWORTH DR. #12 MISSISSAUGA, ON L4X 2G6 (800) 268-2637



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