

# 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:** 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday at 10:00 AM  
**Benediction:** 1<sup>st</sup> 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<sup>nd</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto: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 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.

I would like to have \_\_\_\_\_ Mass(es) celebrated for  
HOW MANY?

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:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 7:00 AM on a Weekday  | <input type="checkbox"/> 5:00 PM on a Saturday |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 7:00 PM on a Tuesday  | <input type="checkbox"/> 9:30 AM on a Sunday   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 9:00 AM on a Saturday | <input type="checkbox"/> 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 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**

SEPT. 23 – 29, 2013

**Monday** (memorial – St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio))

7:00 am - Int. of Drew Depratto – Jeanne R.

**Tuesday**

7:00 pm + Souls in Purgatory – *Henrique Da Silva*

**Wednesday**

7:00 am + George Ward – *Jan & Louis Cote*

**Thursday** (feast – St. John de Brebeuf & St. Isaac Jogues)

7:00 am - Int. of St. Mark's Catholic Women's League

**Friday** (memorial – St. Vincent de Paul)

7:00 am + Macedo Family – *Luiz Macedo*

**Saturday**

9:00 am + Janina Gliszczynska – *Grazyna Sielski*

**26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Amos 6:1a, 4-7; 1 Timothy 6:11-16; Luke 16:19-31*

**Sat. 5:00 pm** + Michael Rebol – *Cimermancic Family*

**Sun. 9:30 am** + Helen & Walter Lutka – *N. & S. Cerantola*  
+ Kaflyess Tensae – *Elizabeth Habtay*

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



**Parish Office Hours**

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays  
9:00 a.m. to 12 noon

**Offertory Collection Last Weekend Sept. 14/15, 2013**

Envelope Users.....	\$ 3,389.00
Loose monies.....	\$ 432.79
<b>TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS .....</b>	<b>\$ 3,821.79</b>
Mortgage Fund.....	\$160.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**St. Mark's Spirit Crew**

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

■ **FAITH SHARING: Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup> from 7-9 p.m.**

Please come and join us for an evening of faith and fellowship. Remember your bible, a journal and a free will offering for the snack that will be provided. Please do let us know if you will be attending! Email Lisa at [lmaenpaa@primus.ca](mailto:lmaenpaa@primus.ca) or Christine at [cutting\\_abcd@rogers.com](mailto:cutting_abcd@rogers.com).

■ **COMMUNITY SERVICE EVENT AT WATERLOO REGION FOOD BANK**

All High School aged students are invited to share in a community service event to be held at the Waterloo Region Food Bank in Kitchener. We will be going on **Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 p.m.** This event can be used for your high school community service hours. Come out and enjoy a fun evening helping out our community. Please email Christine at [cutting\\_abcd@rogers.com](mailto:cutting_abcd@rogers.com) to let us know if you are able to attend.

**Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada: Why is there such a collection?**



Every year, the Bishops of Canada make an appeal for financial assistance to support its work through the Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada.

As noted by the President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB), the Most Reverend Richard Smith, Archbishop of Edmonton, this collection helps support the work of the episcopal conference by providing each diocese the means to make its annual per capita contribution to the CCCB. "Any amount exceeding this contribution is then put at the disposal of the dioceses for their own pastoral needs," Archbishop Smith explains. The CCCB is the national assembly of Catholic Bishops in Canada, including the Eastern Catholic Churches in Canada.

The Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada will be held **next weekend (September 28 & 29)**. Through your contribution to the collection, you too can collaborate with the Bishops in their ministry to teach, sanctify and govern.

**For Adults (16+) Interested in Conversion (R.C.I.A.)**

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 in becoming Catholic, please 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, **pick up an R.C.I.A. Registration Form in the church lobby**, fill it out 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*

**PARENT INFORMATION MEETINGS for First Communion & Confirmation:**



**FIRST COMMUNION**  
Parent Info Meeting:  
For parents of children in Grade 2  
**Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
7:00 p.m. in the Church



**CONFIRMATION**  
Parent Info Meeting:  
For parents of children in Grade 7  
**Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup>**  
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.

**CANCELLATION:** *The celebration of Mary's (Belated) Birthday planned for Sunday, October 6th after the 11:30 a.m. Mass has been CANCELLED.*

## The Alpha Course at St. Mark's

The Alpha course is an opportunity for anyone to re-ignite their Christian faith. There is a meal together at the beginning of each session, then a 40-minute video followed by group discussion – where no question is too simple or too 'out there.' It's low key, friendly and fun! **Course begins Thursday, Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>** from 6:45 to 9:00 p.m. and runs until November 28<sup>th</sup>. To register, or if you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ian Kangaloo at 519-743-1338 or email [stmarkalpha@gmail.com](mailto:stmarkalpha@gmail.com). ([alphacanada.org](http://alphacanada.org))

## Hugs for Humanity Charity Dinner

**The Next Chapter of St. Louis "Out of the Cold"** is having a fundraising dinner **this Friday, Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>** at St. Louis Church Gym in Waterloo. Tickets are \$75 each (includes a \$50 tax receipt). Doors open 5:15, Dinner at 6:15. An addiction counselor, a holistic therapist and a shelter/housing stability case worker will speak on their work with the homeless. Money raised will support a plan to find housing and a care worker for 1 or 2 men/women who use the Out of the Cold on a regular basis. If successful, more could be helped this way in the future. Catered by Kennedy's. Call Keith at 519-656-9005 for tickets and/or information.

## Come away and pray for awhile

### Praying with the Sisters of St. Joseph

All interested women are invited to join the Sisters of St. Joseph at the Motherhouse at 574 Northcliffe Avenue, Hamilton on **Saturday, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>** from 9:30 am until 3 pm. The day will include Mass, spiritual presentation, time for prayer and reflection, lunch. Suggested contribution is \$20. Please call 905-528-0138 for directions or to register by Sept. 23.

## Mass for Life

Bishop Miehm invites all parishioners to join him for a pro-life Mass at St. Dominic Parish in Oakville on **Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>** at 2:00 p.m. The Mass will serve as a kick-off to the 40 Days for Life campaign in Oakville. This is a great opportunity to unite in prayer with the Bishop for the cause of life.

## Defund Abortion Rally – October 3<sup>rd</sup>

Did you know Ontario taxpayers pay \$50 million each year to fund abortions? With that money we could hire 200 doctors, or 400 nurses to help fix the shortage, or treat 500 autistic children who aren't receiving care. Let's end the unjust practice of forcing taxpayers to fund **medically unnecessary** abortions. On Thursday October 3<sup>rd</sup> from 11am-12noon join a Defund Abortion rally at the office of MPP John Milloy, 1770 King St E., Kitchener, N2G 2P1. Visit [www.campaignlifecoalition.com/defundON](http://www.campaignlifecoalition.com/defundON) for info or call 1.800.730.5358 x.222.

## K-W Right to Life Memorial Day

**Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>** from 2:00-3:00 p.m. in front of K-W Health Centre, 835 King St. West, Kitchener. Speaker: **Fr. Don Sanvido** at 2:55 p.m. We remember over 3½ million lives lost to abortion in Canada since 1970 and the effects on their parents, families and the nation. Call 519-746-5433.

## C.W.L. Corner ...

*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.*



### ■ Monthly Mass for the Intentions of St. Mark C.W.L. Members

St. Mark's C.W.L. is pleased to announce that a Mass will be offered each month for the intentions of all St. Mark CWL members. The Mass will be held on or about the 26<sup>th</sup> of each month. See the bulletin for exact Mass dates and times each month.

### ■ Our 25th Anniversary Card Party was a huge success!

The evening was well attended and thoroughly enjoyed by all. THANK YOU to everyone who contributed prizes, food, assistance and prayers. Once again the collaboration of our parishioners resulted in another successful event!

### ■ TRIP TO CARMELITE MONASTERY: Wed. October 2<sup>nd</sup>

C.W.L.'s October Event will be a trip to the Carmelite Monastery in St. Agatha. Mark your calendar so you don't miss this event. Father Don will celebrate Mass at 7:00 pm in the chapel with coffee and tea to follow in the basement of the Monastery. More details will be in next week's bulletin and you will need to sign-up next weekend so that we can let Sister know the number of people attending. If you have any questions, contact Cathy Gelsinger at 519-954-5734 (please leave a message if no answer).

## Mass for those Living with Cancer and for Cancer Survivors

A special mass for those living with cancer, their families and caregivers, and for cancer survivors will be celebrated **Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>** at 1:00 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament Church, 305 Laurentian Dr., Kitchener. The church is wheelchair accessible. Celebrant and Homilist: Auxiliary Bishop Daniel Miehm of Hamilton Diocese. The Sacrament of the Sick will be administered by the Bishop and priests present. Reception in the Parish Centre following the Mass. For further information or questions, please contact Estelle at (519) 745-1936.

**Opportunity:** The Waterloo Region Marriage Preparation Course is seeking an associate coordinator. This organization has been serving the Roman Catholic Churches of the Waterloo Deanery for 40 years by offering the marriage preparation course to engaged couples being married in the Catholic Church. The position would include: working as a team and sharing responsibility; preparation and set-up of conducting the course; planning and evaluation of the program content, and related tasks. For more information, please email: [marriageprep.waterloo@rogers.com](mailto:marriageprep.waterloo@rogers.com). Resume/CV should be sent by October 25, 2013 to: *Waterloo Region Marriage Preparation Course, 38 Rosebank Crescent, Kitchener, Ontario N2E 2R4.*

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