

# St. Mark Roman Catholic Parish

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## PARISH STAFF

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## SUNDAY MASS

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM

Monthly Filipino Mass: Third Saturday 7:00 PM

Monthly Igbo Mass: Last Sunday 3:30 PM

## CONFESSION

Wednesday and First Friday 11:00 - 11:45 AM

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 PM or by appointment

## DAILY MASS

Tuesday to Friday 12:00 NOON

First Saturday 9:00 AM

## EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Our Adoration Chapel is open to the public,

Tuesday to Friday 1:00 - 8:00 PM

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS** – We invite you to become a registered parishioner. Please fill out a form from the church lobby and drop it in the collection basket or at the parish office. Please call if you would like your home blessed.

## OFFERTORY ENVELOPES / PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBIT

To receive an annual tax receipt for your donations you are encouraged to use offertory envelopes and/or to enroll in our pre-authorized debit plan. Envelopes can be requested by filling out a parish registration form, or if you are already registered, simply call the office to request a box. Debit plan enrollment forms are available in the church lobby.

**BAPTISM** – Infant baptisms are celebrated during Sunday Mass. Two months' notice is required. Please pick up a baptism form in the church lobby, introduce yourself to Father after Mass and give him your completed form at that time. A date for baptism can be confirmed by the parish office after you have met with Father and started the preparation process.

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)** – Adults seeking conversion to the Catholic faith are invited to inquire with the parish priest. This program runs from the Fall until Easter.

**MARRIAGE** – A minimum of 6 months' notice is required. Please introduce yourselves to Father after Mass to start the process.

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK or HOSPITAL VISIT

Whenever possible, Anointing of the Sick should be requested before the need becomes dire. In any case, contact the parish office to request this sacrament.

## PARISH SCHOOLS

**St. Dominic Elementary** 3 Westforest Trail 519-576-5503

**St. Mark Elementary** 240 Autumn Hill Cr. 519-743-4682

**Resurrection Secondary** 455 University Ave. W. 519-741-1990



## **REQUESTING A MASS INTENTION**

To have a Mass celebrated for a loved one (living or deceased), please fill out this request form, place it in a plain envelope marked "Mass Intention," and drop it in the Sunday collection. Your intention and your name will appear in the bulletin, and will be announced during Mass.

**If you require a Mass Card**, please make your request in-person at the parish office during the week.

The offering (stipend) for a Mass Intention is \$10 per Mass.

Number of Masses requested: \_\_\_\_\_ Offering enclosed: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Name of person(s)

to be remembered: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check if this person is:  LIVING or  DECEASED

**Please choose your preferred way of setting the date for this Mass:**

The date of the Mass does not matter.

**OR**

I would like the Mass to be on this specific date\*: \_\_\_\_\_

*\* Please note: We can only accept requests for specific dates if they are a birthday, death anniversary or wedding anniversary. Since dates fill up quickly, your request should be submitted several months in advance to avoid disappointment. Sunday Masses may only be requested twice per year. All other requests will be satisfied on a weekday. We will attempt to contact you if we are unable to satisfy your request.*

## **LIGHTING A SANCTUARY LAMP**

You may request to have one or both lamps burn for a special intention or for the repose of someone's soul. Cost is \$5 per candle, per week.

Simply drop a plain envelope marked "Sanctuary Lamp" into the collection and include the stipend and the name of the person(s) you wish to remember. Names will be published in the bulletin at the beginning of that week.

Please light the

Sanctuary Lamp(s) for: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check if this person is:  LIVING or  DECEASED

Offering enclosed: \$\_\_\_\_\_

REQUESTED BY \_\_\_\_\_

DAYTIME PHONE or EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

# THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

## Mass Intentions for the Week

June 8 – 14, 2026

Join us for recitation of the Rosary, 20 min. before each weekday Mass.

- Tuesday** (FERIAL)  
 12 Noon † Gerry Gerth – John & Elaine Kelly
- Wednesday** (FERIAL)  
 12 Noon † Louzia Pereira & family – Lourdes Soares  
 † Rosemary de Oliveira – Nick & Julie Muza  
 † Vera Oei – Garry & Cindy Mahn & family
- Thursday** (MEMORIAL – ST. BARNABAS)  
 12 Noon † Robert Starr – Kate & Tom Boettger
- Friday** (SOLEMNITY – THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS)  
 12 Noon - Int. of Pat & Margaret Drohan – 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
 6:30 PM † Leonarda Beltran Trinidad – Sheila Dipasupil
- 11<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – June 13/14**  
 Exodus 19:1-6a; Romans 5:6-11; Matthew 9:36–10:8  
 Sat. 5:00 PM - Int. of Tam Nguyen – Rose Nguyen  
 - Int. of Gloria Elisa  
 † Deceased Members of the Whittle Family  
 Sun. 9:30 am † Bill Wilkins – Wilkins family  
 11:30 am - Intentions of the Parishioners of St. Mark

## Meetings & Events This Week ...

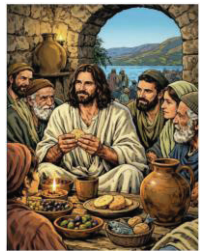


JUNE	TIME	ROOM	EVENT
<b>Mon 8</b>	8:00 PM	(H)	Alcoholics Anonymous
<b>Tue 9</b>	7:00 PM	Zoom	Knights of Columbus Executive Meeting
	7:00 PM	(B)	St. Vincent de Paul
<b>Wed 10</b>	7:00 PM	(L)	C.W.L. Executive Meeting
<b>Thu 11</b>	7:00 PM	(CH)	5pm Choir practice
<b>Sat 13</b>	7:15 am	(H/J)	That Man Is You! Men's Group
	8:00 am	(H)	Life in the Spirit Seminar
<b>Sun 14</b>	9:30 am	(L)	Children's Liturgy of the Word

**MEETING ROOMS:** (B) - Basement (CH) - Church (H) - Hall (J) - St. John Room (L) - St. Luke Boardroom (M) - St. Matthew Room

## Bread of Life, Cup of Salvation

As we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, we are invited to reflect deeply on the Eucharist as our true spiritual nourishment. In gratitude, we recognize Jesus' gift of Himself under the forms of Bread and Wine, sustaining us in our earthly journey. Like the manna given in the time of Moses, Christ the living Bread now offers not just physical sustenance but eternal life. He is truly present in the Eucharist—as a Person and Brother who calls us into a loving and perfect communion with Him. May His self-giving love, shown in His Body broken and Blood poured out, lead us to seek and encounter Him more personally in our celebration today.



Source: Euchalette, Word & Life Publications

**LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER!**  
*The Sanctuary Lamps burn this week for:*  
**The Intentions of Gloria Elisa**

## Vocations Prayer Calendar ☒ This week let us pray for...

MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
Rev. Louis Lenssen, C.R.S.P.	Rev. Michael Bennett	Comboni Missionaries, M.C.C.J.	Rev. Paul Voisin, C.R.	* <b>The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</b>	Rev. Francisco Cruz

**\*June 12 is World Day of Prayer for The Sanctification of Priests**  
*Prayer for Vocations: God, the source of creation and love, you invite each of us to serve you through the life which is your gift. May your grace encourage men and women to heights of holiness through service to the Church as married couples, priests, consecrated virgins, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give of themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen.*

## VOCATION SEEDS Body & Blood of Christ

Jesus has given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink to nourish us on our journey towards the Kingdom. May we be faithful to him on our journey as married, single, ordained or consecrated persons. If God is calling you to the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.  
[vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)      [hamiltondiocese.com/vocations](http://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations)

## Weekly Offertory Report



May 30/31, 2026	General	Mortgage
Envelope offerings:	\$ 2,920.00	\$ 210.00
Loose offerings:	\$ 868.20	\$ ---
Pre-Authorized:	\$ 1,623.46	\$ 397.96
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$ 5,411.66</b>	<b>\$ 607.96</b>

**Diocesan Collections:** Care for Retired Priests ..... 20.00  
 Pope's Pastoral Works ..... 70.00

## Month of the Sacred Heart

The Church dedicates the month of June to the Sacred Heart of Jesus – the living sign of Christ's infinite love for humanity. In the Heart of Jesus, we encounter both the source of Divine Mercy and the call to love as He loves. This month, Bishop Dabrowski invites us to place the Sacred Heart at the center of our homes, and continue offering daily this prayer:

**O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer you my prayers, works, joys and sufferings of this day for all of the intentions of your Sacred Heart, in union with the holy sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world, in thanksgiving for your favours, in reparation for my sins, for the intentions of all my family and friends, and in particular for the intentions of the Holy Father. Amen.**



For additional prayers and resources for the Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus please visit the diocesan website at: [www.hamiltondiocese.com/sacredheart](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com/sacredheart)



**Wedding at no cost!** Are you hesitant about the costs of getting married? In a wedding, the **Sacrament** is the most important thing – a wedding doesn't have to be expensive. St. Mark's Church will be holding a **Group Wedding** on September 19<sup>th</sup> at no cost. For those who are interested please call the parish office to coordinate with Father Roque for more details.

**Annual Baby Bottle Campaign: MAY 9 - JUNE 21**  
**Please return all filled baby bottles to the church by June 21.**  
<https://marillacplace.ca/donate/>. Thank you for supporting this important cause!

## Liturgical Ministers

June 13/14	5:00 PM Mass	9:30 AM Mass	11:30 AM Mass
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	J./P./V. Miller S. Cainoy	I. Fitzgerald R. Jerold, A. Min	J./S. Garrucho J. Ortega
<b>Commentator:</b>	B. Barbon	M. Drohan	S. Comidoy
<b>Readers:</b>	C. Stanley	J. Flanigan	N. Comidoy
<b>Ushers:</b>	E. Miller C./E. Cainoy	V. Chen C. Sgarbossa	J./S./J. Posada
<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	H. Psutka P. Campao C. Weber	T. Min, M. Tran R. Groothuis	A. Joseph I./F. Kangaloo

### Hamilton Diocesan Mission Co-Operative Program

On the weekend of **June 27 & 28**, here at St. Mark's, **Fr. Fernando Cagnin** will speak at all Masses about the work of the PIME Missionaries. Founded in Italy in 1850, PIME Missionaries are priests and brothers who dedicate themselves as lifelong messengers of the Gospel to those who have not yet heard the Word of God. They live and work alongside the poorest among us in 20 countries, shedding light on the silent struggles of our brothers and sisters in the missions and connecting them to those with a spirit to help. Find out more at: [www.pimeusa.org](http://www.pimeusa.org).

### Magnifica Humanitas Safeguarding the Human Person in the Time of Artificial Intelligence

His Holiness Pope Leo XIV has released his first encyclical, *Magnifica Humanitas* ("Magnificent Humanity"), entitled On Safeguarding the Human Person in the Time of Artificial Intelligence.

The Holy Father reflects on the opportunities and challenges presented by artificial intelligence and emerging technologies, while reaffirming the dignity of the human person, the value of work, the importance of truth, solidarity, peace, and the common good.

The Diocese of Hamilton has posted the encyclical on its website, [bit.ly/PopeLeoXIVMagnificaHumanitas](http://bit.ly/PopeLeoXIVMagnificaHumanitas), including links to the full text, related Vatican resources and a video presentation.

### 2026 Hamilton Diocesan

## Marian Days

### Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph

First Saturday of each month, June through October:

- June 6<sup>th</sup>** - with Bishop Ustrzycki
- July 4<sup>th</sup>** - with Bishop Lobsinger
- Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>** - with Cardinal Collins
- Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>** - with Bishop Lobsinger
- \* Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>** - with Bishop Dabrowski

\* Please note that the Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> Marian Day concludes with the Regina Caeli Tea. Registration is required and will be available after all Marian Days.

- 9:00 AM** - Holy Hour with Morning Prayer and Confessions
- 10:00 AM** - Benediction
- 10:30 AM** - Holy Mass
- 11:30 AM** - Outdoor Rosary Procession (weather permitting)

Coffee, Tea and Gift Shop available after Rosary Procession. Participants are welcome to bring their own lunch. Please see the poster in the narthex for full details.



### C.W.L. News...

#### ■ Executive Meeting

This Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the boardroom.

#### ■ Summer Break Potluck & Service Pin Presentation

Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the parish hall. Come celebrate fellowship, friendship, and the dedicated service of our fellow C.W.L. members as we recognize those receiving service pins for their years of commitment to the League. Please bring a favourite dish to share. We look forward to gathering together in gratitude and joy!



### Knights' News...

#### ■ Parish Memorial Mass

Weekend of June 20/21 at all three Masses

St. Mark's Knights of Columbus will be reading the names of parishioners and Knights who have passed away in 2025 & 2026.

#### ■ Rose Sunday

Weekend of June 20/21 at all three Masses

St Mark's Knight of Columbus is sponsoring "Roses for Life" and will be distributing rose appliques in support of *K-W Right to Life* after all Masses on the weekend of June 20/21. All donations gratefully accepted.



#### ■ Mass for the Unborn

Friday, June 26: Rosary at 6:10 pm, Mass at 6:30 pm

St. Mark's Knights of Columbus invite you to join us for a special Mass for the Unborn on Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Prior to the Mass, we will pray the Rosary starting at 6:10 p.m. Please note that this will be the only Mass that day (no noon Mass). We encourage everyone to attend and unite in prayer for the unborn. The Knights of Columbus hope to establish this as an annual event in our parish community. Thank you for your prayers and support!



### The Shrine of the Sorrowful Mother – Summer Hours

Located in the historic St. Agatha Cemetery Chapel in St. Agatha and built in 1857, The Shrine of the Sorrowful Mother welcomes visitors for prayer and reflection throughout the summer season. The shrine features a beautiful collection of relics of the saints, along with sacred paintings, statues, and religious artwork that inspire devotion and peace. **The chapel will be open every Sunday beginning June 7<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., and continuing each Sunday until September 27<sup>th</sup>.** All are warmly invited to come for a spiritual visit and to experience the beauty, history, and prayerful atmosphere of this special place of devotion.

### ST. AGNES EDUCATION CAFÉ

#### The Mass: The Mystery of The Liturgy & The Eucharist

*Are we truly aware of what we enter into with our participation in the Mass?* As Catholics, we have the privilege of participating in the Mass ~ the sacred liturgy, supreme expression of Catholic liturgical life. Here we kneel side by side with one another, as one in Christ's mystical body. Join us for this special event: "The Mystery of The Liturgy & The Eucharist" on **Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup>** from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at **St. Agnes Parish, Waterloo**.

### Faith After Graduation

The Office of Youth Ministry has produced a resource for those graduating grade 12. Please visit our webpage to access the brochure and the suggested resources to help you stay connected to the faith and your parish after graduating from your Catholic High School. <https://tinyurl.com/dohymresources>





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