

St. Mark Roman Catholic Parish

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PARISH STAFF

Rev. Roque Concepcion – *Pastor* (stmark.kitchener@gmail.com)

Rev. Mr. Philip Fernandez – *Deacon*

Mrs. Pam Olinski – *Parish Secretary* (stmark@rogers.com)

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 PM

Monthly Filipino Mass: *Third* Saturday 7:00 PM

Sunday 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM

WEEKDAY MASS

Tuesday - Friday 12:00 NOON

First Saturday 9:00 AM

CONFESSIONS

Wednesdays & First Fridays 11:00 - 11:45 AM

Saturdays 4:15 - 4:45 PM or by appointment

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 Father to bless your home.

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 monthly debit plan. Offertory 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 begins each Fall and runs until Easter.

MARRIAGE – At least 6 months' notice is required. Please introduce yourselves to Father after Mass to start the process.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK / HOSPITAL VISIT

If you or someone you know is in need of the Sacrament of the Sick, please call the parish office or see Father after Mass. Please advise the office of hospital admissions to request Anointing or a pastoral visit.

PARISH SCHOOLS

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

St. Mark Elementary 240 Autumn Hill Cres. 519-743-4682

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



“... The seed is sprouting and growing ...” (Mark 4:27)

REQUESTING A MASS INTENTION

To have a Mass celebrated for a living or deceased loved one, please fill out this request form, place it in a plain envelope marked “Mass Intention,” and drop it in the Sunday collection, or drop it in the mail. 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 business hours.

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

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

Name of person(s)
to be remembered: _____

LIVING 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: Requests for specific dates (birthday, anniversary of death or wedding) 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 accommodate 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: _____

LIVING DECEASED

Offering enclosed: \$_____

REQUESTED BY _____

DAYTIME PHONE # OR EMAIL _____

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions for the Week

June 17 – 23, 2024

Tuesday (FERIAL)

10:00 am - Year-End School Mass with St. Dominic's School

12 Noon - Int. of Salome & Manuel da Costa

Wednesday (FERIAL)

12 Noon † Aileen Leddy – Dennis

† Mike Woodhouse – Marianne Walsler & family

† Herman Mulder, Sr. – Nick & Sharon Cerantola

Thursday (FERIAL)

9:30 am - Year-End School Mass with St. Mark's School

12 Noon - Intentions of Fr. Roque – Leo Kubisewsky

Friday (MEMORIAL – ST. ALOYSIUS GONZAGA)

12 Noon † Thomas Pitts – Brian & Marie Lynch

Saturday (FERIAL)

2:00 PM - WEDDING

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – June 22/23

Job 38:1-4, 8-11+; 2 Corinthians 5:14-17; Mark 4:35-41

SAT. 5:00 PM † Consolacion S. Benito – Ruth Miranda & family

† Vincent Kim Van Toan – Melissa Nguyen

- Int. of Andrea Szejber – Marie & the CGS children

SUN. 9:30 am † Marilyn Voisin – Pat & Margaret Drohan

11:30 am – Intentions of the Parishioners of St. Mark

 **LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER!**
The Sanctuary Lamps burn this week for:
A Private Intention 



Used Book Sale!

**ONGOING DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE
IN THE ST. JOHN'S ROOM**

\$5 Hardcover • \$2 Softcover • \$2 Children's Books
Freewill offering for CDs, DVDs, Religious Items

Visit the tables often!

Selections will change as more books come in!

*Please leave your boxed donations of unwanted,
gently used books under the tables in the St. John's Room.*

*Organized by the Catholic Women's League. A portion of the
proceeds will go to the Woodhouse family. For more information
please contact Dianne Seymour-Weber at 519-581-1018.*

Cake & Coffee Farewell to Father Stanley...

With gladness in our hearts, we congratulate Fr. Stanley Nwokeji on his assignment from Bishop Crosby to be the Associate Pastor of St. Pius X Parish in Brantford, effective June 26, 2024. We extend our deep and heartfelt gratitude to Fr. Stanley for the many times he ministered to us, all while successfully completing his year of studies at Conestoga College. Please join us in wishing him well on **Tuesday, June 25th after the 12noon Mass**, for cake and coffee in the narthex.

Meetings & Events This Week ...

DATE	TIME	ROOM	EVENT
Mon. June 17	8:00 pm	(H)	Alcoholics Anonymous
Wed. June 19	6:00 pm	(L)	Baptism Preparation Meeting
Sun. June 23	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

Today is the **Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**, when Jesus compares our faith to the mustard seed. Our faith, like that tiny seed, can grow large and put forth large branches, having an effect on those who we may not even know we have touched.

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Opportunities to help those in need...

➔ **"North of 60" Food Collection**

St. Vincent de Paul Conferences in K-W are supporting the North of 60 program again this year. We are collecting **Kraft Macaroni & Cheese** and **Tetley Tea**. This food will be taken by ship to the needy families in Chesterfield Inlet, Nunavut – south of the Arctic Circle. The families in this area are so appreciative of the donations given. If you can help, please look for the box in the narthex to drop off your food contribution. Thank you!

➔ **Baby Bottle Campaign for Marillac Place**

TODAY is the deadline to return all baby bottles to the church. Thank you for your support!

Vacant Chapel Hours

Thursdays 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Fridays 3:00-4:00 p.m.

Floating substitutes also needed!

If you can fill in, please contact:

Colette Dokis at 519-576-7490.

Today is Rose Sunday

The Knights of Columbus will be distributing Rose for Life appliques at all Masses this weekend.

All donations will go to K-W Right-to-Life.



Next Meeting of the Finance and Parish Pastoral Councils

Joint Meeting

Monday, June 24 at 7:00 p.m.

Do you have a PYX that you no longer use?

We would be grateful if you could please return it (or consider donating your own) to the church, so that others may bring the Blessed Sacrament to the sick and homebound. Thank you!



Liturgical Ministers

June 22/23	5:00 PM Mass	9:30 AM Mass	11:30 AM Mass
Altar Servers:	J./P./V. Miller S. Silva	A. Jacobs R./R. Jerold	C. Chacon J./S. Garrucho
Commentator:	R. Kubica	M. Drohan	N. Comido
Readers:	R. Vergel de Dios	T. Lee	S. Comido
Ushers:	J./S./J. Posada	J./K. Snyder	E. Prila, M. Feick
Eucharistic Ministers:	J./D. Fernandez	T./K. Boettger	E. Weiss, K. Dignam



Weekly Offertory Report

June 8/9, 2024	General	Mortgage
Envelope offerings	\$ 2,006.00	\$ 15.00
Loose offerings	\$ 756.50	\$ --
Pre-Authorized	\$ 1,534.04	\$ 389.65
Totals	\$ 4,296.54	\$ 404.65

Diocesan Prayer Calendar ✕ This week let us pray for...

June 17	June 18	June 19	June 20	June 21	June 22
Rev. Tony O'Dell, O.M.I.	Rev. Deaha (John) Kim	Discalced Carmelite Fathers (O.C.D.)	Rev. Marian Gil, O.M.I.	Rev. Lajos Angyal	Married Couples

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 priests, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen.



That Man is You! www.tmiy.org
7:15 a.m. Saturday mornings
St. Mark's Parish Hall

RESUMING THIS FALL! September 14, 2024 – April 2025

That Man is You! honestly addresses the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, especially those relating to their roles as husbands and fathers. TMIY harmonizes current social and medical science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of man fully alive! This year features brand new dynamic speakers from a range of backgrounds. **"All Things New"** presents Earth-shattering insights from some of the greatest theologians of our day. A new day is dawning for Catholic Men. Now is the Hour! The future of the world and the Church is happening on our watch. His mercy is new every morning. A new hope is rising. **"All Things New" – View Promo Video Here** (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KnEvkBgTjtk&t=7s>). Now is the perfect time to join or rejoin TMIY! Breakfast begins at St. Mark's Parish Hall at 7:15 a.m. followed by a video presentation and group discussion. All adult men of any background are welcome!

Young Men's Discernment Dinner – Sat. June 29th

Wondering about religious life or priesthood? Looking to deepen your faith and understand your vocation? Join us at **St. Mary's Parish, Kitchener** (56 Duke St. West) for Dinner & Discernment **every last Saturday of the month**. We'll enjoy a meal, prayer, and conversations with fellow young men and Resurrectionists. Explore your calling and discern your vocation in a community. Evening begins with Mass at 5:00 p.m., followed by evening prayers at 6:30 in the rectory and dinner together. If you cannot join us for Mass, please join us for evening prayers at 6:30. **Registration is required to attend our dinner. Please register here:** <https://tinyurl.com/ydm7u7bd> or scan the QR code on the poster in the narthex.

ST. AGNES EDUCATION CAFÉ:

The Art of Listening: To God and the Church, to Others and to Self
Sometimes we may struggle to listen to God. What is He calling me to do? Or perhaps it is a challenge speaking with, and listening patiently to one another. Yet, God promises rich blessings to all who listen to him...**and** follow His Son Jesus in all circumstances. Join us for the next St. Agnes Education Café: "The Art of Listening: to God and the Church, to Others and to Self", with **Fr. Paul Voisin C.R.** on **Sunday, June 23rd** at 2:00pm at **St. Agnes Parish, Waterloo.** www.saintagnescatholicchurch.org/Events

LISTENING TOGETHER: MEDITATIONS ON SYNODALITY

The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis is pleased to offer a summer book club to anyone who would like to explore the meditations of Father Timothy Radcliffe from the Synod gatherings in October 2023. This series of presentations helps us better understand the true meaning of synodality and the importance of discernment in this process. Offered over four sessions, the book club will gather **virtually on Wednesday afternoons in July (3,10,17,24)** from 1:00-2:00pm for prayer and discussion. This series is free of charge and all are welcome to participate! Registration can be found here: <https://forms.gle/aLzYvo1C28Bj6aw36>

YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT (HAMILTON)

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), talk/tour in the church (7:30pm-7:45pm), social with food (7:45pm-8:15pm), praise night (8:15pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm). **Saturday, July 6th** at **St. Catherine of Siena Church** (620 Rymal Road East, Hamilton). Sponsored by the Hamilton Diocesan Vocations Office. More info: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL MASS

All are invited to attend a special Mass in honour of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel on **Sunday, July 14th** at 2:00 p.m. at the **Carmelite Monastery**, 1127 Carmel-Koch Road, St. Agatha. More details to come.

ReSTART: MOVING FORWARD - A 10-week education and support program for anyone seeking to heal and move forward after divorce or separation. **Sessions resume this fall IN-PERSON** at the Chancery Office (700 King St. West, Hamilton), or you are welcome to join our **ZOOM** classroom. Cost is \$35 for materials, but no one is turned away. To register contact Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249 or e-mail familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com. Or visit www.hamiltondiocese.com/office/pastoral-offices/family-ministry/restart.

THE CATHOLIC DATE NIGHT

Hosted by Kathleen and Jesse LeBlanc of *Found Together*. Are date nights with your spouse (or future spouse!) turning into Netflix binge nights? Do you want to grow in faith and prayer together? Do you wish you had a community of Catholic couples to truly journey with? It's time to level up your marriage vocation with *The Catholic Date Night!* Enjoy the LIVE monthly date nights from the comfort of your own home. Subscribe at www.wearefoundtogether.com/datenights and follow them on Instagram @TheCatholicDateNight for date night inspiration and more!

STRUGGLING AFTER AN ABORTION? Either your own, or someone else's?

Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry and in need of support? *Project Rachel* is available to help. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis, with a trained counsellor, to find hope and healing. **Please contact us toll free at 1-888-385-3850.**

DID YOU KNOW... Children in our parishes benefit from the **Catechetical Correspondence Program** each year for ongoing religious education and preparation for the Sacraments. We need volunteers to support the program! If you are willing to accompany these children in their learning journey, please reach out to the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis at catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com. To learn more about the Catechetical Correspondence Program, please visit: <https://bit.ly/DOHCCC>



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