

Parish of St. Mark

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MISSION STATEMENT

From three communities and beyond called into one to be Word of God. In a spirit of Friendship, sharing of life and energy, faith and appreciation, we commit ourselves to Accepting all who come and to be present to them, and from our gatherings open ourselves to our neighborhoods and to the wider church.

Pastor: Fr. Don Breen

**Mass Times: Sat. 5pm
Sun. 9am & 11:15am**

Parish Council Chair: Pat Carey

Baptisms, Marriage, Catechetical Ministry: contact office

Reconciliation: Saturday after Mass or by appointment.

July 8th – 9th, 2017 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Zechariah 9.9-10 Romans 8.9, 11-13 Matthew 11.25-30

July 15th -16th, 2017 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 55 10-11 Romans 8 18-23 Matthew 13 1-23

Announced Masses

Wed.	July 12	9:00 a.m.	Pat Connelly
Thurs.	July 13	7:00 p.m.	Margherita Scichilone
Fri.	July 14	9:00 a.m.	Lorraine Savoie
Sat.	July 15	5:00 p.m.	Jacqueline Roberts
Sun.	July 16	9:00 a.m.	For Parishioners
		11:15 a.m.	Jim Corcoran

R.C.I.A.

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

If you know someone interested in becoming a Catholic or would like to inquire into the Catholic faith yourself, call the Parish Office, 849-5111. Sessions begin in the fall. We will be happy to answer any questions you may have, and explain what is involved. Co-ordinators: Jackie and Allan Beckingham, 849-9521.

Church Flowers

Parishioners are invited to adorn the altar with flowers at weekend Masses to commemorate a special occasion such as an anniversary, a baptism, a birthday, a graduation, or in memory of departed loved ones. If you would like to dedicate flowers from your garden, donate store bought flowers or make a monetary donation to purchase flowers please call Denise 847-7258 or Paula 849-2186.

Reminder – The Rosary is prayed Monday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the chapel. All are welcome



Condolences to:

Tara and Angela Curwin and family on the death of their mother Valerie Curwin

July 9, 2017 - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"For my yoke is easy, and my burden light." - MATTHEW 11:30

When we think of being good stewards, we may think that God is asking too much of us when He calls us to generously share our time, talent and treasure. However, we must remember that we are not "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. All He is asking is that we give back a small portion of what He has already given to us.

Required Weekly	\$ 5,555.00
Sunday Collection, July 2 nd	\$ 4,522.79

Religious Formation - 849-5111

Coordinator – Wendy Ellis 849-8162

Email: stmarksreled@bellaliant.com

- Sessions resume Sept 17th, 2017

CATECHISTS NEEDED



Catechists are needed for all year levels! What do you need to be a catechist? You need to be a person of prayer, who would like to help our young people grow in their faith. You do not need a degree in theology, a course in canon law, or to be the “perfect” Catholic. You donate your

time and talent, and we provide all the materials; the manuals walk you through each lesson – you are never winging it! We even supply coffee! You get to know a great group of kids! And you are never alone – all our catechists work with a partner.

What is the time commitment? About 2 hours for each week you have sessions: 1 hour to read and prepare, and then the actual session time. Sessions are Sunday morning, from 10:05 to 11:00. We know you have a lot going on, so we try to build in some “weeks off” for the catechists. Sessions run over the 32 week period from Sept. 17 to Apr.22. There are 18 sessions for Gr. K-6, 12 for Gr. 7 & 8, and 10 for Gr. 9, so there are usually 2 or 3 sessions each month, allowing you to balance as much as possible your many commitments! If you are able to help with this important ministry, please contact Wendy as soon as possible at stmarksreled@bellaliant.com or at 849-8162.

NEW THIS YEAR – FAMILY DAYS!

Are you interested in helping families grow in their faith? In addition to regular sessions, we are looking to introduce fun Family Days to our program this year! We are looking for people to guide families in fun and interactive sessions, 4 times through the 2017-2018 year at the regular session time of 10:05 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings (regular sessions won't be held on Family Days). Families will participate in prayer, some learning, some games and crafts together, guided by the session team. All materials and support will be provided. If you are interested in being part of this team, please contact Wendy at stmarksreled@bellaliant.com or at 849-8162. Please pray for our faith formation ministry!



Congratulations, prayers and best wishes to **Betty and Dave Delaney** and **Merlyn and Bob McCarron** who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary

Summer Collections

Parish expenses and obligations do not take a vacation so it is very helpful to be able to rely on parishioners continued support during the summer months. For your convenience you may wish to consider the parish automatic debit system or begin using Sunday Collection envelopes. Pre-authorized debit forms are available in the foyer or on our website at www.stmarksparish.ca. New envelope contribution boxes are available in the foyer. Contact Dianne 849-5111 at the office for more information.

Diocesan News

July 7 - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, concluding with benediction, will take place immediately following the noon Mass at Holy Trinity, 348 Rockland Road.

July 9 - Sunday Exposition/Adoration at St. Rose of Lima Parish from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. with Benediction.

July 11 – 7:00 p.m. – The Victoria Children's Choir B.C. on their maritimes tour, at Trinity Church, Saint John (Doors open at 6:30pm). This international award-winning Choir is presenting 150 years of song from Canadian, First Nations, Acadian, Gaelic, Maritimes, BC, and World musical traditions. Tickets \$15 available at Trinity church office (693-8558), at the door, and online at www.VictoriaChildrensChoir.ca

July 16 - Sunday Exposition/Adoration at Villa Madonna from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Pre-Authorized Debit System – If anyone would like to start this system of donation, forms are available in the foyer. Please fill out and drop in collection basket next week in envelope along with a VOID cheque.

If you are new to the Parish we would like to hear from you, or if you are leaving the area, please let us know.

Register Update:

Please fill out this form and put it in collection basket or give to greeter. Thank you for helping to keep our records up to date.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

New in Parish _____ Moving out of _____

Moving within the Parish _____