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Parish Office Hours:
Tuesday to Friday, 9:30 to 12:30 – 1:00 to 3:30 PM

SUNDAY MASSES

Weekday Masses
See Mass times inside

Confessions:
Saturday, 4:00 PM to 4:30 PM, before weekday Masses, or by appointment.

A warm welcome to all!

If you are new to the parish, we invite you to fill out a registration form that you will find in the vestry. You can drop off the completed form in the collection basket at any of our Masses.
This Week at St. Mark’s Parish

**April 15 to April 22, 2018**

- **Monday, April 16**
  - 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm: Christian Meditation (Crying Room)

- **Tuesday, April 17**
  - 10:30 am Mass: Monastery
  - 11:30 am – 1:30 pm: Church Opened for Private Prayer
  - 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm: CWG Crafts (Parish Hall)
  - 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm: Knights of Columbus Meeting (Parish Hall)

- **Wednesday, April 18**
  - 9:00 am Mass: In Memory of Ana Murphy
  - Requested by Dawn Murphy
  - 11:30 am – 1:30 pm: Church Opened for Private Prayer
  - 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm: Confirmation Session (Sacristry)
  - 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm: Choir Practice
  - 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm: Fabricius Meeting (Parish Hall)

- **Thursday, April 19**
  - 9:00 am Mass: In Memory of Stella Scott
  - Requested by John MacMillan
  - 11:30 am – 1:30 pm: Church Opened for Private Prayer
  - 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm: Youth Group (Parish Hall)

- **Saturday, April 21**
  - 10:00 am – 11:30 am: First Communion Preparation Session (Parish Hall)
  - 5:00 pm Mass: In Memory of Armand & Laurette Noel
  - Requested by Gerry & Bea Lavioe
  - In Memory of Raymond Picard
  - Requested by St. Mark’s CWG
  - 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm: St. Mark’s Parish Supper (Parish Hall)

**Sunday, April 22**

- 9:00 am Mass: In Memory of Stella Scott
  - Requested by Diane & Des McGuire
  - In Memory of Walter Morin
  - Requested by the Family

- 11:00 am Mass: In Memory of Des Bolton
  - Requested by Elizabeth Bolton

**St Mark’s Parish Supper and Silent Auction, April 21**

Please save the date for our Annual Parish Supper which will take place on **Saturday April 21st** following the 5:00 pm Mass. We are planning once again to have a silent auction. To help make this event a success we need your involvement. There are a few ways to help us out. You can prepare a dish for the supper, donate an item to the silent auction and of course be sure to attend the event. Menus will be ham, scalloped potatoes and other main dishes. Please feel free to bring a main dish or a salad, your contribution is greatly appreciated. Ticket prices are $10.00/adult, $30.00 for a family with children under 12. For more information please contact Brenda McGuire at (613) 797-0106.

**Feast of Saint Mark, April 25!**

April 25 is the Feast of Saint Mark, the patron saint of our parish. To mark this day, we are inviting all parishioners to join us for Mass at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, April 25. This will be followed by a social event in the parish hall; to show appreciation for all that the members of the parish contribute to the parish by sharing their gifts.

**Knights of Columbus**

Over the past year, we have provided over 3800 Volunteer hours in many activities within our parish and community. The volunteer hours were submitted to our supreme office to demonstrate to our government that we are a charitable non-profit organization. Throughout the year we donated over $5100 to purchase a variety of items for the church and rectory, as well as pay for certain repairs in our parish. We also made an annual donation to La Maison de Collines in Masham. The Book selection “Building a Domestic Church” is provided free to all parishioners by the Knights of Columbus. We were also presented with the Father Michel J. McGivney Award by our Supreme office and State Council for recruiting and retaining members. We would like to thank all parishioners for their continuous support.

**My Trash Your Treasure Family fundraiser, May 5!**

Spring is in the air and this is when we start to clean out closets, rooms, sheds and garages. Rather than throw away the items you no longer need, please consider donating them to us for our second joint My Trash Your Treasure Family fundraiser! May 5th will turn our parish parking and backyard into a center of activity where we will have donated items for sale at a great price, vendors will be set up to sell their items, a BBQ, a car wash and a number of stations and activities for the children in the back yard. More information will follow.

**Spring Auction – Our Lady of Annunciation**

Our Lady of the Annunciation Parish will be hosting a Spring Auction on Tuesday, May 1st, 2018 at the Church Centre, 189 Archambault Street, Gatineau (Hull Sector). Doors open at 5:30 p.m. for viewing, bidding starts at 6:30 p.m. Admission $2. Draws will be held for door prizes throughout the evening. For additional information, call, 819-771-4613 or 819-777-8825.

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**St. Mark’s Parish – Facebook Page**

We are now on facebook!! Please be sure to visit our page.

www.facebook.com/stmarkaylmer

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**FINANCIAL SUMMARY AS OF April 7th, 2018**

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**NOT INCLUDED IN ABOVE NUMBERS**

- BELL TOWER INCOME: 11482 0
- BELL TOWER EXPENSE: 0 0
- REFUGEE EXPENSE: 2,400 0

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**Parish General Assembly (AGM)**

Please mark your calendars for the parish general assembly, which will be held Wednesday, May 23rd at 7:00 PM. More information to follow.

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**Have you ever considered including St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church as a beneficiary in your will? Your gift will enable the parish to continue its mission. Thank you.**

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