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Parish council meetings take place on the 3rd Tuesday of each month excluding July.

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THE SPIRIT OF ST. MARK'S

A Journey Through Lent



We are the Christian Family of St. Mark's...
God's hands are extended through us
To serve the community and beyond.

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C H U R C H

Holy Day for Children

Wednesday, March 1, 2017

9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.

The theme for this year's Deanery Holy Day for Children is *Pause for Prayer*. There will be crafts, songs and stories related to the theme. Snacks and lunch will be provided.

Registration packages are available on the information table, on the website and in the church office.

Children will not be marked absent from school on this day. A school letter is provided in the registration package.

Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, March 1, 2017

10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.



The first day of Lent is marked with this special service either in the morning, or in the evening. Ashes have traditionally been a symbol of repentance and forgiveness and the day's theme is symbolized by drawing the shape of a cross on the forehead of each person using the ashes from the Palm Sunday branches and crosses used the previous year.

Plan to attend a worship service on this important day in the Christian year.

Preaching

taught by the Rev. Victor Kischak

Course Description

- Learn the principles for interpreting Scripture and communicating its meaning for today.
- Each participant will have the opportunity to write and deliver a sermon in a supportive setting

Course Dates

March 11, April 8 and 22
Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Location

St. James Anglican Church
8 Burwell Street, Paris, ON

Cost

\$120.00 (HST included)

Required Texts

Carmine Gallo, *Talk like TED: the 9 Public Speaking Secrets of the World's Top Minds*
New York: St. Martin's Press, 2014

Baptism

At St. Mark's, baptisms are regularly scheduled for four times each year. In 2017, baptisms were/will be held on the *Baptism of the Lord* (January 8th), *Second Sunday of Easter* (April 23rd), *Pentecost* (June 4th) and the *Reign of Christ* (November 26th). If you are interested in baptism, please contact the church office.

**Guiding and Scouting
Service**
Sunday, Feb. 26th at 10:30 p.m.

You are invited to our annual
Pancake Supper



Tuesday, February 28, 2017
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Family Deal: \$20.00
Adults: 6.00
Children (6-12): 3.00
Children 5 and under are free

Specially made and served by our
servers and youth

**Brant Anglican Christian
Education Opportunities**

Rev. Victor Kischak is offering a course on aspects of the Old Testament at St. James' Paris. Rev. Victor is a gifted teacher and the evenings will be both informative and entertaining.

Course Dates:

Wednesdays, March 8th, April 5th, May 3rd

Course Time:

7:00 - 8:30 p.m.



**World Day of
Prayer**

Am I being Unfair to you!
Friday, March 3, 2017

You are invited to join others from our community for this service written by the World Day of Prayer Committee of The Philippines.

Services will be held at...

St. Andrew's United Church at 1:30 p.m.

St. Mark's Anglican Church at 7:30 p.m.

Co-hosted with Church of the Nazarene

All Welcome

Refreshments to follow.

**Life in the
Eucharist Classes**

Communion classes for children 7 years and older will be offered on March 25th and April 1st from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. A parents' meeting will be held on March 5th following the 10:30 service. Parents are encouraged to participate in the Saturday classes with their child.



A Communion celebration will take place on *Thursday, April 13th* with a parish dinner at 6:00 p.m. and a service at 7:00 p.m.

Please contact the church office if your child will be participating in these classes.

5 Marks of Love

*Living Life Marked as
Christ's Own*

Wednesday Nights at Grace Church
Beginning on March 8th to April 5th
7:00 p.m.

In this six-week Lenten series, we will be examining and reflecting on the ways in which God's Life and God's Mission express themselves in and through us. The 5 Marks of Love is a discipleship offering by the Anglican Marks of Mission. More information is available from the following website: www.5marksoflove.org.

TELL - March 8th

Proclaim the good news of the kingdom

TEACH - March 15th

Teach, baptize and nurture new believers

TEND - March 22nd

Respond to human need by loving service

TRANSFORM - March 29th

Transform unjust structures, challenge violence of every kind and pursue peace and reconciliation.

TREASURE - April 5th

Strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth.

Call the church office at 519-752-6451 or email office@stmarks.on.ca to let us know that you will be attending.



What is Messy Church?

It typically includes a welcome, a long creative time to explore the biblical theme through getting messy; a short celebration time involving story, prayer, songs and games; and a sit-down meal together. All elements are for, and include, people of all ages, adults and children.

When is Messy Church at St. Mark's?

Messy Church nights are typically the second Friday of each month from September to June from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Our next Messy Church night is Friday, March 10th as we explore the *Lowdown on Lent*. Spread the word about this exciting form of church.

Updating Parish Records

St. Mark's is in the process of updating our database of parishioners. Included with this mailing is a form containing information that we currently have about your household. Please take a few minutes to review the information, make any necessary changes and return it to the church in a sealed envelope. You could hand it to the Greeters on Sunday morning or drop it off at the church office during the week.