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PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. Michael Hughes - Pastor
Deacon John Schwarzbauer
Deacon Wayne McCulloch

STAFF

Mary Ann Mehes - Administrator
Lisa Baker - Admin. Assistant
Camille Herrera - Youth Minister
Lad Mehes - Custodian
Emy Lomibao-de Asis - Friday Asst.

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday
9 am - 3:30 pm
Closed for lunch 12 - 1 pm
CLOSED MONDAYS

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday & Thursday - 7:00 pm
Wednesday & Friday - 8:30 am
(except First Fridays when Mass is at 7 pm)
Saturday - 9:00 am
Statutory Holidays - 9:00 am

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday - 5:00 pm
Sunday - 9:00 am
Sunday - 11:00 am

HOLY HOUR

Every Thursday 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration & Benediction
Every Friday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9:30 - 10 am
4 - 4:45 pm
(or by appointment)

REGISTRATION FOR WEEKEND MASSES

Registration is required for the Saturday 5 pm, Sunday 9 am and 11 am masses.

Registration for the upcoming weekend, begins on Wednesday at 7 pm. The registration link can be found on our website.

DEVOTIONS

Temporarily Suspended

Recitation of the Rosary
St. Therese of Lisieux Novena
Divine Mercy Chaplet
Mother of Perpetual Help
Prayer

BAPTISM

Please pick up a Baptismal Package from the foyer of the Church. Upon submission of the "Request for Baptism" form, due to COVID-19, please allow 3 to 6 months for an anticipated Baptismal date given only after the parents attend the Preparation Class

MARRIAGE

Couples must contact the parish **one year in advance**. If either party has previously gone through any form of civil or religious marriage no date may be set until the Bishop's office has been consulted.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome. We encourage you to register using the Registration Forms available from the foyer or on our website.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK AND HOME-BOUND

Suspended due to COVID-19.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office.

MEMORIAL MASS POLICY

Please see website for policy explanation.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Servers
Altar Society
Children's Liturgy
Counter's Ministry
Edge
Eucharistic Ministers
Finance Committee
Funeral Luncheon Committee
Knights of Columbus
Lectors
Media Stand & Bookstall
Ministry of Hospitality
Parish Council
Parish Music Ministry
Prayer Groups
RCIA
Sacramental Preparation
Squires
St. Vincent de Paul Society
Ushers
Women's Ministry
Youth Ministry

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

St. Mark's School
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T: 905-642-6728

St. Brigid's School
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W: archtoronto.org

PASTORAL REFERENCE LETTERS FOR SCHOOL

As evidence of living one's faith the person requesting a reference must be registered for at least 12 months and genuinely trying to attend Mass every Sunday, as well as supporting the Church, its charities and mission work. Must also have recently volunteered as a Parish Catechist!

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions for the Week

ALL WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND MASSES WILL BE LIVESTREAMED AT <https://bit.ly/StMarkYouTube>

Tuesday, February 16th @ 7 pm Livestreamed

Living and Deceased Members of the Hughes and McConville Families req. by Fr. Michael



Mary McKenna req. by Fr. Michael

Mario Putong req. by Leizyl

Maria Bruno req. by Luis and Carmela Tence

Ash Wednesday, February 17th @ 9 am Livestreamed

Parish Conversion req. by Fr. Michael

Thursday, February 18th @ 9 am Livestreamed



Graziano D'Angelo req. by Ignagni Family

Friday, February 19th @ 9 am Livestreamed

Pope, Bishops and Priests req. by Fr. Michael



Pamela Gingras req. by Lisa Baker



Lutz Wiechmann req. by Don and Susan Dizon

Saturday, February 20th @ 9 am Livestreamed

Brito Family req. by Fr. Michael



Johnny req. by Milka Stipcevic



Tony & Dino Raponi req. by Onesima Raponi & Family

Sunday, February 21st @ 9 am Livestreamed



Orlando Mirenzi req. by Anonymous

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

Church Office

The Church Office is closed to the public. If you need assistance, please call 905-640-6954 ext. 101 to leave a message or email stmarksoffice@bellnet.ca.

Sign-up for Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)

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Give via pre-authorized transfers directly from your bank account.

Now more than ever, during the York region lockdown, we need your help. We ask that you please drop off your donation envelopes in the secure drop box located on the wall beside

the front door entrance or preferably sign up to give through our pre-authorized giving program to help cover the parishes many expenses and salaries.

To sign-up for the St. Mark's

Pre-Authorized Giving program, please go to:

<https://stmarkstouffville.ca/contact/donations>

Complete the form and attach a void cheque which can be dropped off at the church office. If you already give to the Parish via PAG, please consider increasing your donations if possible.

2020 Tax Receipts



Tax receipts for 2020 will be handled by an Archdiocesan sanctioned outside company.

We have been informed that tax receipts are scheduled to be mailed via Canada Post in mid-February. There is no need to pick them up.

Weekend Communion Services



Communion Services have resumed each Saturday and Sunday

Communion Services will be short, so we ask those attending to remain standing throughout and avoid touching the pews or sitting. If you need to be seated, please take a sticky note to place on the handrail in front of the spot where you sit. We hope this will allow more of our parishioners to be able to come to the Church on weekends to hear the readings and receive the Eucharist. As a preparation for the service, we ask you to watch the Mass online.

Schedule

Saturdays	5 pm, 5:20 pm, 5:40 pm
Sundays	11 am, 11:20 am, 11:40 am, 12 pm

Online Registration (required)

Please register at www.stmarkstouffville.ca.

- Registration is required to attend a Communion Service.
- Each attendee must have a ticket (max 8 people at one time).
- We are unable to accommodate walk-ins.
- If you are registering for a ticket for someone else, please put their name on the ticket not yours.
- Children also need tickets, even if they are very small and not receiving Communion.
- Please be on time as this service is only 10 minutes.

St. Mark's Church will remain open for personal prayer

Tuesday to Saturday

9:30 am to 4 pm and

Sunday 10 am to 11 am & 1 pm to 4 pm

Limit of 10 people in the building at one time.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturdays at 9:30 am and 4 pm



Fr. Michael will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation every Saturday at 9:30 am to 10 am and from 4 pm to 5 pm. When you arrive, please

sign in and ensure there are no more than 10 people in the church at one time. You can also make an appointment to go to confession during the week by calling the church office at 905-640-6954 ext. 101.

Online Lenten Formation Programs

The Saint Augustine Institute Show: Join Dr. Tim Gray and special guest, Curtis Martin, Founder & CEO of FOCUS, for a Special One-Hour Episode of The Augustine Institute Show! PREPARE YOUR HEART FOR LENT - Tuesday, February 16 at 7:00 p.m. EST. This special episode will be broadcast live for all to watch on www.FORMED.org.

Journey Through Scripture - Parousia - The Bible and the Mass: In our latest Journey Through Scripture study, get ready to join host Scott Hahn to uncover how and why all of God's action, in creation and redemption, is ordered to the Mass. Sign up to watch all 10 episodes for free at <https://stpaulcenter.com/studies-tools/journey-through-scripture/parousia-the-bible-and-the-mass/>

FEBRUARY 14, 2021

Ash Wednesday

February 17th – Livestream Mass at 9 am



This is a universal day of fasting and abstinence from meat. The law of abstinence from meat binds those who are 14 and older; the law of fasting binds those from 18 – 59 years of age. Parents and educators are reminded of their duty to introduce children gradually to the understanding and practice of penance.

Distribution of Ashes and Communion Service Schedule

February 17th, 18th & 19th

Registration required.

Register online at: www.stmarkstouffville.ca

Wednesday February 17th (13 Services)

9:40am, 10am, 10:20am, 12pm, 12:20pm, 12:40pm, 3pm, 3:20pm, 3:40pm, 7pm, 7:20pm, 7:40pm, 8pm

Thursday, February 18th (9 Services)

9:30am, 9:50am, 10:10am, 12pm, 12:20pm, 12:40pm, 7pm, 7:20pm, 7:40pm

Friday February 19th (3 Services)

12pm, 12:20pm, 12:40pm



Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, February 19th

from 9:30 am to 12 pm

We invite parishioners to come and spend some quiet time in Eucharistic Adoration. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at 9:30 am and end with Benediction at 11:50 am.

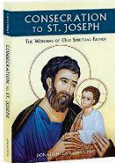
Registration is not required for Adoration but if you want to attend one of the afternoon Communion Services on this day, please register on our website.



Lenten Stations of the Cross (Livestreamed)

The Stations of the Cross will be livestreamed every Friday during Lent at 7:30 pm on our YouTube Channel: <https://bit.ly/StMarkYouTube>

Consecration to St. Joseph



Drawing on the wealth of the Church's living tradition, Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC, calls on all of us to turn to St. Joseph, during this year dedicated to this wonderful Saint, to entrust ourselves, our Church, and our world to our spiritual father's loving care, and then

watch for wonders when the Universal Patron of the Church opens the floodgates of Heaven to pour out graces into our lives today. **This book is strongly recommended, and you are encouraged to purchase a copy for \$20 at the Church Office during the week or after any of the Ash Wednesday services.** The 33 Day Consecration begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on March 19th, the Feast of St. Joseph. We hope to also add a way in which we can participate together during the 33 days (information will follow in the next bulletin).

Women's Ministry Online Lenten Prayer Retreat

Tuesday, February 16th at 7:30 pm



St. Mark's Women's Ministry

ONLINE Evening Prayer Retreat on Tuesday, February 16th at 7:30 pm via ZOOM.

Please register for this event, so that we can prepare the materials and deliver them to your door!

The Evening Prayer Retreat is based on Monica McConkey's book *Prompt Me to Pray* available for purchase along with this *Retreat Companion* booklet to help make this ONLINE retreat feel like it's IN PERSON!

Prayer Retreat Bundle (\$15) or Retreat Companion (\$5) available in the [Arma Dei Shoppe](#) but please register first. The Registration link can be found on the home page at www.stmarkstouffville.ca.

That Man Is You!



Looking to have your best Lent ever?

Come join That Man Is You! This is an interactive men's program that combines the latest findings of modern science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints to develop authentic male leaders capable of transforming themselves, their families and greater society. **Join us for our Lenten journey beginning on February 20th.** If you've never been to TMIY or haven't come in some time, now is a great time to join our program. We meet on Saturdays at 8am on Zoom. All men are welcome.

To register, please visit www.kofc10874.ca.

National Catholic Men's Conference

February 19th to 21st

What does it mean to be a man? That is the essential question for every man. This conference will take you on a journey to answer that very question.

As well, participation in the TMIY Lenten Morning Retreat on Manhood is included with registration for the National Catholic Men's Conference. This provides access not only to the TMIY Lenten Morning Retreat, but to all the other incredible speakers and content throughout the weekend.

To register go to:

<https://go.virtualcatholicconference.com/NCMC2021>

EDGE &

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

EDGE is online on February 19!

Students in grades 5-8 are invited to participate.

High School Youth is online on Feb. 26th!

High school students are invited to participate.

For further details, or to volunteer, email Camille at stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com or follow our Instagram account @stmarksyouthmin.

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