



# St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

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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  
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Parish Council  
Parish Music Ministry  
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Sacramental Preparation  
Squires  
St. Vincent de Paul Society  
Ushers  
Women's Ministry  
Youth Ministry

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

St. Mark's School  
333 Glad Park Ave.  
T: 905-640-2915

St. Brendan's School  
751 Hoover Park Dr.  
T: 905-642-6728

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223 Millard St.  
T: 905-642-5100

## VOCATIONS TORONTO

Serra House  
T: 416-968-0997  
W: [vocationstoronto.ca](http://vocationstoronto.ca)

## ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

T: 416-934-0606  
W: [archtoronto.org](http://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!

# DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



## Mass Intentions for the Week

**Tuesday, April 13<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm**

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

† Joe McParland req. by Fr. Michael

† Dominic, Maria & Teresa Nguyen req. by Vincent Nguyen

† Sylvia Ruccolo req. by Maria Ruccolo

Ann Roy req. by Fr. Michael

**Wednesday, April 14<sup>th</sup> @ 9 am (also livestreamed)**

† Bruno Roti req. by Sal and Family

**Thursday, April 15<sup>th</sup> @ 9 am**

† Frank Altomare req. by Mary and Renato Barbieri

**Friday, April 16<sup>th</sup> @ 9 am**

Eucharistic Adoration 9:30 am to 12 pm

Pope, Bishops and Priests req. by Fr. Michael

† Christopher Bhagwandat req. by Norman and Rowena Bhagwandat

† Rocco Cornacchia req. by Di Rienzo Family

† Wenceslao Abislay Sr. req. by Abilay Family

**Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup>**

**@ 9 am**

† Fred Gaerlan req. by Alicia Gaerlan

† Ramona Tence req. by Luis and Carmela Tence

Thanksgiving of Winston Joseph Pedron req. by

Pedron Family

† Deceased Members of Munro Family req. by

Ann Marie Munro

**@ 5 pm**

† Pietro Mirenzi req. by Anonymous

**Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup>**

**@ 9 am (also livestreamed)**

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

**@ 11 am**

† Valentino & Pasqualina Raponi req. by Onesima Raponi and Family

## Church Office

The Church Office will be open on Tuesdays from 9 am to 3:30 pm and Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9 am to 12 pm. Please make an appointment if you need assistance by calling

905-640-6954 ext. 101 to leave a message or email [stmarksoffice@bellnet.ca](mailto:stmarksoffice@bellnet.ca).

## Sacrament of Reconciliation



The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available every Saturday at 9:30 am to 10 am and from 4 pm to 4:45 pm. When you arrive, please sign in.

## Eucharistic Adoration

**Fridays from 9:30 am to 12 noon**

We invite parishioners to come and spend some quiet time in Eucharistic Adoration. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place each Friday from 9:30 am to 12 noon ending with Benediction. Registration is not required to attend Adoration; however, we would like to ensure there are at least two people present each hour. Please see the sign-up sheet at the back of the church.

## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS FOR DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

### Building a Community of Stewardship

As we continue along in this season of Easter, we are invited to reflect on the lives of the early Christians. In the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles we hear the wonderful account of them living in great unity and joy as they were "of one heart and soul." It says that "there was not a needy person among them" because everyone shared of their gifts for the good of the entire community. This is the perfect model of a community where stewardship reigns. A parish community built on stewardship is one in which every member is welcomed, involved, and nourished. The parish should be seen as our second home. It is where we join together with our brothers and sisters in Christ so that we can love and serve God side by side. How well are we contributing to the building up of our community of stewardship? We must all play our own role in building up the Church. In the same way the early Christians offered all of themselves for the sake of the mission, we too should offer all of our gifts to the parish. We should spend time praying in the church and journeying with fellow parishioners through the joys and trials of their lives. Moreover, all of our talents and gifts should be offered up to the service of various ministries and apostolates within the parish. In this way, we will be able to echo the words from the first reading and joyfully proclaim: "There was not a needy person among them."

### Is God Calling You?

Easter! Resurrection and new life; a new life shared from an earthen tomb. This has been the meaning of life for Christian people for two thousand years. There is nothing more secure, nothing more lasting. Come and share the thrill of proclaiming this truth through your life as a priest, religious or deacon.

Call Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocation Director at 416-968-0997 or email

[vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

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### Next weekend is ShareLife Sunday

The goal for the 2021 ShareLife Campaign is \$13.8 million. "Our goal can be met, but only with your help.

I invite you to join today's generation of heroes by making a sacrificial gift to ShareLife. As you contemplate the blessings God has entrusted to you, please join me in giving to ShareLife to the best of your ability." – Cardinal Thomas Collins

**Please give generously.**

APRIL 11, 2021

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Through Easter**

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NEW Craft Kit! Approved by 2 Priests, A BISHOP, and an Accountant



This 44 page, illustrated 8.5"x5.5" booklet journeys through the 50 days of Easter, including Divine Mercy Sunday, the Ascension of Jesus, and ending on the Solemnity of Pentecost.

The booklet includes scripture of Jesus' Resurrection Appearances, illustrations, and prayer prompts offering dispositions and practices for deeper prayer. **To order a PDF or a Printed copy, go to [www.stmarkstouffville.ca](http://www.stmarkstouffville.ca) and click on the link.**

**The Power of Life Insurance  
Presentation by Jim Ruta**



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Would you like to know how to reduce or eliminate the major sources of financial insecurity that have appeared during the pandemic? Please join St. Mark Council 10874 and best-selling author, international speaker, and president of Advisorcraft, Jim Ruta for his exclusive Knights of Columbus presentation on the "Power of Life Insurance". Jim has appeared on CTV News Channel, BNN, and in media around the world making best use of advisors and leveraging life insurance. To register for the presentation on Wednesday April 21, 2021 at 7:00 pm EST, please visit: [https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_SpysTOHuQgyDpmmr73lOSg](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_SpysTOHuQgyDpmmr73lOSg)

**St. Mark Squire Circle 5486**



Knights of Columbus  
**SQUIRES**  
Youth Organization.

The members of St. Mark's Squire Circle are boys who are 10 to 18 years of age. They meet virtually on the first

Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm via Zoom. For more information or to join, please contact **Bob Tabone**, at [GK10874@ontariokofc.ca](mailto:GK10874@ontariokofc.ca).

**EDGE**

**EDGE is online on April 16!**

Students in grades 5-8 are invited to participate.  
Youth Minister: Camille [stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com](mailto:stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com)

**Lepanto Rosaries**



If you've ever heard or read about the Battle of Lepanto, you know it was one epic battle. On October 7, 1571 Pope Saint Pius V called for all of Europe to pray the

rosary asking Our Lady for victory over the powerful invading Ottoman Empire. Our Lady answered their prayers and gave the Christian Holy League fleet victory over the superior Ottoman navy. This story greatly reminds us of how important the rosary is and how powerful Our Lady is as well. Thus, the desire to begin Lepanto Rosaries came about!

The mission of this business, run by Angela and Lincoln Tesluk, is to make quality, strong and long-lasting rosaries that reflect the mightiness of Our Lady. As well, we want to encourage Catholics to pray the rosary every single day. Our prayer is that these rosaries give great honor to Our Lady so that She may be magnified in us all. Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for us!

To order rosaries from Lepanto Rosaries, please go to: <https://lepantorosaries.com/>

**DIVINE MERCY NOVENA 2021**



*Divine Mercy Sunday, April 11, 2021  
The Chaplet will be prayed  
15 minutes before  
all Sunday morning masses.*

**Volunteers for Church Gardens**



Volunteers are needed to care for one of the church gardens over the spring and summer months. If you would be interested in helping, please contact the church at 905-640-6954 ext. 101.

**St. Vincent de Paul Society**



St. Vincent de Paul Society  
St. Mark's Conference  
Know of a neighbour in need?  
905-640-6954 ex.3

**Songs from St. Augustine Seminary**

Join us virtually from the seminary for an evening of music in honour of Our Blessed Mother on:

**Thursday, April 15, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.**  
Join Online: [youtube.com/archtoronto](https://youtube.com/archtoronto)

There is no cost to view this event.

For any questions, please contact Samantha Koon at [skoon@archtoronto.org](mailto:skoon@archtoronto.org).

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