



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

St. Brigid's School  
223 Millard St.  
T: 905-642-5100

## VOCATIONS TORONTO

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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!

# SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



## Mass Intentions for the Week

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

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### Tuesday, May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm livestreamed

Living and Deceased Members of the Hughes and

McConville Families req. by Fr. Michael

† Bishop Vianney Fernando req. by Fr. Michael

† Gertrude Toal req. by Maureen Morrison

† Joseph Varghese req. by Abraham Joseph

† Honorio Castro Sr. req. by Dodie & Tessie Castro and Family

† Avitha Rozario req. by Warran Rozario and Family

### Wednesday, May 12<sup>th</sup> @ 9 am livestreamed

† Antonio, Angelina & Costanzo Spedaliere req. by Mary Di Pasqua

### Thursday, May 13<sup>th</sup> @ 9 am livestreamed

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

### Friday, May 14<sup>th</sup> @ 9 am livestreamed

Eucharistic Adoration 9:30 am to 12 pm

Pope, Bishops and Priests req. by Fr. Michael

Ordinandi Class of 1994 req. by Fr. Michael

† Thanksgiving req. by Vincent Nguyen

† Andrine Mansi req. by Mary Palmer

### Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup> @ 9 am livestreamed

† Monica Ochandiano & Family req. by Fr. Michael

† Margaret Herrera req. by Susan Dizon & Toy Majoralie

† Intentions of Nguyen Family req. by Vincent Nguyen

† Signorina Medina req. by Bob and Consuella Tabone

† Avelino Caspe req. by Cherry Caspe

### Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup> @ 9 am livestreamed

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

† St. Mark's Community req. by Fr. Michael

† Felicitas Navidad req. by Elena Medina and Family

## Church Office

The Church Office is closed except by appointment only from Tuesday to Thursday. If you need assistance, please call **905-640-6954 ext. 101** to leave a message or email [stmarksoffice@bellnet.ca](mailto:stmarksoffice@bellnet.ca).

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 9:30 am to 10:30 am



The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered **every Saturday from 9:30 am to 10:30 am** or by appointment.

## Eucharistic Adoration

Fridays from 9:30 am to 12 noon

Online Registration Required



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 now required to attend Adoration. Please go to our new website: <http://stmarksst.archtoronto.org> to sign-up for a half hour time slot. If you would like to stay for a full hour, please register for 2 back-to-back time slots. There. Registration will open every Wednesday at 7 pm.

## Politicizing the Eucharist

Extract from an article written by

Fr. Thomas G. Wienandy, OFM, Cap.



On April 14, America magazine, as part of its ongoing series, The Conversation with America Media, published an article by Archbishop Samuel Aquila: "For the church to live in eucharistic coherence, we must be willing to challenge Catholics persisting in grave sin." Archbishop Aquila argued that eucharistic coherence demands that those who partake of the Eucharist, including Catholic politicians, are to be in communion with the Church. That is, they must adhere to the Church's fundamental doctrinal and moral teaching. Not to do so would contravene St. Paul's exhortation: "Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a man examine himself, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment upon himself." (1 Cor 11:27-30) To refuse to give Holy Communion to dissident Catholic politicians, however, is not to politicize the Eucharist. The politicizing of the Eucharist occurs in the act of the Catholic politician presenting himself or herself to receive Communion even though he or she is well aware that to do so is contrary to what the Church teaches. Those who are objectively in the state of mortal sin, or who dissent from or promote contrary positions to the Church's fundamental dogmatic or moral teaching are forbidden to receive the body and blood of Jesus, for they have made themselves unworthy to do so.

To read the full article go to [www.TheCatholicThing.org](http://www.TheCatholicThing.org)  
<https://www.thecatholicthing.org/2021/05/01/politicizing-the-eucharist-2/>

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## March For Life

Thursday, May 13<sup>th</sup>

On May 13, Canadians will march peacefully on Parliament Hill and online to implore our leaders to enact laws that protect life from conception until natural death. Together, let us reach out and tell those most in need, You are not alone.

<https://marchforlife.ca/>

PalCare presents a virtual workshop.

**Kids Grieve Too! Preparing Children for the Death of Someone they care about**

Date and Time: Tuesday, May 18 from 1pm to 3 pm

Cost: \$25 Register at: [egureva@myhospice.ca](mailto:egureva@myhospice.ca)

**PARISH WEBSITE <http://stmarksst.archtoronto.org>**

# MAY 9, 2021

ST. MARK'S CHURCH HAS A  
**NEW Website**

**CHECK US OUT AT:**  
<https://stmarksst.archtoronto.org/>

**LIVESTREAM MASS SCHEDULE**  
<https://bit.ly/StMarkYouTube>

TUESDAY	7 PM
WEDNESDAY	9 AM
THURSDAY	9 AM
FRIDAY	9 AM
SATURDAY	9 AM
SUNDAY	9 AM

**St. Mark's Church will remain open for Personal Prayer**

**Tuesday to Thursday 9:30 am to 4 pm**  
**Friday 12 noon to 4 pm**  
**Saturday 10:30 am to 12 pm**

Please ensure that the limit of 10 people in the building is not exceeded during these times. When you arrive, please sign-in and sanitize your hands. Please place a yellow sticky note on the handrail in front of the spot where you are seated.

**Parish Council Update**

Parish Council

As the current parish year draws to a close at the end of June, we reach out to invite new members to replace those who are about to retire to serve for a 2 or 3 year term. Please see the Parish Website for the Nomination Forms, to be returned by late May.  
<https://stmarksst.archtoronto.org/en/our-community/parish-council-constitution/>

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY**

**High School Youth is online!**  
Students in grades 9 - 12 are invited to participate on Friday, May 14.

For details contact, [stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com](mailto:stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com) or follow our Instagram account @stmarksyouthmin.

**Farewell to our Youth Minister Camille Herrera**



We would like to thank Camille Herrera for her ministry to our St. Mark's children and high school youth over the last two years. We are sad to see her go but we wish her all the best in her new position with Catholic Christian Outreach in Ottawa and on her recent engagement. We ask God to continue to bless Camille and her ministry!

**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. As a preparation for the service, we ask you to watch Mass online.

**Schedule**

Saturdays	5 pm, 5:15 pm, 5:30 pm 5:45 pm, 6 pm, 6:15 pm
Sundays	10:30 am, 10:45 am, 11 am, 11:15 am, 11:30 am, 11:45 am, 12 pm, 12:15 pm

**Online Registration (required)**  
Registration will open on Wednesdays at 7 pm  
<https://stmarksst.archtoronto.org/>

- 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.
- If you do not have a computer, call the church to reserve a spot.
- Changes cannot be accommodated over the weekend when the office is closed.
- Please be on time as this service is only 10 minutes.

**Join the Knights of Columbus**



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To learn more and to join our council, please visit [www.kofc10874.ca](http://www.kofc10874.ca) or email Grand Knight Nicholas at [GK10874@ontariokofc.ca](mailto:GK10874@ontariokofc.ca).

**Coins for Life**

In previous years, many of our parishioners have donated money to Campaign Life Coalition through their Coins for Life fundraiser. If you would like to take part this year, please see our website at [www.stmarksst.archtoronto.org](http://www.stmarksst.archtoronto.org) for details.

**Reclaiming Love 2021 Theology of the Body**



Join us for a free webinar on the Theology of the Body on Thursday, May 20 from 7 to 8:30 pm.

With Jason Evert  
Catholic Speaker, Founder of Chastity Project

To register go to: [www.archtoronto.org/reclaiminglove](http://www.archtoronto.org/reclaiminglove)

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