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Let us give thanks to the Lord

We thank thee, Lord,

For fields of grain

Gold and ripe from summer's rain,

For hillsides bright with scarlet trees

That rustle in the autumn breeze,

For friend so dear,

For those we love,

For all things sent from

heaven above...

We thank thee,

Lord.



TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, October 12th @ 7 pm

- † Sylvia Ruccolo req. by Maria Ruccolo
- † Patricia Chalmers req. by Coreen Doucett and Family
- † Souls in Purgatory req. by Anonymous

Wednesday, October 13th @ 9 am

In Thanksgiving req. by Peter Willan

Thursday, October 14th @ 9 am

- † Dominic, Maria, and Teresa Nguyen req. by Vincent Nguyen

Friday, October 15th @ 9 am

Eucharistic Adoration 9:30 am to 12 noon

- † Melchor Kinger Tumblood req. by Noe & Nora Tumblood
- † Souls in Purgatory req. by Anonymous
- † Yolanda Dickinson Francis req. by Kathleen and Horace Abraham

Saturday, October 16th

@ 9 am

- † Silvestro De Laurentis req. by Stefanie Bruno
- † Souls in Purgatory req. by Anonymous
- † Gino Lupo req. by Rob and Coreen Gibson

@ 5 pm

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

Sunday, October 17th

@ 9 am (also livestreamed)

- † Felicitas Navidad req. by Elena Medina and Family

@ 11 am

- † Janie and John Sayman req. by Nunes Family

Confessions

Saturday 9:30 to 10 am & 4 to 4:45 pm



The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered every Saturday from 9:30 am to 10 am and 4 pm to 4:45 pm or by appointment.



Eucharistic Adoration Fridays from 9:30 am to 12 noon

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 three people in the church each hour.

Please see the sign-up sheet at the back of the church.

Is God Calling You?

If we really believe in something, it does not seem to be a sacrifice to give up everything else to pursue that new dream. Jesus asks the same as any great leader...total dedication; but He promises rewards no one else can promise. "You will have treasure in Heaven, then come, follow Me." Come, follow the call of Christ as a priest, sister, brother, or deacon. If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation,

contact Fr. Matthew McCarthy,

Vocation Director at 416-968-0997 or email

vocations@archtoronto.org

www.vocationstoronto.ca



Living the Gospel by supporting frontline workers

Day in and day out, frontline workers have been working tirelessly during the pandemic. While they are there for us, who is there for them?

Catholic Family Services agencies have served countless people who are on the front lines during the pandemic, providing counselling and support. Your gift to ShareLife is helping them cope with the stress and anxiety of being exposed to illness.

October 31 is the next ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously during the special collection or anytime at sharelife.org.

40 Days for Life - Toronto



We invite you to join the 40 Days for Life – Toronto campaign to

end abortion through prayer and fasting. During the campaign, we will not have a daily presence at the vigil site (Dufferin St. & Lawrence Ave. W.), however will be praying at the vigil site on the following dates:

- Saturday, October 2 – 10 to 12 p.m.
- Sunday October 10 – time TBD
- Saturday, October 16 – time TBD
- Sunday, October 24 – time TBD
- Saturday, October 30 – time TBD

In addition, we are asking all prayer warriors to choose an hour per day to pray from their homes and fast once a week to end abortion, to change the hearts and minds of expecting mothers and even abortionists. Sign-up for your hour of prayer at:

<https://bit.ly/40DaysForLifeTO>.

CONTACT: Daiana Barboza

EMAIL: 40days4lifetoronto@gmail.com

Worldwide Marriage Encounter October 22 – 24 online



Discover the possibilities of a marriage lived as God intends it!

Join us for a weekend: October 22-24, 2021

Virtual/Online Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience

Live your best life in love! Restore your loving communication with your spouse and rekindle the romance. The Marriage Encounter experience is a skill-building enrichment program where you, as husband and wife, learn how to be the best couple you can be; a special weekend to spend in ways that normal, daily living tends to inhibit. No group discussion. Based on Catholic values but open to couples of all faiths. Rediscover the love in your relationship! **Contact:** Marge & Gerard McCauley at gerard.marge@rogers.com or (905) 792-1925

Website: wwme.org

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

OCTOBER 10, 2021



Confirmation Online Registration Begins Monday, October 18th

Confirmation Online Registration will open on **Monday, October 18th, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.** on our website at <https://stmarksst.archtoronto.org/>

Dropping off of your child's Baptismal certificate (copy) and \$130 offering, as well as the workbook pick up, will take place in the Parish Hall on **Wednesday, November 3rd, 2021**

We ask that you arrive at the time listed below that corresponds to the last name of your child.

A to C – Timeslot 6:00 – 6:20 pm

D to I – Timeslot 6:20 – 6:40 pm

J to M – Timeslot 6:40 – 7:00 pm

N to S – Timeslot 7:00 – 7:20 pm

T to Z – Timeslot 7:20 – 7:40 pm

Women's Minsitry Gathering October 25th from 7:30 pm to 9 pm



St. Mark's Women's Ministry

We had SO MUCH FUN at our First-Ever Women's Ministry Bonfire & Sing-a-long that we'd like to try it again!

October 25th, 2021

7:30 pm – 9 pm

Outside behind St. Mark's Church
Firepit, Folk Music, Fellowship & Fun
Bundle Up, bring your own chair and blanket.

4th Annual Parish Ministry Conference

October 26th to 30th

In the session, Restoring Parish Vitality in a Post-pandemic World, we will discuss our "modern-day road to Emmaus" of self-isolation and separation from the sacraments and one another. We collectively wonder how long it will take for parish life to recover.

Join a **panel of selected pastors and laity** as we tackle this important topic.

Visit www.archtoronto.org/conference to register and learn more about this and other sessions.

40 Hour Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament Beginning October 29th at 6 am until October 30th at 10 pm



We invite parishioners to come and spend some quiet time of worship and prayer with Our Lord during our 40 Hour Adoration beginning **Friday, October 29th at 6 am** and ending on **Saturday, October 30th at 10 pm.**

Let's thank Our Lord for His love and protection!
Please register for a one-hour timeslot at:
<https://stmarksst.archtoronto.org/> . (3 people required per hour)

St. Mark's Squire Circle 5486



Knights of Columbus
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The boys 10 to 18
years of age are
currently meeting

virtually on the first Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm on a Zoom link. They are involved in 4 pillars of activity. **Spiritual Pillar** which has them involved in our Faith, **Service Pillar** which is to help our neighbors in need like those helped through the Rose of Sharon by the Tree of Life contributions, and last year through the Giving Tree's help from St. Brigid School during the Advent Season, our **Circle Pillar** of fun activities like Laser Tag, Paintball, bowling and other activities when we can meet face to face, and **Membership Pillar** when we invite you to join us in these activities. So young people if you would like to help us and not leave a neighbour behind, then **contact our counsellor:**
Bob Tabone of St. Mark's Knights of Columbus
email : GK10874@ontariokofc.ca

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PAG allows you to support your parish even when you are away - a benefit to the church, since expenses continue all year long
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