



St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

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PASTORAL TEAM

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

STAFF

Aileen Brito - Administrator
Lisa Baker - Pastoral Administrator
Marcel Raes - 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 - 7:00 pm
Wednesday - Friday 9:00 am
Saturday - 9:00 am
Statutory Holiday - 9:00 am

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

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

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 12 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 backlog, please allow 3 to 6 months for a 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 Form available in foyer or on 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

See website for policy if outside Priest available.

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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Ministry of Hospitality
Parish Council
Parish Music Ministry
Prayer Groups
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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

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

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Serra House
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W: vocationstoronto.ca

ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

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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!

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, November 30th @ 7 pm

- † Kevin Chen req. by Tony, Shirley and Family
- † Loreta & Emidio Acciaccaferri req. by MaryLou and Romano Acciaccaferri
- Intentions of Carmela Viggiani req. by Viggiani Family

Wednesday, December 1st @ 9 am

- † Ida Mirenzi req. by Saveria Addoriso

Thursday, December 2nd @ 9 am

- † Anna and Joseph Nguyen req. by Vincent Nguyen

Friday, December 3rd @ 9 am

Eucharistic Adoration 9:30 am to 12 noon

- Francis Xavier Ho req. by Diep Cong
- † Souls in Purgatory req. by Reginald Nunes
- † Marietta Rosati req. by Ignagni Family
- † Marion Cecilia Barratt Meyer req. by Meyer Family

Saturday, December 4th

@ 9 am

- Anna Cong req. by Diep Cong
- † Silvestro De Laurentis req. by Stefanie Bruno
- † Francisco Canaon req. by Cellie and Family

@ 5 pm

- † Ron Cadawas req. by Alfred and Liza Cadawas

Sunday, December 5th

@ 9 am (also livestreamed)

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

@ 11 am

- † Angelo De Palma & Domenica Lozito req. by Carmela Parente & Family
- † Mary Carol Lant req. by Tony Lant and 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.

Preparing Ourselves for Christ



Advent is a period of prayer in preparation for the Lord's coming on Christmas Day as well as his final coming at the end of time. It is also a moment to remind ourselves that our own individual judgement day is coming too, where we will stand before the throne of God and give an account of all the gifts and blessings we have received. Let us take this Advent to re-examine how we are being stewards of the gifts in our lives and recommit to fully living the Gospel.

Christmas Schedule 2021



CHRISTMAS MASSES

Friday, December 24, 2021

- ◆ 4:00 pm Family Mass
- ◆ 7:00 pm Mass
- ◆ 9:00 pm Mass

Saturday, December 25, 2021

- ◆ 10:00 am Mass
- ◆ 12:00 Noon Mass

* There is no 5 pm Vigil Mass on this day.

Sunday, December 26, 2021

- ◆ 9:00 am Mass
- ◆ 11:00 am Mass
- ◆ 5:00 pm Mass



MARY MOTHER OF GOD SOLEMNITY (NEW YEAR)

Friday, December 31, 2021

- ◆ 5:00 pm Vigil Mass
- ◆ 11:00 pm – 12 Midnight Holy Hour
- ◆ 12:00 Midnight Mass

Saturday, January 1, 2022

- ◆ 10:00 am Mass
- ◆ 12:00 Noon Mass

* There is no 5 pm Vigil Mass on this day.

Sunday, January 2, 2022

- ◆ 9:00 am Mass
- ◆ 11:00 am Mass
- ◆ 5:00 pm Mass

*** Registration required for all of the above Masses.

Tickets can be reserved beginning December 16th online at: <https://stmarksst.archtoronto.org/> ***

2022 Envelope Boxes



The 2022 envelopes are ready for pickup in the foyer. Please do not begin using these envelopes until January.

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NOVEMBER 28, 2021

Women's Ministry Meeting November 29th Drop in from 7:30 pm to 9 pm



St. Mark's Women's Ministry

Our November **Women's Ministry Meeting** will be **INSIDE** our beautiful Church basement on November 29th!

It's a Drop-In from 7:30pm-9pm, at the very start of Advent!

We will share some Advent resources to take home with you, coffee, tea and cookies...and you can drop off your donated items for our **City Street Outreach Care-Packages** for the Homeless in Toronto.

Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle Tuesday, December 7th at 7:45 pm

CENACLES of the Marian Movement of Priests



In her messages to Fr. Gobbi, Our Lady insistently calls - priests, religious and faithful - to gather together with her in fervent prayer and fraternal love, in authentic cenacles as when the first apostles gathered with her in the Upper Room in Jerusalem awaiting the First Pentecost.

Next Cenacle: Tuesday, December 7th from 7:45 to 8:45 pm (after the 7 pm Mass)

Everyone is welcome to attend (registration is not required).



Wednesday, December 8th at 9am & 7:30pm

Please join us for Mass at St. Mark's Church on **Wednesday, December 8th at 9 am or 7:30 pm** on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (registration is not required).

Day of Confession for Advent Saturday, December 11th - 9:30am to 4:45pm



All day confessions will begin at 9:30 am and continue until 4:45 pm on Saturday, December 11th. Fr. Michael and other visiting priests will hear confessions on that day.

Poinsettia and Christmas Card Fundraiser for Rose of Sharon

The Knights of Columbus are holding a poinsettia and Christmas card fundraiser to benefit the Rose of Sharon. **To find out more about how to purchase a Poinsettias or Christmas cards go to:**
<https://www.kofc10874.ca/>.



SEE OUR WEBSITE FOR PROPHETIC ARTICLES ABOUT THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD

16th Annual CHRISTMAS PAGEANT Sunday, December 5th at 3 pm



YOU ARE INVITED TO:

St. Mark's 16th Annual Christmas Pageant and Concert on

Sunday, December 5th at 3 pm

The Christmas Story

"Jesus - The Light in Our Darkness"

The children and their families will perform the Christmas Nativity Story. Please join in celebrating this blessed season with carol singing led by St. Mark's Choir members.

We invite you to watch the Pageant and Concert via livestream on St. Mark's YouTube channel at <https://bit.ly/StMarkYouTube>

or you can register for tickets

to attend in-person. Ticket registration will open Monday, November 29th at 12 noon at

<https://stmarksst.archtoronto.org/>

Walk-ins will also be permitted depending on numbers.

For information email: eugenievlандry@rogers.com.

Light Up the Tree of Life Donations for the Rose of Sharon



**St. Mark's Squire Circle 5486
Spiritual Advent Project**

The parishioners of St. Mark's Church are invited to participate in the lighting of the Tree of Life on behalf of those in need through the Rose of Sharon. The tree will be located in the entrance foyer of the Church from **November 27 to December 19**, and it will be manned by a Squire and a Counsellor from St. Mark's Knights of Columbus.

There will be a suggested list of various items to consider with regards to food cards, baby & toddler clothing, essential toiletries for babies, toddlers and mothers.

Your support of this Advent endeavour is very much appreciated by the Squires and the Knights of Columbus, but above all by the people it will serve during this time when we welcome Our Lord in our neighbor.

The Squires' motto is, "Leave no Neighbour Behind".

Increasing Seating Capacity at Mass * More Ushers Needed *



If you're interested in becoming an Usher, please email stmarkspastoral@bellnet.ca or call 905-640-6954 ext. 103.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

We continue to pray for those who may need our comfort and support as we make shawls and lap throws for them. If you would be interested in receiving one of these items, please contact the Parish Office at 905-640-6954.

St. Mark's Website

To access our NEW WEBSITE, please go to: <https://stmarksst.archtoronto.org/> or Google St. Mark's Stouffville and the first search result will take you to our new website.

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