



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 - Office Administrator
Lisa Baker - Pastoral Administrator
Marcel Raes - Custodian
Emy Lomibao-de Asis - Friday Asst.

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday
9:00 am - 3:30 pm
Closed for lunch 12 - 1:00 pm
CLOSED MONDAYS

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday & Friday - 7:00 pm
Wednesday & Thursday - 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 - 10:00 am
4:00 - 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
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
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

VOCATIONS TORONTO

Serra House
T: 416-968-0997
W: vocationstoronto.ca

ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

T: 416-934-0606
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 LENT



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, March 8th @ 7 pm

- † Paul Ignagni req. by Ignagni Family
- † Michelina & Domenico Acierno req by DiRienzo Family
- † Arlene Stoneman req. by Brigitte Ward

Wednesday, March 9th @ 9 am

- † Catherine Hao req. by Cong Family

Thursday, March 10th @ 9 am

- † Michael Collins req. by Paul & Pat McGuire

Friday, March 11th

Eucharistic Adoration 9 am to 1 pm

Stations of the Cross @ 7 pm

Mass @ 7:30 pm

Alain Tohme req. by Fr. Michael

- † Giuseppina Di Rienzo req. by Di Rienzo Family
- † Kevin Doherty req. by Brigitte Ward

Saturday, March 12th

@ 9 am

- † Pat Hughes req. by Fr. Michael
- † Remigio Medina req. by Mary Raybould
- † Patti Bell req. by Brigitte Ward

@ 5 pm

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

Sunday, March 13th

@ 9 am (also livestreamed)

- † Domenico Giusti req. by Giusti Family

@ 11 am

- † Irmgard Lojowsky req. by Erika Bayer

Pray For the Sick

Hedley Thomas, Jeanette Woodley,
Umberto DeFuria, Maria Biadi

Pray For the Recently Deceased

Elmer Burnie, Hans Mueller, Santa Cacciatore,
Marie Burnet, Maurice Vella, Kwok-Ping Cheng

Video Links

Apparitions of Mary in the Ukraine: Hrushiv –
Fr. Mark Goring, CC
<https://youtu.be/shRG4Cd8sbs>

Ukraine: Background History
https://www.bitchute.com/video/VHud_qBZrhM/

Eucharistic Adoration Fridays from 9 am to 1 pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place each **Friday from 9 am to 1 pm ending with Benediction**. Registration is not required to attend Adoration; however, we ask for help to ensure at least two people in the church each hour of Adoration by signing in beforehand either with the paper registration sheet at the back of the church or on our **Friday Holy Hour Eventbrite registration at** <https://stmarksst.archtoronto.org/>.

Dynamic Women of Faith Conference Online March 19th from 8:30 am to 4 pm



Keynote Speaker:

ANTONIA SALZANO | Mother of Blessed **CARLO ACUTIS**

**DYNAMIC
women OF
FAITH**

Catholic Women's Conference
SATURDAY MARCH 19, 2022
Solemnity of Saint Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary
ROSARY 8:30 am, CONFERENCE 9am-4pm (EST)

You can register in 2 ways. 1) Register online. 2) Mail your registration (name, address and cheque payable to Dynamic Women Association of Ontario to DWF Conference, 1077 North Service Rd. Unit 29 BOX 20020, Mississauga, ON L4Y 4L2.

To register online visit www.dynamicwomenfaith.com
TICKETS on dwf2022.eventbrite.ca

Come and See – Day Retreat

March 19th from 9 am to 3:30 pm



**Come and See - Day Retreat – Saturday,
March 19 (9:00am – 3:30pm) at St.**

Augustine's Seminary: Inviting single

Catholic men 18 years and older, to

cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest.

Register online: www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee

For information: vocations@archtoronto.org.

Ukrainian Humanitarian Relief Donations

In response to the request of parishioners, the Archdiocese of Toronto has launched a humanitarian relief effort to help the Ukrainian people at this time. The Archdiocese of Toronto will channel donations to support the Office for Refugees, Archdiocese of Toronto (ORAT) and the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA). It will use donations to bring Ukrainian refugees to Canada as soon as possible. Your donation will help Ukrainians who are beset by violence in Eastern Europe and it will help some of them find a new home in Canada.

Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: www.archtoronto.org
- By phone through the Development Office – 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to:
St. Mark's Parish – Ukrainian Relief – Humanitarian Relief

The Voice of a Prophet:

Solzhenitsyn on the Ukraine Crisis

<https://www.crisismagazine.com/2022/the-voice-of-a-prophet-solzhenitsyn-on-the-ukraine-crisis>

MARCH 6, 2022

Updates to the Worship Safe Protocols Taking Effect on March 1, 2022

St. Mark's Church will be gradually implementing the new Worship Safe Protocols over the next few months. We are happy to announce the following changes will be in effect beginning March 1st.

- **Holy Water** container will be placed back in the lobby.
- Each week in March, we will be gradually increasing the **number of attendees** permitted to register at each weekend Mass (online registration will continue throughout March).
- We ask for your cooperation to allow for parishioners to not only sit at either end of the pews, but we would also like to have **parishioners seated in the middle of each of the large pews** with some physical distancing still in place.
- **Masks** are still required to be worn in the church.
- **Altar servers** will be scheduled to assist at Mass.

Communion Services Cancelled

As of March 1st, Places of Worship can increase capacity limits at their discretion (masks are still required to be worn). Therefore, we will be **canceling the Communion Services** scheduled for **Mar. 6 and Apr. 3**.

Bishop Boissonneau Visiting

St. Mark's on March 19th and 20th



We are blessed to have Bishop Boissonneau visiting St. Mark's Church and attending all weekend Masses on March 19th and 20th.

We look forward to welcoming him to our Parish!

All Day Confessions at St. Mark

Saturday, March 26th - 9:30 am to 4:45 pm



Prepare for Easter by going to Confession. Visiting Priests will be assisting Fr. Michael on Saturday March 26th

from 9:30 am to 4:45 pm.

Lenten Stations of the Cross

Fridays in Lent at 7 pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays during Lent at 7 pm

March 11, 18, 25, April 1, 8

Followed by Mass at 7:30 pm

Employment Opportunity

St. Mark's Church has one part-time employment opportunity available for the following position:

- Parish Office Secretary – 3 to 4 days per week
<https://stmarksst.archtoronto.org/en/contact-us/job-postings/> for further information and job description.

Fr. Michael would be happy to receive and consider any referrals or recommendations from parishioners.

Knights of Columbus Recruitment



Are you a Catholic man 18 years of age or older? Do you want to grow deeper in your Catholic faith?

Do you want to join a brotherhood with likeminded men to serve your community and parish? Then join the Knights of Columbus! The Knights help men answer the call to step up and live their faith. As a Knight, you benefit from faith formation resources on knights.net, a free subscription to the Order's Columbia Magazine, opportunities to grow in charity and faith, and access to our top-quality insurance program. Our council hosts various types of activities revolving around four categories: Faith, Family, Community, and Life. To learn more, visit us after mass this weekend or visit www.kofc10874.ca.

St Mark's Gold and Silver Rush Fundraiser

- Have you misplaced or lost gold/silver earrings and now you don't know what to do with the other one?
- Do you have any broken gold/silver bracelets or necklaces that you do not have time to fix?
- Do you have gold/silver jewelry that you no longer wear and don't know what to do with it? Well, we are here to help you with that.



Drop off your gold/silver jewelry to St. Mark's Church after any weekend mass from Saturday February 26th to Sunday March 20th and we will

bring all of the pieces we collect to a gold / silver shop for a monetary exchange. Funds will go towards the St. Marks Building Fund. Pick up your Ziploc bag from the table set up in the foyer during the time period noted above, fill out the form and return the bag filled with your jewelry pieces you wish to donate. If you require us to pick up your jewelry, please call the office and leave your contact details. We will then arrange to come and pick up your jewelry. Thank you so much for your continued support towards the St Mark's Building Fund. We are so grateful for your generosity.

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