



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.
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223 Millard St.
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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!

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, March 15th @ 7 pm

- † Christina Lee req. by Mary Lee
- † Carmine Altomare req. by Mary and Renato Barbieri
- † Selliah Suthesanathant req. by St. Mark's Choir

Wednesday, March 16th @ 9 am

- † Marion Cecilia Barratt Meyer req. by Meyer Family

Thursday, March 17th @ 9 am

- † Patricia Eileen Evelyn req. by Family

Friday, March 18th

Eucharistic Adoration 9 am to 1 pm

Stations of the Cross @ 7 pm

Mass @ 7:30 pm

- Paddie Maguire req. by Fr. Michael
- † Melchor Kinger Tumblood req. by Nora Tumblood and Family
- † Giovanna Comito req. by St. Mark's Choir

Saturday, March 19th Solemnity of St. Joseph

@ 9 am

St. Mark's Parish & Universal Church req. by Fr. Michael
Intentions of Ann Marie Munro req. by Faith Munro and Family

- † Anthony Metauro req. by Anna Metauro and Family

@ 5 pm

- † Paul Ignagni req. by Onesima Raponi and Family

Sunday, March 20th

@ 9 am (also livestreamed)

- † Nicanor Bautista req. by Bautista Family

@ 11 am

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

Pray For the Sick

Hedley Thomas, Jeanette Woodley,
Umberto DeFuria, Maria Biadi

Pray For the Recently Deceased

Elmer Burnie, Cristobal Cruz, Santa Cacciatore,
Marie Burnet, Maurice Vella, Kwok-Ping Cheng

IS GOD CALLING YOU?

Peter, John and James had a mountaintop experience with Jesus by witnessing His transfiguration. We too can have a mountaintop experience when we open our minds and hearts to following God's Will for our lives. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact

Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocation Director at
416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org

www.vocationstoronto.ca

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**. 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/>**. Otherwise, registration is not required.

SL ShareLife

Live the Gospel by supporting ShareLife
ShareLife Sunday is March 27th. This year, we are encouraging you to make your donation online via the parish website or at www.sharelife.org. Contact ShareLife at slife@archtoronto.org or 416-934-3411 if you have any questions. Thank you for supporting ShareLife!

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

March 25th to 27th



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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.

**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

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.

THANK YOU

We would like to thank the following parishioners, who for many years, have faithfully volunteered to coordinate our First Communion program:
Anna Privitera, Jaclyn Mansueto, Pamela Terrigno
May God greatly bless you!

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

MARCH 13, 2022

Updates to the Worship Safe Protocols Taking Effect March 2022

St. Mark's Church will be gradually implementing the new Worship Safe Protocols.

We are happy to announce the following changes are now in effect.

- 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 have **fully opened all pews in the front** sections of the church. If you are sitting in these front sections, please allow for 3 feet spacing between social bubbles.
- The rear section will continue with every alternate **pew remaining open** for those parishioners who would prefer greater social distancing.
- **Eventbrite registration will remain open up until the start of each Mass** or until all spots have been filled. If you are registering after 12 noon on Friday, please ensure that you have a copy of the ticket confirmation on your phone to show the usher.
- For parishioners wishing to **receive Holy Communion on the tongue**, this practice will be reinstated as of March 12th. Please come to Fr. Michael at the front centre aisle after all other parishioners have received the Eucharist.
- **Masks** are still required to be worn in the church.



Solemnity of St. Joseph **Saturday, March 19th at 9 am**

We invite everyone to attend the Mass for the Solemnity of St. Joseph on **Saturday, March 19th at 9 am** (registration not required).

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!

Women's Recollection **Monday, March 21st at 7 pm**

The Women's Recollection at St. Mark's Church is a moment of peaceful prayer designed to refresh your spirit and help you come up with creative ways to live your faith in your family, social and professional life.

Date: Monday, March 21st

Talk given by a Priest of Opus Dei: 7 – 8:30 pm
Confession and Eucharistic Adoration

Lenten Parish Mission

Thursday, March 24th from 7 pm – 9 pm



Everyone is invited to **St. Mark's Church Lenten Mission**

We have a dynamic speaker coming to our parish this month. We hope you can join us!
(registration not required)

Date & Time: Thursday, March 24 at 7 pm

Speaker: Robert LeBlanc

Director of Catholic Moment



Topic: The 3 Pillars of Lent

Solemnity of the **Annunciation of the Lord**

Friday, March 25th at 7:30 pm



There will be evening Mass on Friday, March 25th at 7:30 pm for the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord.

Stations of the Cross will begin at 7 pm.

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**

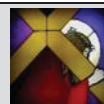
from 9:30 am to 4:45 pm.

St Mark's Gold and Silver Rush **Fundraiser**



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.



Lenten Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent at 7 pm followed by Mass at 7:30 pm

Video Links

- 1) Humorous piece on serious Great Reset
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6G3nWyoQ5CQ>
- 2) Divine Mercy Center – Ukraine, What Heaven is telling us
<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=wMi6iKhgdpI>
- 3) Good Discussion on Ukraine
https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=ppD_bhWODDC

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