



# St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

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## PASTORAL TEAM

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

## STAFF

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  
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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

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223 Millard St.  
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## VOCATIONS TORONTO

Serra House  
T: 416-968-0997  
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!

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



## Mass Intentions for the Week

**Tuesday, March 29<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm**

† Teofilo Zuniga req. by Edel Mendoza & Family  
For the gift of life of Rozanne Ramos req. by Ramos Family

† Mariamma Joseph req. by Maureen Morrison

**Wednesday, March 30<sup>th</sup> @ 9 am**

Intention of Reg Nunes req. by Lad Mehes

**Thursday, March 31<sup>st</sup> @ 9 am**

† Patricia Eileen Evelyn req. by Family

**Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Eucharistic Adoration 9 am to 1 pm**

**Stations of the Cross @ 7 pm**

**Mass @ 7:30 pm**

Doug Gibson req by Fr. Michael

† Angela Raponi req. by Benko Family

† Lex Manaos (Manawis) req. by Susan & Don Dizon

† Arnel Palomares req. by Palomares, Bartolome &

Romey Families

**Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**@ 9 am**

† Giovanni Torrone req. by Gina Torrone and Family

† Silvestro DeLaurentis req. by Stefanie Bruno

† Mariamma Joseph req. by Abraham Joseph

**@ 5 pm**

† Maria & Fedele Denicola and Giovanni & Lucia Collura req. by Josephine Collura and Family

**Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**@ 9 am (also livestreamed)**

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

**@ 11 am**

† Pat Evelyn req. by St. Mark's Choir

## Pray For the Sick

Hedley Thomas, Jeanette Woodley,  
Umberto DeFuria, Maria Biadi

## Pray For the Recently Deceased

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

## New Church Office Hours

The Church Office will now be open each week  
Tuesday to Friday from 9 am to 4 pm (closed for  
lunch between 12 noon and 1 pm).

## 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

### This weekend is ShareLife Sunday

"Vulnerable members of our community are relying on you and me to ensure ongoing access to the care they so desperately need. Your help is crucial in meeting the overall campaign goal of \$13.8 million.

Our goal can be met, but only if we each do our part." – Cardinal Thomas Collins

**Amazingly, last year our parish raised \$79,447. This year our parish goal is \$77,000. Please continue to give generously on ShareLife Sunday during the special collection or at [sharelife.org](http://sharelife.org).**

## Young Adult Day of Recollection

**Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> from 11:45 am to 3 pm**



The Office of Catholic Youth, Spiritus Via and Spiritus Vitae Young Adult Ministries invite all young adults (19-39) to join us for a Lenten Day of Recollection. During this day of

recollection, we will immerse ourselves into a time of prayer starting with the Holy Rosary before Holy Mass and then reflecting on the words of Scripture, delving deeper into its meanings and themes through a Lectio Divina with Cardinal Thomas Collins. We will close the day with confessions, renewing our hearts and souls before the Lord.

Registration deadline is Thursday, March 31.

**CONTACT:** The Office of Catholic Youth 416-599-7676

**LOCATION:** St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, 65 Bond St.

**EMAIL:** [youngadult@ocytoronto.org](mailto:youngadult@ocytoronto.org)

**REGISTER:** <https://bit.ly/3tdefqb>

## Approaching the Mercy of God



This Sunday we are invited to reflect on the beautiful parable of the prodigal son which offers us an insight into the unfathomable depths of God's mercy. We are shown that whenever we fall, we too need to

recognize our sin, get up and approach our merciful and loving Father. God longs to forgive us, so let us strive to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation this Lent to prepare ourselves for the Risen Lord at Easter.

## Video Links

- 1) Prophecy about Russia by Blessed Elena Aiello  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xttK9j2Mds>
- 2) Yuval Harari – Will the future be human?  
<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=hL9uk4hKyq4>
- 3) Stop racist Critical Race Theory - Ontario Bill 67  
<https://www.votervoices.net/LifesiteNewsCA/campaigns/93170/respond>

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

# MARCH 27, 2022

## Updates to the Worship Safe Protocols Taking Effect April 2022

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

- We will be asking our parishioners to maintain a reduced **social distance of 1 metre** between distinct social bubbles/persons up to and including **April 3<sup>rd</sup>**, **at which time social distancing will not be required and all pews will be open.**
- **Eventbrite registration** is still required for the weekend of **April 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>**. After that weekend, registration will no longer be required for parishioners to attend weekend Masses.
- **Livestreaming** of the Sunday 9 am Mass will continue until April 3<sup>rd</sup> at which point it will end.
- **Masks are optional** when attending mass.
- **Reception of Holy Communion on the tongue** has now resumed. Please come to Fr. Michael at the front centre aisle after all other parishioners have received the Eucharist.
- The **kiss of peace** is still discouraged at this time. A bow or wave should continue to be used as an alternative.
- **Holy water fonts** have now been refilled.
- **Dispensation** – For all Catholics, the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains in place, as this is a command of our Lord to Keep Holy the Sabbath Day. If a person is ill, caring for someone who is ill or has serious health concerns if among a large group of people, then they are not required to attend in-person. However, they must make every effort to still watch the Sunday Mass on T.V.

## **Women's Ministry** **Easter Cross Craft Workshop** **Monday, March 28<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 pm to 9 pm**



*St. Mark's Women's Ministry*

**Save the Date – March 28**

Join us for a super-fun, no-pressure, **EASY**  
**Easter Cross Craft Workshop** in the  
St. Mark's Church Basement next Monday  
Night! **March 28th, 7:30-9pm**

Craft Kits will be available for \$20/kit  
which includes a donation for **Ukrainian**  
**Humanitarian Relief**

Please RSVP to: [mmcconkey@rogers.com](mailto:mmcconkey@rogers.com)

## **EASTER TRIDUUM 2022**

Registration no longer required

### HOLY THURSDAY (APRIL 14)

**NO MORNING MASS**

**Mass of the Lord's Supper - 8 pm**

Followed by Eucharistic Adoration until 11 pm

### GOOD FRIDAY (APRIL 15)

**Celebration of the Lord's Passion**

**1<sup>st</sup> Celebration – 12:00 noon**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Celebration – 3:00 pm**

**Divine Mercy Novena – 7:15 pm**

**Stations of the Cross – 7:30 pm**

Reminder: Good Friday is a day of Fast and Abstinence

### HOLY SATURDAY (APRIL 16)

**NO MORNING MASS and NO 5:00 PM MASS**

**Blessing of the Food – 2:45 pm**

**Divine Mercy Novena – 3:00 pm**

**Easter Vigil – 8:30 pm**

Bring bells to the Easter Vigil to ring during the Gloria

### EASTER SUNDAY (APRIL 17)

**Normal Sunday Schedule:**

**9:00 am & 11:00 am**

Divine Mercy Novena – 15 min. before all Masses

### EASTER MONDAY (APRIL 18)

**Easter Monday Mass – 9:00 am**



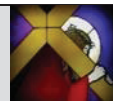
### **FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS** TO THE **IMMACULATE** **HEART OF MARY**

During this unprecedented time in world history, it is imperative that we do as our Lord wills and as our Lady requested at Fatima to not only have the Pope and the Bishops consecrate Russia, but also for the laity to do their part and offer the First Five Saturdays to console the Immaculate Heart of Mary, offering reparation for the blasphemies of sinners, ingratitude of our unrepentant hearts, and for peace in the world.

**Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> is the next First Saturday and a perfect time to begin this devotion which consists of doing the following on the first Saturday of five consecutive months:**

- **Go to Confession**
- **Attend Mass & Receive Holy Communion**
- **Recite five decades of the Rosary**
- **Meditate for 15 minutes on the mysteries of the Rosary**

Flyers are available in the church foyer  
with further details about this devotion.



### **Lenten Stations of the Cross**

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

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