



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
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

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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!

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, May 3rd @ 7 pm

- † Pat O'Connor req. by Fr. Michael
- † Franco Altomare req. by Aida Altomare
- Ian Sutton req. by Fr. Michael

Wednesday, May 4th @ 9 am

- † Antonio, Angelina & Stan Spedaliere req. by Mary Di Pasqua

Thursday, May 5th @ 9 am

- † Giuseppina Di Rienzo req. by Di Rienzo Family

Friday, May 6th @ 7 pm

- Eucharistic Adoration 9 am to 1 pm**
- † Rosa and Rocco Rigillo req. by Di Rienzo Family
- Conversion of non-believers req. by Cong Family
- † Pasquale & Livia Facchini and Geraldine Palumbo req. Palumbo Family

Saturday, May 7th

- @ 9 am**
- † Maurice Vella & Silvestro De Laurentis req. by Stefanie Bruno
- † Rudolph & Marion Meyer req. by Meyer Family
- † Mariamma Joseph req. by Abraham Joseph
- @ 5 pm**
- St. Mark's Community req. by Fr. Michael

Sunday, May 8th

- @ 9 am (also livestreamed)**
- † Maria Di Biase & Pasquale & Giovanni Parente req. by Carmela Parente
- @ 11 am**
- Jeanette Woodley req. by Carol Morin

Pray For the Sick

Hedley Thomas, Jeanette Woodley, Umberto DeFuria, Maria Biadi

Pray For the Recently Deceased

Elmer Burnie, Maurice Vella, Vincenzo Maiorano



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/>**.

Please consider attending for even 5 minutes to offer up prayers for peace in our world, especially in the Ukraine.

IS GOD CALLING YOU?

How am I being called to feed the lambs of Jesus? Could it be as an ordained or consecrated person? 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

SL ShareLife

This weekend is ShareLife Sunday

"ShareLife is the way the rubber hits the road. This is how we validate the legitimacy and integrity of our Christian life: not by the words we speak, but by the love we share, in practical ways. That's what we do with ShareLife." – Cardinal Thomas Collins

Please give generously during the ShareLife Sunday collection or at sharelife.org.

Thank you for supporting ShareLife!

Learning to Truly Love Christ



When Jesus first asks Peter if he loves Him, he uses the term "agape," signifying an unconditional love, to which Peter replies, "philia," the love of friends.

However, by the third time it is Jesus who asks Peter if he will love him philia, which, rather than an insult, is the beautiful reality that Jesus meets Peter where he currently is. So too in our lives, Jesus accepts the current level of love we're able to give, but like Peter, He desires and slowly leads us to embrace a deeper way of loving Him and the Church.

The Great Walk for Restore

Saturday, May 14th at 10 am

Restore is a world-class organization for those in distress. Our staff and volunteers walk alongside individuals and families at their most vulnerable moments. Please visit the website if you would like to start a team and take part in this fundraising walk. <https://restorecanada.org/>

Catholic Education Week

During Catholic Education Week (**April 30/May 1, 2022**), we give thanks for the gift of publicly funded Catholic Education in our province. Catholic schools foster supportive communities where young people can experience the joy of God's love and understand the Christian mission in the world. Together, our parishes, educators and families sow the seeds of faith with the next generation of Catholics, challenging them to live as joyful and faithful disciples. To affirm your support of Catholic education and sign-up for email updates, visit: www.togetherinfaith.ca.

Sacramental Celebrations



Please pray for the children of our parish receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion and Confirmation in May and June.



Recommended YouTube Video Links

- 1) Church Leaders Around the World Issue Warning to Bishops in Germany <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=PkduUZ-iBQ8>
- 2) Ex-U.S. Ambassador to USSR: Ukraine Crisis Stems Directly from Post-Cold War Push to Expand NATO <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=e5F0JSy-HHY>
- 3) A Catholic Guide to Sex and Intimacy <https://media.ascensionpress.com/video/a-catholic-guide-to-sex-and-intimacy-feat-dr-edward-and-beth-sri/>

MAY 1, 2022

Coins for Life 2022 – Wrap Up Coin Boxes to be returned



Squires will be at the back of the church after all the masses on the weekends of April 30th/May 1st to collect the coin boxes. Campaign Life Coalition and the Colombian Squires of St. Mark thank you for your generosity!

Every coin makes a difference. Your contribution will help save countless innocent lives and help CLC pro-life workers to continue to run the March for Life.

Easter Food Drive for Families April 30th/May 1st



The St. Mark Knights of Columbus are hosting a special Easter Food Drive for families in need in the Stouffville community. On the Apr 30/May 1 weekend, **non-expired, non-perishable food items** will be collected in support of the Stouffville Food Bank, while grocery gift cards will be donated to the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

The food bank is currently in need of the following items:
canned fruit, canned chicken/ ham, canned stew/ chili
small bags of rice, honey, canned tomatoes
cheese whiz, Jam

Please give generously to support our neighbours in need.

Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle Tuesday, May 3rd at 7:40 pm

CENACLES
of the Marian Movement of Priests
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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, May 3rd
from 7:40 to 8:45 pm (after the 7 pm Mass)**

Everyone is welcome to attend.

Saint Vincent de Paul Bundle Weekend

May 28th and 29th



The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will have a **Container Unit in our church parking lot on the weekend of May 28th and 29th**

accepting donations of clothing, footwear, small household goods, bedding, and toys. Please note they do not accept dishes, furniture, books, video/Audio cassettes or mattresses. Please bring your donations and help others in your community.

Corpus Christi Procession Volunteers Needed



This year the Solemnity of Corpus Christi falls on **Sunday, June 19th**. Volunteers are needed to organize a procession on that day after the 11 am Mass. If you would like to help, please email Lisa at lbaker@archtoronto.org.

NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE

Thursday, May 12th in Ottawa



The March for Life is the largest annual demonstration on Parliament Hill, and a sign that ending abortion is the civil rights movement of our day.

Rally & March Thursday, May 12th

12:30 pm – Rally on Parliament Hill

1:30 pm – March downtown Ottawa

2:30 pm – Silent No More Testimonies

Attend in person or watch live broadcast on EWTN
Visit MARCHFORLIFE.CA or CALL 1-800-730-5358

Our local Knights of Columbus Councils in the Markham-Stouffville area will be **sponsoring a bus** to take people to the March for Life in Ottawa on Thursday May 12th. The bus will leave from the **St. Patrick's Church parking lot at 6:45 AM**. After the march in Ottawa, we will leave at 4:30 PM to return to Markham. The cost for the trip will be **\$30**. per person. If you would like to participate, please contact Dan di Rocco by email at dirocco401@yahoo.ca or by telephone at 905-294-4219."

Pro-Life Lawn Signs Distribution Date: May 7th & 8th



The St. Mark Knights of Columbus are distributing beautiful pro-life lawn signs after all masses the weekend of **May 7/8**. The message, "God Loves You and the Baby, Choose Life", is a beautiful sign to our community that we stand for unborn children in the

womb. To help cover the cost of each sign, **a donation of \$10 is appreciated**. All proceeds will help subsidize the bus from Markham heading to the March for Life in Ottawa. Every lawn sign also comes with a ticket to win a beautiful Mother's Day pro-life gift basket, sponsored by our KofC wives.

Request – St. Mark's School Memorabilia



The York Catholic DSB has established an Archive Committee whose mandate is to preserve artifacts of historical significance. St. Mark Catholic school

opened in September of 1965 with an official opening on June 15th, 1966. The Board does not have any records from the early years of the school. In fact, the original plaques commemorating the opening as well as the subsequent 1971 addition went missing years ago.

As your local trustee, I am committed to recreating these missing plaques as well as collecting any old memorabilia to be preserved for future generations. If you have any information, copies of programs from the openings, yearbooks, or any other memorabilia that you would be willing to lend (to be copied) or donate please contact me at elizabeth.crowe@ycdsb.ca.

Volunteers for Church Gardens

Volunteers are needed to care for one of the church gardens over the spring and summer months. If you would be interested in helping, **please contact the church at 905-640-6954 ext. 103.**

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