



St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

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PASTORAL TEAM

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

STAFF

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

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday
9:00 am - 4:00 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 - 1:00 pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9:30 - 10:00 am
4:00 - 4:45 pm
(or by appointment)

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!

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, May 24th @ 7 pm

- † St. Dunstan's Parish req. by Fr. Michael
- † Souls in Purgatory req. by Cong Family
- † Bob Busato req. by Donna Busato
- † Lucia Campanella req. by Maria Biadi

Wednesday, May 25th @ 9 am

- † Cheryl McCulloch req. by Wayne McCulloch

Thursday, May 26th @ 9 am

- † Sequeira & Pereira Families req. by Marie & Patrick Pereira

Friday, May 27th @ 7 pm

Eucharistic Adoration 9 am to 1 pm

- † Pat Hughes req. by Fr. Michael
- † Marie Brunet req. by Diane Brunet and Family
- † Enrique Torti req. by Onesima Raponi & Family

Saturday, May 28th

@ 9 am

- † Fortunata Cianflone req. by Quadrini Family
- † Mariamma Joseph req. by Abraham Joseph
- † Souls in Purgatory req. by Cong Family

@ 5 pm

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

Sunday, May 29th

@ 9 am (also livestreamed)

- † Dominica Lozito & Angelo DePalma req. by Carmela Parente and Family

@ 11 am

Frank & Antonietta Ignagni req. by Ignagni Family

Pray For the Sick

Hedley Thomas, Jeanette Woodley, Maria Biadi
Baby Emerson DiCillo

Pray For the Recently Deceased

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?

Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to Him. How will I respond to that love? Am I being called to the priesthood, diaconate or religious life? If God is calling you, contact **Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocation Director at 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationtoronto.ca**

SL ShareLife

Living the Gospel through ShareLife

Our parishioners' support of ShareLife is making a difference in the lives of those in need.

Thus far we have raised **\$23,637** toward our goal of **\$77,000**. Please make your donation via the parish website, at sharelife.org, or during the ShareLife Sunday special collection on June 5. If you have any questions, please contact us at 416-934-3411 or slife@archtoronto.org.

Thank you for supporting ShareLife!

Peace Be with You



Jesus tells us "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives." The world promotes peace as something that is achieved through exterior possessions or circumstances, yet it offers no remedy for times of great trial. On the other hand, with Jesus, the next time we're in a moment that threatens to rob us of our peace, let us take a deep breath, call to mind the smiling gaze of Christ towards us, and pray, "Jesus, I love you."

Estate Planning Presentation from a Catholic Perspective

Saturday, May 28 at 9 am

Free Estate Planning Webinar

Join this webinar and learn about the importance of a Will, Powers of Attorney & Estate Planning as well as Catholic teachings and traditions around cremation. The Archdiocese of Toronto estate planning team & Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services will share:

- How to protect your loved ones with a proper Will
- How to ensure that your wishes are legally protected
- About Power of Attorney
- Estate Trustee selection
- Finding lawyers and estate planning advisors
- Our Catholic traditions around wills, cremation, burial and funerals

To register send us an email at: development@archtoronto.org

Please include **'webinar May 28'** in the subject line and provide your **name in the body of a message**. Also, for the sake of our statistics, you could let us know whether you are planning to watch this webinar alone or together with family members. You will receive a link to closer the webinar.

Driver Needed for Sunday Mass

We are looking for volunteers who are able to provide a drive for elderly parishioners to Sunday Mass weekly, biweekly or monthly. If you are able to help, please contact Lisa Baker at lbaker@archtoronto.org or at

905-640-6954 ext. 103

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

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.

NEW!



We are now collecting **mountain bikes and accessories** (pumps, bells, locks, repair kits). Note: Please wrap rear wheel pedals and chain in a garbage bag so the grease doesn't get onto other items.

Feast of the Visitation

May 31st at 7:30 pm



On the Feast Day of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, there will be Mass at 7:30 pm followed by a Marian Candlelit Rosary Procession. If you are able to assist with the organization of the procession, please email lbaker@archtoronto.org.

Women's Ministry Glory and Praise Night

June 6th from 7:30 pm to 9 pm



The next Women's Ministry Meeting is the much anticipated Annual Glory and Praise Night on Monday, June 6th from 7:30 pm to 9 pm with Michael and Michelle Dizon. All women welcome to attend!

St. Mark's Parish BBQ

Saturday, June 18th



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6:15 pm to 9 pm

**Tickets On Sale After
Weekend Masses**

We have several reasons to celebrate, including saying thank you and goodbye to our beloved Sheppard, Fr. Michael Hughes, as well as, Deacon John's 20th Anniversary, Gordon Lee's Ordination to the Diaconate and belated anniversaries of Deacon Wayne & Fr. Leslie. Volunteers will be present in the church lobby after all weekend masses from May 21st to June 12th, to sell meal tickets for the upcoming St. Mark's Father's Day BBQ on June 18th (rain date June 19th)

Adult Meal - \$8 (Hamburger Italian Sausage or Veggie Burger)

Frankfurter Meal - \$7

Kid's Meal - \$5 (Hot Dog)

All meals include the main, drink, side salad & desert.

Parishioners should bring their own lawn chairs. Come, hungry, say hi to old friends & make new ones.

Corpus Christi Procession Volunteers Needed - June 19th



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.

Summer Camp Opportunity



St. Vincent de Paul will run its summer camps again this year, for children from less fortunate families. Marygrove Camp for girls (5-13 years) and Camp Ozanam for boys (7-12). All campers must be fully vaccinated. For more information, or if you know of a child who would benefit, please contact St. Vincent de Paul via the parish office.

Four Newly Ordained Priests

ORDINATION CLASS OF 2022



On Saturday, May 14, 2022, His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins, ordained four transitional deacons, Rev. Mr. Alexander D'Silva, Rev. Mr. Eduardo Lopez, Rev. Mr. Adam Pantaleo and Rev. Mr. Fraser McLaren with the Sacrament of Holy Orders as they became priests in the Archdiocese of Toronto. As a community of faith, let us offer our prayers for these 4 men. Let us also continue to pray for all those who are currently in formation to the priesthood at St. Augustine's Seminary and at the Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary.

Saints Who Were Devoted to Mary - Saint Pio -



Padre Pio's name is practically synonymous with all kinds of miraculous phenomena. Stigmatist, reader of hearts, and prophet, from childhood he was accustomed to converse with his guardian angel, Jesus, and Mary – and was surprised to learn that this was not everyone's experience! Growing up as an Italian peasant, he lived in a culture imbued with devotion to our Lady. He had a special devotion to the rosary. "Always say the rosary. Say it well. Say it as often as you can." Padre Pio's rosary was practically attached to his hand: It is said he sometimes prayed two hundred decades a day. He attributed the many graces of repentance in those who came to him not to his skill as a confessor, but to the hidden prayers of those devoted to the rosary. When the pilgrim statue of Our Lady of Fatima visited Italy in 1959, Padre Pio was very ill and in danger of death. Then, as he put it, our Lady came to heal him. The helicopter transporting the image, instead of going to a larger shrine, circled the monastery where Padre Pio lay sick. With a gentle reproach, he asked our Lady if she was going to leave him without a gift, and he immediately experienced healing. Padre Pio died in 1968 and was canonized in 2002.

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