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PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. Tad Walczyk - Pastor
Deacon John Schwarzbauer
Deacon Wayne McCulloch
Deacon Gordon Lee

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 & Thursday - 7:00 pm
Wednesday & Friday - 9:00 am
Saturday - 9:00 am
Statutory Holidays - 9:00 am

FIRST FRIDAY

Mass at 9:00 am and 7:00 pm
Eucharistic Adoration 9:30 am - 7:00 pm
All other Fridays: Adoration 9:30 am - 1 pm

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday - 5:00 pm
Sunday - 9:00 am & 11:00 am

RECONCILIATION

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

PRIVATE PRAYER

Mon., Tues., & Thurs. - 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Wed. & Fri. - 9:30 am to 4:00 pm
First Friday - 9:30 am to 7:00 pm

DEVOTIONS

Recitation of the Holy Rosary
(Before Weekday Masses)
Mother of Perpetual Help
Novena
(After Wednesday Mass)
Divine Mercy Chaplet
(Before Friday Masses)

BAPTISM

Please pick up a Baptismal package from the foyer of the Church. Upon submission of the "Request for Baptism" form, please allow up to 3 months for a Baptismal date, which will be given only after the parents attend the Preparation Class. Baptism Ceremonies are held on the 2nd Sunday of each month and on the 4th Sunday if needed.

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 the foyer or on the website.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK AND HOME-BOUND

Please call the Parish Office.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office.

MEMORIAL MASS

See website for policy.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Servers
Altar Society
Children's Liturgy
Counter's Ministry
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 LENT



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, March 14th @ 7 pm

- † Souls in Purgatory req. by Di Rienzo Family
- † Luis Moreno req. by Sara Moreno-Stober
- † Thanksgiving & wellbeing for Christina Lee req. by Gordon & Mary Lee
- † Catherine Heber req. by Alanna English
- † Jason MacDonald req. by Gord & Gail MacRae
- † Delia Martin req. by Leo & Deborah DeSouza

Wednesday, March 15th @ 9 am

- † Petronella "Nelly" Meyntz req. by Susan & Don Dizon

Thursday, March 16th @ 7 pm

- † Mario Francella req. by Maria Francella & Family

Friday, March 17th @ 9 am

- † Antonio Pietro Ferraro req. by Maria & Guido Biadi

Eucharistic Adoration from 9:30 am to 1 pm

Stations of the Cross at 7:30 pm

Saturday, March 18th

@ 9 am

- † Domenico Metauro req. by Anna Metauro & Family
- † Maria-Teresa Dias req. by Teresa Dias
- † Paul Ignagni req. by Antonietta & Frank Ignagni
- † Silvestro De Laurentis req. by Stefanie Bruno
- † Intentions of Carolina DiCillo req. by Melanie Piedad

@ 5 pm

- † Giuseppe Musto req. by Antonietta Musto

Sunday, March 19th

@ 9 am (also livestreamed)

- † Anthony Metauro req. by Anna Metauro & Family
- @ 11 am
- † Thanksgiving to St. Joseph req. by Di Rienzo Family
 - † St. Mark's Community req. by Fr. Tad

Pray For the Sick

Jeanette Woodley, Joanne Taylor, Kenneth Pereira

Pray For the Recently Deceased

Gianpiero Vancheri, Marilyn Agnew, Catherine Heber
Murielle Noronha, Ted Cybruch



Confessions

**Saturday 9:30 to 10 am & 4 to 4:45 pm
or by appointment**



Eucharistic Adoration

Every Friday

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place each **Friday from 9:30 am to 1 pm and on the First Friday of the month from 9:30 am to 7 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 with the paper registration sheet at the back of the church.
Please consider attending for even 5 to 10 minutes.

Is God Calling You

"But the one who drinks of the water that I will give will never be thirsty." Do you thirst to know where God is leading you? Could you be thirsty for an understanding of your purpose? If God is calling you to serve Him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocation Director at

416-968-0997. Email vocations@archtoronto.org

Website: www.vocationstoronto.ca

SL ShareLife

Live the Gospel by helping our vulnerable brothers and sisters

ShareLife Sunday is March 26, and we once again ask you to give generously to support Catholic agencies, who in turn care for the most vulnerable in our communities. As a parish, this is our opportunity to live the Gospel! Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Mass of Celebration to Welcome Archbishop Francis (Frank) Leo



The installation of Bishop Francis (Frank) Leo as Archbishop of Toronto will take place on Saturday, March 25, 2023 at 10 a.m.

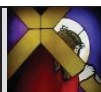
Given capacity restrictions at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, this will be an invitation-only event. The Mass of Installation will be livestreamed through www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live and broadcast on Salt & Light Catholic TV and through their website: www.slmedia.org.

Parishioners are invited to attend a regional Mass of Welcome taking place in the Northern Region on Monday, April 17, 2023 at 7 pm at St. Mary's Parish in Barrie. A reception will follow Mass in the parish hall. All are welcome. Please continue to keep Archbishop Leo in your prayers as he begins his ministry as our shepherd.

Bequests to Parishes

One of the most financially sound ways to support the Archdiocese of Toronto is with the gift of securities (stocks, bonds, mutual funds). When you donate stocks, mutual funds and other securities to a registered charity, you pay no capital gains tax and receive a tax receipt for the full amount of the gift. It means a great tax break for you and support of your Parish and various archdiocesan charities such as ShareLife, St. Augustine's Seminary, The Shepherds' Trust, and many others.

For further information, contact the development office at 416-934-3400 Ext. 519 or email to development@archtoronto.org.



Lenten Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent at 7:30 pm.

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MARCH 12, 2023

Lenten Poverty Lunch

Sunday, March 19th after the 11 am Mass



Many of us do not know what it is like to go without food, so this Lent the Saint Vincent de Paul Society, together with the Women's Ministry, will be hosting its annual poverty lunch that includes a bowl of homemade soup, a bun and water to remind us of how lucky we are. **The lunch will take place on March 19th after the 11 am mass in the Parish Hall.** Everyone is welcome. There is no cost, but a donation would be welcomed. See you on the 19th!



Solemnity of St. Joseph

Monday, March 20th at 9 am

There will be a Mass for the Solemnity of St. Joseph on **Monday, March 20th at 9 am.**

Recollection for Women

Monday, March 20th 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 20th

Confessions and Talk given by

a Priest of Opus Dei: 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Church Cleaning before Easter Volunteers Needed

Tuesday, March 21st at 9 am



It's time to make St. Mark's shine!

The Lenten church cleanup is scheduled for Tuesday, March 21 at 9:00 am. Please bring a bucket, rubber gloves and some rags. A light lunch will be served afterward.

For more information, call/text **Jodi Harker at 416-518-0338** or sign up on the sheet in the lobby.



MOVIE NIGHT



Saturday, March 25th at 6:30 pm
in the Parish Hall

This month's movie:

The Staircase

The Staircase is a 1998 television film about the story of the spiral staircase, believed by some to be miraculously built, at the Loretto Chapel in Santa Fe, New Mexico. The film stars Barbara Hershey as Mother Madalyn in charge of the Chapel and William Petersen as Joad, the traveling carpenter with spiritual talent as well as woodworking skill.

Running time: 95 mins. There's no charge to attend the show.

Pizza, drinks & snacks will be on sale at 6 pm.

Movies are more appropriate for adults.



St. Mark's Lenten Parish Mission

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, March 25 to Wednesday, March 29



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

Leader: Fr. Tomasz Skibinski

Topic: Exodus, Passover & Kerygma

Dates & Times:

- Weekend Masses on March 25 and 26
- Monday, March 27 at 9 am
- Tuesday, March 28 at 7 pm
- Wednesday, March 29 at 7 pm

Confession will be available from Monday to Wednesday after the Masses.

Confession Times During Lent

Prepare for Easter by going to Confession.



Tues., March 21 – 6 pm to 7 pm

Fri., March 24 – 10 am to 11 am

Sat., March 25 – 9:30 - 10 am & 4 – 4:45 pm

Mon., March 27 – 10 am to 11 am

Tues., March 28 – 8 pm to 9 pm

Wed., March 29 – 8 pm to 9 pm

Fri. March 31 – 9:30 am – 10 am

Sat., April 1 – 9:30 - 10 am & 4 – 4:45 pm

Tues., April 4 – 7:30 pm to 9 pm

Knights of Columbus Food Drive – March 25th & 26th

The Knights of Columbus will be holding a Lenten Food Drive to support needy families in Stouffville.

We invite all parishioners to donate non-perishable food items which will be given to the Stouffville Food Bank and grocery gift cards which will be donated to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.



The needed items are cereal, cookies, canned pasta, kid's peanut free snacks, condiments, jam, dish soap, and laundry detergent.

Parishioners will be able to drop off donations in the north foyer on Saturday, March 25th and Sunday, March 26th before Masses.

Confirmation Class

Wednesday, March 29th



The next Confirmation class will be

Wednesday, March 29th in the Parish Hall.

Group A – 6 pm to 7:15 pm

Group B – 7:45 pm to 9 pm

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