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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!

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, April 3rd @ 7 pm

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

Tuesday, April 4th @ 7 pm & Confession from 7:30 pm to 9 pm

- † All Souls in Purgatory req. by Di Rienzo Family
- † Giovanni & Lucia Collura req. by Josephine Collura
- † Joseph Vu req. by Anna & Family
- † Wayne Hainschwang req. by Mary Anne & Garry Watson

Wednesday, April 5th @ 9 am

† Cheryl McCulloch req. by Wayne McCulloch

Holy Thursday, April 6th @ 7 pm & Eucharistic Adoration until 12 pm

All Priests req. by Fr. Tad

Good Friday, April 7th Services @ 12 noon and 3 pm

Divine Mercy Chaplet at 7:15 pm

Stations of the Cross at 7:30 pm

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil, April 8th @ 8 pm

Blessing of Food @ 2:30pm

Divine Mercy Novena @ 3 pm

Easter Sunday, April 9th

Divine Mercy Novena 15 minutes before all Masses

@ 9 am (also livestreamed)

† Giuseppe & Antonina Gucciardi req. by Marisa Gucciardi

@ 11 am

† Mario & Renato Colosimo req. by Angela Colosimo & Family

@ 1 pm

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

Pray For the Sick

Jeanette Woodley, Joanne Taylor, Kenneth Pereira

Pray For the Recently Deceased

Catherine Heber, Murielle Noronha,
Wayne Hainschwang



Confessions

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

No Confessions on Holy Saturday, April 8



Eucharistic Adoration Every Friday except Good 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

"Blessed is the one who comes in the Name of the Lord!" Are you being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocation Director at **416-968-0997.** Email

vocations@archtoronto.org

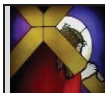
Website: www.vocationstoronto.ca

SL ShareLife

Welcoming Jesus into our hearts by sharing our blessings

Today is Palm Sunday. In our Lenten observance, we have been called to welcome Jesus into our hearts. Let us follow His example of sacrifice by sharing with those who need our help the most. One way we can do so is by giving generously to ShareLife.

Thank you for your support and for living the Gospel by providing for those in need. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.



Stations of the Cross

Good Friday at 7:30 pm.

The Cross of Christ



It is through the crucifixion that Christ defeats Satan and triumphantly attains our salvation, allowing us to enter our heavenly home. As we approach the Holy Triduum, let us take some time each day this week to reflect on the passion of Christ. We can do this in many ways such as praying the Stations of the Cross or the sorrowful mysteries of the Rosary, reading the passion narratives in the Bible or simply gazing upon a crucifix.

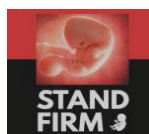
Donations for Easter Flowers



If you would like to make a donation towards our Easter flowers for the sanctuary, please use the envelopes provided in the lobby.

NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE

Thursday, May 11th 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 11th

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

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.



Next Confirmation Class

Wednesday, April 5th

Group A – 6 pm to 7:15 pm

Group B – 7:45 pm to 9 pm

APRIL 2, 2023

EASTER TRIDUUM 2023



HOLY THURSDAY (APRIL 6)

Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7 pm
Followed by Eucharistic Adoration until midnight

GOOD FRIDAY (APRIL 7)

Celebration of the Lord's Passion

1st Celebration – 12:00 noon

2nd 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 8)

**NO MORNING MASS, NO 5:00 PM MASS &
NO CONFESSIONS**

Blessing of the Food – 2:30 pm

Divine Mercy Novena – 3:00 pm

Easter Vigil – 8 pm

Bring bells to ring during the Gloria

EASTER SUNDAY (APRIL 9)

9:00 am, 11:00 am & 1 pm

No Children's Liturgy at the 9 am Mass

Divine Mercy Novena – 15 min. before all Masses

EASTER MONDAY (APRIL 10)

Easter Monday Mass – 9:00 am



Good Friday - Fast and Abstinence

Fasting: Anyone over the age of 18 and under the age of 59 is obliged to fast. Fasting, in the Latin Church, is the limitation of food and drink – typically to one main meal and two smaller meals, with no solid foods in between. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal.

Abstinence: Everyone over 14 years of age is bound to observe the law of abstinence. Abstaining, in this context, is the refraining from certain kinds of food or drink, typically meat.

Good Friday Collection for the benefit of the Holy Land



The Pontifical Collection for the benefit of the Holy Land is held this year on **Good Friday, April 7**. Let us give generously to respond to the needs of the Church in the land of Jesus and for the upkeep of the Holy places.

Reminder: There will also be a collection on Holy Thursday for the benefit of the poor.

Mass on Monday, April 3rd

During Holy Week, there will be a Mass on Monday, April 3rd at 9 am.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA



Good Friday, April 7 at 7:15 pm

Holy Saturday, April 8 at 3:00 pm

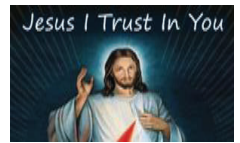
*Easter Sunday, April 9 - 15 minutes before all
Sunday morning masses*

Week of Easter Octave—after all masses

*Divine Mercy Sunday, April 16 - 15 minutes before all
Sunday morning masses*

Divine Mercy Sunday Celebration Sunday, April 16th from 3 pm to 4:15 pm

We invite everyone to join us on Sunday, April 16th from 3 pm to 4:15 pm for our Divine Mercy Sunday Celebration.



There will be the recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet & Devotions, Hymns, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions.

St. Mark's Pasta Night

Saturday, April 15th at 6 pm

Come and enjoy a delicious meal!



Penne Pasta, Sausage & Meatballs, Salad, Rolls, Dessert, Coffee & Tea

Adults \$20 Youth \$10 8 & under \$5

Wine, Beer, Soft Drinks & Water
available for purchase.

Tickets will be sold after the weekend Masses.

Bundle Sunday

Saturday, April 15th & Sunday, April 16th



The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will have a

Container Unit in our church parking lot on the weekend of April 15th and 16th accepting

donations of clothing, footwear, small household goods, bedding, and new toys. Please note they do not accept appliances, dishes, furniture, books, videos or mattresses. Please bring your donations and help others in your community. Thank you!

Lenten Lunch - Thank you

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul and the Women's Ministry would like to thank everyone who attended the annual Lenten Lunch. More than 85 parishioners, and a handful of Neighbours in Need, enjoyed a hearty bowl of soup and a bun. The event raised close to \$500 for people in need in our community.

Please remember your God, your Faith, and your Parish in your will.

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