



St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

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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.
Grant Lalata - Youth Minister

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.

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.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome. We encourage you to register using the Registration Form available in the foyer or on the website.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Servers
Altar Society
AV Team
Children's Liturgy
Counter's Ministry
Eucharistic Ministers
Federation of North American Explorers
Finance Committee
Funeral Luncheon Committee
Greeters/Ushers
Knights of Columbus
Lectors
Media Stand & Bookstall
Movie Night
Parish Council
Parish Music Ministry
Prayer Shawl
RCIA & RCIC
Rosary Apostolate
Sacramental Preparation
Social Committee
Squires
St. Vincent de Paul Society
Women's Ministry
Youth Ministry

VOCATIONS TORONTO

Serra House
T: 416-968-0997
W: vocationstoronto.ca

ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

T: 416-934-0606
W: archtoronto.org

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

Blessed Chiara
Badano School
55 Meridan Dr.

St. Katharine Drexel
High School
55 Meridan Dr.

École catholique
Pape-François
276 Sunset Blvd.
T: 905-642-3440

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. They are also encouraged to get involved in a parish ministry.

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, September 19th @ 7 pm

- † Maria-Teresa Dias req. by Teresa Dias
- † Marianna Joseph req. by Abraham Joseph
- † Jimmy Marrelli req. by Tony & Carmela Pontieri
- † Stephen Mandeville req. by Barbara Bristow

Wednesday, September 20th @ 9 am

Intentions of Mark and Susie & Family req. by Diep Cong

Thursday, September 21st @ 7 pm

- † Mary Arnold req. by Jan and Dale Marie Arnold

Friday, September 22nd @ 9 am

- † Lionel Nunes req. by Nunes Family

Eucharistic Adoration from 9:30 am to 1 pm

Saturday, September 23rd

@ 9 am

- † Anthony Metauro req. by Anna Metauro & Family
- † Barbara Rozario req. by Mike Rozario
- † Domenico Nguyen Likien req. by Vincent & Anna Nguyen
- † Souls in Purgatory req. by Diep Cong

@ 5 pm

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

Sunday, September 24th

@ 9 am (also livestreamed)

- † Giovanni Torrone req. by Gina Torrone & Family

@ 11 am

- † Giuseppina Di Rienzo req. by Di Rienzo Family

Pray For the Sick

Joanne Taylor, Kenneth Pereira, Marlene Vella
Sid Majaralie, Melanie Aniceto

Pray For the Recently Deceased

Ralph Ciampaglia, Livio (Leo) Raponi



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** with the **paper registration sheet at the back of the church.** Please consider attending for even 5 - 10 minutes.

Is God Calling You

"If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's."

Consider service 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.

RCIA Program Registration

We will be running our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) program this fall for anyone interested in being baptized Catholic or who may have already been baptized but never received the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation. **Beginning September 26th until May 14th, classes will take place once a week in the parish hall on Tuesday evenings after the Mass and run from 7:30 pm to 9 pm.** If you would like to join the RCIA program, please contact the church office at 905-640-6954 ext. 103.

St. Mark's Church 40th Anniversary Mass and Dinner – October 14th

This year is the 40th Anniversary of the original consecration of St. Mark's Church. To mark this very special occasion, Bishop Boissonneau will celebrate the 5 pm Mass on **Saturday, October 14th.** Following Mass, there will be a dinner in the parish hall. Tickets will be on sale after all Masses starting the weekend of September 9th and 10th.

Adults: \$45 and Children (10 and under): \$20

Mark the date in your calendar and join us for this wonderful celebration in the life of our parish community!



40th Anniversary Church Photo Directory



We are pleased to let everyone know that one of the ways we will be marking the 40th Anniversary of the consecration of St. Mark's Parish is by teaming up with IPC Canada Photo Services Inc. to produce a beautiful church photo directory that will be

given free to parishioners who book an appointment to have their photo taken. These special parish photo directories are a

lasting keepsake and wonderful way to help parishioners recognize each other and build community. Beginning September 16th, volunteers will be in the church lobby after Masses to book appointments. We will also have an online sign-up form available on our website each Monday at 9 am until Friday at 4 pm. **Photos will be taken at St. Mark's Church during the week of November 21st to November 25th.**

Celebration of the Solemnity of St. Michael & Conferral of the Pallium upon the Most Rev. Francis Leo Friday, September 29, 2023 – 5:30 p.m. – St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica



On Friday, September 29, 2023, all are welcome to join in a special celebration at 5:30 p.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St.).

Archbishop Francis Leo will celebrate Mass and the Apostolic Nuncio to Canada, the Most Rev.

Ivan Jurkovič will confer the pallium on our archbishop, a symbol of his role as Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto and shepherd to the faithful.

ShareLife: Combating Hunger

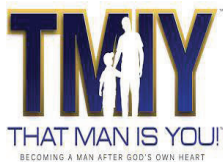
Many of our brothers and sisters grapple with the daily challenge of putting food on the table. In response to their urgent need, ShareLife has launched the Food Security Grants – dedicating over half a million dollars to combat hunger. Your compassionate support of our parish's ShareLife Campaign will make possible this bold action. Please support our fight against hunger at sharelife.org/donate or by giving at the parish with a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for heeding the Lord's call to feed the hungry in our community and beyond.

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

SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

That Man Is You (TMIY)

Saturdays at 7:30 am



St. Mark's Knights of Columbus is proud to bring back another session of That Man Is You. The program is divided into two, 13-week sessions. The program will be hosted on **Saturday mornings at 7:30 am beginning Sept. 16** in the parish hall.

TO REGISTER EMAIL: GK10874@ontariokofc.ca

or GO TO: <https://www.kofc10874.ca/>

Recollection for Women

Monday, September 18th 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, September 18th**
Confessions and Talk given by an Opus Dei Priest: 7 – 9:30 pm.

First Reconciliation / First Communion Registration

First Reconciliation / First Communion

In-Person Parent Registration Night will take place on **Wednesday, September 20th from 7 to 8:30 pm**

at the church. Baptismal certificate of the child and the \$130 offering for the two sacraments will be collected that evening, and the first workbook and program outline/instructions will be distributed.

For more information, go to <http://stmarksstarchtoronto.org>.

Coffee Sunday

Sunday, September 24th



Coffee, tea and baked goods will be served in the Parish Hall on **Sunday, September 24th after the 9 am and**

11 am masses. Join fellow parishioners in the hall for fellowship and some delicious refreshments!

Donations of baked goods are greatly appreciated and can be dropped off in the parish hall on Saturday between 8 am and 10 am or 4 pm and 6 pm or on Sunday morning.

Women's Ministry Social

Monday, September 25th at 7:30 pm

Women's Ministry September Bonfire Sing-a-long!

7:30 pm - 9 pm September 25th,
OUTSIDE St. Mark's Church



FIREPIT, FOLK MUSIC, FELLOWSHIP & FUN!

Bring your own lawn chair, blanket, and rosary!

If there is inclement weather, we will move into the Church Hall for Folk Music, Fellowship and Fun around an imaginary or pretend firepit.

2024 Mass Intention Calendar

Opening September 26th

Mass intentions for January to June 2024 will be accepted at the office beginning

Tuesday, September 26th at 9 am.

Single Intention Mass offering \$20.

Multi-Intention Mass offering (Tues. evening or Sat. Morning) \$10 (cash and cheque accepted).



Youth Program Registration

Deadline to Register: September 30th

EDGE AND LIFE TEEN

Registration forms for EDGE (Grades 5 to 8) and LifeTeen (Grades 9 to 12) can be found on our website www.stmarksst.archtoronto.org. The deadline to submit the registration form is Saturday, September 30th.

Please place the form and \$10 fee in an envelope and write on it the child's name, program (EDGE and/or LifeTeen), and amount of money enclosed and submit it to the parish office on weekdays. On weekends, the envelope can be given to the person at the youth table in the church lobby. Cash or cheque accepted made payable to St. Mark Youth Ministry.



MOVIE NIGHT



Saturday, September 30th at 6:15 pm
in the Parish Hall

This month's movie:

Thérèse: The Story of St. Thérèse of Lisieux



The mesmerizing story of a young girl's love of God. Her faith, trials, and sacrifices reveal a way of life based on love and simplicity. A contemplative film based on the true story of St. Therese of Lisieux, the most popular saint of modern times.

Knights of Columbus

Food Drive – September 30th/ October 1st

The Knights of Columbus will be holding their annual Thanksgiving food drive to support families in need in Stouffville on the weekend of September 30th/October 1st, the weekend prior to Thanksgiving. 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 St. Vincent de Paul society.



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

Life Chain

Sunday, October 1st from 2 pm to 3 pm



Annual Day of Public Witness for Children Killed by Abortion

Life Chain is held simultaneously in more than 250 locations across Canada each year. It is an annual prayerful and peaceful witness to the sanctity of human life and the injustice of abortion. Participants hold non-graphic signs with messages such as "Life, the first inalienable right" and "Abortion kills children" at hundreds of locations across North America for one hour.

Please mark your calendar—the next Life Chain will be on Sunday, October 1, 2023 from 2-3 pm at the corner of Hwy 7 and McCowan Rd.

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

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