

#### **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 Sauires St. Vincent de Paul Society

#### **VOCATIONS TORONTO**

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

Women's Ministry

Youth Ministry

# 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

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# 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 NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



# Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, October 22nd @ 7 pm

Lee MacMillan req. by Gord & Gail MacRae
Juliette Landry req. by Martino Family
Anita Barbara Jacobs req. by Moreno-Stober Family
Intentions of Hazel Klosevyeh req. by Piedad Family
Thanksgiving for Rhodalyn Mercado req. by Piedad Family

Thanksgiving for Rosa Pinsan req. by Piedad Family

Wednesday, October 23rd @ 9 am

**T** Bob Busato req. by Donna Busato

Thursday, October 24th @7 pm

**T** Liane Zafiropoulos req. by St. Mark's Choir

Friday, October 25th @ 9 am

David Silveira reg. by Lisa Silveira

Eucharistic Adoration from 9:30 am to 1 pm

Saturday, October 26th

@ 9 am

Anthony Metauro req. by Anna Metauro & Family

Domenic DiBernardo req. by DiBernardo Family

Salvatore Mureddu req. by Tim & Marie Flynn
Intentions of Lorenzo Viggiani req. by Christina Viggiani
Intentions of Dave & Flor MacDonald req. by Piedad Family
Intentions of Maria Tran req. by Anna Nguyen

@ 5 pm

f Ignacio Gavieres req. by Gavieres Family

Sunday, October 27th

@ 9 am (also livestreamed)

T Diego Accardo req. by Antonina Accardo

@ 11 am

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

#### **Pray For the Recently Deceased**

Salvatore Mureddu, Virginia Arlt



**Confessions**Saturday 9:30 to 10 am & 4 to 4:45 pm

or by appointment



# Eucharistic Adoration Every Friday

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes 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 2 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

Jesus' life was the best 'job description': sympathy; mercy; service; compassion; and total giving. Life is rewardig when one lives for others. Do you want to serve or be served? If you are willing to serve as a priest, religious or deacon, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. vocations@archtoronto.org

www.vocationstoronto.ca

Thank you!

We would like to thank our volunteers, Christina, Elizabeth, and Kitty for the beautiful decorating job they did for Thanksgiving!



#### St. Mark's Church Christmas Pageant

Sunday, December 1st at 3 pm

# INVITATION TO ALL CHILDREN OF ST. MARK'S PARISH

Come and Have FUN singing, acting, and telling the story of Jesus' birth. We are looking for YOU to cast in the role of Mary, Joseph, baby Jesus, Stars, Angels, Shepherds, Wisemen, Soldiers, Innkeepers and many more! We are also looking for Parents & High School Volunteers to assist with this event.

# FIRST REHEARSAL & ROLE ASSIGNMENT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup> FROM 1 TO 3 PM

Pick up a registration form in the church foyer OR use the QR code to go to the online registration form.

<u>Volunteers</u> are also needed. Please see the sign up sheet in the church lobby.

Lastly, there will be an All Ministry Choir for anyone who would like to join in singing at the Pageant. Please contact Eugenie at eugenievlandry@rogers.com.

# Please contact Eugenie at <a href="mailto:eugenievlandry@rogers.com">eugenievlandry@rogers.com</a>. Needs of the Church in Canada October 19th/20th



There will be a second collection today for the Evangelization of the Nations, otherwise known as World Mission Sunday. This is a worldwide collection for the missionary church, and it is our opportunity

to assist at-need Catholic Communities globally. Offerings are combined with offerings from other Catholics around the world and distributed to missions and dioceses. We are called to share from our abundance with those less fortunate who lack the basic essentials to know, love and praise God.

Thank you for your support of this important work.

#### **Month of the Holy Souls**



During November, the *Month of the Holy Souls*, we join the whole Church, in prayerful remembrance of the faithful departed members of our family, friends, and our parish community. We remember them, both on All Souls Day,

November 2<sup>nd</sup> and each of our Friday masses during this month. If you want your loved ones to be remembered in our Masses, please write down their names on the ALL SOULS envelopes that are available in the lobby.

For the entire month of November, there will be a glass vase in front of the altar. You may place your ALL SOULS envelope in this receptacle.

#### **SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS DAY MASSES**

Friday, November 1 at 9 am and 7 pm Eucharistic Adoration from 9:30 am to 7 pm

#### **ALL SOULS DAY MASS**

Saturday, November 2 at 9 am

# Recollection for Women Monday, October 21st at 7 to 9:30 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.

Confessions and Talk given by a Priest of Opus Dei

PARISH WEBSITE http://stmarksst.archtoronto.org

## **OCTOBER 20, 2024**



#### Next EDGE Night: Friday, October 25th at 6 pm

EDGE Nights are held on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays from October to June from 6 to 8 pm in the St. Mark's Parish Hall. Cost is \$40.

To register, please scan the QR code. Waivers and payment instructions will be emailed to parents after online registration is completed.



#### **Recruiting Altar Servers**

#### Submit Registration Form by October 25th



If you have a child in Grade 3 to 8, who would like to join the Altar Server Ministry, please pick up a registration form in the church foyer or on our website and submit it to the church office by October 25<sup>th</sup>.

## **Parish Ministry Fair**

Serve with Joy!
October 26th and 27th after all Masses

Your talent is Gods gift to you What you do with it is your gift back to God

# Where is God calling you to serve?

We invite you to come to St. Mark's Parish Hall after Mass on October 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> to see all the Ministries that are active in our parish, talk to ministry leaders and see

where your talents can be used to serve God and your fellow parishioners. Grab a coffee and some delicious baked goods as you check out the St. Mark's Ministry Fair!

Donations of baked goods are greatly appreciated and can be dropped off in the parish hall on Saturday between 8 and 10 am or 3 and 5 pm.



#### Monday, October 28th

The Women's Ministry welcomes you to our first SOCIAL of the 2024-2025 Season! Back by Popular Demand, we will be hosting Catholic Trivia/Game Night on October 28 at 7:30 pm in the Church Hall. Please bring food items and/or Grocery/Walmart Gift Cards for the Stouffville Food Bank. We will be delivering the items by November 1st, ahead of the Christmas Rush!

Also, please mark your calendar for our Guided Painting Workshop on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. We will be painting Our Expectant Mother Mary for the Advent Season, guided by artist Kelly McConkey, in the Church Hall. Details to follow. (Sneak Peek at the canvas we will each paint and take home.)





# **Confirmation Parent Night**

Wednesday, October 30th

<u>The Confirmation Parent Registration Night will take place on</u>

Wednesday, October 30<sup>th</sup> from 7 to 8:30 pm

at the church. Baptismal certificate of the child and the \$130 offering for the sacrament will be collected that evening, as well as distribution of the program outline and handout package.

#### **Coats for Kids Fundraiser**

November 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>

The St. Mark Knights of Columbus is launching our annual coats for kids fundraising campaign to purchase coats for less fortunate children in Stouffville.



The goal of the Coats for Kids program is to ensure that no child goes without a coat during the winter season. For only \$30, you can sponsor a coat for a child in need.

To donate, please send an e-transfer

to kofc10874@gmail.com and include your full name, address, and phone number to receive a tax receipt.

You can also donate in-person by cash or cheque payable to Knights of Columbus Council 10874 after Mass the weekends of October 26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup> and November 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>.

# Horizons of Hope Seminar

November 7, 14, 21, 28

The way our society views matters of life and death has changed rapidly over the years, often in ways that emphasize personal autonomy over the Church's teaching that the end of our life's journey is in God's hands not our own. Our Church, with all its resources, is ready and willing to help us discern the best approach to issues relating to the end of life. Horizons of Hope:

A Toolkit for Parishes on Palliative Care is a program with an

emphasis on a 'good death,' palliative care and living life to the end in as positive way as possible.

This program will help parishioners in the following areas:

- Understanding the Experience of Death and Dying
- Discerning and Decision-making at the End-of-Life
- Accompanying others at the End-of-Life It does so through discussions led by a facilitator, as well as participation in small and large group sessions, use of videos, questions for private reflection and multiple suggestions for growth in understanding the issues relating to the end of life.

This program will take place at St. Mark's Church on November 7, 14, 21, and 28 from 7:30 to 9 pm.

Please register using the QR code or by putting your contact information on the list in the lobby.





## MOVIE NIGHT



Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall



# This month's movie:

#### War Room

With great jobs, a beautiful daughter, and a dream house, the Jordans seem to have it all. Appearances can be deceiving, however, as husband Tony

flirts with temptation and wife Elizabeth becomes increasingly bitter, crumbling under the strain of a failing marriage. Their lives take an unexpected turn for the better when Elizabeth meets her newest client, Miss Clara, who encourages the couple to find happiness through prayer.

Pizza, drinks, and snacks on sale at 6:00 pm Movie to start at 6:30pm

The movie is free of charge. Running Time: 120 minutes

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

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