



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
Cathy Dawson - Sacramental Preparation Coordinator
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

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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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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.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, February 11th @ 7 pm

- † Selliash Sudesh req. by Mary Sutheranathan
- † Helen DiNunno req. by Caterina Guastella
- † Freda de Jesus req. by Cellie Canaan & Family
- † Dragica Spehar req. by Cellie Canaan & Family
- † Imelda Moreno req. by Moreno-Stober Family
- † Salvatore Morana req. by Bess Moncata

Wednesday, February 12th @ 9 am

- † Neil James req. by Lana, Garrett & Kevin James

Thursday, February 13th @ 7 pm

- † Leonardo Del Medico req. by Melina

Friday, February 14th @ 9 am

- † Tony Pontieri req. by Carmela Pontieri

Eucharistic Adoration from 9:30 am to 1 pm

Saturday, February 15th

@ 9 am

- † Mary Accaiou req. by Elizabeth Sue
- † Alyson Khan req. by Elizabeth Sue
- Intentions of Therese Nguyen req. by Diep Cong
- Intentions of Anna Cong req. by Diep Cong
- Intentions of Mark D'Mello req. by Joyce D'Mello

@ 5 pm

- † Maurice Vella req. by Marlene Vella & Family

Sunday, February 16th

@ 9 am (also livestreamed)

- † Virginia Arlt req. by Mary & Emilio Benincasa

@ 11 am

- † Tony & Dino Raponi req. by Grace Raponi

Pray For the Sick

Joanne Taylor, Deacon John, June & Robert Komar, Glib Viktorov

Pray For the Recently Deceased

Terrence Bekett, Rev. Gregory Chisholm, Darryll DaCosta

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?



Do not be afraid. If the Lord is calling you to the ordained or consecrated life, do not be afraid. Jesus calls and

will give you the grace to respond wholeheartedly. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

vocations@archtoronto.org

www.vocationstoronto.ca

Toronto Right to Life

Host Homes Needed



**Toronto Right to Life needs:
Host Homes for High
School Students**

participating in the Pro-Life Week of Action in downtown Toronto. Housing is needed from **the evening of Sunday March 9, 2025, to the morning of Thursday March 13, 2025.**

Participants will leave daily between 7:00 - 8:30 a.m. and return between 7:30 - 10:30 p.m. We are asking for hosts to serve breakfast as well as a packed lunch.

You would be reimbursed for any expenses incurred during the length of this program.

If you would be willing to partner with Toronto Right to Life to provide housing this March Break, please contact Bernadette Timson by email: office@trtl.ca or phone: 416-483-7869. Please specify the number of participants you can accommodate.



Development & Peace Campaign

Development and Peace invites all St. Mark's parishioners to express their commitment to supporting human & environmental rights by signing a petition to the Federal Government after Masses on

February 22nd & 23rd, 2025

The petition calls for due diligence legislation for Canadian companies operating abroad. Human rights & environmental abuses continue to devastate the lives of indigenous farmers in the Global South.

Following the D&P "People and the Planet" Campaign in 2021/22, the Federal Government promised to pass due diligence legislation. It has not happened. Let's remind them to fulfill their promise.



Dominican Friars Youth Interfaith Video Contest 2025 (Feb. 5, 2025, to April 15, 2025)

Theme: *Faith as a Pathway from Division to Unity*

High school students (aged 13 to 19 years) in Catholic School Boards within the Archdiocese of Toronto are encouraged to create a three-minute video that captures this year's theme. Guidelines are provided on our website. Submit your entries via the submission form at <https://bit.ly/DFVCSUBMISSION> For further information, please contact us at interreligious@archtoronto.org or call 416-934-3400 ext. 527

FEBRUARY 9, 2025

World Day of Prayer 2025



The World Day of Prayer is organized by the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada (WICC) and will be celebrated in 150 countries around the world. St. Mark's will host the 2025 service. The service is non-denominational. Eight churches in Stouffville are participating.

St. Mark's Parish

Thursday, March 6th, 2025, 2:00pm

Following the service light refreshments will be served in the Parish Hall.

ALL ARE WELCOME!



MOVIE NIGHT



Saturday, March 1st at 6:30 pm

March Movie:

The Letters

Pizza, drinks, and snacks on sale at 6:00 pm

Movie to start at 6:30 pm in the parish hall

The movie is free of charge. Running Time: 114 minutes



Washing Machine Needed



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL IS LOOKING FOR A WASHING MACHINE IN GOOD CONDITION. PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE FOR MORE INFORMATION

St. Mark's Lenten Parish Mission

Saturday, March 15 to Wednesday, March 19



SAVE THE DATE!!

St. Mark's Church Lenten Mission with

Fr. Ben St. Croix, Companions of the Cross

Dates & Times:

Weekend Masses on **March 15 and 16** and Weekday Masses **Monday, March 17, Tuesday, March 18 & Wednesday, March 19 @ 7pm.**

Everyone is invited to join us for this moment of Grace in our Parish!

Recollection for Women

Monday, February 17th from 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

Confirmation Classes

Wednesday, February 12th



The next Confirmation classes will be on Wednesday, February 12th in the Parish Hall.
Group A – 6 to 7:15 pm
Group B – 7:45 to 9 pm



Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, February 23

Pancake Breakfast



The Knights of Columbus are hosting a pancake breakfast on **February 23 after the 9:00 & 11:00 am Masses** in the parish hall.

No ticket & No RSVP required. This is a donation-based event and will be on a first come, first served basis while quantities last. Real maple syrup - sponsored by Pefferlaw Creek Farms (Tomory Family) & a 50/50 Draw

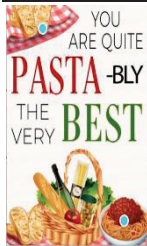
Christopher Leadership Course

The Christopher Leadership Course is an incredible journey to develop self-confidence, overcome shyness, and elevate your leadership skills through the medium of public speaking. To learn more email Cathy Dawson at cdawson@archtoronto.org or visit the Christopher website at www.clctorontoeast.com.



**Monday evenings starting Feb 24th, 2025.
For 11 weeks from 7 to 9.30pm
at St. Mark's**

15-25 people are required to run the course



Thank You!

Heartfelt thanks to everyone who gave their time to make *Pasta Night* a lovely evening of fellowship and fun. Special thanks to the Metauro family for their donation of meatballs, sausage and sauce & to all who baked the yummy desserts!

EDGE

Our next **EDGE** night for youth in Grades 5 to 8 will be on **Friday, February 14 from 6 pm to 8 pm.**

Please invite your friends!

LIFE TEEN

Weekend Retreat

Date: Friday, March 7th to Sunday, March 9th, 2025

Location: Valley of the Mother of God (Address: 953376 7 Line E, Orangeville, ON L9W 2Z2)

Youth: High School Students (Grades 9 - 12).

For further information on EDGE or LIFE TEEN email our Youth Minister, Grant, at stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com

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