



# 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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T: 416-968-0997  
W: [vocationstoronto.ca](http://vocationstoronto.ca)

## ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

T: 416-934-0606  
W: [archtoronto.org](http://archtoronto.org)

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

St. Mark's School  
333 Glad Park Ave.  
T: 905-640-2915

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T: 905-642-6728

St. Brigid's School  
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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 OF LENT



## Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, April 8<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm

- † Alberto, Giuseppina & Luisa DiRienzo req. by DiRienzo Family
- † Joseph Yep req. by Claire Chen
- † Ralph Nunno req. by Fernanda Nunno
- Maria Santissima Della Grazie req. by Maria Ferri
- Intentions of Josie Schwarzli req. by Josie Schwarzli
- Intentions of Claire Chen req. by Claire Chen

Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup> @ 9 am

- † Virginia Arlt req. by Stefanie Bruno

Thursday, April 10<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm

- † Carmine & Mirella Costanzo req. by Gabriella Costanzo

Friday, April 11<sup>th</sup>

@ 9 am

- † Matthew Benincasa req. by Mary & Emilio Benincasa
- Eucharistic Adoration from 9:30 am to 1:00 pm
- @ 7:30 pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup>

@ 9 am

- † Liberato Cagulada req. by Jun & Grace Abad & Family
- † Deceased members of Lozito Family req. by Parente Family
- † Livio Raponi req. by Marsilio Raponi
- † Marcelo Uy req. by Jaymie Uy
- † Rozalina Barlaan req. by Cellie Canaan & Family
- † Laura Cabral Soares req. by Tim & Marie Flynn
- † Barbara Ann Smith req. by Tim & Marie Flynn

@ 5 pm – Palm Sunday

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

Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup> – Palm Sunday

@ 9 am (also livestreamed)

- † Frederick Gaerlan req. by Elena Medina & Family

@ 11 am

- † Valentino & Pasqualina Raponi req. by Onesima Raponi & Family

## Pray For the Sick

Joanne Taylor, Deacon John, Robert Komar

## Pray For the Recently Deceased

Rose Marie Scott, Fr. Eugene Tramble, OSA  
Monsignor Mariano F. Polito, P.H.

## Mass Intentions - Date Changed

Mass intentions for July to December 2025 will be accepted at the office beginning **Tuesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>.**

## Eucharistic Adoration



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.

## Totus Tuus Summer Camp

**July 21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025**



Children and youth of our parish are invited to join us for the Totus Tuus Summer Camp Program.

**Children entering Grades 1-6**

**Program Dates:** Monday to Friday from 9 am to 2:30 pm  
**Cost:** \$90 for the first child in the family  
\$80 for each additional sibling.

**Intermediate/High School program for Grades 7-12**

**Program Dates:** Sunday to Thursday from 6 pm to 9 pm  
**Cost:** Free (\$11.30 for T-Shirts)

To register please scan the QR code.

Registration is on a **first come, first served basis until all the seats are filled.**

More information about the program is available at [www.totustuustoronto.ca](http://www.totustuustoronto.ca) or email Grant Lalata at [stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com](mailto:stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com).



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## Is God Calling You?



What am I racing after in my life? Fame? Fortune? A life in Jesus? What is the prize I seek at the finish line? If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon contact:

Fr. Matt McCarthy (416) 261-7207 ext. 801  
[vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

## Knights of Columbus Food Drive

**April 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup>**

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. **The most needed items are pasta, honey, jam, fruit cups, apple sauce, Mr. Noodle, crackers, cookies, granola bars (peanut free), baby needs.**

Parishioners will be able to drop off donations in the front lobby before and after Masses on the weekends of **April 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> and April 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup>.**

To donate online please scan the QR code.

Grocery gift cards are also welcome.



DONATE ONLINE



**Lenten Stations of the Cross**  
**Friday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm**

APRIL 6, 2025

**Confirmation Class  
Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>**



The next Confirmation class will be on Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Hall.  
Group A – 6 pm to 7:15 pm  
Group B – 7:45 pm to 9 pm

**NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE**

**Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup> in Ottawa**

*The March for Life is the largest annual demonstration on Parliament Hill.*



**Rally & March Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup>**

Visit [MARCHFORLIFE.CA](http://MARCHFORLIFE.CA) or CALL 1-800-730-5358

A bus for 56 passengers will be going to Ottawa leaving from St. Patrick's Church in Markham at 6:45 am and departing from Ottawa at 4 pm. The cost is \$35. To reserve your seat, contact Dan Di Rocco at 905-294-4219 or [dirocco401@yahoo.ca](mailto:dirocco401@yahoo.ca).

**Blessed Palms**



Blessed Palms are sacramentals. Therefore, the Church teaches that they should not be thrown out in the garbage. If you have palms that you no longer want, please bring them to the church to be burned.



**St. Mark's Women's Ministry**

**Holy Week Immersive Experience**

**Mon. April 14<sup>th</sup>, Mass at 7pm followed by Holy Week Immersive Experience 7:30 – 10:00 pm in the Parish Hall.** It will be a special evening of video, reflection, and hands-on activities designed to engage all the senses and deepen our Lenten journey. As we enter this most sacred week of Lent, take time to refocus your resolutions and prayer in a meaningful and powerful way.

**Confession Times During Lent**

Prepare for Easter by going to Confession.

Fri., April 11 – 8 to 9 pm

Sat. April 12 – 9:30 - 11 am & 3 – 5 pm

Tues. April 15 – 7:30 to 9 pm

Wed. April 16 – 7 to 9 pm



**Holy Week**

**Holy Thursday (April 17)**

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

**Good Friday (April 18)**

Celebration of the Lord's Passion  
1<sup>st</sup> Celebration – 12:00 noon  
2<sup>nd</sup> 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 19)**

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

Blessing of the Easter Foods – 2:30 pm  
Divine Mercy Novena – 3:00 pm  
Easter Vigil – 8 pm  
Bring bells to ring during the Gloria.

**Easter Sunday (April 20)**

Masses: 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 21)**

Mass: 9:00 am



**Thank You!**



**Thank you to everyone who assisted with the Lenten Poverty Lunch. Attendance was at its highest level yet. We raised \$750 for our Neighbours in Need.**

**Cardinal Leo To Visit St. Mark's Divine Mercy Sunday - April 27**



His Eminence Francis Cardinal Leo will visit St. Mark's Parish on Divine Mercy Sunday to celebrate the 11:00 am Mass. A reception will follow in the Parish Hall. All parishioners are invited to participate in a **Spiritual Bouquet** we will offer to Cardinal Leo. A book is available at the back of the

Church to record your prayers. Any prayers can be offered in a Spiritual Bouquet including attending Mass, praying the Rosary, completing a novena, spending time in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, an act of kindness, or a sacrifice for another.

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

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