



St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

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Fr. Michael Hughes - Pastor
Deacon John Schwarzbauer
Deacon Wayne McCulloch

STAFF

Mary Ann Mehes-Administrator
Lisa Baker-Admin. Assistant
Ben Tabucan-Youth Minister
Lad Mehes - Custodian
Emy Lomibao-de Asis-Friday Asst.

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday
9 am - 3:30 pm
Closed for lunch 12 - 1 pm
CLOSED MONDAYS

WINTER SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday to Friday - 7:00 pm
Saturday - 9:00 am
Statutory Holidays - 9:00 am
Weekday Solemnities - 7:30 pm only
All weekday masses are held in the foyer of St. Mark's Church

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday - 5:00 pm
Sunday - 9:00 am
(with Children's Liturgy)
Sunday - 11:00 am
All weekend masses are held in the gym of St. Mark's School

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4 - 4:45 pm
(or by appointment)
Held in the gym of St. Mark's School

DEVOTIONS

Recitation of the Rosary
(Tues., Wed. & Thurs. before Mass)

St. Therese of Lisieux Novena
(Tuesday Evening Mass)

Divine Mercy
(Before Friday Mass)

Mother of Perpetual Help
(Saturday Morning Mass)

BAPTISM

Please pick up a Baptismal Package from the foyer of the Church. Upon submission of the "Request for Baptism" form, please allow for up to 3 months for an anticipated Baptismal date given only after the parents attend the Preparation Class. This time delay is because of the very large number of baptisms and because we limit the number attending the bi-monthly classes and celebrations to six families, to preserve the dignity of the celebration.

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 Forms available from the foyer or on our website.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK AND HOME-

BOUND
Please call Parish Office.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office.

MEMORIAL MASS POLICY

Cancelled during construction.

PARISH MINISTRIES

- Altar Servers
- Altar Society
- Children's Liturgy
- Counter's Ministry
- Edge
- 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

ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

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!

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, February 5th @ 7 pm (St. Mark Church)

Living & Deceased Members of Hughes & McConville Families req. by Fr. Michael
 Seana Gaine and Family req. by Fr. Michael
 † Pierotti & Biondi Families req. by Ossi and Ann Pierotti

† Evan Sophulis req. by Fr. Michael

Wednesday, February 6th @ 7 pm (St. Mark Church)

† George McPhee req. by Penny Lyon

Thursday, February 7th @ 7 pm (St. Mark Church)

† Dario Barbieri req. by Mary and Emilio Benincasa

Friday, February 8th @ 7 pm (St. Mark Church)

Pope, Bishops, Priests req. by Fr. Michael

† Al Lowe req. by Fr. Michael

Special Intention req. by Anonymous

† Michael McKenna req. by Fr. Michael

Saturday, February 9th

@ 9:00 am (St. Mark Church)

† Jim Clough (OLS) req. by Fr. Michael

† Jim Kozich req. by Fr. Michael

@ 5:00 pm (St. Mark School)

† Alberto Masetti req. by Oriana Lommori

Sunday, February 10th

@ 9:00 am (St. Mark School)

† Rose Bortolussi req. by Fr. Michael

@ 11:00 am (St. Mark School)

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

Sign-up for Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)

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Give via pre-authorized transfers directly from your bank account.

To sign-up for St. Mark's Church Pre-Authorized Giving program, Please go to:

www.stmarkstouffville.ca,
 click on the "Contact"

heading then "Donations" to print off the form.

Complete the form and attach a void cheque which can be dropped off at the church office or put in the collection basket.

PAG allows you to support your parish even when you are away - a benefit to the church, since expenses continue all year long.

VOCATIONS

No prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. Do not be discouraged by jeers when considering religious life or priesthood. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997.

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

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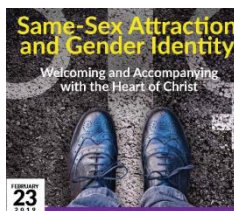
The Reality of Demons

Sunday, February 10th at 2:30 pm
 Our Lady of Grace Shrine at Marylake

Fr. Joel Okojie, O.S.A. from Marylake, will talk about his book, "The Reality of Demons" on Sunday, February 10th at 2:30 pm at the Shrine of Our Lady of Grace at Marylake, 13760 Keele St., King City
 After the talk there will be a Q & A, book signing and complimentary refreshments.
 For more information, please call 905-833-5368, e-mail at info@marylake.com or visit at www.marylake.com.

Lay Spiritual Formation Program Same Sex Attraction and Gender Identity

February 23rd at St. Augustine's Seminary



Welcoming and Accompanying with the Heart of Christ

Presenter: *Father Kevin Belgrave*
 Program to be held on Saturday, February 23

at St. Augustine's Scarborough campus
 2661 Kingston Rd., Scarborough
 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (including Mass).
 Cost is \$50 (lunch included).

Registration: www.staugustines.on.ca

Movie Screening

February 27th and March 4th



From the makers of the movie "The Triumph," WHERE THERE IS DARKNESS is a movie about a true story of a beloved Priest whose life was taken by a 28 year old man. His story is one of mercy and forgiveness.

You can purchase tickets on line at stellamarfilms.com or contact Lisa Francis at 647-456-5316 or by email at lmf.jn316@hotmail.com

Two Screenings

EGLINTON CINEPLEX – Scarborough

Wednesday, February 27th at 7 pm

VAUGHAN CINEPLEX – Vaughn

Monday, March 4th at 7 pm

Tickets: \$15 Adults and \$10 for 15 years and under

FEBRUARY 3, 2019

Church Expansion



A look inside!



2018 Tax Receipts

February 9th/10th and February 16th/17th

2018 Tax Receipts can be picked up outside the gym door before and after the masses on the weekends of February 9/10 and February 16/17.

Newcomers Committee

Isaac and Harout, Syrian brothers are arriving in Canada on February 14th.

HOUSING NEEDED



We are looking for an affordable, sustainable, self-contained apartment for them.

Please email us at stmarkncc@gmail.com if you have an apartment available.

World Day for Consecrated Life Celebration at St. Paul's Basilica on Sunday, February 3rd at 3 pm

Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation. All are welcome to come to a special Mass presided by Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick on Sunday, February 3rd at 3 pm at St. Paul's Basilica, Toronto to celebrate with and pray for these consecrated men and women who are such a vital and important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our archdiocese.

Lift Jesus Higher Rally

Saturday, March 2nd from 9 am to 5:30 pm
Metro Toronto Convention Centre
255 Front St. W., Toronto



This Year's Theme:
"Hope In The Midst of Suffering"

Be inspired, encouraged and healed at the largest single day Catholic event in Canada, the 27th annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally!

Featuring: Inspired talks by Ralph Martin, Sr. Ann Shields and guest speaker Fr. Mark Goring.

Mass to be celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins and youth Mass celebrated by Fr. Mark Goring; there is a separate youth event (13 to 18 years) with great music, talks and skits.

Cost: \$25 for adults, \$15 for youth

Website: www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca

Contact: 647-243-9441

Friar's Student Writing Contest

Deadline: February 18th

Students aged 14 to 18 are invited to write a 500 word essay on the theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, celebrated January 18 – 25. The theme for 2019 is "Justice, Only Justice, You Shall Pursue" (cf. Deuteronomy 16:20). Students should read the below scripture passage and respond to the following statement in the essay: **Christians sometimes commit to prayer and worship, but neglect the poor. Sometimes we pray in church, but act unkindly to others or exploit the environment. Refer to Deuteronomy 16:18-20 and answer: How can Catholics and Christians of all denominations unite to create a more just society and be examples of Christ's healing grace in a broken world?**

Essays will be edited and published in the Catholic Register. Deadline for entries is February 18, 2019. Email your essay to editor@catholicregister.org or fax it to 416-934-3409 (please include your full name, email address, phone number and the name of your school on the front page). For further information, call 416-934-3400, ext. 344.

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