



# St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

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**PLEASE REMEMBER ST. MARK'S CHURCH IN YOUR WILL**



## PASTORAL TEAM

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  
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W: [vocationstoronto.ca](http://vocationstoronto.ca)

## ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

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

# THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



## Mass Intentions for the Week

**Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 pm Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord (St. Mark Church)**

Archdiocese of Toronto req. by Fr. Michael

**Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm (St. Mark Church)**

Living & Deceased Members of Hughes &

McConville Families req. by Fr. Michael

† Souls in Purgatory req. by Anonymous

† Cheryl McCulloch req. by Deacon Wayne

† Pat Hughes req. by Fr. Michael

**Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm (St. Mark Church)**

† Dario Barbieri req. by Mary and Emilio Benincasa

**Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm (St. Mark Church)**

Special Intentions req. by Maureen Morrison

**Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup> Stations of the Cross @ 6:30 pm and Mass @ 7 pm (St. Mark Church)**

Pope, Bishops, Priests req. by Fr. Michael

† Don Reid req. by Fr. Michael

† Teofilo Zuniga req. by Mendoza Family

† Teresa Shaw req. by Parents

**Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**

**@ 9:00 am (St. Mark Church)**

† Mike and Bev Semon req. by May Family

† Liao Ya Ho req. by Henry and Helen Chan

**@ 5:00 pm (St. Mark School)**

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

**Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>**

**@ 9:00 am (St. Mark School)**

† Saveria D'Ascoli req. by Anonymous

**@ 11:00 am (St. Mark School)**

† Philippe & Eileen Gauthier and Dave and Cindy

Stevenson req. by Gauthier Family

## Sign-up for Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)

### Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)

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](http://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.

## Saint Vincent de Paul



St. Vincent de Paul Society  
St. Mark's Conference  
Know of a neighbour in need?  
905-640-6954 ex.3

## ShareLife

### How can you "Live the Gospel" when life is so busy?

Many people help those in need by volunteering at a local organization. But if your schedule doesn't allow for it you can still make a huge impact in your community by supporting ShareLife-funded agencies. Next Sunday is the first ShareLife collection. Over the next week, please reflect on your ability to "Live the Gospel" by making a sacrificial gift to our parish ShareLife campaign.

**Next Sunday, March 31 is ShareLife Sunday.**

**Please give generously.**

## Women of the Word Forum Saturday, April 13 from 9 am to 2:30 pm

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## Pilgrimage to the Holy Land Information Meeting

**Tuesday, April 30 at 7:30 pm St. Justin Martyr**

Tuesday, April 30 – 7:30 p.m.

St. Justin Martyr Church

3898 Highway #7 E., Markham

Fr. Derek Ali invites you to join him on a spiritual journey of a lifetime – exploring the Sea of Galilee, Capernaum, Caesere Philippi, Cana, Nazareth, Mount of Olives, Jesus' birthplace and baptismal site.

Pilgrimage runs from August 8 to 18, 2019. To learn more, join us for an information meeting on April 30.

CONTACT: Fr. Derek Ali

EMAIL: [dali@cc-fs.ca](mailto:dali@cc-fs.ca)

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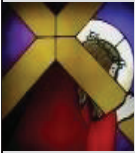
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## Church Expansion



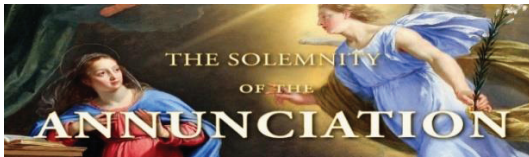
## Lenten Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent at 6:30 pm followed by Mass at 7 pm at Mark's Church in the foyer



## Solemnity of The Annunciation of the Lord

Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm, Church foyer



There will be an evening Mass on Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup> in the foyer of St. Mark's Church at 7:30 pm for the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord.

## Women's Ministry Meeting

Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm

## "Soup and Small Group"



Join us for our next meeting on Monday, March 25 at 6:30PM in the St. Mark School Library. (Please note the earlier time.)

This month's meeting will be our much loved "Soup and Small Group". An evening full of hot soup with all the fixings and conversation that is good for the soul. A warming night during this frigid winter!

To ensure we have enough food for everyone, we'd ask that you please RSVP for this event to [stmarkswomensministry@gmail.com](mailto:stmarkswomensministry@gmail.com).

We look forward to seeing you, and please bring a friend! Visit us on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/StMarksWomensMinistry/>



## St. Mark's Parish Day of Lenten Confessions

**Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>**

**from 1 pm to 4:45 pm**

1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Fr. John Duffy

3:00 pm – 4:45 pm

Fr. Michael Hughes

## Help raise funds for Pro-Life Summer Internship Program!



CLC is fundraising to hire interns for this summer.

As you are aware, recent amendments to the Canada Student Jobs Program force employers to abandon their pro-life and pro-family beliefs in order to obtain grants. Though the government instilled a reversal policy in order to save face, pro-life groups like us are still denied funding and our summer hiring program is still in jeopardy without your generous contributions.

For many years, Campaign Life Coalition has hired 6-12 students in the summer months. These young people come to CLC with diverse educational backgrounds, and through their internship at our office, gain skills and insight that enrich their subsequent academic, and professional careers.

**Please donate to help defend life and help youth procure jobs by visiting:**

[www.wonderwe.com/prolifeinterns](http://www.wonderwe.com/prolifeinterns)  
or call 1-800-730-5358

Thank you for your support!

## National Volunteer Appreciation Week

April 7 – 13, 2019



Archdiocese of Toronto

## Thank you Volunteers!

We celebrate the many volunteers who contribute enthusiasm, energy and countless hours to create a culture of giving in our parish communities.

Our volunteers give their time, talents and experience to benefit our communities without expecting anything in return.

We are grateful for our volunteers who dedicate their time serving others.

## Thank You For Your Generosity

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