



St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

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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.
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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!

PALM SUNDAY



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, April 15th @ 8 am (St. Brendan School)

Tuesday, April 16th @ 7 pm (St. Mark School)

Living & Deceased Members of Hughes & McConville Families req. by Fr. Michael

† Gertrude Toal req. by Maureen Morrison

† Christopher Bhagwandat req. by Rowena Bhagwandat

† Mona Taylor req. by Jeanette Woodley

† Lydia Cecilio req. by Edel Mendoza

Wednesday, April 17th @ 8 am (St. Brendan School)

† Michael Petrella req. by Donna Busato

Holy Thursday, April 18th @ 8 pm (St. Mark School)

Bishops and Priests req. by Fr. Michael

Good Friday Services, April 19th (St. Mark School)

@ 12 noon and 3 pm

Divine Mercy Novena @ 6:45 pm and

Stations of the Cross @ 7 pm (St. Mark School)

Easter Vigil Saturday, April 20th @ 8 pm (St. Mark School)

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

Easter Sunday, April 21st

@ 9:00 am (St. Mark School)

† Fred Gaerlan req. by Medina Family

@ 11:00 am (St. Mark School)

† Dino & Pasqualina Raponi req. by Tony & Onesima Raponi and Family

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

Blessed are they who come in the name of the Lord!

Am I being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest or deacon.

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

Thank You For Your Generosity

Weekly Offering

\$ 5,289



Living the Gospel by supporting Vocations

Martin Dicuangco had a life-changing encounter when he visited Serra House, a residence run by St.

Augustine's Seminary for those discerning a priestly vocation. He is now a third-year theology student at St.

Augustine's. "I thank ShareLife for supporting St.

Augustine's Seminary," says Martin, "where young men like myself, after experiencing the love of Christ, are joyfully preparing for ordination to the priesthood."

May 5 is ShareLife Sunday.

Please give generously.

National Catholic TV Mission

April 15th to 17th

The 2019 National Catholic Mission focuses on the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the theme is: Sin, Forgiveness & Reconciliation.

PART 1: THE PENITENTIAL PSALMS

PART 2: CONSCIENCE & RECONCILIATION

We are honoured to have His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins, as our Mission Leader.

– Vision TV –

Part 1: Monday, April 15 – 8:00 pm ET

Part 2: Tuesday, April 16 – 8:00 pm ET

– Salt + Light TV –

Part 1: Tuesday, April 16 – 8:00 pm ET

Part 2: Wednesday, April 17 – 8:00 pm ET

www.dailytvmass.com

Adult Faith Formation Program 7 Deadly Sins and 7 Lively Virtues Beginning May 7, 2019

You're invited to enrich and immerse yourself in this wonderful program!

SEVEN DEADLY SINS,
SEVEN LIVELY
VIRTUES

St Mark's Parish will be running this

6 week program on Tuesday evenings

from 7:30 pm to 9 pm beginning May 7th

at St. Mark's School in the library.

Each session will consist of a video presentation and small group discussion.

A sign-up sheet is now available

at the desk outside the gym.

There is no fee to attend the program; however, the cost of the workbook is \$15.

PARISH WEBSITE <http://stmarkstouffville.ca>

APRIL 14, 2019

Church Expansion



Insulating the Church

St. Mark Golf Tournament

Saturday, June 15th, Spring Lakes Golf Club



Golf with cart, lunch & dinner.

We will also be recognizing our Pastor and both our Deacon's Ordination Anniversaries at the Evening Event.

Early Bird Special: \$170 per person before May 1st

After May 1st: \$190 per person

Dinner only: \$55 per person

For Registration Form, go to: www.stmarkstouffville.ca
(Link located in the top right corner of the Home Page)

For more information email:

barnescharles@rogers.com

petegallagher@rogers.com

Good Friday Collection for the benefit of the Holy Land

The Pontifical Collection for the benefit of the Holy Places is held this year on Good Friday, April 19.

Each year on Good Friday, our parish is called to support Christians in the Holy Land. Many Christians in the Holy Land depend on the collection for their lives.

As a Pontifical collection requested by Pope Francis, the annual Good Friday Collection helps to maintain not only the Holy Places above all, but also the pastoral, welfare, educational and social works that the Church carries out to the benefit of the Christian brothers and sisters and the local population.

Reminder: There will also be a collection on Holy Thursday for the benefit of the poor.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA 2019



Good Friday, April 19, at 6:45 pm

Holy Saturday, April 20, at 3:00 pm

Easter Sunday, April 21 - 15 minutes

before all Sunday morning masses

Week of Easter Octave—after all masses

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 28, 2019

15 minutes before all Sunday morning masses

EASTER TRIDUUM 2019



Holy Thursday (April 18)

NO MORNING MASS

Mass of the Lord's Supper - 8:00 pm
at St. Mark's School

Good Friday (April 19)

Celebration of the Lord's Passion
at St. Mark's School

1st Celebration – 12:00 noon

2nd Celebration – 3:00 pm

Divine Mercy Novena – 6:45 pm

Stations of the Cross – 7:00 pm

Reminder: Good Friday is a day of Fast and Abstinence

Holy Saturday (April 20)

NO MORNING MASS and NO 5:00 PM MASS

Blessing of the Food – 2:30 pm

Divine Mercy Novena – 3:00 pm

Blessing of the Food and Divine Mercy Chaplet will take place outside the Church (weather permitting)

Easter Vigil – 8:00 pm at St. Mark's School

Bring bells to the Easter Vigil to ring during the Gloria

Easter Sunday (April 21)

Normal Sunday Morning Schedule

9:00 am & 11:00 am at St. Mark's School

Divine Mercy Novena – 15 min.

before all Masses

Easter Monday (April 22)

Easter Monday Mass – 8:30 am

at O'Neill Funeral Home Chapel



Good Friday - Fast and Abstinence

Fasting: Anyone over the age of 18 and under the age of 59 is obliged to fast. Fasting, in the Latin Church, is the limitation of food and drink – typically to one main meal and two smaller meals, with no solid foods in between. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal.

Abstinence: Everyone over 14 years of age is bound to observe the law of abstinence. Abstaining, in this context, is the refraining from certain kinds of food or drink, typically meat. In lieu of fasting, one may substitute works of charity.

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