



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.
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!

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, May 27th @ 8 am (St. Brendan School)

Tuesday, May 28th @ 7 pm (St. Mark School)

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

† Pat Hughes req. by Fr. Michael

† Valentino Raponi req. by Rose and Sal Lombardo

Wednesday, May 29th @ 8 am (St. Brendan School)

† Kelly and Magher Families req. by Francis & Geraldine Kelly

Thursday, May 30th @ 8 am (St. Brendan School)

† Baker and Richardson Families req. by Mark & Lisa

Friday, May 31st @ 8 am (St. Brendan School)

Pope, Bishops, Priests req. by Fr. Michael

St. Paul's School req. by Fr. Michael

† Lucia Lombardo req. by Lombardo Family

Ian Munro req. by Munro Family

Saturday, June 1st @ 5 pm (St. Mark School)

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

Sunday, June 2nd

@ 9:00 am (St. Mark School)

† Joan and Vassil Simon req. by Michael & Dina Simon

@ 11:00 am (St. Mark School)

† Dino Raponi req. by Tony & Onesima Raponi & 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.

IS GOD CALLING YOU?

Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him and we will come to him. How will I respond to that love? 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 Offertory \$ 4,916

PARISH WEBSITE <http://stmarkstouffville.ca>



Living the Gospel by

Supporting isolated seniors

In the span of three months, Debbie felt she had lost everything. Her partner of 33 years died, her leg was amputated, and she could no longer care for her beloved pets. She turned to the Society of Sharing, a ShareLife funded agency, who partnered her with a volunteer named Geoff. Not only did Geoff provide friendship, he used his teaching background to help Debbie fulfill a lifelong goal: learning how to properly read. Though it will be impossible for Debbie to regain all she has lost, her life is feeling full again.

Next Sunday is ShareLife Sunday.

Please give generously.

PRAYER TO INVITE THE HOLY SPIRIT TO GUIDE YOU

Come Holy Spirit. Fill the hearts of your faithful
And kindle in them the fire of your love.
Send forth your spirit, and they shall be created
And you shall renew the face of the earth.

O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit,
Did instruct the hearts of the faithful,
Grant that by the same Holy Spirit
We may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Day of Reflection for Women Saturday, June 1st from 9:30 am to 3 pm at St. Augustine's Seminary

Women, Full of Grace:

Identity, Community and Purpose

Saturday, June 1 – 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

St. Augustine's Seminary, 2661 Kingston Rd Scarborough Dr. Lombardi will lead attendees through a reflection on the "feminine genius," and what it means to know our identity and purpose as cherished daughters of God. The retreat will include Mass in the chapel.

COST: \$50, includes lunch **PHONE:** 416-261-7207

EMAIL: layspiritualformation@sastoronto.org

WEB: <http://www.staugustines.on.ca/>

Radio Maria

Radio Maria is Canada's Catholic radio offering programs, music and prayer that sow seeds of hope, faith and charity. Radio Maria is currently holding its annual Mariathon. This annual campaign raises funds to support Radio Maria World Family projects in areas of the world that experience financial hardship. It also helps to support the running of the Canadian studio. Please support Radio Maria through your prayers and, if possible, time and donations. To become a volunteer, learn more about Radio Maria or to listen live, 24/7, visit radiomaria.ca.

MAY 26, 2019

Church Expansion



Outside walls insulated and brick work started.



North of 60 Food Drive

May 19th to June 2nd



A Project of
The Society of Saint
Vincent de Paul

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Of Nunavut



NORTH OF 60 – FOOD DRIVE

North of 60 is an initiative to assist the communities of Nunavut. Food prices north of the 60th parallel can be exorbitant and further enshrine communities in poverty. The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul has developed an innovative approach of:

- Reaching out and establishing contacts in remote communities north of the 60th parallel;
- Identifying their specific needs;
- Gathering non-perishables and day-to-day household supplies.

This initiative assists with food security. It also develops and supports communities for the benefit of children and youth, especially in providing students with proper nutrition.

We ask for your support by collecting the specific items noted below.

Thank You, Society of Saint Vincent de Paul,

ITEMS to be dropped off in the bin outside the gym door until June 2nd

- Flour (2.5 kg bags)
- Sugar (2kg bags)
- Rice (900 gm bags)
- Lard (1 lb)
- Baking Powder
- Tea, Coffee, Coffee Mate
- Dehydrated Soup
- Peanut Butter

Saint Vincent de Paul Bundle Weekend

June 1st and 2nd



The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will have a **Container Unit in our church parking lot on the weekend of June 1st and 2nd** accepting donations of clothing, footwear, small household goods, bedding, and toys. Please note they do not accept dishes, furniture, books, video/Audio cassettes or mattresses. Please help others in your community.

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.

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 or petegallagher@rogers.com

Formation and Training for Lectors

Saturday, June 15 from 9 am to 2 pm
Precious Blood Parish



All current lectors/readers are invited to a day of formation and training on Saturday, June 15.

The day will run from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Location: Precious Blood Parish

1737 Lawrence Ave. E., Scarborough

Topics: the importance of the proclamation of the Word of God at Mass; the importance of Scripture in the Church; and general best practices.

The workshop is free, but we ask that you register & bring a lunch.

For more information and to register please go to

<https://june15lector.eventbrite.ca>

If you have any questions, please contact

Rebecca at 416-934-3400 ext. 525 or rspellacy@archtoronto.org.

Steubenville Youth Conference

For High School Age Teens

This conference takes place on the UOIT campus in Oshawa over the July 12-14 weekend.

For more information, contact Ben Tabucan at stmarksyouthministry@outlook.com

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