



# St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

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## SEPTEMBER 1 - NOVEMBER 15

### PASTORAL TEAM

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

### STAFF

Mary Ann Mehes - Administrator  
Lisa Baker - Admin. Assistant  
Camille Herrera - 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

Monday to Friday

All weekday Mass times and locations to be announced at the weekend Masses.

#### 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](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!

# TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## Mass Intentions for the Week

**Monday, Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> @ 8 am (St. Brendan School Library)**  
† Ramratee Anne Balkissoon req. by Liza and Alfred Cadawas

**Tuesday, Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 8 am (St. Brendan School Library)**  
Living & Deceased Members of Hughes & McConville Families req. by Fr. Michael  
† Preiss and Unger Families req. by Marianne & Mike Preiss  
† Stephen Groff req. by Rosemary Barthelmas, Julieann Saisais & Louise Beauchamp  
† Marjorie Predovich req. by Pat and Paul McGuire  
† Lily Yong req. by Winnie and Nicholas

**Wednesday, Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 8 am (St. Brendan School Library)**  
† Cheryl D' Couto req. by Mary Benincasa

**Thursday, Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> @ 8 am (St. Brendan School Library)**  
† Brian Ruddy req. by Peter Ruddy

**Friday, Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> @ 8 am (St. Brendan School Library)**  
Pope Bishops & Priests req. by Fr. Michael  
† John Nedra req. by Fr. Michael  
† Cheryl McCulloch req. by Deacon Wayne  
† Teresa MacDonald req. by Theriault Family

**Saturday, Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> @ 5 pm (St. Mark Church)**  
† Joseph Bonello req. by Mary and Louis Vella

**Sunday, Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>**  
@ 9:00 am (St. Mark Church)  
† Matthew Benincasa req. by Mary & Emilio Benincasa  
@ 11:00 am (St. Mark Church)  
St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

## 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.

## Mass Intention Book

The 2019 Mass Intention Calendar will be open for bookings starting Monday, October 28<sup>th</sup>.

Intentions can be booked in the Church office on weekdays and at the Office Assistant desk on Sundays.

## Thank You For Your Generosity

**Weekly Offertory \$ 5,173**

## Come and See Weekend

**November 1 – 3 at St. Augustine's Seminary**



**Come and See Weekend – Friday, November 1 (begins at 7:00 p.m.) to Sunday, November 3 (ends at 1:30 p.m.), at St. Augustine's Seminary:** Inviting single Catholic men 17 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. Register online at [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca). Registrants 17 years old require parental consent.

For more information, please contact the Office of Vocations at: **416 968 0997;** email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

## Project Rachel Retreat

**November 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup>**

We can help you to find healing. Are you still hurting from an abortion experience? We can help.

**Call 416-629-8264 or e-mail**

**[ProjectRachel@stmarysrefuge.org](mailto:ProjectRachel@stmarysrefuge.org)**

A weekend retreat for women whose hearts have been broken by abortion: November 1 - 3, 2019. Project Rachel – private and confidential.

## Lectio Divina

**Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6:45 pm-8:15 pm**

In Lectio Divina we seek not to master or grasp the sacred text, but rather through it, prayerfully and silently, to come into the presence of God.

One Sunday evening each month all are welcome to join Cardinal Collins for Lectio Divina at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, 65 Bond St., Toronto.

We begin with music by the **Cathedral Vespers Choir** at 6:45 p.m., **Vespers** (Evening Prayer) at 7 p.m., and **Lectio Divina** from 7:30 to 8:15 p.m.

**LIVESTREAM:** Lectio Divina is livestreamed via the St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica website at [www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live](http://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live)

## 40 Hour Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament Beginning November 8<sup>th</sup> at 6 am



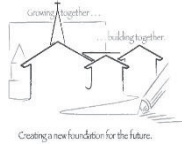
We invite parishioners to come and spend some quiet time of worship and prayer with Our Lord during our 40 Hour Adoration beginning

Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at 6 am and ending on Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 10 pm at St. Mark's Church.

Let's thank the Lord for our newly expanded Church!  
**Sign-up sheets are now available at the Office Assistant Desk.**

# OCTOBER 20, 2019

## Dedication of the Reopening



### Dedication Weekend October 25 - 27

Let us know you're coming!

**Friday, October 25, 7:30 pm** – Ecumenical Prayer

Service, Video, Tour of Church, Reception

**Sunday, October 27, 11 am** – Dedication Mass  
with Cardinal Collins, Reception to follow

\*This will be a 2 hour Mass\*

We are looking forward to celebrating the reopening of our beautifully expanded church.

To help with the planning, especially for the

Receptions on Friday and Sunday,

**We ask all parishioners to - Please RSVP!**

Email - [stmarkcommunication@gmail.com](mailto:stmarkcommunication@gmail.com)

Phone - 416-560-4853

**Please indicate your name, number of attendees  
and which event(s) you will be attending.**

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Are you able to help prepare food for the Receptions,  
either Friday or Sunday? If so, please sign-up on the  
sheet in the foyer this weekend. Thank you!

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**Be part of the next chapter  
in St. Mark's history!**

## Sponsorship Opportunities

Become a  
SPONSOR!

Certain items are still needed for our newly renovated Church. If you are interested in sponsoring one of the items below, please contact the church office at 905-640-6954.

- Confessional - budgeted at \$25,000
- Icon of the Blessed Virgin Mary - \$5,000 remaining
- Church Architectural Wall Sconces - \$750 each Qty 5

## Charismatic Prayer Group

**Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 pm**

**St. Mark School, Classroom 110**



The Charismatic Prayer Group will meet on  
Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 pm Room 110  
at St. Mark's School. All are welcome.

For information contact Deacon John at 905-294-4649



## Confirmation Registration

- Confirmation Online Registration for Grade 7 students begins **Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at 9 am** and is on a first-come first-serve basis.
- A mandatory **Parent Meeting** will take place on **Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019 beginning at 7:00 pm at St. Mark's Church.**

For more information: [www.stmarkstouffville.ca](http://www.stmarkstouffville.ca)

## EDGE Night

**October 25<sup>th</sup> from 7 pm to 9 pm**

**E D G E**

We welcome youth in **grades 5, 6, 7, and 8** to join us on **Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup> from 7 - 9 PM** in the gym of **St. Brendan's School.**

For further information, please go to [stmarkstouffville.ca](http://stmarkstouffville.ca) or email our Youth Minister, Camille, at [stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com](mailto:stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com).

Register Online at:

<https://stmarkchurch.breezechms.com/form/EDGE20192020>

## Women's Ministry Meeting

**October 28<sup>th</sup> from 7 pm to 8:30 pm**

Sorry we missed out on last month's meeting due to the school strike but let's try again this month!



Come join us in starting the new year off with a social night of fellowship and reflection on our prayer lives. We will be turning to the Saints and looking at ways we might learn from them how

to pray better and develop a more intimate relationship with Jesus. Come with an open heart, go home with a booklet full of insight and inspiration and a heart full of new friends.

Our meeting will be in the

**St. Mark School Library from 7:00-8:30 p.m.**

## November, Month of the Holy Souls

### Remembrance of the Faithfully Departed

During November, the **Month of the Holy Souls**, we join the whole Church, in prayerful remembrance of the faithful departed members of our families and our parish community.

**We remember them, both on All Souls Day, November 2nd and each of our Friday evening masses during this month.**

All Souls envelopes can be found on the Office Assistant Desk the weekend of October 19/20 or available from the Parish Office.

If you want your loved ones to be remembered in our Masses, please write down their names on the ALL SOULS envelopes and **place it in the collection basket** the following weekend on October 26/27. You may also return the envelope directly to the Parish Office during the weekdays.

**Your returned All Souls envelopes will be kept in a basket and brought to the All Souls Day Mass on Nov. 2 as well as be present at all Friday Masses during the month of November.**

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