



# St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

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



## NOVEMBER 2019 - JUNE 2020

### 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

Tuesday & Friday - 7:00 pm  
(except First Fridays-see below)  
Wednesday & Thursday - 8:30 am  
Saturday - 9:00 am  
Statutory Holidays - 9:00 am  
Weekday Solemnities - 7:30 pm only

### SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday - 5:00 pm  
Sunday - 9:00 am  
(with Children's Liturgy)  
Sunday - 11:00 am

### FIRST FRIDAY

Holy Hour, Adoration & Benediction  
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
Mass - 8:00 pm  
(except Statutory Holidays  
9:00 am Mass Only)

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4 - 4:45 pm (or by appointment)

### 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!

# THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## Mass Intentions for the Week

**Tuesday, November 19<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 pm**

Living & Deceased Members of Hughes & McConville Families req. by Fr. Michael  
President John F. Kennedy req. by Fr. Michael  
† Josephine & Rafael Presta req. by Family  
† Felicia & Rafik Hosany and Maria & Jennaro & Angela Musto req. by Antonietta Musto  
† Antonio Sellitto req. by Antonietta Musto

**Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 am**

† Gabriele & Teresina Petramala req. by Mario & Erminia Petramala

**Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup> @ 8:30 am**

† Alberto Altorio req. by Mary & Emilio Benincasa

**Friday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 7:00 pm**

† Holy Souls req. by Fr. Michael

**Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**@ 9:00 am**

† Preiss & Unger Family req. by Mary Anne Preiss  
† Harry Schell req. by Peter Willan  
† Benedetto & Lucia Zentenna req. by Rita Pallotta  
† Antonio & Domenico Zentenna req. by Rita Pallotta  
† Brian Michael Kelly req. by Paul & Pat McGuire

**@ 5:00 pm**

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

**Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>**

**@ 9:00 am**

† Lorenzo DeFilippis req. by Michael & Dina Simon

**@ 11:00 am**

† Mario Raponi req. by Tony & Onesima Raponi and 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

## Thank You For Your Generosity

**Weekly Offertory \$ 6,061**

## Prayer to St. Joseph for a Happy Death



O Glorious St. Joseph, behold I choose thee today for my special patron in life and at the hour of my death. Preserve and increase in me the spirit of prayer and fervor in the service of God.

Remove far from me every kind of sin; obtain for me that my death may not come upon me unawares, but that I may have time to confess my sins sacramentally and to bewail them with a most perfect understanding and a most sincere and perfect contrition, in order that I may breathe forth my soul into the hands of Jesus and Mary. Amen.

## 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 each of our Friday evening masses during November.

All Souls envelopes can be found on the table in the foyer. They can be placed in the glass vase in front of the altar.

## Soups on at Lemonville United November 30<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm



Lemonville United is holding it's annual 'Soups On', offering as many bowls of homemade soup as you want and Apple Crisp, on Saturday, November 30<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm. Lemonville is on McCowan just south of Bloomington.

## First Reconciliation Ceremonies



### Please Pray for Our Children Receiving their First Reconciliation

On Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup> and November 27<sup>th</sup>, the children of our parish who are participating in the First Communion preparation program will be receiving the sacrament of First Reconciliation. We ask our Church community to remember these special children in your prayers as they encounter Jesus for the first time in confession, and we ask that you please continue to keep them in your prayers until they receive their First Communion next spring.

# NOVEMBER 17, 2019

## Hoodie Drive for the Homeless

November 16/17 and November 23/24

Light Patrol is an Outreach ministry of Youth Unlimited that works with teenage youth experiencing homelessness in Toronto. **By donating adult size, new or gently used hoodies and sweaters** to Light Patrol you are helping provide for the youth we meet and allowing us to begin a relationship in which we can walk alongside them towards stability. There will be collection bins in the church foyers on the weekends of November 16/17 and 23/24. Thank you.



## Charismatic Prayer Group

Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm

The Charismatic Prayer Group will meet on Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in the St. Anne's meeting room. All are welcome. For information contact Deacon John at 905-294-4649

## EDGE Night

November 22<sup>nd</sup> from 7 pm to 9 pm



We welcome youth in **grades 5, 6, 7, and 8** to join us on **Friday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> from 7 – 9 PM** in the Parish Hall.

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://stmarkschurch.breezechms.com/form/EDGE20192020>

## Poinsettias For Sale

Until December 1<sup>st</sup>



### POINSETTIA FUNDRAISER FOR THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Order a beautiful poinsettia for yourself or as a gift for a friend - beginning the weekend of November 16/17 in the church foyer.

Sales will conclude the week of November 30/December 1. Delivery will take place the weekend of December 14/15.

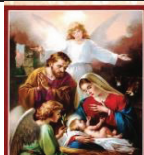
**Cost:** \$20 for the small (8" Poinsettia) and \$25 for the large (10")

**Colours:** red, white, pink and tricolours

## Religious Christmas Cards

On Sale in the Foyer

The Knights of Columbus Council 10874 will be selling an assortment of beautiful, religious Christmas cards in the foyer after all Masses this weekend.



## Light up the Tree of Life

Donations for the Rose of Sharon

Christmas is fast approaching, and as is tradition, the St. Mark Squires will be conducting their Light Up the Tree of Life Advent Fundraiser. Next weekend, in the foyer, the Squires will set up a tree. We invite all parishioners to select one or more of the candle tags that have suggested items for babies and their young mothers (ex. diapers, baby clothes etc.) **By the December 14/15 weekend, we ask that you bring what is written on the tag and drop it off underneath the tree.** You can then hang the candle tag on the tree to help light up the "Tree of Life."

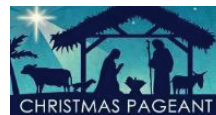


All donations support the Rose of Sharon.

Thank You - St. Mark Squire Circle 5486

## CHRISTMAS PAGEANT & CONCERT

SUNDAY, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 at 3 pm



Mark Your Calendar!

All Are Welcome!

14<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CHRISTMAS

PAGEANT & CONCERT

Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup> 2019 at 3 PM

**Pageant Participants: Next Rehearsal Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 3 pm**

For further details please contact **Eugenie V. Landry** at Cell: 647-828-3884 or

Email: [EugenieVLandry@rogers.com](mailto:EugenieVLandry@rogers.com) with

Subject Line: 2019 ST. MARK'S Christmas Pageant

**The EDGE & High School Youth Ministry Presents**

**St. Mark's Annual Café Night**

**Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 9:00 pm**

FREE ADMISSION •

BEVERAGES AND SNACKS PROVIDED



Raffle tickets are being sold after each Mass to win this year's beautiful prize!

All proceeds will go to the EDGE & High School Youth Ministries.

Thank you for your prayers and generosity!

Please contact [stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com](mailto:stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com) if you would like to:

- 1) Contribute any baked goods
- 2) Prepare a song to sing

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