St. Mark's Church Announcements and Updates April 28, 2021

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Launch of the New St. Mark's Website

We are happy to announce that we have a newly designed Parish website. This new site contains information about St. Mark's Parish, as well as information about what is happening in the Archdiocese of Toronto. We invite you to visit our new site at https://stmarksst.archtoronto.org/. Please also note that the registration for Saturday and Sunday Communion Services and Friday Eucharistic Adoration will now be done through the link on the new website home page. After April 30, 2021, the old website will no longer be updated.

Sunday Communion Services

* Registration for a seat is required for all <u>Weekend Communion Services</u>. * Registration will open every Wednesday at 7 pm.

The link can be found on our website home page at https://stmarksst.archtoronto.org/.

Communion Services will be short, so we ask those attending to remain standing throughout and avoid touching the pews or sitting. If you need to be seated, please take a sticky note to place on the handrail in front of the spot where you sit. We hope this will allow some of our parishioners to be able to come to the Church on weekends to hear the readings and receive the Eucharist. As a preparation for the service, we ask you to watch the Mass online. If you would like to reserve a spot but you do not have a computer, please call the church office at 905-640-6954 ext. 101. Please note that the office is closed on weekends and changes cannot be accommodated after 4 pm on Friday.

Schedule

Saturdays: 5 pm, 5:15 pm, 5:30 pm, 5:45 pm, 6pm, 6:15pm

Sundays: 10:30 am, 10:45 am, 11 am, 11:15 am, 11:30 am, 11:45 am, 12 pm, 12:15 pm

Online Registration (required) Please register at https://stmarksst.archtoronto.org/

- Each attendee must have a ticket (max 8 people at one time).
- We are unable to accommodate walk-ins.
- If you are registering for a ticket for someone else, please put their name on the ticket not yours.
- Children also need tickets, even if they are very small and not receiving Communion.
- Please be on time as this service is only 10 minutes.

Sacrament of Reconciliation - New Scheduled Time

Fr. Michael will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation **every Saturday from 9:30 am to 10:30 am**. When you arrive, please sign in and ensure there are no more than 10 people in the church at one time. You can also make an appointment to go to confession during the week by calling the church office at 905-640-6954 ext. 101.

Parish Council

As the current parish year draws to a close at the end of June, we reach out to invite new members to replace those who are about to retire to serve for a 2 or 3 year term. Please see the Parish Website for the Nomination Forms, to be returned by late May. https://stmarksst.archtoronto.org/en/our-community/parish-council-constitution/

FORMED - Catholic Media

We are excited to inform all our parishioners that St. Mark's Church has a one-year Parish subscription to Formed. This means there is no cost to you to take advantage of this extensive collection of Catholic resources including thousands of Catholic books, movies, and documentaries. We encourage everyone to click on the link below and register!

Join Formed for free by registering at: https://stmarksst.archtoronto.org/en/parish-life/formed/

Knights of Columbus Membership Drive

Are you a Catholic Man (18+) looking to get more involved at St. Mark? Do you want to grow in your faith while helping others and supporting the Church? Do you want to become a better Catholic, husband or father? Then look no further than the Knights of Columbus!

The Knights of Columbus annually contributes nearly \$200 million to worthy charitable causes around the world, and our members donate nearly 100 million hours of their time. All our good works are supported by our core principles of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. Our Faith in Action programs support our faith, the family, our community, and the defense of human life.

To learn more and to join our council, please visit www.kofc10874.ca or email Grand Knight Nicholas at GK10874@ontariokofc.ca

St. Mark Squire Circle 5486

The members of St. Mark's Squire Circle are boys who are 10 to 18 years of age. Currently, they meet virtually on the first Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm via Zoom. They are involved in 4 pillars of activity. **Spiritual** which involves them in their Faith, **Service** which is to help our neighbors in need like those helped by the St. Vincent de Paul Society and the Rose of Sharon, the Tree of Life, and the Giving Tree at St. Brigid School during Advent, **Circle** fun activities which will resume once the pandemic is over, and **Membership** when others are invited to join in these activities. For more information or to join, please contact Bob Tabone, St. Mark's Knights of Columbus or email **GK10874@ontariokofc.ca**.

Prayers for the Sick and Deceased

Please pray for the sick and the recently deceased.

We pray for healing for Gino Lupo, Gaetano Scala, Caterina Guastella and family, Ethan Emmanuel, Debbie Howard, and Rose Marie Scott.

We pray for the repose of the souls of Andrine Mansi, Ossi Pierotti, Margaret Herrera, and Giovanni Torrone.

Stay Connected to St. Mark's Parish

- St. Mark's Website link: https://stmarksst.archtoronto.org/
- St. Mark YouTube Channel Livestream of Masses link https://bit.ly/StMarkYouTube.
- **St. Mark's Public Facebook Page** link https://www.facebook.com/stmarkstouffville. Please remember to Like and Share this page with fellow parishioners so more people become aware of its existence.
- **St. Mark's Community Facebook Page** link https://www.facebook.com/groups/stmarkschurchcommunity. This page is used to share information between parishioners and ask for prayers when needed.
- St. Mark's Bulletin link https://stmarksst.archtoronto.org/en/bulletin/