St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

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PASTORAL TEAM

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STAFF

Mary Ann Mehes-Administrator Lisa Baker-Admin. Asst. Krystiana Garde-Lyn-Youth Minister Lad Mehes - Custodian Emy Lomibao-de Asis-Friday Asst.

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday 9 am - 3:30 pm Closed for lunch 12-1pm **JULY & AUGUST** 9 am - 12 noon **CLOSED MONDAYS**

SUMMER SCHEDULE **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Tuesday - 7:00 pm Wed. Thurs. & Fri. - 8:30 am

- 9:00 am

Statutory Holidays - 9:00 am

Saturday

Weekday Solemnities - 7:30 pm only

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday - 5:00 pm Sunday - 9:00 am - 11:00 am

FIRST FRIDAY

Holy Hour, Adoration & Benediction 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

DEVOTIONS

Recitation of the Rosary (Tues., Wed. & Thurs. before Mass)

Mother of Perpetual Help Novena

(Tuesday Evening Mass) Divine Mercv

(Before Friday pm Mass)

St. Therese of Lisieux Novena

(Saturday Morning Mass)

BAPTISM

Please pick up a Baptismal Package from the fover of the Church. Upon submission of the "Request for Baptism" form, please allow for up to 3 PARISH MINISTRIES months for an anticipated Altar Servers 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 RCIA parish one year in advance. If either party has previously gone through any form of civil St. Vincent de Paul Society or religious marriage no date Ushers may be set until the Bishop's Women's Ministry office has been consulted.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome. We encourage you to register using the Registration Forms available from the foyer.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK AND HOME-**BOUND**

Please call Parish Office.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office.

MEMORIAL MASS POLICY

Please see website for policy explanation.

Altar Society Children's Liturgy Counter's Ministry **Eucharistic Ministers** Finance Committee Funeral Luncheon Committee Knights of Columbus Lectors Media Stand & Bookstall Ministry of Hospitality

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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!

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Mass Intentions For The Week

Tuesday, April 19th @ 7:00 pm

Walter and Mary Genoway req. by Helen
Kaliciak

† Michael and Ludwicka Kaliciak req. by Helen Kaliciak

Loreto Visco req. by Domenica Visco & Family Ross Seaward req. by Fr. Michael

Wędnesday, April 20th @ 8:30 am

🕇 Edna Hildebrant req. by Rosary Apostolate

Thursday, April 21st @ **8:30** am Art Michea req. by Peter Willan

Friday, April 22nd @ 7:00 pm

† John McKendry req. by Rose McKendry

Saturday, April 23rd @ 9:00 am

Pope, Bishops, Priests, Hughes & McConville Families req. by Fr. Michael

🕇 Margaret Bots req. by Fr. Michael

Rayappu Fernando req. by Fernando Family Andrew David Gendron req. by Bob and Mary Parker

@ 5:00 pm

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

Sunday, April 24th @ 9:00 am

† Beneditto, Lucia & Domenico Zentena req. by Rita Pallotta

@ 11:00 am

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

@ 12:30 pm

T Morgan Chung req. by Tony, Shirley and Family

Pray For The Sick

Darrel Boddington, Debbie Beauchamp, Modesta Manias and Margaret O'Boyle (Mother of Peter O'Boyle)

Pray For The Recently Deceased

Martin Glynn, Concetta Cannarella, Ron Gibson, Philippe Gauthier, Frank Hippmann and Viola Crupi

SL ShareLife

"The ShareLife campaign provides for the needs of our social service agencies, helps our brothers and sisters in Christ across the world, and supports the education of our clergy. It is important that we continue to support the ShareLife appeal, to provide for the needs of the marginalized both here in our communities and around the world. Regardless of their religious beliefs or personal background, ShareLife agencies meet people where they are, treating them with the dignity and respect we all deserve." — Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto

Today is ShareLife Sunday
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New Beginnings Talk

Monday, April 18th from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

"Living with Loneliness"

A New Beginnings Talk being given by Denis Costello, Executive Director of Catholic Family Services of Toronto. Presentation to take place at:

Catholic Pastoral Centre, 1155 Yonge St. 4th Fl.

All are welcome to attend. There is no cost for this event.

New Beginnings Spring Retreat

Saturday, April 23rd from 9:30 to 3:30 pm

"Nurturing Seeds of Hope in all the Seasons of Life"
Facilitated by Christine Rybka-Miki,
Maureen McDonnell and Paul Miki
Location: St. Bonaventure Parish, 1300 Leslie St.
To register call 416-921-1163 ext. 2235 or
email mbenincasa@cfstoronto.com

Tastes of Heaven Gala 2016

Thursday, April 28th

Proceeds of the gala will go to assist the building of a new Church for the community of Fort Simpson, Northwest Territories.

Cocktails 6 pm and Dinner 7 pm
Bellvue Manor, 8083 Jane Street, Vaughan
For tickets, visit www.cmic.info or
contact Patricia Gyulay at 416-934-3424 ext. 227 or
patricia@cmic.info

Community Prayer

April 24th from 7 to 8:30 pm

Together in Christ we can see our community transformed!

You are invited to join Christians from Whitchurch Stouffville to pray for the needs of our community. Location: W.S. Town Council Chambers

Project Rachel

May 13th - 15th

Do not be far off and alone any longer. We can help. Call 416-629-8264 or email projectrachel@stmarysrefuge.org

A weekend retreat for women whose hearts have been broken by abortion: May 13 to 15, 2016
"The Lord is near to all who call on him." Psalm 125

The Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Prayer Group Tuesday Afternoons

The Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Prayer Group meets **every Tuesday afternoon from 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm.** Prayers and the Rosary are said to blind satan and save souls (those who do not know the love of God yet).

Book of the Month

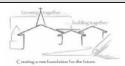
R. Michael Shewchuk Memorial Library book of the month:

Children's Book: St. Louis de Montfort

Adult Book: Surprised by Truth

PARISH WEBSITE http://stmarkstouffville.ca

FAMILY OF FAITH CAMPAIGN



Amount pledged to date: \$1,261,955



TIME'S RUNNING OUT!

THE ACTIVE VISITING PHASE OF OUR CAMPAIGN IS ALMOST OVER!

Commitment Sunday Is April 23!

OUR PARISH NEEDS THE ELEVATOR AND THE ADMINISTRATION WING!

Coffee Sunday

Sunday, April 17th after the 9 am Mass

We invite everyone to come down to the parish hall on April 17th after the 9 am Mass to enjoy some coffee, tea and biscuits and chat with your fellow parishioners.

St. Mark's Women's Recollection Monday, April 18th 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm

The recollection includes 2 meditations by a priest of Opus Dei, a talk on living the Christian life in the middle of the world, an examination of conscience and an opportunity for **confession beginning at 7 pm**.



Charismatic Prayer Group

Tuesday, April 19th at 7:30 pm

Our Prayer Group meets every second Tuesday in the St. Anne's Room. The evening will begin with Mass at 7 pm.

Women's Ministry Meeting

Please note the April Women's Ministry meeting has been cancelled because it falls on the same night as the St. Mark's School 50th Anniversary celebration.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 30th.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the end of May!

St. Mark's School 50th Anniversary Monday, April 25th

St. Mark's School will be celebrating their 50th Anniversary of learning and faith on **April 25**th!

6 pm – Open House - St. Mark School 7 pm – An Evening of Celebration Please RSVP to <u>SMK50th@ycdsb.ca</u>

Please provide your name and the number attending.

Vendor Sale at St. Mark's Church April 30th from 10 am to 3 pm

The Women's Ministry is hosting their second annual Vendor Sale on April 30th from 10 am to 3 pm With over 20 Vendors.

And great prizes to be won! We are excited to see you all there.

Totus Tuus Summer Camp Bake Sale Fundraiser

May 7th and May 8th after all of the Masses



We need help from all the bakers in our Parish.
Sign-up sheets are posted in the foyer.

Variety of Baked Goods needed

PIES-CAKES-CUPCAKES-TARTS-MUFFINS-LOAVES & MORE Please bring your contribution to the Church Hall on Saturday, May 7th between 12:30 pm and 5 pm.

It would help if you could package cookies by the dozen, muffins, tarts or cupcakes by the ½ dozen. Although not necessary, all goods packaged ahead of time are much appreciated. Thank you for helping us raise the needed funds to bring the Totus Tuus Summer Camp to St. Mark's Parish for our children for the fifth year.



Totus Tuus Summer Camp July 10th – 15th, 2016

Children and youth of our parish are invited to join us for the Totus Tuus Summer Program at St. Mark.

Children entering Grades 1-6

Program Dates: Monday to Friday from 9 am to 2:30 pm **Cost:** \$75 for the first child in the family \$60 for each additional sibling.

Intermediate/High School program for Grades 7-12
Program Dates: Sunday to Thursday from 7 pm to 9 pm
Cost: Free

Registration forms are available at the church, or from the St. Mark Church website at www.stmarkstouffville.ca

Registration will take place at St. Mark's Church

April 23rd from 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm, and after all masses on April 24th. First come, first served basis.

Volunteers for Church Gardens

Volunteers are needed to care for one of the church gardens over the spring and summer months. If you would be interested in helping, please contact the church office at 905-640-6954 ext. 101.

Upcoming Parish Council Nominations

Parish Council nominations and elections will take place this June for member at large positions.

Nomination Forms are now available on the website – see last page of Parish Constitution.

Please consider if you would be interested in serving our Parish Community in this capacity or nominating someone.

Moving??? Please inform the Parish Office.

This will help us keep parish databases up to date and reduce future costs and administrative effort.

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