



# 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. 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  
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  
- 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 Mercy

(Before Friday Mass)

### St. Therese of Lisieux Novena

(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.

## COMMUNION FOR THE SICK AND HOME-BOUND

Please call Parish Office.

## ANOIDING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office.

## MEMORIAL MASS POLICY

Please see website for policy explanation.

## 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  
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Parish Music Ministry  
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Women's Ministry  
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St. Brendan's School  
751 Hoover Park Dr.  
T: 905-642-6728

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223 Millard St.  
T: 905-642-5100

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## 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!

# FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



## Mass Intentions For The Week

**Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 pm St. Mark Feast Day**  
St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

**Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 pm**

† Teresa Shaw req. by Elizabeth and Domenic Flagello

† Ansano and Lina Lommori req. by Oriana Lommori

† Concetta Cannarella req. by St. Mark's School Staff

**Wednesday, April 27<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 am**

† Pat Hughes req. by Fr. Michael

**Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 am**

† Giuseppe Tripodi req. by Anonymous

**Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 pm**

† Frieda Preiditsch req. by Anonymous

**Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 am**

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

† James Ryan and Jerry Dopan req. by Fr. Michael

† Beverley Semon req. by Michael Semon

† Andrew David Gendron req. by Peter Willan  
**@ 5:00 pm**

† Mario Cimone req. by MaryLou and Romano Acciaccaferri

**Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup> @ 9:00 am**

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

**@ 11:00 am**

† Borrelli and LeDonne Families req. by Rosa Borrelli

## Pray For The Sick

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

## Pray For The Recently Deceased

Concetta Cannarella, Ron Gibson, Philippe Gauthier, Frank Hippmann, Viola Crupi and Fred Gaerlan



Working wonders for our new arrivals in Canada...

"As an Iraqi Christian, the Office of Refugees (ORAT) has provided me with the opportunity to meet other people who have experienced the same thing that I have. We are able to help support each other in this new journey to Canada and without ORAT, I do not know where I would be today. It is possible I would still be in Jordan, afraid for my life, unable to practice my religion, and under threat of deportation. The work that ORAT did truly gave me hope and a chance at life free from persecution and fear." – Sara, a Christian refugee

**Next ShareLife Sunday is May 29, 2016**

*Please give generously. Together we can work wonders!*

## Thank You For Your Generosity

Weekly Offering \$ 7,728

ShareLife Collection \$ 7,026

## Community Prayer

**April 24<sup>th</sup> 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

## Habitat GTA Meeting

**Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm**

**Habitat GTA will build for the first time in Stouffville!**

A single detached home will be built at 6554 Main St. for the Sosin family. This is an opportunity for the community to come together in support of this remarkable family.

Information meeting to be held at:

**Springvale Church, 3885 Stouffville Rd.**

If you have questions, contact Enloe Wilson at 416-755-7353 ext. 242 or enloe.wilson@habitatgta.ca

## Ordination Prayer Vigil

**Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup> from 5 pm until midnight**

**Office of Vocations is hosting an Ordination Prayer Vigil.**

Let's pray together for an increase in vocations especially to priesthood, consecrated life and healthy marriages.

St. Patrick's Parish

5633 Hwy 7, Markham



## National March For Life

**Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup> in Ottawa**

Join thousands at the National March for Life as we express concerns about the tragic impact abortion has on our nation.

**The Rally starts on Parliament Hill at 12 noon followed by the March through downtown Ottawa at 1:30 pm.**

*For further information, go to [www.marchforlife.ca](http://www.marchforlife.ca)*

## Project Rachel

**May 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>**

Do not be far off and alone any longer. We can help.

Call 416-629-8264 or email

[projectrachel@stmarysrefuge.org](mailto: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

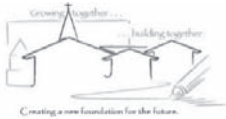
R. Michael Shewchuk Memorial Library book of the month:

**Children's Book: St. Louis de Montfort**

**Adult Book: Surprised by Truth**

# APRIL 24, 2016

## FAMILY OF FAITH CAMPAIGN



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



Today is Commitment Sunday!  
We are thankful and grateful  
for all God has done in our  
Parish!

We are blessed to have such  
wonderful parishioners!



## 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 25<sup>th</sup>  
6 pm – Open House - St. Mark School  
7 pm – An Evening of Celebration

## Vendor Sale at St. Mark's Church

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

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

## Bundle Up Weekend

May 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>  
The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will have a Container Unit in our church parking lot on the weekend of May 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> accepting donations of clothing, household goods, drapes, toys and accessories. **Please note they do not accept appliances, baby furniture, books or mattresses.** For more information, visit [ssvptoronto.ca](http://ssvptoronto.ca). Thank you!

## Totus Tuus Summer Camp Bake Sale Fundraiser

May 7<sup>th</sup> and May 8<sup>th</sup> 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 7<sup>th</sup> 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 10<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>, 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](http://www.stmarkstouffville.ca)

## 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.

## Summer Mass Schedule

Beginning May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016

Please note the change in Mass times.

Tuesday	7:00 pm
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday	8:30 am
Saturday	9 am & 5 pm
Sunday	9 am & 11 am
Weekday Solemnities	7:30 pm only
First Friday Holy Hour	7:00 pm

**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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