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## **National March for Life May 7, 8, 9, 2014 – Ottawa**

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Events include Masses, prayer services, Eucharistic Adoration, a rally on Parliament Hill, banquets and a youth conference. On Thursday, May 8, gather on Parliament Hill at noon, hear speakers and march. We are raising awareness that the dangerous abortion drug, RU-486, is being considered for distribution in Canada. Thus our theme is RU-4LIFE.

Join thousands at the National March for Life as we express concerns about the tragic impact abortion has on our nation. For more information call Campaign Life Coalition at 416-204-9749. Details are available at [www.marchforlife.ca](http://www.marchforlife.ca). See poster on bulletin board.

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## **Day of Reflection For Catholic Parents Of Lesbian Daughters and Gay Sons** Saturday May 31, 2014 9am – 5pm

Manresa Jesuit Retreat Centre, 2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering  
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## **Marriage and Annulment**

A New Beginnings Inspirational Talk will take place on Tuesday, May 6th at 7 p.m. at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 1155 Yonge St. in Toronto. It is entitled. Our speaker will be Fr. Brian Clough. Pre-registration is not necessary.

## **PRAYER BOX**

**OUR PARISH PRAYER GROUP WILL PRAY FOR YOUR INTENTIONS-** Please write out your prayer requests and place them in the box located near the statue of our patron, St. Mark.

## **2014 OFFERTORY BOXES**

**NO LONGER AVAILABLE FOR GENERAL PICK UP**

You must call the office and make arrangements to pick up your box.

## **MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**Tuesday, April 29th @ 7.00 pm**

Gerry Ryan+ req. by Fr. Michael  
Rose McKendry

Miguel Herrera+ req. by Family

**Wednesday, April 30th @ 8.30 am**

William Wignall & Karan Thompson  
req. by Geraldyn Howell

**Thursday, May 1st @ 8.30am**

For the Unemployed req. by Fr. Michael

**Friday, May 2nd**

**7.00 pm – Holy Hour**

**8.00 pm – St. Michael & Schwarzbauer Families**  
req. by Deacon John

**Saturday, May 3rd at 9.00 am**

Pope, Bishops & Priests

Hughes & McConville Families

Carolyn Baker req. by Fr. Michael

Mike Herrera+ req. by Piedad Family

**Saturday, May 3rd at 5.00 pm**

St. Mark’s Community req. by Fr. Michael

**Sunday, May 4th @ 9:00 am**

Daniel Ciardullo+

req. by Mario & Lucy Ciardullo & Family

**Sunday, May 4th @ 11.00 am**

Carlos Caceres+ req. by Daughter & Grandchildren

**Sunday, April 27th @ 12.30 pm**

Karnetto Harvey+ req. by Richie & Philip Woodall

## **DIVINE MERCY NOVENA 2014**

**Concludes... Divine Mercy Sunday, April 27, 2014**

**— 15 minutes before all Sunday morning masses**



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## **MOBILE WEBSITE :**

St. Mark Parish now has a mobile website. To access this on your cell phone, you may log on to [www.stmarkstouffville.ca](http://www.stmarkstouffville.ca) which will inform you of our Mass times and special events. You can also scan the QR code here.

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April 27th, 2014

**MOVING ???**  
Please inform the Parish Office.  
This will help us keep parish databases up to date

**UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS**  
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**TUES. April 29 @ -7:30-9 pm - Hall**  
Canadian Saints and Us Series  
**WED. April 30 @ 7 pm - Hall**  
SVDP Membership Drive  
**FRI. May 2-First Friday**  
7pm Holy Hour  
8pm Mass  
**SAT. May 3 @ 10 am - St. Anne's Room**  
Squires Monthly Meeting  
**SAT. May 3 Confirmation Rehearsals**  
Group A – 10:30 am – 12:15 pm  
Group B – 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm  
**SAT./SUN. May 3/4**  
ShareLife 2<sup>nd</sup> collection  
**SUN. May 4 after 9 am Mass only**  
Coffee Sunday



**EASTER THANK YOU**

Thank you to all those who worked so hard to prepare for and celebrate the Sacred Triduum, especially our decoration duo of Irma Pescador and Mary Raybould. Thank you to Rose Cabrelli and Cellie Canaan for all the behind the scenes work in preparation for Easter.

Thank you to those who assisted, cleaned, sang and served at these beautiful celebrations.

Thank you to L&M Greenhouses for the beautiful lilies and hydrangea to beautify our church and to Sicilia Gardens for the pansies which beautified the outside of the church.

*Thank you one and all ~ Fr. Michael*

**BUNDLE UP WEEKEND MAY 24-25, 2014**

The SVDP truck will be in our parking lot this weekend accepting your donations of: women's and men's clothing, coats, children's wear, baby clothes, shoes, boots, household goods, drapes, books, toys, accessories. For info visit [www.ssvptoronto.ca](http://www.ssvptoronto.ca).

**PLEASE NOTE: NO MATTRESSES OR APPLIANCES ACCEPTED. DO NOT BRING YOUR DONATIONS PRIOR TO THIS DATE. Thank you!**

**COFFEE SUNDAY- NEXT WEEK**

On Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup> come down to the parish hall after the 9 am mass and enjoy some good coffee/tea/drinks and delicious biscuits. This is the last Coffee Sunday until the fall so take the opportunity to visit with your fellow parishioners.

**Canonization Website**—The Office of Public Relations and Communications has prepared a website to celebrate the canonizations of Pope John XXIII and Pope John Paul II. The site will include photos, videos, testimonies and other information linking our archdiocese with these modern-day saints. [www.archtoronto.org/canonizations](http://www.archtoronto.org/canonizations)

**FIRST FRIDAY OF MAY -May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014**  
Holy Hour at 7 pm ~ Mass at 8 pm

**Canadian Saints and Us Series**

Tuesdays, April 29, May 6 and May 13 from 7:30 – 9:30 pm  
Facilitated by Jim Dunn, Archdiocese of Toronto. Come and join these interesting, informative and faith-filled discussions on how we can relate to the early Canadian servants of Christ (St. Marguerite Bourgeoys, St. Brother Andre Bessette and St. Kateri Tekakwitha).

**SVDP Meeting Wed. April 30 @ 7 pm-Parish Hall**

Interested in joining our Saint Vincent de Paul Society? Want to learn more about the mission of the Society? Everyone is welcome to attend this meeting with guest speaker Barb Saunders, Membership Development, SVDP National Office.

**St. Mark's Spring**  
**Dinner Dance & Silent Auction**  
Friday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2014 .

Cocktails 6:30pm – Dinner 7:30 pm  
Dancing 8:30 pm till midnight

**Sleepy Hollow Golf & Country Club**

Tickets \$55 per person on sale in the Church foyer after each Mass or call Charles Barnes @ 905.640.8230. Tables of 8 may be arranged on a first come, first served basis.

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Darrel Boddington, Debbie Beauchamp, Patrick Mariani,  
James Villanueva & Douglas Ciceri Sr.

**BAKE SALE ON**  
**Sat. May 3<sup>rd</sup> & Sun. May 4<sup>th</sup>**  
after the 5 pm, 9 am and 11 am Masses  
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Bake at Easter and freeze some goodies to be donated to the bake sale! *Bring your contribution to the Church Hall on Sat, May 3<sup>rd</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 1/2 dozen. Although not necessary, all goods packaged and priced ahead of time is much appreciated.  
**RAFFLE:** Beautiful Fondant Mother's Day Cake in time for Mother's Day! Tickets \$2/ticket, \$5/for 3, \$10/for 8. Tickets available for Purchase from April 12th at the Church Book Store after all Masses.

**SAVE THE DATE!**


**Totus Tuus Summer Camp July 13<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

Children and youth of our parish are invited to join us for the Totus Tuus Summer Program at St. Mark. **The grade school program, for children entering grades 1-6, runs Monday to Friday from 9 am to 2:30 pm.** The cost is only \$75 for the first child in the family and \$60 for each additional sibling. **The Intermediate/High School program for Grades 7-12 runs Sunday to Thursday from 7pm to 9pm and is free.** Registration forms will be available for pickup at the church, St. Brendan school, St. Brigid school, St. Mark school, or can be downloaded from the St. Mark Church website at [www.stmarkstouffville.ca](http://www.stmarkstouffville.ca). Registration will take place at St. Mark Church on April 26<sup>th</sup> from 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm, and after all masses on April 27<sup>th</sup>. First come, first served basis. More information about the program is also available at [www.totustuutoronto.ca](http://www.totustuutoronto.ca)



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