



St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

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PLEASE REMEMBER ST. MARK'S CHURCH IN YOUR WILL



PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. Tad Walczyk - Pastor
Deacon John Schwarzbauer
Deacon Wayne McCulloch
Deacon Gordon Lee

STAFF

Sara Moreno-Stober - Office Administrator
Lisa Baker - Pastoral Administrator
Marcel Raes - Custodian
Emy Lomibao-de Asis - Friday Asst.
Grant Lalata - Youth Minister

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday
9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Closed for lunch 12 - 1:00 pm
CLOSED MONDAYS

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday & Thursday - 7:00 pm
Wednesday & Friday - 9:00 am
Saturday - 9:00 am
Statutory Holidays - 9:00 am

FIRST FRIDAY

Mass at 9:00 am and 7:00 pm
Eucharistic Adoration 9:30 am - 7:00 pm
All other Fridays: Adoration 9:30 am - 1 pm

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

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

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9:30 - 10:00 am
4:00 - 4:45 pm (or by appointment)

PRIVATE PRAYER

Mon., Tues., & Thurs. - 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Wed. & Fri. - 9:30 am to 4:00 pm
First Friday - 9:30 am to 7:00 pm

DEVOTIONS

Recitation of the Holy Rosary
(Before Weekday Masses)
Mother of Perpetual Help
Novena
(After Wednesday Mass)
Divine Mercy Chaplet
(Before Friday Masses)

BAPTISM

Please pick up a Baptismal package from the foyer of the Church. Upon submission of the "Request for Baptism" form, please allow up to 3 months for a Baptismal date, which will be given only after the parents attend the Preparation Class. Baptism Ceremonies are held on the 2nd Sunday of each month and on the 4th Sunday if needed.

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.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK AND HOME-BOUND

Please call the Parish Office.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office.

MEMORIAL MASS

See website for policy.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome. We encourage you to register using the Registration Form available in the foyer or on the website.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Servers
Altar Society
AV Team
Children's Liturgy
Counter's Ministry
Eucharistic Ministers
Federation of North American Explorers
Finance Committee
Funeral Luncheon Committee
Greeters/Ushers
Knights of Columbus
Lectors
Media Stand & Bookstall
Movie Night
Parish Council
Parish Music Ministry
Prayer Shawl
RCIA & RCIC
Rosary Apostolate
Sacramental Preparation
Social Committee
Squires
St. Vincent de Paul Society
Women's Ministry
Youth Ministry

VOCATIONS TORONTO

Serra House
T: 416-968-0997
W: vocationstoronto.ca

ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

T: 416-934-0606
W: archtoronto.org

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

Blessed Chiara
Badano School
55 Meridan Dr.

St. Katharine Drexel
High School
55 Meridan Dr.

École catholique
Pape-François
276 Sunset Blvd.
T: 905-642-3440

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. They are also encouraged to get involved in a parish ministry.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, April 30th @ 7 pm

- † Leonor Cuenca Canaon req. by Cellie Canaon
- † Franco Altomare req. by Joe & Nelle Lombardo
- † Alicia Manankil Dayao req. by Cellie Canaon
- † Mario Cimone req. by Mary Lou Acciaccaferri
- † Outen Family req. by Ann Marie Munro
- † Simeon Frederigam req. by Anonymous

Wednesday, May 1st @ 9 am Feast of St. Joseph the Worker

- † Franco Altomare req. by Ida Altomare

Thursday, May 2nd @ 7 pm

- † Lucia Lombardo req. by Joe & Nelle Lombardo

Friday, May 3rd @ 9 am

Intentions of Susan Visser req. by Penny Lyon

Eucharistic Adoration from 9:30 am to 7 pm

@ 7 pm

Intentions of Fr. Tad req. by Fr. Tad

Saturday May 4th

@ 9 am

- † Egidio Gullo req. by Pasquale Gullo
- † Sr. Patricia McGraw req. by Barbara Bristow
- Intentions of Nguyen Family req. by Vincent Nguyen
- Intentions of Bob Corby IV req. by Abad Family
- Intentions of Tony & Carmela Parente req. by Maria Parente
- Intentions of Michael & Sabrina & Family req. by Maria Parente

@ 5 pm

- † Ronald Mitchell req. by Larry Tumino & Patricia Hartford

Sunday, May 5th

@ 9 am (also livestreamed)

St. Mark's Community req. by Fr. Tad

@ 11 am

- † Pasqualina Raponi req. by Onesima Raponi & Family

Pray For the Sick

Melanie Aniceto

Pray For the Recently Deceased

Ann David

Confessions

**Saturday 9:30 to 10 am & 4 to 4:45 pm
or by appointment**



Eucharistic Adoration Every Friday



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place each **Friday from 9:30 am to 1 pm and on the First Friday of the month from 9:30 am to 7 pm ending with Benediction.** We ask for help to ensure at least 2 people in the church each hour of Adoration by **signing in with the paper registration sheet at the back of the church.** Please consider attending for even 5-10 minutes.

Is God Calling You

Our second Scripture reading reminds us that we are to love, not in word and speech only, but in truth and action. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocation Director at **416-968-0997.**

Email vocations@archtoronto.org

Website www.vocationstoronto.ca.



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– Jaymie Daunt, LA Centre for Active Seniors

This Sunday is ShareLife Sunday. We ask you to share your blessings through the parish or at sharelife.org/donate.

Thank you for living the Gospel!

Magnificat Breakfast

Saturday, May 25th from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm

Join our Mary, Cause of our Joy, Toronto Chapter for our 48th Magnificat breakfast. Treat your mother, sister, colleague, or friend to an inspirational morning that includes a hot breakfast, praise and worship led by our spirit-filled music ministry, a personal testimony of the transforming love of Christ in the life of an invited speaker.

Priests are available for women wishing to go to Confession.

Saturday, May 25, 2024, 9:30 am – 12:30 pm

St. Benedict Parish Hall, 2194 Kipling Ave. Etobicoke

Guest Speaker: Mariela Sol Torroba Hennigen

Registration: \$35

Register Online: CREDIT and DEBIT cards accepted

Register by Mail: Send cheque, payable to Magnificat to:

Magnificat, c/o 111 Jeffcoat Dr. Etobicoke, ON M9W 3B9

Include with cheque: your name, address, phone number, email, and full name of other guests you are registering

Inquiries Feiona: 416-846-4068

magnificat.toronto.chapter@gmail.com

For complete details and to register online:

<https://www.stbenedicts.ca/magnificat-breakfast>

Martyrs' Shrine 2024 Spring Gala

Wednesday, June 12th from 5:30 pm to 9 pm



The National Shrine to the Canadian Martyrs in Midland, Ontario, is opening May 4 to October 13 for family and parish pilgrimages. Come and be nourished by the graces of the saints this summer.

The Martyrs' Shrine of Midland is holding a historic Gala Dinner in Toronto in support of its 100-year renewal of the church and grounds. Join Archbishop Francis Leo, the Jesuit Fathers, and the St. Michael's Boys Choir for this special event on Wednesday, June 12th. Tickets are available at

www.martyrs-shrine.com/spring-gala.

See the poster on the bulletin board for further details.

Location: Bellvue Manor, 8083 Jane Street Vaughan, ON

The Early Bird offer of \$200/ticket ends on April 30, 2024, at 3:30 PM.

At that point, prices will increase to \$250/ticket.

International Eucharistic Congress

September 8th to 15th

Join the Archdiocese of Toronto Delegation

The Holy Father has invited Catholics worldwide to participate in the 53rd International Eucharistic Congress. This year's gathering takes place in Quito, Ecuador from September 8-15, 2024.

To learn more about the pilgrimage, please visit

www.archtoronto.org/iec or see the poster on the bulletin board. Limited spaces are available for pilgrims from the Archdiocese of Toronto to join with the Canadian delegation.

Registration deadline is June 6, 2024 with early bird pricing available until May 6.

APRIL 28, 2024

Women's Ministry

Monday, April 29th at 7:30 pm



St. Mark's Women's Ministry

We are excited to announce our April Craft Night Social! We will be painting 8x10 wood canvases to hang on your wall as sacred text art, a Rosary Hanger to keep your family rosaries handy or a Rosary Abacus (to keep track of the Mysteries and the prayers of each decade). Please RSVP below so that we can prepare the supplies for the meeting and tell us which of the 3 crafts you'd like to make. We'll have the supplies for the crafts! No artistic ability or craftiness required.

For information, email: stmarkswomensministry@gmail.com

Feast of St. Joseph the Worker

Wednesday, May 1st at 9 am



There will be a Mass on Wednesday, May 1st at 9 am to celebrate the Feast Day of St. Joseph the Worker.

LIFE TEEN

Saturday, May 4th from 6 pm to 8:30 pm

Our next LifeTeen night for youth in Grades 9 to 12 will be on Saturday, May 4th from 6 pm to 8:30 pm.

Please invite your friends!

Registration forms will be available at the session. For further information, email our Youth Minister, Grant, at stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com.

Follow us on Instagram: @stmarksyouthmin

Mother's Day Gift Basket Raffle

May 11th and 12th



The St. Mark Knights of Columbus will be holding our third annual Mother's Day draw on May 11th & 12th. Please buy a ticket for a chance to win a beautiful gift basket for a lady or mother. All proceeds will go to support subsidizing a bus for St. Mark's Parishioners to attend the March for Life in Ottawa on May 9. Raffle tickets are \$10/each and will be sold after all three Masses.

All purchases are winners! Included with each purchase is a beautiful rose Crucifix pin.



NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE

Thursday, May 9th in Ottawa



The March for Life is the largest annual demonstration on Parliament Hill.

Rally & March Thursday, May 9th

10 am – Mass at Notre Dame Cathedral & St. Patrick's Basilica

12:30 pm – Rally on Parliament Hill

1:30 pm – March downtown Ottawa

Live Broadcast On EWTN 11:30-3:30 pm

Visit MARCHFORLIFE.CA or CALL 1-800-730-5358



Totus Tuus Summer Camp

July 21st – 26th, 2024

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

Children entering Grades 1-6

Program Dates: Monday to Friday from 9 am to 2:20 pm

Cost: \$75 for the first child in the family

\$65 for each additional sibling.

Cash and Cheque only.

Intermediate/High School program for Grades 7-12

Program Dates: Sunday to Thursday from 6 pm to 9 pm

Cost: Free

Complete the online registration form on the St. Mark's Church website at www.stmarksst.archtoronto.org

or scan the QR code. Then attend in-person at St. Mark's Church to complete the paperwork and drop off the payment on



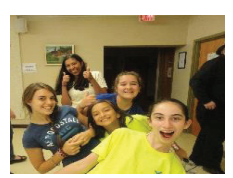
May 4th from 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm.

First come, first served basis.

More information about the program is also available at www.totustuutoronto.ca or email Grant Lalata at

stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com.

We are also looking for youth and adult volunteers to help with the day-time camp. If you would like to volunteer, please email stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com.



Pope's Pastoral Works Collection



Next weekend, there will be a second collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works. These funds are passed on to the Holy Father for immediate response in countries stricken by war, famine, and natural disasters. The Pope's Pastoral Works displays Christ's love and compassion for people in desperate need. Please give generously.

Sacramental Celebrations



We ask for your prayers for God's blessing on all the children of our parish who will be receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion or Confirmation in May & June.



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