



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. Assistant
Ben Tabucan-Youth Minister
Lad Mehes - Custodian
Emy Lomibao-de Asis-Friday Asst.

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday
9 am - 3:30 pm
Closed for lunch 12 - 1 pm
CLOSED MONDAYS

WINTER SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday to Friday - 7:00 pm
Saturday - 9:00 am
Statutory Holidays - 9:00 am
Weekday Solemnities - 7:30 pm only

All weekday masses are held in the foyer of St. Mark's Church

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday - 5:00 pm
Sunday - 9:00 am
(with Children's Liturgy)
Sunday - 11:00 am

All weekend masses are held in the gym of St. Mark's School

EVERY FRIDAY

Holy Hour, Adoration & Benediction
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Mass - 7:00 pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4 - 4:45 pm
(or by appointment)
Held in the gym of St. Mark's School

DEVOTIONS

Recitation of the Rosary

(Tues., Wed. & Thurs. before Mass)

St. Therese of Lisieux

Novena

(Tuesday Evening Mass)

Holy Hour

(Friday 6:00 - 7:00 pm)

Divine Mercy

(Before Friday Mass)

Mother of Perpetual Help

(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.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office.

MEMORIAL MASS POLICY

Cancelled during construction.

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
Parish Council
Parish Music Ministry
Prayer Groups
RCIA
Sacramental Preparation
Squires
St. Vincent de Paul Society
Ushers
Women's Ministry
Youth Ministry

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

VOCATIONS TORONTO

Serra House
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W: vocationstoronto.ca

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T: 416-934-0606
W: 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!

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, December 11th @ 7 pm (St. Mark Church)

- † Mary Kathleen Lemon req. by Catherine Tymon
- † Manuel Martinez req. by Cruz Family
- † Patricia Chalmers req. by Coreen Doucett
- † Tom Devlin req. by Carol Morin

Wednesday, December 12th @ 7 pm (St. Mark Church)

The Unborn req. by Fr. Michael

Thursday, December 13th @ 7 pm (St. Mark Church)

- † Raymond Morel req. by Sylvie and David Foster

Friday, December 14th @ 7 pm (St. Mark Church)

- † Domenico Metauro req. by Anna Metauro & Family
 - † Catalina Austeros req. by Cruz Family
 - † Holy Souls req. by Anonymous
- Personal Intentions req. by Coreen Doucett
Bishop Boissonneau req. by Fr. Michael

Saturday, December 15th

@ 9:00 am (St. Mark Church)

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

- † Francisco & Natividad Lomibao req. by Lomibao Family

Devereaux Family req. by Fr. Michael

- † Isagani Rivera and Emelda Lim req. by Lim Family

@ 5:00 pm (St. Mark School)

- † Aldo Nardi req. by Nella Nardi

Sunday, December 16th

@ 9:00 am (St. Mark School)

- † Stanley Janiszewski req. by Cybruch Family

@ 11:00 am (St. Mark School)

- † Fr. Leslie Tamas req. by Fr. Michael
- St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

Sign-up for Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)

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Give via pre-authorized transfers directly from your bank account.

To sign-up for St. Mark's Church Pre-Authorized Giving program, **Please go to:**

www.stmarkstouffville.ca, click on the "Contact" heading then "Donations" to print off the form.

Complete the form and attach a void cheque which can be dropped off at the church office or put in the collection basket.

PAG allows you to support your parish even when you are away - a benefit to the church, since expenses continue all year long.

Thank You For Your Generosity

Weekly Offering

\$ 8,177

Christmas Schedule 2018



CHRISTMAS MASSES

Monday, December 24, 2018

- ◆ 5:00 pm Family Mass
- ◆ 7:30 pm Family Mass
- ◆ 10:00 pm Mass

Tuesday, December 25, 2018

- ◆ 10:00 am Mass
- ◆ 12:00 noon Mass



MARY MOTHER OF GOD SOLEMNITY (NEW YEAR)

Monday, December 31, 2018

- ◆ 5:00 pm Vigil Mass

Tuesday, January 1, 2019

- ◆ 10:00 am Mass
- ◆ 12:00 noon Mass

IS GOD CALLING YOU?

Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister in order to help our world of today to truly "prepare the way of the Lord"?

If you think God is calling you, contact

Fr. Chris Lemieux,
Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto
at 416-968-0997 or by email at vocations@archtoronto.org.

Marylake Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 9th at 3 pm



This event will feature the Columbus Concert Band. The concert starts at 3 pm. Tickets are available for \$12 each for

adults and \$10 for children under 12 at Marylake or on line a www.marylake.com. Bring the whole family. We are located at 13760 Keele St. in King City.

For more information, contact us at info@marylake.com

St. Vincent de Paul Society



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St. Mark's Conference

Know of a neighbour in need?

905-640-6954 ex.3

DECEMBER 9, 2018

Church Expansion



Construction of outer and inner walls



St. Mark Parish - Day of Confessions Saturday, December 15th at St. Mark's School



Parish Confession Times: 1 pm to 5 pm

1 pm to 3 pm Fr. John Duffy

3 pm to 5 pm Fr. Michael Hughes

Confessions will take place in the gym office at St. Mark's School.

Church Office - Holiday Hours

December 24, 25 and 26 Closed

December 27 and 28 Open from 9 am to 12 pm

December 31 & January 1 Closed

2018 Tax Receipts

The books will be closed for 2018 donations on Sunday, December 30th, 2018



Any donations you wish to make for 2018 must be received by **December 30th, 2018.**

Anything after this date will apply to the 2019 year.

Your name and address will appear exactly as it does on your offertory donation box.

If there are any changes, please contact the office before December 17th.

Conversion:

Following the Call of Christ
Beginning February 5, 2019

You're invited to enrich and immerse yourself in this wonderful program!



St Mark's Parish will be running this 6 week program on Tuesday evenings starting

February 5th at 7:30 pm at

St. Mark's School in the library.

Each session will consist of a video presentation and small group discussion.

Sign-up sheets are now available at the desk outside the gym.

There is no fee to attend the program; however, the cost of the workbook is \$15.

Description of the Program:

Bishop Robert Barron illuminates six biblical stories of conversion, demonstrating how six ordinary people, just like you, were met by Jesus where they were and called to a better life through him. The common theme in each story is the turning of all one's attention and energy toward an ever deeper, personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

Discerning Religious Life

Young Women 18 to 33

Thinking of the Sisterhood?

Join the Daughters of St. Paul for Evening Prayer, Supper and Book Club using "Discerning Religious Life"

by Sr. Clare Matthiass, CFR

Every **2nd Wednesday of the month** from 6:30 pm - 9 pm

Pauline Books and Media

3022 Dufferin St., Toronto

Please email Sr. Helena Burns by Wednesday morning if you plan to attend: srhelenaburns@gmail.com

Lunch Time Supervisor Needed

Looking for a lunch time supervisor at St. Mark Catholic Elementary School.

The hours would be from 11:20 a.m. - 12:20 p.m. on Mondays & Tuesdays and is a paid position. Other hours may be available in future if interested. **Contact Mrs. Wawryk, School Secretary at 905-640-2915.**

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