# St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

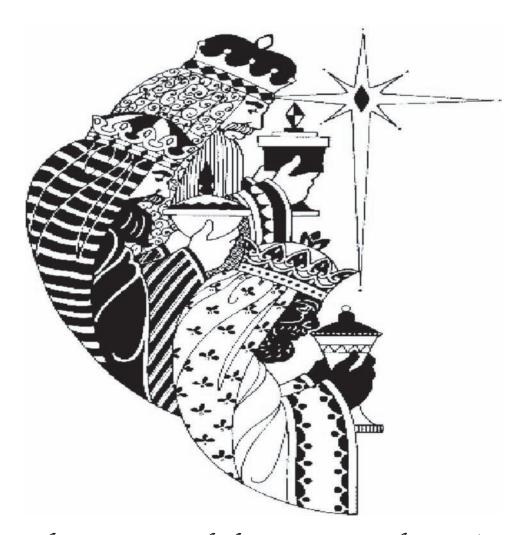
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#### STAFF

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Father, You revealed Your Son to the nations by the guidance of a star. Lead us to Your Glory in Heaven by the Light of Faith.

## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

#### Mass Intentions For The Week

Tuesday, January 5<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 pm **†** Costanza Duco req. by Anna Metauro and Family Trevor O'Connor req. by Stefoff Family **†** Aldo Nardi req. by Angela and Domenic Di Bernardo Wednesday, January 6th @ 8:30 am 🕇 Tosca Meiorin req. by Family Thursday, January 7<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 am Seana Maguire and Family req. by Fr. Michael Friday, January 8th @ 10:00 am **†** Pauline Cherkas req. by Martha Robertson Saturday, January 9th @ 9:00 am Pope, Bishops, Priests, Hughes & McConville Families req. by Fr. Michael Dr. John Laffey and Family req. by Fr. Michael 🕇 Mary Hanratty req. by Fr. Michael **T** Trevor O'Connor req. by Stefoff Family **†** Daniel Ciardullo req. by Lucy and Mario Ciardullo @ 5:00 pm **†** Carmel Ryder req. by Monique Maxwell Sunday, January 10th @ 9:00 am St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael @ 11:00 am **†** Ray Foley reg. by Mary and Rick Powell @ 12:30 pm **T** Bridget Cummins req. by Peter and Anna Gallagher **Pray For The Sick** Darrel Boddington, Debbie Beauchamp, Modesta Manias, Phyllis Hillick and Margaret O'Boyle (Mother of Peter O'Boyle) **Pray For The Recently Deceased** Helene Neal, Jack Flanagan, Grace Bodogh, Aldo Nardi

## Vocations

"On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ's name? If you think God is calling you to be a priest religious or deacon, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org

## **Prayer Box**

Please leave your prayer requests in the prayer request box in the foyer and the Charismatic Prayer Group will be pleased to pray for your intentions at their meetings.

## New Beginnings Event

#### Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

New Beginnings is a ministry dedicated to helping people who have suffered loss through death, separation or divorce. They will be hosting an evening of taize, prayer, song and reflection. Presentation to take place at the **Catholic Pastoral Centre, 1155 Yonge St. 4<sup>th</sup> Fl. (free underground parking available)**. All are welcome to attend. There is no cost for this event.

## Villanova College – Open House

Please join us for a personal tour on the first Thursday of every month from 10 am – 12 pm from January to May. As York Region's only independent, Catholic school, Villanova College offers an enriched academic program from Grade 4 to university admissions, focusing on the development of the whole child through the teachings of the Catholic Church and through extensive co-curricular programs. For more information, please visit our website at www.villanovacollege.org or contact the Office of Admissions at 905-833-1909.

## Fertility Care Toronto

- •Are you planning to space your children and feeling unsure with the family planning system you're using?
- •Is your family complete and you are wondering what comes next for family planning?
- •Would you like to follow your faith but never learned a reliable scientific family planning method?
- Do you have PCOS, endometriosis or painful periods and are looking for solutions other than the birth control pill?
- •Are you suffering from infertility or recurrent miscarriage and don't know where to turn for effective treatments that are morally acceptable?

#### FertilityCare Toronto can help you.

#### www.fertilitycare.ca



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## **Squires – Thank you!**

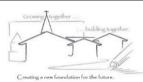
The St. Mark's Squires Circle would like to sincerely thank all of the parishioners that so generously contributed to the Tree of Life Christmas Campaign for the Rose of Sharon. Your donations of baby clothes, toys, blankets and other items were greatly appreciated!

## PARISH WEBSITE http://stmarkstouffville.ca

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## **JANUARY 3, 2016**

#### FAMILY OF FAITH CAMPAIGN



Amount pledged up to December 27: \$1,104,990

### WE'RERUNNINGTHEGOODRACE BUTWE'RENOTTHEREYET!



It's been an amazing race! Let's reach the finish line! Keep those commitment cards coming in!

Questions?Emailusat

stmarkscampaign@bellnet.ca

## **Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy**

A website with the locations of the Holy Doors, information about how to obtain the Jubilee Indulgence and other resources for the Year of Mercy can be found at: <u>https://www.archtoronto.org/mercy/</u>.

Partial List of designated churches with a Holy Door of Mercy: <u>St. Paul's Basilica</u> – 83 Power Street, Toronto <u>St. Theresa's Parish</u> – 2559 Kingston Road, Scarborough <u>Martyrs' Shrine</u> – 16163 Highway 12 West, Midland Marylake Shrine – 13760 Keele St, King City

#### Charismatic Prayer Group Tuesday, January 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm

Our Prayer Group meets every second Tuesday in the St. Anne's Room (next meeting January 5<sup>th</sup>). The evening will begin with Mass at 7 pm. Everyone is welcome.

#### Fellowship of the King Youth Ministry Friday, January 8<sup>th</sup> from 7 pm to 10 pm



We invite all High School aged youth to come out to our St. Mark's Youth Ministry evenings every second and fourth Fridays of the month.

#### First Communion Parent Meeting Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup> from 7 pm to 9 pm

There will be a First Communion Parent Catechetical Session in the church on January 11<sup>th</sup> beginning at 7pm. For those parents who have volunteered to help teach the children, a training session will take place at 7 pm in the Parish Hall on this same evening.

#### **Confirmation - Grade 8** Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> from 7 pm to 9 pm

The first preparatory Confirmation class for Gr. 8 students will take place on Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Hall beginning at 7 pm.



Parish Movie Night Saturday, January 16<sup>th</sup>



## This month's movie:



After he refuses to disavow his faith by signing a declaration that God is dead, a devout Christian student (Shane Harper) must prove the existence of God or else his college philosophy professor (Kevin Sorbo) will fail him.

Pizza, drinks and snacks on sale at 6:00 pm Movie to start at 6:30pm The movie is free of charge. Running Time: 112 minutes

## Steubenville Youth Conference July 22 – 24, 2016



The Steubenville Toronto Youth Conference will be coming to the UOIT Campus in Oshawa from July 22 – 24, 2016. Youth who will be in Grade 9 in September 2016 up to those who will be

graduating high school by the end of 2016 can attend this exciting conference. **Registration forms can be found in the church foyer. A non-refundable deposit of \$50 must be paid when booking a spot.** Please visit the website for further details **www.steubenvilletoronto.com** 

#### 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). Everyone is welcome.

## **Pulpit Announcements**

Please contact the church <u>office at least two weeks in</u> <u>advance</u> to arrange for your Ministry Group to make an announcement after Mass.

#### Moving??? Please inform the Parish Office.

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

