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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday 9 am - 3:30 pm Closed for lunch 12-1pm **JULY & AUGUST** 9 am - 12 noon **CLOSED MONDAYS**

SUMMERR SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASSES

- 7:00 pm Tuesday 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

RECONCILIATION

Saturday - 4:00 - 4:45 pm (or by appointment)

DEVOTIONS

Recitation of the Rosary

Mass)

Mother of Perpetual Help Novena

(Tuesday Evening Mass)

Divine Mercy

(Before Friday pm Mass)

St. Therese of Lisieux Novena (Saturday Morning Mass)

BAPTISM

Please pick up a Baptismal Package from the fover 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 to all new (Tues., Wed. & Thurs. before parishioners. We encourage you to register using the Registration Forms available from the foyer.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK AND HOUSE-**BOUND**

Please call the Parish Office to arrange.

ANOINTING 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 **Eucharistic Ministers** Finance Committee Funeral Luncheon Committee Knights of Columbus Lectors Ministry of Hospitality Parish Council Parish Music Ministry **Prayer Group** Sacramental Preparation Squires

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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!

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions For The Week

Tuesday, June 16th @ 7:00 pm

† Moira McConville req. by Fr. Michael

† Loretta Brooks req. by Kevin and Joan Murphy

† Maureen Timmins req. by Kevin and Joan Murphy

Wednesday, June 17th @ 8:30 am

† Domenico Metauro req. by Anna Metauro and Family

Thursday, June 18th @ 8:30 am

† Domenico Mirenzi req. by Anonymous

Friday, June 19th @ 8:30 am

† Salustiano Gamil req. by Flora Reodica

Saturday, June 20th @ 9:00 am

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

† Fr. Harbison req. by Fr. Michael

† Mario Cimone and Emidio Acciaccaferri req. by MaryLou and Family

† Josefina Dumanat and Jamie Gamboa req. by Angel and Cris Dumanat @ 5:00 pm

† Dino Raponi req. by Onesima and Tony Raponi

Sunday, June 21st @ 9:00 am

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael @ 11:00 am

† Salvatore Battaglia req. by Dorothy Battaglia and Family

Pray For The Sick

Darrel Boddington, Debbie Beauchamp, Douglas Ciceri Sr. and Margaret O'Boyle (Mother of Peter O'Boyle)

Pray For The Recently Deceased

Natalie Ware, Matthew Geremiah, Patricia Chalmers, Sean Evelyn, Christian Gareau, Michael Kirby

Parishioner Email Addresses

In order to facilitate communications with our Parishioners, we ask that you please provide us with your email address. This can be done by completing the yellow or blue slips being handed out at the front door, by writing your email address on the back of your envelope or by emailing stmarksbulletin@bellnet.ca

Vocations

If you feel God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, **Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org**

First Communion Ceremonies

We ask our Church community to remember the special children who participated in the First Communion preparation program in your prayers as they encounter Jesus for the first time in Holy Communion this June.

Totus tuus

Totus Tuus Summer Camp Snack and Lunch Donations

Our St. Mark's Summer Camp will take place from July 12th to 17th. During that week, arrangements need to be made for daily snacks and lunches for the four missionaries who will be staying in Stouffville as well as for approximately 20 youth who will be attending our evening program (all food items to be peanut and nut free). If you are able to help with snack or lunch donations on a particular day during the week of camp, please contact Lisa Baker at 905-640-6954 ext. 101 or by email at bakerkelly@rogers.com.

Thank you!

Fr. Michael and the Office Staff would like to thank **Marty McGinnis and Carol MacKay** for their wonderful help in redesigning the Church office space. We would also like to wish them all the best in their upcoming move.

Congratulations Nicholas and Sam

Over the last three years, **Nicholas Quadrini** has served as Chief Squire for the St. Mark's Circle. We would like to congratulate Nicholas on his outstanding job in this role and thank him for his commitment and dedication in leading the group. We would also like to congratulate **Sam Usling** for being elected as the new Chief Squire!

Corpus Christi Procession

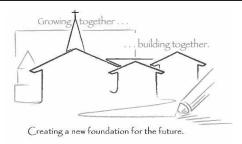
Fr. Michael would like to thank the following people for their help in organizing our beautiful Corpus Christi Procession last Sunday.

- The Fourth Degree Knights who participated in the Honour Guard.
- Altar Society and Squires for setting up the indoor and outdoor altars.
- **Da Vinci Flower Shop** for the floral arrangements and rose petals.
- First Communion Children and Flower Girls for their participation in the procession.
- The Altar Servers, Choirs, Canopy Bearers and Marshals for all of their assistance.
- The Medina and Gaerlan families for their help in organizing the event and reception.

Pilgrimage to Shrines in Quebec Saturday, August 29th to Monday, August 31st

A three day pilgrimage is being organized to the beautiful shrines of Quebec this summer. For more information, see the poster on the bulletin board or contact Amelia at 647-977-6991 or email ameliachongling@yahoo.com

ST. MARK'S FAMILY OF FAITH CAMPAIGN IS LAUNCHING SOON!



WHY ARE WE EXPANDING OUR CHURCH?

Because we have to!

- Stouffville and its Catholic community continue to grow.
 Whitchurch-Stouffville was the second fastest growing municipality in all of Canada. The Archdiocese of Toronto projections indicate the need for a church that seats over 600 just to accommodate regular Sunday services. We are also in dire need of meeting rooms for the many ministries that give such vigour to our parish.
- Seating capacity at Sunday Masses is at a maximum. At our popular Masses on Sunday at 9:00am and 11:00am, many parishioners are unable to find seating and must remain standing or elect to worship in the basement.
- Overflow to the basement is not a long term fix.
- Our current church structure fails to meet the basic modern accessibility requirements for access to our basement. To this end, we have incorporated an elevator into our future plans.

The Church Expansion Committee has developed plans for a renewed church facility that will serve our church family in meeting our pastoral, sacramental and fellowship objectives while incorporating more natural light and beauty.

This is a journey of faith and it is critical that we have as many helpers as possible! Please contact Mary Benincasa or Bruce Orr.

Remember: You WILL be trained and you WILL NOT be asking anyone for money!

Parish Council Annual General Meeting

Tuesday, June 16th at 7:30 pm

We invite all Parishioners to join us for the Parish Council Annual General Meeting in the St. Mark's Parish Hall.

EDGE Youth Night (Grade 6-8)

Friday, June 19th from 7:30 pm to 9 pm

The next EDGE Youth Night will be held at St. Mark's Church in the Parish Hall. We look forward to seeing our young people for the last EDGE night before the summer break.



Parish Movie Night



Saturday, June 20th

St. Anthony, The Miracle Worker of Padua

St. Anthony was born into a Portuguese noble family in 1195. He defied his father's wishes to become a knight and instead followed the call of God to become a humble monk. He eventually joined the Franciscans and was a follower of St. Francis of Assisi. Anthony became renowned for his powerful preaching and his miracles that won countless souls for Christ.

Pizza, drinks and snacks on sale at 6:00 pm Movie to start at 6:30 pm

There will be no charge to attend the show.

Italian with English subtitles Running Time: 95 minutes

Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick and Shut-ins

Saturday, June 27th at 9:30 am

The next meeting for the Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick and Shut-ins is scheduled to take place at the Church in the St. Anne's Room on Saturday, June 27th at 9:30 am.

Upcoming Parish Council Nominations

There will be upcoming nominations and elections this June for 2 openings for member at large positions on the Parish Council. These positions are for a 3 year term. The draw for the positions will take place mid-June. Nomination Forms are now available in the foyer and on the website – see last page of Parish Constitution. Please consider if you would be interested in serving our Parish Community in this capacity.



Rosary Apostolate in the Schools - Volunteers Needed

Do you have a devotion to Mother Mary, love children and pray the Rosary? If so, the Rosary Apostolate would like to hear from you. We are currently seeking volunteers to visit our Catholic elementary schools in Stouffville once a month from October to May. If you are interested in finding out more about the program, please contact Lisa Baker at 905-640-6954 ext. 101 or by email at bakerkelly@rogers.com.

There is a great need for volunteers.

Please take the time to prayerfully consider being an Apostle of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

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