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PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. Michael Hughes - Pastor
Deacon John Schwarzbauer
Deacon Wayne McCulloch

STAFF

Mary Ann Mehes - Administrator
Lisa Baker - Admin. Asst.
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 12-1pm
JULY & AUGUST
9 am - 12 noon
CLOSED MONDAYS

SUMMER SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday - 7:00 pm
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 - 4:45 pm (or by appointment)

DEVOTIONS

Recitation of the Rosary
(Tues., Wed. & Thurs. before Mass)

St. Therese of Lisieux

Novena
(Tuesday Evening Mass)

Holy Hour
(Thursday 9 - 10:00 am)

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

Please see website for policy explanation.

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
Prayer Music Ministry
Prayer Groups
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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!

CORPUS CHRISTI



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, June 20th @ 7:00 pm

- † Antonio Ciancio req. by Children
- † Jerry Montanari req. by Maria Montanari & Family
- † Tony Guastella req. by Caterina Guastella

Wednesday, June 21st @ 8:30 am

- † Bernard Novak req. by Bev Shewchuk & Family

Thursday, June 22nd @ 8:30 am and Holy Hour from 9 am to 10 am

- † Giuseppe Sinopoli req. by Teresa Sinopoli

Friday, June 23rd @ 7:30 pm

Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Our Archdiocese and Our World req. by Fr. Michael

Saturday, June 24th @ 9:00 am

Solemnity of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist

Pope, Bishops, Priests, Hughes &

McConville Families req. by Fr. Michael

Church in Quebec req. by Fr. Michael

- † Eugenie Villanueva req. by Eugenie Villanueva Landry and Kiana

- † Beverley Semon req. by Michael Semon

- † Corey Hay req. by Bianca Andrade & Hay Family @ 5:00 pm

- † Vincent Quinn req. by Quinn Family

Sunday, June 25th @ 9:00 am

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

@11:00 am

- † Salvatore Battaglia req. by Dorothy Battaglia & Family

Humanitarian Relief Famine in Africa

In response to the desperate food crisis in South Sudan, Yemen, Nigeria and Somalia, the Archdiocese of Toronto is launching a joint appeal with other faith communities to help the approximately **20 million people on the brink of starvation**. The Government of Canada has also created a "Famine Relief Fund" which will match every donation made until June 30, by individuals to registered Canadian charities participating in this campaign.

Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: <https://community.archtoronto.org>
- By phone through the Development Office at 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to "St. Mark's Church-African Famine-Humanitarian Relief"

Upcoming Solemnities

Friday, June 23 @ 7:30 pm

Sacred Heart – Solemnity

Saturday, June 24 @ 9:00 am

Saint John the Baptist – Solemnity

Thursday, June 29 @ 8:30 am

Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles – Solemnity

Spiritual Corner



Excerpt from:

St. Therese of Lisieux by those who knew her Testimonies from the process of beatification

Edited and translated by Christopher O'Mahony. Published by Veritas Publications.

"When she entered Carmel, our Lord showed her that true wisdom consisted in desiring to be ignored. The day of her profession she carried a note next to her heart, saying: 'May nobody take any notice of me; may I be trodden underfoot like a grain of sand.'" During her 1892 retreat (she was then nineteen), she wrote me a note saying: 'How good it is to be hidden away and unknown even to people who are living with us! I have never wanted fame; contempt attracted me, but I found that even that brought me too much notice, and I longed to be forgotten.' The further she advanced in perfection, the humbler she became. There were still some little involuntary faults that she could not overcome, but she did not let this discourage her: 'I am resigned to being always imperfect.' she said, 'and I even find happiness in it. I keep an eye on myself to see if I can discover any new imperfections.'" Testimony of

Mother Agnes of Jesus (Prioress of the Lisieux Carmel.)

St. Mark's Summer Camp

Kingdom Camp

Children entering Grades 2 to 4

Program Dates: Monday, July 10 to Friday, July 14

Children entering Grades 5 to 8

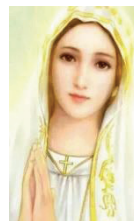
Program Dates: Monday, July 17 to Friday, July 21

Our Youth Ministry is pleased to share that registration for Kingdom Camp and Kingdom Camp Jr. has been so successful that we have decided to **extend our Early Bird pricing.**

First child is \$125, Each subsequent child is \$100

We encourage families to consider this fun and memorable faith-enriching experience for their children.

Photographic Exhibition Apparitions of Our Lady and Marian Shrines of the World at St. Mark's Church June 17 to June 23



A Photographic Exhibition of Marian Shrines and Apparitions from around the world will be on display in the **St. Mark's Church Hall**. The verified accounts date from as early as the 1st Century, with the latest date being 2004.

Exhibition Hours

Saturday, June 17th 9 am to 6:30 pm

Sunday, June 18th 10 am to 11 am & 12 pm to 2 pm

Monday, June 19th to Friday June 23rd 9 am to 4 pm

No charge but a freewill offering would be gratefully accepted. www.therealpresence.org/eucharst/mir/a3.html

Thank You For Your Generosity

Weekly Offering \$ 4,351 ShareLife \$ 8,938

JUNE 18, 2017

Congratulations Deacon John

We would like to congratulate Deacon John Schwarzbauer on the 15th Anniversary of his ordination as a Deacon and thank him for his tremendous service to the people of God. May God bless you abundantly Deacon John!

St. Mark's Youth Ministry Krispy Kreme FUNdraiser

June 17/18



Help support our St. Mark's Youth Ministry and their numerous activities and programs by purchasing a voucher for a box of delicious

Krispy Kreme Doughnuts. Voucher Sales

Vouchers will be on sale for \$10 in the foyer of the church after all Masses on the weekend of June 17th & 18th

Pickup Weekend

Use your voucher to pick up your doughnuts on the weekend of June 24th & 25th after Masses.

Charismatic Prayer Group

June 19th at 7 pm

The Charismatic Prayer Group will be meeting on Monday, June 19th at 7 pm in the St. Anne's room. All are welcome.



Parish Movie Night Saturday, June 24th



This Month's Movies (Double Feature):

After the Fall – A climber's true story of facing death and relying on God. Doctors told Craig's family he had only minutes to live. But God had other plans. A freak accident that should have ended in tragedy...began a triumph. Running time: 29 mins

Give Up Yer Aul Sins – Set in 1960's Dublin, this charmingly animated series dramatizes the arrival of a documentary film crew to Rutland Street primary school where they are treated to retellings of famous Bible stories from the children of Miss Peig Cunningham's class. Running time: 60 mins

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

The movie is free of charge.

Parish Council Elections

Sunday, June 25th

Parish Council nominations and elections will take place on June 25th for member at large positions.

Nomination Forms are now available in the church 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 or nominating someone.

Fall Seminar at St. Mark's Parish given by Cale Clarke

Tuesday, September 26th at 7:30 pm

"Homecoming"

How to bring loved ones home to the Catholic Church
We all have loved ones who have left the Catholic Church.

They are our children. Our grandchildren. Siblings and other relatives. Friends, neighbours and coworkers. Our hearts break for them as they brave the wilderness of life, outside the hearth and home of the Catholic Church. How do we bring them home? And why did they leave in the first place?

Understanding the answer your loved one gives to that last question is just as important as the first—if we don't grasp the real reasons people leave the Church, we'll never be effective in our attempts to help them home.

This is the subject of "Homecoming: How to Bring Family and Friends Home to the Catholic Church" by Cale Clarke, Director of The Faith Explained Seminars, here at St Mark's Parish. Hope to see you there!



ALPHA

Coming this Fall to St. Mark's

Alpha will begin September 27, 2017!

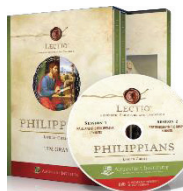
The program will run for 10 weeks on Wednesday nights in the Parish Hall.

The evenings consist of a warm meal, followed by a video and a group discussion. If you would like to participate or volunteer, please sign up at the bookstall.

Bible Study at St. Mark's

Fall of 2017

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Featuring the insightful biblical teaching of Dr. Tim Gray, this dynamic bible study series explores the power and joy of life in Jesus Christ and the partnership to which we are called in sharing the Gospel—in the early Church and today.

Location: St. Mark's Church

Date: Beginning October 3, 2017
(Tuesdays at 7:30 pm for 6 weeks)

For more information email:

stmarkspastoral@bellnet.ca or sign up at the bookstall after any of the weekend Masses.

Parish Council – Retiring Members



A very sincere thank you to the retiring members of our Parish Council who have completed their term: **Katie Boylan, Connie Quadrini, Judy Selvadurai and Mark Sullivan**, May God bless you all for your dedication, enthusiasm and hard work!

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