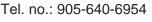
## St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

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#### PASTORAL TEAM

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

#### **STAFF**

Mary Ann Mehes-Administrator Lisa Baker-Admin, Asst. Emy Lomibao-de Asis-Friday Asst. Lad Mehes - Custodian

### **OFFICE HOURS**

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

9 am - 12 noon **CLOSED MONDAYS** 

### WINTER SCHEDULE

#### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Tuesday & Friday - 7:00 pm Wed. & Thurs. - 8:30 am - 9:00 am Saturday - 9:00 am Statutory Holidays Weekday Solemnities - 7:30 pm only

#### **SUNDAY EUCHARIST**

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

-12:30 pm

#### 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

(Tues., Wed. & Thurs. before parishioners. We encourage Mass)

#### Mother of Perpetual Help Novena

(Tuesday Evening Mass)

#### Divine Mercv

(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 you to register using the Registration Forms available from the fover.

### **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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#### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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St. Brigid's School 223 Millard St. T: 905-642-5100

#### **VOCATIONS TORONTO**

Serra House T: 416-968-0997 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!

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

# Mass Intentions For The Week

## Tuesday, March 17th @ 7:00 pm

**†** Mary and Frank Wittine

† Keith Markson req. by Anonymous

Wednesday, March 18th @ 8:30 am

**†** Karen Thompson req. by Geralyn Howell

Thursday, March 19th @ 7:30 pm

St. Mark Community req. Fr. Michael

Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup> Stations of the Cross @ 7:00 pm and Mass @ 7:30 pm

**†** Barbara Rozario req. by Maurice and Marlene Vella

## Saturday, March 21st @ 9:00 am

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

**†** Barbara Rozario req. by Louise and Jim Beauchamp

**†** Rena McMullen req. by Fr. Michael and McMullen Family

† Dr. Jack Cote req. by Peter Willan @ 5:00 pm

† Miguel Herrera Jr. req. by Marie and Camille Herrera

## Sunday, March 22nd @ 9:00 am

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

† Emidio Acciaccaferri req. by Romano and Family

@ 12:30 pm

† Dino Raponi req. Onesima and Tony Raponi

## **Vocations**

St. Paul reminds us that we are "created in Christ Jesus for good works". If you think God's plan for you could be a vocation in His Church, call Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at **416-968-0997** 

or by email at vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

## **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**

Rena McMullen, Loreta Russo and Norman Agnew



# Charismatic Prayer Group Tuesday, March 17th at 7:30 pm

Our Prayer Group meets every second Tuesday (next meeting **March 17**<sup>th</sup>). The evening will begin with Mass at 7 pm. Everyone is welcome.

### **Stations of the Cross**

## **Each Friday of Lent**

Stations of the Cross at 7 pm followed by Mass at 7:30 pm

## **Church Expansion Notices**

We will be updating our website on a regular basis with our progress for the Church Expansion. For more information, please go to <a href="https://www.stmarkstouffville.ca">www.stmarkstouffville.ca</a> and choose the Church Expansion Heading to find the following...

- Expansion Design Concept
- Responses to Questions about the Conceptual Expansion Design
- Feasibility Study Executive Summary

# 2015 Ontario Health & Physical Education Curriculum

On February 23, 2015, the Government of Ontario released its revised Health & Physical Education Curriculum. Visit <a href="https://www.archtoronto.org">www.archtoronto.org</a> to view a statement from Cardinal Collins in addition to a resource answering questions regarding implementation from a Catholic school perspective.



## **ShareLife Sunday**

Next Sharelife Sunday: April 12, 2015

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## New Evangelization Summit Ottawa April 24 – 25, 2015

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PARISH CONTACT: JEANETTE WOODLEY (905) 640 – 7884 SIGN-UP FORMS AVAILABLE IN THE FOYER AFTER 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM MASS ON SUNDAYS UNTIL MARCH 29, 2015.

## **Community Prayer at the Town Hall**

March 29th from 7 pm to 7:30 pm

For the month of March, the Community Prayer gathering has been moved to March 29<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

## **Solemnity of St. Joseph**

Thursday, March 19th at 7:30 pm

There will be no morning Mass on Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup>. Instead there will be an evening Mass at 7:30 pm.

## **Journey of Hope and Healing**

Thursday, March 19 from 7 pm to 8:30 pm

A Lenten series of talks will be held at Holy Cross Catholic Funeral Home at 211 Langstaff Rd. E., Thornhill (enter from Bayview Ave.) The speaker will be Fr. Carols Martins, CC. Topic: Relics of the Saints, Treasures of the Church. For more information, call 416-733-8544.

## Baby Luca Children's Craft Day Friday, March 20th throughout the day

The family of Baby Luca Gennuso would like to say thank you to the community for their support by hosting a Children's Craft Day in the Parish Hall of St. Mark's Church. There will be 45 minute craft sessions running from 9am to 4pm. For more information, please contact Karen Verrelli at kverrelli@hotmail.com.

## **EDGE Youth Night (Grade 6-8)**

March 20<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 pm to 9 pm

If you have a child in Grades 6 to 8, we invite them to come out and enjoy the excitement of our next EDGE Night on March 20<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 pm to 9pm in the Parish Hall. If you have any questions, email Ben and Krystiana at stmarksyouthministry@outlook.com

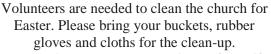
## Day of Confessions at St. Mark

Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup> from 9:30 am to 4:45 pm

Fr. Michael will hear confessions from 9:30 am to 10 am and 4 pm to 4:45 pm. Visiting Clergy available from 10 am to 4 pm.

# Church Cleaning for Easter Volunteers Needed

Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> starting at 9 am



Please sign-up on the sheet in the foyer if you are able to help out.

# Solemnity of The Annunciation of The Lord

Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm

There will be no morning Mass on Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. Instead there will be an evening Mass at 7:30 pm.

## **Women's Ministry Meeting**

Monday, March 30th at 8 pm

We would like to welcome and encourage all of the ladies of our parish to attend the next Women's Ministry meeting and to bring a friend. We hope you can join us!

# National Catholic Mission 2015 On VISIONTV

Monday, March 30th and Tuesday, March 31st

The National Catholic Mission 2015, "Beware of the Holy Spirit!" will be broadcast on VISIONTV on Monday, March 30 (Pt. 1) and Tuesday, March 31 (Pt. 2) at 6:00 pm and repeated at 10 pm. It will be hosted by Fr. Pat Fitzpatrick and feature Spiritan Fr. Anthony Gittins.



# SAVE THE DATE! Totus Tuus Summer Camp

July 12th - 17th, 2015

Children and youth of our parish are invited to join us for the Totus Tuus Summer Program at St. Mark. The grade school program, for children entering grades 1-6, runs Monday to Friday from 9 am to 2:30 pm. The cost is only \$75 for the first child in the family and \$60 for each additional sibling. The Intermediate/High School program for Grades 7-12 runs Sunday to Thursday from 7 pm to 9 pm and is free.

Starting March 30<sup>th</sup>, registration forms will be available for pickup at the church, St. Brendan school, St. Brigid school, St. Mark school, or can be downloaded from the St. Mark Church website at www.stmarkstouffville.ca. Registration will take place at St. Mark Church on April 18th from 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm, and after all masses on April 19th. First come, first served basis. More information about the program is also available at www.totustuustoronto.ca or email stmarkspastoral@bellnet.ca



## Ayni: Peru Mission Thank you from Hayley Barnes

To The St. Mark's Community,

Thank you all for the generous donation and the continuous support on my mission trip to Peru. I am so blessed to have grown up in such a loving and caring environment. Yours in Christ, Hayley

To follow those who are on the Humanitarian Trip to Peru, go to http://ycdsbperu.blogspot.ca

Please continue to pray for the safety of the St. Brother Andre High School students and teachers throughout their two week mission.

## **Prayer Box**

OUR PARISH PRAYER GROUP WILL PRAY FOR YOUR INTENTIONS-Please place your prayer request in the box located near the statue of our patron, St. Mark.

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