St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

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PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. Michael Hughes - Pastor Rev. Mr. John Schwarzbauer Deacon

Rev. Mr. Wayne McCulloch Deacon

Mary Ann Mehes - Secretary Lad Mehes - Caretaker

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday — Friday 9:00 am — 3:30 pm Closed for lunch 12 — 1 pm **CLOSED MONDAYS**

WINTER SCHEDULE WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon. Wed. Thurs. — 8:30 am Tuesday & Friday — 7:00 pm (except First Fridays-see below) Saturday — 9:00 am Statutory Holidays — 9:00 am

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday — 5:00 pm Sunday — 9:00 am (with Children's Liturgy) Sunday — 11:00 am Sunday — 12:30 pm

FIRST FRIDAY

Holy Hour, Adoration & Benediction 7:00 pm — 8:00 pm Mass — 8:00 pm (except Statutory Holidays 9:00 am Mass Only)

RECONCILIATION

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

DEVOTIONS

Recitation of the Rosary (Mon., Tues., Wed. & Thurs. BOUND

before 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 PARISH MINISTRIES months for an anticipated Altar Servers Baptismal date given only Altar Society after the parents attend the Children's Liturgy Preparation Class. This time Counter's Ministry delay is because of the very Extraordinary Eucharistic large number of baptisms and Ministers because we limit the number Finance Committee 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.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK AND HOUSE-

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.

Funeral Luncheon Committee Knights of Columbus

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Parish Music Ministry

R.C.I.A.

Sacramental Preparation

Social Committee

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St. Vincent de Paul Society

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to all new parishioners. We encourage you to register using the Registration Forms available from the foyer.

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

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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 EASTER

SHARELIFEMen who have responded to God's call to dedicate

Those who enter the priesthood come from different ages and backgrounds, economic situations, skill sets, and ethnic communities. At ShareLife-funded agencies such as Serra House, Redemptoris Mater, and St. Augustine's Seminary, they undergo extensive theological education and practical field training. Through ShareLife, you are helping sustain the vocations for priesthood and inspire discernment for God's call. Last year ShareLife helped support over 70 priests and seminarians in their formation studies.

Next ShareLife Sunday—June 1, 2014
Please give generously. You can work wonders

Mothers' Day Blessing

Holy God,
You compare your own love
for your people
to the love of a mother for her children.
Look with kindness on mothers,
give them comfort in moments of sorrow,
and joy in their work for their families.
Listen to their prayers,
and bless them in all they do for you.
Let them share with Jesus your Son
and Mary our mother
in the everlasting happiness of heaven.

Ordination to the Priesthood

On Saturday, May 10th, at 20 am, His Eminence, Thomas Cardinal Collins ordained the following men to the Priesthood at St. Michael's Cathedral: *Rev. Mr. Scot Birchall, Rev. Mr. Neiman D'Souza, Rev. Mr. Michael Simoes, Rev. Mr. Omar Alejandro Daza Hernandez, Rev. Mr. Marijan Šiško*.

Let us offer our congratulations and prayers as they begin their service to the people of the Archdiocese of Toronto

"The Good Shephered calls his own sheep by name and leads them. Is He asking you to help others to find Him? Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life, especially for our archdiocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst.If God is calling you, contact Fr. Hansoo Park at 416-968-0997. email vocations@vocations.ca www.vocationstoronto.ca

BUNDLE UP WEEKEND MAY 24-25, 2014 The SVDP truck will be in our parking lot this weekend accepting your donations of: women's and men's clothing, coats, children's wear, baby clothes, shoes, boots, household goods, drapes, books, toys, accessories. For info visit www.ssvptoronto.ca.

PLEASE NOTE: NO MATTRESSES OR APPLICANCES ACCEPTED. DO NOT BRING YOUR DONATIONS PRIOR TO THIS DATE. Thank you!

PRAYER BOX

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

2014 OFFERTORY BOXES

NO LONGER AVAILABLE FOR GENERAL PICK UP You must call the office and make arrangements to pick up you box.

DIVERSITE OF ESTATES.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday, May 13th@ 7.00 pm

For our conversion and repentance req. by Fr. Michael Tina Masci+ req. by Mike Masci & Family Weldon McEachen+

req. by Staff of St. Mark's School Wednesday, May 14th@ 8.30 am

For St. Augustine Priests – Class '94 req. by Fr. Michael

Thursday, May 15th @ 8.30am

Domenico Metauro+ req. by Anna Metauro

Friday, May 16th @ 7.00 pm Ochandiano Family reg. by Fr. Michael

Saturday, May 17th at 9.00 am

Pope, Bishops & Priests req. by Fr. Michael Hughes & McConville Families req. by Fr. Michael Rosie O'Dea+ req. by Fr. Michael

Josefina Dumanat+ req. by Angel Dumanat Leopoldo Gamboa+ req. by Chris Dumanat

Saturday, May 17th at 5.00 pm Saturday, May 17th at 5.00 pm

Joan & Vassil Simon+ req. by Dina & Michael Simon

Sunday, May 18th @ 9:00 am Blessed Trinity

req. by Gerardo & Antonietta Quadrini Sunday, May 18th @ 11.00 am

St. Mark's Parish req. by Fr. Michael

Annual Pilgrimage to Shrines of Quebec Sat. Aug. 23 – Mon. Aug. 25, 2014

See poster on bulletin board for details. For info contact Amelia @ 905-591-1570 or email ameliachongling@yahoo.com

DOMEST

Features CD, Books & Booklets. For purchase by donation. All material faithful to Christ. Great way to rekindle our faith as Catholics and sharing with family & friends

Feature CD of the week: No Turning Back

Fr. Donald Calloway MIC. How is a diehard agnostic transformed into a fervent apostle of Christ? Fr. Donald Calloway, a former drug dealer, will have you on the edge of your seat as he candidly shares the amazing story of how he was unexpectedly led into the Catholic Faith and to the priesthood by God's grace and the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary. His conversion can be compared to that of St. Augustine. Formerly titled: Former Drug Dealer to Catholic Priesthood.

MOBILE WEBSITE:

St. Mark Parish now has a mobile website. To access this on your cell phone, you may log on to www.stmarkstouffville.ca which will inform you of our Mass times and special events. You can also scan the QR code here.



MOVING ??? Please inform the Parish Office.

This will help us keep parish databases up to date

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

TUES. May 13 7:30-9 pm Hall
Canadian Saints and Us Series

TUES. May 13 @ 7:30 pm St. Anne's Room
Knights of Columbus Meeting
SAT. May 17 10:30 am-12:15 pm
Confirmation Rehearsal – Group B
SAT. May 17 3:30 pm-4:30 pm
Confirmation Confessions – Group B
SUN. May 18 Summer Mass Schedule begins
12:30 pm Sunday Mass
cancelled until the autumn

SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE BEGINS VICTORIA DAY WEEKEND

Our summer mass schedule is in effect starting Sunday, May 18th. Beginning this day the 12:30 pm Sunday Mass is cancelled until the autumn and the Friday weekday mass moves to 8:30 am in the morning.

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Your parish needs volunteers!! There will be upcoming nominations and elections this June. There are 2 positions with a 3 year term to be filled. Nominations will be filled by a draw. Nomination Forms now available from the Website—see last page of Parish Constitution. Please consider if you might be able to support our parish in this capacity.

Family Life and Drug Abuse Interactive Seminar Tuesday, May 27 @ 7:30 pm – Parish Hall

This interactive seminar will focus on family life and myth disruption re drugs and drug abuse. Facilitator Norman Panzica will deal with prevention, detection, coping, with practical tips on positive preventive parenting.

Canonization Website www.archtoronto.org/canonizations

Canadian Saints and Us Series
Tuesdays, May 13 from 7:30 – 9:30 pm
Facilitated by Jim Dunn, Archdiocese of Toronto. Come and join these interesting, informative and faith-filled discussions on how we can relate to the early Canadian servants of Christ (St. Marguerite Bourgeoys, St. Brother Andre Bessette and St. Kateri Tekakwitha).

St. Mark's Spring –Dinner Dance & Silent Auction Friday, May 23rd, 2014. Cocktails 6:30pm – Dinner 7:30pm Dancing 8:30pm till midnight

Sleepy Hollow Golf & Country Club Tickets \$55 per person on sale in the Church foyer after each Mass or call Charles Barnes @ 905.640.8230. Tables of 8 may be arranged on a first come, first served basis.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Beverly Semon, Roybn MacPherson, Darrel Boddington, Debbie Beauchamp, Patrick Mariani, James Villanueva & Douglas Ciceri Sr.

TOTUS TUUS BAKE SALE

Thank you so much!!!!

A big thank you to all those who helped make the Bake Sale and Raffle Fundraiser for the Totus Tuus summer camp a huge success. The generosity of all those who contributed baked goods and all those who purchased them was truly wonderful and was much appreciated. The grand total for the bake sale, raffle and snacks sold at the movie night came to \$1,506.50! Once again, thank you to our Parish family for supporting the camp for our children.

The winners of the raffle are:
First Place: Gerry DeLorey—10" Fondant Cake
Second Place: Bruce Orr—6" Fondant Cake
Third Place: Deborah Beauchamp—Designer Cupcakes

SAVE THE DATE!

Totus Tuus Summer Camp July 13th – 18th, 2014
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 7pm to 9pm and is
free. 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 26th from 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm, and after all
masses on April 27th. First come, first served basis. More information
about the program is also available at www.totustuustoronto.ca

ST. MARK'S PARISH MOVIE NIGHT Friday, June 6th at 7:30 pm

Before the summer break, we will be hosting one more parish movie night. We invite you to come and watch the beautiful film entitled **The Miracle of Our Lady of Fatima**. This much loved movie thoughtfully recreates the 1917 events that brought hope and new religious fervour to a war-ravaged world. Three peasant youths see a vision: a woman in a cloud of light offering words of faith and prophecy. They face skepticism and torture- but are soon embraced by faithful masses drawn by the promise of a miracle. As the New York journal- American observed, the movie "lights up the screen like a ray of sunshine." There will be no charge to attend but goodwill offerings towards our parish's youth activities are gratefully accepted. Snacks and drinks will be sold for a small fee.

Running time: 102 minutes

DONATION OF PEWS

Our sincerest thanks to **O'Neil Funeral Home** for the donation of the oak pews to the parish. We thank Patrick LeBlanc, Manager of O'Neil Funeral home, and volunteers Kim Jones, Francis Kelly, Robert Tabone, John Halse and Brandon Lougheed for loading the pews onto the trailer supplied by Marcel Raes to facilitate the transportation to the parish. We also thank Charles Barnes, Mike Rosario and Sal Lombardo for their assistance in the unloading of the heavy oak pews. Thank you to all who worked so hard to make this delivery possible. God Bless!!

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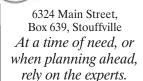
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