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PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. Tad Walczyk - Pastor
Deacon John Schwarzbauer
Deacon Wayne McCulloch
Deacon Gordon Lee

STAFF

Sara Moreno-Stober - Office Administrator
Lisa Baker - Pastoral Administrator
Marcel Raes - Custodian
Emy Lomibao-de Asis - Friday Asst.
Grant Lalata - Youth Minister

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday
9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Closed for lunch 12 - 1:00 pm
CLOSED MONDAYS

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday & Thursday - 7:00 pm
Wednesday & Friday - 9:00 am
Saturday - 9:00 am
Statutory Holidays - 9:00 am

FIRST FRIDAY

Mass at 9:00 am and 7:00 pm
Eucharistic Adoration 9:30 am - 7:00 pm
All other Fridays: Adoration 9:30 am - 1 pm

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

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

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9:30 - 10:00 am
4:00 - 4:45 pm (or by appointment)

PRIVATE PRAYER

Mon., Tues., & Thurs. - 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Wed. & Fri. - 9:30 am to 4:00 pm
First Friday - 9:30 am to 7:00 pm

DEVOTIONS

Recitation of the Holy Rosary
(Before Weekday Masses)
Mother of Perpetual Help
Novena
(After Wednesday Mass)
Divine Mercy Chaplet
(Before Friday Masses)

BAPTISM

Please pick up a Baptismal package from the foyer of the Church. Upon submission of the "Request for Baptism" form, please allow up to 3 months for a Baptismal date, which will be given only after the parents attend the Preparation Class. Baptism Ceremonies are held on the 2nd Sunday of each month and on the 4th Sunday if needed.

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 HOME-BOUND

Please call the Parish Office.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office.

MEMORIAL MASS

See website for policy.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome. We encourage you to register using the Registration Form available in the foyer or on the website.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Servers
Altar Society
AV Team
Children's Liturgy
Counter's Ministry
Eucharistic Ministers
Federation of North American Explorers
Finance Committee
Funeral Luncheon Committee
Greeters/Ushers
Knights of Columbus
Lectors
Media Stand & Bookstall
Movie Night
Parish Council
Parish Music Ministry
Prayer Shawl
RCIA & RCIC
Rosary Apostolate
Sacramental Preparation
Social Committee
Squires
St. Vincent de Paul Society
Women's Ministry
Youth Ministry

VOCATIONS TORONTO

Serra House
T: 416-968-0997
W: vocationstoronto.ca

ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

T: 416-934-0606
W: archtoronto.org

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

Blessed Chiara
Badano School
55 Meridan Dr.

St. Katharine Drexel
High School
55 Meridan Dr.

École catholique
Pape-François
276 Sunset Blvd.
T: 905-642-3440

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. They are also encouraged to get involved in a parish ministry.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Mass Intentions for the Week

- Tuesday, May 7th @ 7 pm**
- † Rosa & Rocco Rigillo req. by Di Rienzo Family
 - † Souls in Purgatory req. by Lorraine Majcen
 - † Immacolata Masci req. by Masci Family
 - † Honorio Castro Sr. req. by Dodie & Tessie Castro
 - † Peter Scott & Deceased Members of the Family req. by Ann Marie Munro
 - † Frances Perri req. by Carolina Moretti
 - † Lena Perri req. by Carolina Moretti
- Wednesday, May 8th @ 9 am**
- † Matthew Benincasa req. by Mary & Emilio Benincasa
- Thursday, May 9th @ 7 pm**
- † Maura Fernandez req. by Onesima Raponi
- Friday, May 10th @ 9 am**
- Thanksgiving for Margaret Ho req. by Cong Family
- Eucharistic Adoration from 9:30 am to 1 pm**
- Saturday May 11th @ 9 am**
- † Bibiano Gaerlan req. by Elena Medina
 - † Luisa, Alberto & Giuseppina Di Rienzo req. by Di Rienzo Family
 - † Gertrude Toal req. by Maureen Morrison
 - † Joseph Varghese req. by Abraham Joseph
 - Intentions of Nguyen Family req. by Vincent Nguyen
 - Intentions of Albeiro & Elena Moreno req. by Carlos Moreno
 - Healing for Avila Tabucan req. by Lisa Baker & Family
- @ 5 pm**
- † Bibiano Gaerlan req. by Medina Family
- Sunday, May 12th @ 9 am (also livestreamed)**
- Thanksgiving to Mother Mary req. by Di Rienzo Family
- @ 11 am**
- † Pauline Wappler req. by Louise Beauchamp
 - St. Mark's Community req. by Fr. Tad

Confessions Saturday 9:30 to 10 am & 4 to 4:45 pm or by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration Every Friday

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place each **Friday from 9:30 am to 1 pm and on the First Friday of the month from 9:30 am to 7 pm ending with Benediction.** We ask for help to ensure at least 2 people in the church each hour of Adoration by **signing in with the paper registration sheet at the back of the church.** Please consider attending for even 5-10 minutes.

Is God Calling You

The greatest love story that ever happened: God's continuing love for His people. All God asks is "Love one another as I have loved you". The world really needs to see people who are trying to love others with all their hearts. Priests, religious, and deacons can be excellent examples of this love. If you are willing to answer God's call, call Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocation Director at **416-968-0997.**

Email vocations@archtoronto.org
 Website www.vocationstoronto.ca

ShareLife

ShareLife: Live the Gospel by supporting our vulnerable brothers and sisters

ShareLife Sunday is June 2nd. and we call upon your compassionate hearts to support ShareLife. Through your love, Catholic agencies bring the hands of Christ to the most vulnerable members of our community. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Catholic Education Week May 5th – 10th

We Are Called To Love

During Catholic Education Week, we give thanks for the gift of publicly funded Catholic Education in our province. Catholic schools foster supportive communities where children can experience the joy of God's love and understanding the Christian mission in the world. Together, our parishes, educators and families sow and nurture the seeds of faith with the next generation of Catholics, encouraging them to live lives of holiness and Christian witness as one body in Christ. To indicate your support of Catholic education and sign-up for email updates, visit: www.togetherinfaith.ca.

Feast of Our Lady of Manaoag Sunday, May 12th at 1 pm




The Devotees of Our Lady of Manaoag in Canada, in cooperation with the Magnificat Catholic Prayer Community invite you in celebration of the *Feast of our Lady of Manaoag* **May 12, 2024 at 1:00pm**

Rosary and Procession is followed by the celebration of the Holy Eucharist, officiated by his Excellency Bishop Robert Kasun. Come and join us!

Regina Mundi Retreat Center
 19309 Warden Avenue
 Queensville, Ontario, Canada

NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE Thursday, May 9th in Ottawa

 *The March for Life is the largest annual demonstration on Parliament Hill.*

Rally & March Thursday, May 9th

10 am – Mass at Notre Dame Cathedral & St. Patrick's Basilica
 12:30 pm – Rally on Parliament Hill
 1:30 pm – March downtown Ottawa
 Live Broadcast On EWTN 11:30-3:30 pm
 Visit MARCHFORLIFE.CA or CALL 1-800-730-5358

MAY 5, 2024

EDGE

Friday, May 10th from 6 pm to 8 pm

Our next **EDGE** night for youth in Grades 5 to 8 will be on Friday, May 10th from 6 pm to 8 pm.

Please invite your friends! Registration forms will be available at the session. For further information, email our Youth Minister, Grant, at stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com.

Follow us on Instagram: @stmarksyouthmin

Mother's Day Gift Basket Raffle

May 11th and 12th



The St. Mark Knights of Columbus will be holding our third annual Mother's Day draw on May 11th & 12th. Please buy a ticket for a chance to win a beautiful gift basket for a lady or mother. All proceeds will go to support subsidizing a bus for St. Mark's Parishioners to attend the March for Life in Ottawa on May 9. **Raffle tickets are \$10/each and will be sold after all three Masses.**



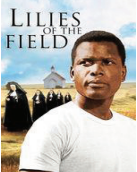
All purchases are winners! Included with each purchase is a beautiful rose Crucifix pin.



MOVIE NIGHT



Saturday, May 25th at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall



This month's movie: Lilies of the Field

Homer Smith, played by Sidney Poitier, is driving through the Arizona desert when he meets five impoverished nuns. Stopping to fix their leaky farmhouse roof, Homer discovers that not only will the Mother Superior not pay him for the job, but she also wants him to build their chapel - for free! Hesitant at first, Homer soon finds himself single-handedly raising the chapel.

Pizza, drinks, and snacks on sale at 6:00 pm

Movie to start at 6:30pm

The movie is free of charge.

Running Time: 95 minutes

St. Mark's Annual Golf Tournament & Dinner Event at Spring Lakes Golf Club

Saturday, June 22nd



SAVE THE DATE!
'A SWING AND A PRAYER'
GOLF TOURNAMENT AND
EVENING EVENT AT SPRING
LAKES GOLF CLUB ON
SATURDAY JUNE 22nd, 2024.

Golf with Cart & Evening Dinner Event \$150 per person.

Cost to attend the Dinner Event Only \$65 per person.

Tickets on sale after all Masses.

Registration forms for the golf tournament can be picked up at the back of the church.



Totus Tuus Summer Camp

July 21st - 26th, 2024

Children and youth of our parish are invited to join us for the Totus Tuus Summer Camp Program.

Children entering Grades 1-6

Program Dates: Monday to Friday from 9 am to 2:20 pm

Cost: \$75 for the first child in the family

\$65 for each additional sibling.

Cash and Cheque only.

Intermediate/High School program for Grades 7-12

Program Dates: Sunday to Thursday from 6 pm to 9 pm

Cost: Free

Complete the online registration form on the St. Mark's Church website at www.stmarksst.archtoronto.org

or scan the QR code. Then attend in-person at St. Mark's Church to complete the paperwork and drop off the payment on



May 4th from 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm.

First come, first served basis.

More information about the program is also available at

www.totustuutoronto.ca or email Grant Lalata at

stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com.

We are also looking for youth and adult volunteers to help with the day-time camp. If you would like to volunteer, please email

stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com.



Sacramental Celebrations



We ask for your prayers for God's blessing on all the children of our parish who will be receiving the Sacraments of First Holy Communion or Confirmation in May & June.



Past Faithful Navigator's Ball

Saturday, June 1, 2024 at St. Patrick's Parish

St. John Paul II Assembly 3325 (Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus) is hosting its annual Past Faithful Navigator's Ball on June 1, 2024 at St. Patrick Parish in Markham. Mass is at 5 pm, followed by dinner at 6 pm. Tickets are \$60 each and include a delicious meal, wine at your table, and dessert, followed by dancing hosted by a professional DJ. Our special guest and speaker is Deputy Supreme Knight Arthur Peters.

To purchase tickets or sponsor a prize for the raffle draw, please email Nicholas Quadrini at kofc@nicholasquadrini.ca.

Whitchurch Stouffville Prayer Breakfast

Theme: Building Community Together Through Christian Faith

Location: Oakview Terrace, 13256 Leslie Street

Guest Speaker: Daniel Rossi

Date: May 16, 2024 at 7 am

Tickets can be purchased at: Candlelight and Memories
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