St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

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PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. Michael Hughes - Pastor Deacon John Schwarzbauer Deacon Wayne McCulloch Krystiana Garde-Lyn-Youth Minister

STAFF

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

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday 9 am - 3:30 pm Closed for lunch 12-1pm

WINTER SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday & Friday - 7:00 pm (except First Fridays-see below) Wednesday & Thursday - 8:30 am - 9:00 am Saturday Statutory Holidays - 9:00 am Weekday Solemnities - 7:30 pm only

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 - 4:45 pm (or by appointment)

DEVOTIONS

Recitation of the Rosary

(Tues., Wed. & Thurs. 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 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 RCIA parish one year in advance. If either party has previously gone through any form of civil St. Vincent de Paul Society or religious marriage no date Ushers may be set until the Bishop's Women's Ministry 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.

Altar Society Children's Liturgy Counter's Ministry **Eucharistic Ministers** Finance Committee Funeral Luncheon Committee Knights of Columbus Lectors Media Stand & Bookstall Ministry of Hospitality Parish Council Parish 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!

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions For The Week

Tuesday, October 27th @ 7:00 pm

Cesare and Rosanna Rizzuto req. by Vincenza Blum

Sandro DiGiancroce req. by Stefanie Bruno

† Pat Hughes req. by Fr. Michael

Wednesday, October 28th @ 8:30 am

T John Niedra req. by Fr. Michael

Thursday, October 29th @ 8:30 am

T Ryan L'Abbe req. by Fr. Michael

Friday, October 30th @ 7:00 pm

† Giovanni Petramala req. by Mario Petramala

Saturday, October 31st @ 9:00 am

Pope, Bishops, Priests, Hughes & McConville Families req. by Fr. Michael Drew and Altina Marquart req. by Ossi and Ann Pierotti

T Beverley Semon req. by Michael Semon

🕇 Otto Erkinger req. by Tom Erkinger

† Ann Gallagher req. by Peter and Anna Gallagher

@ 5:00 pm

† Deceased members of O'Reilly and Loewen Families req. by Frank and Sylvia Loewen

Sunday, November 1st @ 9:00 am

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

@ 11:00 am

† Salvatore Battaglia req. by Dorothy Battaglia and Family

@ 12:30 pm

† Silvio and Rosina Pierotti req. by Ossi and Ann Pierotti

Pray For The Sick

Darrel Boddington, Debbie Beauchamp, and Margaret O'Boyle (Mother of Peter O'Boyle), Grace Bodogh, Modesta Manias

Pray For The Recently Deceased

Laura Fantini, Molly McManingwell, Douglas Ciceri Sr., Antonio Monaco, Gennaro Bruno, Barbara Neal

Vocations

The blind beggar Bartimaeus would not listen to the many people scolding him to be quiet, but shouted all the louder in prayer "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Only then did Jesus call him over and answer his need. Bartimaeus becomes a powerful example of how persistent we must be in prayer when we are asking God to show us His Will for our lives. And then, ask Him for the grace to accept it. If you feel God is offering you the grace of a Church vocation, call Fr. Christ Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org

Prayer Box

Please leave your prayer requests in the prayer request box in the foyer and the Charismatic Prayer Group will be pleased to pray for your intentions at their bi-weekly meetings.

World Mission Sunday

The Church is missionary throughout the year and it is every day that we are missionaries. The Pontifical Society for the Propagation of the Faith thanks you for your great generosity. It commits itself to pay in full the donations collected on World Mission Sunday of October 18 to the sister churches from Africa, Asia, Oceania, South America and Eastern Europe. Once again, your generosity is constant from one year to another. *Thank you!*

A Church in Dialogue

Please take note that the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops has recently released a document entitled "A Church in Dialogue: The Catholic Church and Interreligious Dialogue." You are encouraged to download the text from the CCCB website. It is both timely and most informative. http://www.cccb.ca/site/images/stories/pdf/Nostra_Aet ate - 50th Anniversary.pdf.

ORAT Project Hope

We would like to ascertain if our parish is in a position to help a Refugee family. We invite anyone who is interested in being part of a **Project Hope Parish Sponsorship Committee** to please see the website for the Archdiocesan link with further information or call the church office.

Come and See Weekend

November 6 to November 8

The Office of Vocations is hosting a <u>COME & SEE WEEKEND</u> at St. Augustine's Seminary. Providing a time to pray, to



learn what seminary formation is about & time to interact and socialize with the seminarians & priests of the seminary. The weekend offers opportunities for Communal Prayer, Mass, Adoration and confession.

From Friday Nov 6 at 7pm to Sunday Nov 8 at 1:30 pm For more information call 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org

Thanksgiving Food Drive

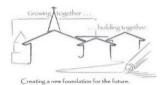
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Have you sent in your commitment card yet?

If you have already received your information package from your ambassador, you received a commitment card. Have you returned it yet?

Our ambassadors are all tasked with following up on their visits. If the card isn't returned, there's a gap in our records that needs to be filled!

Please drop your commitment card in the offertory, or in the mail or into the church office. Make life a little easier for our ambassadors!

If you have not yet received your information package, don't worry! You will! We're just working our way through the first 400 families! We'll get there!



Questions? Email us at stmarkscampaign@bellnet.ca

Month of the Holy Souls - November

Remembrance of the Faithfully Departed
During November, the *Month of the Holy Souls*, we join
the whole Church, in prayerful remembrance of the
faithful departed members of our families and our parish
community. We remember them, both on All Souls Day,
November 2nd and each of our Friday evening masses
during this month. If you want your loved ones to be
remembered in our Masses, please write down their
names on the ALL SOULS envelopes available in the
foyer. Beginning the weekend of October 17/18 and for
the entire month of November, there will be a glass
vase in front of the altar. You may place your ALL SOULS
envelope in the receptacle.

Thank You!

Thank you to **Ian Munro** and **Francis Kelly** for working on the roof to replace the bolts in the steeple.

Thank You For Your Generosity

Weekly Offering \$ 8,435 World Mission Sunday \$ 2,572

The Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Prayer Group Tuesday Afternoons

The Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Prayer Group meets every Tuesday afternoon from 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm. Everyone is welcome.

St. Mark's Women's Ministry Meeting

Monday, October 26 at 7:30 pm

Michelle Dizon of our parish, and her mother Lorraine Majcen, will provide faith testimonials, followed by small group discussions, refreshments and socializing.

Come out...and bring a friend!

Charismatic Prayer Group

Tuesday, October 27th

The Prayer Group meets every second Tuesday. The evening will begin with Mass at 7 pm. Everyone is welcome.

Confirmation Registration -Grade 7 Important Dates

Confirmation Online Registration for Grade 7 students begins Monday, November 2nd at 9 am and is on a first-come first-serve basis.

A mandatory **Parent Meeting** will take place on <u>Wednesday, November 11th, 2015 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the church</u>.

40 Hour Adoration at St. Mark's

November 6th and 7th

We invite all parishioners to come and spend some quiet time of worship and prayer with Our Lord during our 40 Hour Adoration. **Sign-up sheets are located in the foyer.**

St. Mark's Christmas Pageant



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