St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

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Let us be thankful ...

Let us be thankful for the blessings we receive. Let us be thoughtful of others. Let us remember dear and close friends. Let us have faith in tomorrow. Let us live life as a Golden Rule. *Let us find sunlight through the clouds.* Let us believe.

Let us be the people we have the ability to be. Let us have understanding.

> Let us say this thanks in prayer To God, for the gifts He has given.

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Volunteers are needed to lead the Rosary 20 minutes before each weekend Mass in October.

If you are interested in volunteering, please sign up on the sheet in the fover.

Winter Mass Schedule

The Winter Mass Schedule will begin on Sunday, October 16, 2016.

Town Hall Prayer Meeting

Where: W.S. Town Council Chamber, 111 Sandiford Dr. When: Sunday, October 16 Time: 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

oiritual Corner **Excerpt from:**

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

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"The judge wanted to know if this paternal result in her being a bit spoiled. Not at all; r, but he did not spoil her. One day (she was he took the liberty of saying to him: 'Come 'He reprehended her and made her see that wrong. For her once was enough; she was espectful from that on. I never knew her to r position at the expense of her sisters; quite After her mother's death she regarded her s, especially me, as her mother. I cannot her disobeying me even once; she asked everything." – Testimony of Mother Agnes of Jesus er sister and future prioress of the Lisieux Carmel.)

'ld Mission Sunday

World Mission Sunday will take place on 3. This is a worldwide collection for the v Church that provides emergency aid.

Catholic Corner E MIRACULOUS MEDAL



It was almost midnight, when Sister Laboure was awakened by someone calling her. She saw at the foot of her bed a beautiful child, beckoning her to follow; arriving at the

eheld Our Lady, who spoke to her. 27 1830, the Virgin Mary made a In her hands Our Lady held a small e, with a tiny cross at its top, and od as she prayed. Upon her fingers ngs, filled with precious stones. As hot forth from the stones, Our Lady yes and spoke to Catherine Laboure: ch you see is the world; I am praying everyone in the world. The rays are nich I give to everyone who asks for them. But there are no rays for some of these stones; many people do not receive graces because they do not ask for them."

And a voice said: "Have a medal made according to this picture. All who wear it when it is blessed will receive many graces especially if they wear it suspended about their necks.

In June, 1832, the first 2,000 medals appeared. So many miracles were wrought by the use of the medal, that it was called "The Miraculous Medal."

Wear the medal or keep it close to you and ask Our Lady for these graces. Miraculous Medals are available at the bookstall and can be blessed by Father or a deacon. The Miraculous Medal is one of the many blessings of being Catholic! Reference:www.roman-catholic-saints.com

PARISH WEBSITE http://stmarkstouffville.ca

OCTOBER 9, 2016

Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)

Thank you for all you do in support of St. Mark's Parish. The work of our parish is made possible through the giving hearts of parishioners like you. Next week, a staff member from the Development Office of the Archdiocese will visit to tell you more about the Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) program which we will launch next week. PAG allows you to support your parish when you are away – a benefit to

the church, since expenses continue all year long. Enrollment forms are available in the church foyer.

If you are ready to join the program, you may bring a void cheque so you can sign up. For more information, please call the parish office.

(Please note: Parishioners who currently use numbered offertory envelopes are encouraged to continue using them. PAG only applies to offertory. You may continue to place your Sunday envelope in the offertory basket –

simply write "PAG" on the front.)



Charismatic Prayer Group

 Monday, October 10th at 7 pm
 Please join us on Monday, October 10th for our Charismatic Prayer Meeting.
 Our Prayer Group meets every second Monday in the St. Anne's Room. Everyone is welcome.

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

Beginning **October 11th**, The Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Prayer Group will resume meeting **every Tuesday afternoon from 3 pm to 4 pm in**



the St. Anne's Room. Confirmation Parent Meeting

October 12th from 7 pm to 8:30 pm

A mandatory **Parent Meeting** will take place on <u>Wednesday, October 12th, 2016 from 7:00 p.m.</u> to 8:30 p.m. at the church.

Parish Movie Night Saturday, October 15th



<u>This month's movie:</u> <u>Mother Teresa</u>

The life story of Mother Teresa of Calcutta, the selfless missionary who brought hope, love and salvation to the poorest of the poor. The movie covers her life from her childhood in Albania in the 1920's to her first calling as a nun and her great work of service in Calcutta and the rest of the world.

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

The movie is free of charge. Running Time: 177 minutes

High School Youth Ministry Kick-Off

We welcome **youth in high school** to join us on **Friday** October 28 from 7 – 10 PM in the Parish Hall.

Recollection for Women Monday, October 17th

The recollection includes 2 meditations by a priest of Opus Dei, a talk on living the Christian life in the middle of the world, an examination of conscience and an opportunity

for confession beginning at 7 pm.

Altar Server Social October 22nd from 6 pm to 8:30 pm

<u>All Altar Servers are invited to</u> <u>attend a Halloween party.</u> When? October 22 Time? 6:00-8:30 (after mass) Where? Parish Hall

Food? Taco Bar to be served Costumes not needed, please bring \$2 to cover costs. Crafts, games and a short movie to be shown.

RSVP jodi@enigmaresearch.com Apostolate of the Shrine

Would you like to receive Our Lady in your home one day a month, so that her Son Jesus can be brought forth and reign in your family?



We are looking for twenty families who would like to join the Apostolate and receive the shrine of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, as she appeared at Fatima, in their home once a month. On the appointed day, each respective

family reads a Gospel passage, recites the rosary and makes an act of consecration to the Immaculate Heart

of Mary. Happy are those families which welcome in their homes the shrine of the Immaculate Heart of Mary every month: For wherever the Mother of God comes, so also comes her Divine Son. They bring peace, unity to the family, help in every necessity, and, above all, grace to lead a good life and obtain heaven.

To join, please contact **Lisa Baker at 905-640-6954** or by email at **stmarkspastoral@bellnet.ca**

Thank You For Your Generosity

- We would like to thank Penny Suikki and Pat Evelyn for refurbishing the hymnal covers.
- Thanks also to everyone who filled the Saint Vincent de Paul trailer last weekend.
- Thank you for your generosity in support of our St. Mark's Church Youth Ministry.
 With your help, we were able to raise \$1,722.

Weekly Offering \$7,248

Moving??? Please inform the Parish Office.

This will help us keep parish databases up to date and reduce future costs and administrative effort.

