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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. Krystiana Garde-Lyn-Youth Minister Lad Mehes - Custodian Emy Lomibao-de Asis-Friday Asst.

OFFICE HOURS

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

SUMMER SCHEDULE **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Tuesday

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

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

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

FIRST FRIDAY

Holy Hour, Adoration & Benediction 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

DEVOTIONS

Recitation of the Rosary (Tues., Wed. & Thurs. before Mass)

Mother of Perpetual Help Novena

(Tuesday Evening Mass) Divine Mercv

(Before Friday 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 Lectors six families, to preserve the Media Stand & Bookstall 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. 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 Edge **Eucharistic Ministers** Finance Committee **Funeral Luncheon Committee** Knights of Columbus Ministry of Hospitality

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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!

TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions For The Week

Monday, September 5th @ 9:00 am
T Claire Sutton req. by Fr. Michael
Tuesday, September 6th @ 7:00 pm

Maria Castro req. by Dodie and Tessie Castro and Family

Special Intentions req. by Jeannine Amyotte Iluminada Magsino req. by Cruz Family Thanksgiving req. by Bijo Family

Wędnesday, September 7th @ 8:30 am

Miguel Herrera Jr. req. by Marie and Camille Herrera

Thursday, September 8th @ 8:30 am Loretta Hughes req. by Fr. Michael

Friday, September 9th @ 8:30 am

† Fred Cimone req. by D'Ulisse Family

Saturday, September 10th @ 9:00 am Pope, Bishops, Priests, Hughes &

McConville Families req. by Fr. Michael

Guillermo Tuason req. by Crespo Family Gennaro Bruno req. by Stefanie Bruno

† Concetta and Giuseppe Cianflone req. by Connie Quadrini

@ 5:00 pm

T Leonardo Russo req. by MaryLou and Romano Acciaccaferri

Sunday, September 11th @ 9:00 am

† James Lyons req. by Fr. Michael

@ 11:00 am

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

Pray For The Sick

Darrel Boddington, Debbie Beauchamp, Modesta Manias, Clayton Parry



Is God Calling You?

Having a loose grasp on those things that rightly belong to God is required of every follower. The open hands you are left with will be filled by God and overflowing. Can you let go? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director,

Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 or

vocations@archtoronto.org



R. Michael Shewchuk Memorial Library book of the month:

Children's Book: St. Thomas Aquinas

Adult Book: Glimpses of the Church Fathers

Catholic Charities

A listing of Catholic <u>Charities in the Archdiocese of Toronto</u> can be found at <u>www.catholiccharitiestor.org</u>

Thank You For Your Generosity

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Community Prayer Meeting

Sunday, September 18 at 7 pm



TOGETHER IN CHRIST WE CAN SEE OUR COMMUNITY TRANSFORMED!

Christians from all of Whitchurch Stouffville are invited each month to come together to worship and pray for the needs of our churches, community, schools, government, businesses and individuals.

Where: W.S. Town Council Chambers

111 Sandiford Drive

When: Sunday, September 18

Time: 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

***St. Mark's Parish is looking for a representative to attend these monthly prayer meetings. If you are interested, please contact the church office. ***

Rededication of St. Michael's Cathedral

Friday, September 30, 2016

You are invited to join in celebrating the rededication of St. Michael's Cathedral on **Friday, September 30**th

at two FREE public events:

- Mass and Street Party beginning at 12 noon (first come, first-seated event)
 - and
- <u>Sacred Music Concert</u> featuring St. Michael's Choir School at 7 pm (free event with tickets available online on a first come, first served basis). Link for tickets will go live September 6: https://cathedralconcert.eventbrite.ca You must reserve a ticket to attend.

We look forward to celebrating this important milestone together as an archdiocesan community!

Habitat for Humanity

Habitat GTA has set up a Faith in Action Whitchurch-Stouffville campaign page at:

www.habitatgta.ca/faithstouffville

Gifts will be automatically tax receipted, with 100% of the donation allocated to home construction.

To volunteer to help with construction of the home on 6554 Main Street in Stouffville, please go to

www.habitatgta.ca

SEPTEMBER 4, 2016



First Communion Registration

First Communion Online Registration will open on

- Monday, <u>September 12th</u>, <u>2016 at 9:00 a.m.</u> and will be on a first-come first-serve basis.
- A mandatory Parent Meeting will take place on Wednesday, <u>September 21st, 2016 from 7:00 p.m.</u> <u>to 8:30 p.m.</u> at the church.

For more information, go to www.stmarkstouffville.ca



Parish Movie Night Saturday, September 17th



This month's movie:

Little Boy, Believe the Impossible!

A powerful, moving and heartwarming film about a little boy who is willing to do whatever it takes to bring his father home from World War II. Little Boy will capture your heart and lift your spirits. This fantastic film captures the wonder of life through the eyes of a seven-year-old child and reminds us of the power of faith, hope and love in the face of adversity. Superb!

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

The movie is free of charge.

Running Time: 147 minutes Rated: PG

Healing the Family Tree

September 17 from 9:45 am to 7:15 pm at St. Justin Martyr Parish

Father Terrence McKenna will lead a workshop on the topic of Healing the Family Tree.

Location: St. Justin Martyr Parish, 3898 Hwy. 7 E.

Registration: call 416-414-2497

Cost: If registration received by September 9th, \$25/person, \$35/married couple, \$15/student After September 9th, fees increase by \$5 respectively. * Please bring a lunch.*

Church Bulletin Advertising

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in November 2016 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

Thank you Bob Tabone

We sincerely thank **Bob Tabone** for his leadership over the past six years in the role of Chief Counsellor for the St. Mark's Squires' Circle and for mentoring the boys. May God bless you abundantly for all your dedication and for sharing your talents and time in this very important role!

Let Our Lady Bless Your Home Presentation on September 17 and 18



At all Masses on the weekend of September 17/18, the <u>Heralds of the Gospel</u> will be in our parish to introduce the <u>Apostolate of the Shrine of the Immaculate Heart of Mary</u>.

This Apostolate started with a blessing of St.

John Paul II in the year 2001 and is now spread to over 70 countries. The apostolate consists in forming groups of 30 families and having a shrine (icon) of Our Lady of Fatima circulating among them, passing from family to family.

It aims to make **reparation** to the Immaculate Heart of Mary for the offenses it receives from mankind in our days. At Fatima Our Lady said, "Jesus wants to establish devotion to My Immaculate Heart in the world. I promise salvation to those who embrace it".

Bereavement Training Program

September 24th and 28th at St. Patrick's Church

A Training Program to minister to those suffering from a loss due to death or divorce will be offered at St. Patrick's Church on Hwy. 7 in Markham on September 24 from 9 am to 3:30 pm and Wednesday, September 28 from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. For information, please contact Alex Lopechuk at alopechuk@cfstoronto.com or 416-921-1163 ext. 2227.

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible

Beginning September 27th

An engaging 8-Part Study Featuring Jeff Cavins

This study provides the easiest way to understand the Bible. It helps you uncover the story woven throughout Scripture.

Date: Beginning Tuesday, September 27th

Time: 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm

Location: St Mark's Church, Parish Hall **Cost:** \$10 per person (space is limited)

For information: stmarkspastoral@bellnet.ca

Winter Mass Schedule

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

Thank You Garden Volunteers

Thank you to the volunteers who kept our flower gardens around the church looking so beautiful all summer – Charles and Glynnis Barnes, Anna Bonkowski, Damiana McQuigge, Maureen Morrison, Mario Petramala, Vince Sequeira (ENVISION this) and Milka Stipcevich

Moving??? Please inform the Parish Office.

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