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# ST. MARK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

#### **PASTORAL TEAM**

Fr. Michael Hughes - Pastor Deacon John Schwarzbauer Deacon Wayne McCulloch

#### **STAFF**

Lisa Baker - Pastoral Administrator Marcel Raes - Custodian Emy Lomibao-de Asis - Friday Asst.

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

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

#### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

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

#### **SUNDAY EUCHARIST**

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

## EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration & Benediction Every Friday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

#### RECONCILIATION

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

## REGISTRATION FOR WEEKEND MASSES

Fax no.: 905-640-0642

Registration is required for the Saturday 5 pm, Sunday 9 am and 11 am masses.
Registration for the upcoming weekend, begins on
Wednesday at 12 pm. The registration link can be found on our website.

#### **DEVOTIONS**

#### Temporarily Suspended

Recitation of the Rosary St. Therese of Lisieux Novena Divine Mercy Chaplet Mother of Perpetual Help Prayer

#### **BAPTISM**

Please pick up a Baptismal Package from the foyer of the Church. Upon submission of the "Request for Baptism" form, due to COVID-19 backlog, please allow 3 to 6 months for a Baptismal date given only after the parents attend the Preparation Class.

#### **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

WEEKEND MASSES

Registration is required for the Saturday 5 pm, Sunday 9 am and 11 am masses.

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

Parish Website: stmarksst.archtoronto.org

#### COMMUNION FOR THE SICK AND HOME-BOUND

Suspended due to COVID-19. St. Brigid's School

#### **ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

Please call the Parish Office.

#### **MEMORIAL MASS POLICY**

See website for policy if outside Priest available.

#### **PARISH MINISTRIES**

Altar Servers

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#### **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS**

St. Mark's School 333 Glad Park Ave. T: 905-640-2915

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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!

#### FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



## Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, April 5th @ 7 pm

Warren Armstrong req. by Fr. Michael
Michael Shewchuk req. by Beverly Shewchuk
James McGirr req. by James & Suzanne O'Connor

Wednesday, April 6th @ 9 am

Peace for Joseph Hien req. by Cong Family

Thursday, April 7th @ 9 am

Patricia Eileen Evelyn req. by Family

Friday, April 8th

Eucharistic Adoration 9 am to 1 pm Stations of the Cross @ 7 pm

Mass @ 7:30 pm

Maria Morra req. by Alfonzo Morra and Family Nestor Pedron req. by Christina Viggiani Noly Delrosario req. by Bantoc Family

Saturday, April 9th

@ 9 am

Mariamma Joseph req. by Abraham Joseph Cal Stewart Jr. req. by Kathleen Stewart Fiorina Castriota req. by Adele Castriota

@ 5 pm

Medina Family req. by Mary Ann and Lad Mehes Sunday, April  $\mathbf{10}^{th}$ 

\_ @ 9 am (also livestreamed)

Matthew Benincasa req. by Mary and Emilio Benincasa @ 11 am

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

#### **Pray For the Sick**

Hedley Thomas, Jeanette Woodley, Umberto DeFuria, Maria Biadi

#### **Pray For the Recently Deceased**

Elmer Burnie, Marie Burnet, Maurice Vella

#### **New Church Office Hours**

The Church Office will now be open each week Tuesday to Friday from 9 am to 4 pm (closed for lunch between 12 noon and 1 pm).



# Eucharistic Adoration Fridays from 9 am to 1 pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place each Friday from 9 am to 1 pm ending with Benediction. We ask for help to ensure at least two people in the church each hour of Adoration by signing in beforehand either with the paper registration sheet at the back of the church or on our Friday Holy Hour Eventbrite registration at <a href="https://stmarksst.archtoronto.org/">https://stmarksst.archtoronto.org/</a>. Otherwise, registration is not required.

#### Is GOD CALLING YOU?

What am I racing after in my life? Fame? Fortune? A life in Jesus? What is the prize I seek at the finish-line? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact

Fr. Matthew McCarthy,

Vocation Director at 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

## **SL** ShareLife

#### ShareLife agencies serve everyone

Today's Gospel shares the parable of the woman accused of adultery, a message of Our Lord's great love, forgiveness and respect for all people.

Likewise, ShareLife agencies are there to support the most vulnerable and marginalized members of our communities. ShareLife-funded social service agencies have an 'open intake policy' and provide help based on need—not on religion, lifestyle, gender or ethnicity.

Thank you for supporting ShareLife!

#### Banns for Ordination Gordon Lee



Gordon Lee is to be ordained to the Diaconate for the Archdiocese of Toronto on June 18, 2022, at St. Michael's Cathedral. Please remember him in your prayers.

Canon Law obliges Catholics to reveal any impediment to sacred orders to the bishop or pastor.

#### **Pressing on Towards the Goal**



St. John Paul II says that "life with Christ is a wonderful adventure." Any adventure is sure to have mountains

and valleys, but what God truly desires is that we keep making positive decisions that deepen our commitment to love and serve Him.

#### Volunteers for Church Gardens



Volunteers are needed to care for one of the church gardens over the spring and summer months. If you would be interested in helping,

please contact the church at 905-640-6954 ext. 103.

#### **Recommended YouTube Video Links**

1) Introduction to the Divine Will through Luisa Piccaretta by Fr. Jim Blount

Video can be found on YouTube

2) Are We in the Midst of the WORST Time for the Church? by Ralph Martin Video can be found on YouTube

3) They want War (and they're not Russian) by Russell Brand

Video can be found on YouTube

4) MAiD law undermines mental health care https://alexschadenberg.blogspot.com/2022/03/ma id-law-undermines-mental-health-care.html

# **Updates to the Worship Safe Protocols Taking Effect Monday, April 4, 2022**

- Social distancing will not be required(all pews open)
- Online **Eventbrite registration** no longer required for parishioners to attend weekend Masses.
- Livestreaming of the Sunday 9 am Mass ending.
- Masks are optional when attending mass.
- Reception of Holy Communion on the tongue has now resumed. Please come to Fr. Michael at the front centre aisle <u>after</u> all other parishioners have received the Eucharist.
- Mass Attendance There is an obligation for every Catholic to be personally present every Sunday at Mass, as this is a command of our Lord to Keep Holy the Sabbath Day. However, if there is a legitimate reason (such as illness or serious health concerns while amongst a large group of people), then this obligation to attend in-person does not apply. However, the person must still watch the Sunday Mass on T.V. unless too sick to do so.

#### Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle Tuesday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:40 pm

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In her messages to Fr. Gobbi, Our Lady insistently calls - priests, religious and faithful - to gather together with her in fervent prayer and fraternal love, in authentic cenacles as when the first apostles gathered with her in the

Upper Room in Jerusalem awaiting the First Pentecost.

Next Cenacle: Tuesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>
from 7:40 to 8:45 pm (after the 7 pm Mass)

Everyone is welcome to attend.

### **Recollection for Women**

Monday, April 18th at 7 pm

The Women's Recollection at St. Mark's Church is a moment of peaceful prayer designed to refresh your spirit and help you come up with creative ways to live your faith in your family, social and professional life.

> Date: Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup> Confession and talks given by a Priest of Opus Dei: 7 – 8:30pm

St. Mark's Parish BBQ Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup> (Rain date Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup>)



Save the Date!!!
Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup>
6:15 pm to 9 pm

(Rain date Sunday, June 19th 1 pm to 4:30 pm)

St. Mark's Community Parish barbeque will be hosted in partnership with St. Mark's Knights of Columbus, church councils, St. Vincent de Paul and various other ministries.

Come hungry, start new friendships, rekindle old ones, and leave fulfilled.

#### **EASTER TRIDUUM 2022**



Registration not required

#### HOLY THURSDAY (APRIL 14)

**NO MORNING MASS** 

Mass of the Lord's Supper - 8 pm Followed by Eucharistic Adoration until 11 pm

#### GOOD FRIDAY (APRIL 15)

Celebration of the Lord's Passion

1<sup>st</sup> Celebration – 12:00 noon

2<sup>nd</sup> Celebration – 3:00 pm

Divine Mercy Novena – 7:15 pm

Stations of the Cross – 7:30 pm

Reminder: Good Friday is a day of Fast and Abstinence

#### **HOLY SATURDAY (APRIL 16)**

**NO MORNING MASS and NO 5:00 PM MASS** 

Blessing of the Food – 2:45 pm Divine Mercy Novena – 3:00 pm Easter Vigil – 8:30 pm

Bring bells to the Easter Vigil to ring during the Gloria

#### EASTER SUNDAY (APRIL 17)

Normal Sunday Schedule: 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Divine Mercy Novena – 15 min. before all Masses

#### EASTER MONDAY (APRIL 18)

Easter Monday Mass - 9:00 am



#### **DIVINE MERCY NOVENA 2022**



Good Friday, April 15, at 7:15 pm Holy Saturday, April 16, at 3:00 pm Easter Sunday, April 17 - <u>15 minutes</u> before all Sunday morning masses Week of Easter Octave—after all masses Divine Mercy Sunday, April 24, 2022

15 minutes before all Sunday morning masses



## Lenten Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent at 7 pm followed by Mass at 7:30 pm

#### Corpus Christi Procession Volunteers Needed



This year the Solemnity of Corpus Christi falls on **Sunday**, **June 19**<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are needed to organize a procession on that day after the 11 am Mass. If you would like to help, please email Lisa at lbaker@archtoronto.org.

Please remember your God, your Faith, and your Parish in your will.

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