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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
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
(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 Mercy

(Before Friday pm Mass)

St. Therese of Lisieux Novena

(Saturday Morning Mass)

BAPTISM

Please pick up a Baptismal
Package from the foyer of the
Church. Upon submission of
the "Request for Baptism"
form, please allow for up to 3
months for an anticipated
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
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.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Servers
Altar Society
Children's Liturgy
Counter's Ministry
Eucharistic Ministers
Finance Committee
Funeral Luncheon Committee
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ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

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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!

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions For The Week

Tuesday, January 26th @ 7:00 pm

- Don and Susan Dizon req. by Trudy Wolanski
† Sandy McNeil req. by Marnie and Dan McCormick
† Eula Kinney req. by Denise and Robin Fernandes

Wednesday, January 27th @ 8:30 am

- † Pat Hughes req. by Fr. Michael

Thursday, January 28th @ 8:30 am

- † Loraine Bhadaun req. by John and JoAnn Sanchez

Friday, January 29th @ 7:00 pm

- † Anne Coady req. by St. Brigid School Staff

Saturday, January 30th @ 9:00 am

- Pope, Bishops, Priests, Hughes & McConville Families req. by Fr. Michael
Rayanne Achong req. by Fr. Michael
Franco and Maureen Rizzo req. by Trudy Wolanski
† Holy Souls in Purgatory req. by Anonymous
† Beverley Semon req. by Michael Semon
@ 5:00 pm

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

Sunday, January 31st @ 9:00 am

Mehes Family req. by Fr. Michael

@ 11:00 am

- † Maria DiBiase and Pasquale Parente req. by Mr. and Mrs. Parente and Family

@ 12:30 pm

- † Helene Barbara Neal req. by Marilyn Duchene

Pray For The Sick

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

Pray For The Recently Deceased

Grace Bodogh, Aldo Nardi, Teresa McPhee, Phyllis Hillick and Roland Evelyn

Vocations

You are the body of Christ; every one of you is a member of it. As a member of the body, we serve different roles. Are you willing to do your part? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, **contact Fr. Chris 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 meetings.

Prayer for Christian Unity

Sunday, January 24th at 4 pm

Come and join us in an ecumenical prayer service with His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins, Anglican Archbishop Colin Johnson, Chaldean Catholic Bishop Emanuel Shaleta, Evangelical Lutheran Bishop Michael Pryse, and other city-wide religious leaders on:

Sunday, January 24th at 4:00 pm

Good Shepherd Chaldean Church

2 High Meadow Place (north-west of Finch Ave and Hwy 400)

Homilist: His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins

Parking is available, refreshments to follow in parish hall

For further information, please contact the Office of Ecumenical and Interfaith Affairs at:

416-934-3400 ext. 344 or vkwok@archtoronto.org

World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life

Mass on Sunday, January 31st at 3 pm

On Tuesday, February 2, 2016, the Church celebrates the World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life. In the Archdiocese of Toronto, we are blessed to have living and serving among us more than 900 religious men and women of 100 different religious congregations. This World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life is a wonderful opportunity for us to thank God for the gifts of these religious sisters, brothers and priests and to pray for God's blessing upon them.

On Sunday, January 31, at St. Paul's Basilica (83 Power St., Toronto), 3:00 p.m., there will be a special Mass to close the Jubilee Year for Consecrated Life. Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick will preside at the Mass in celebration of the vocation and witness of these special men and women religious.

Marriage Sunday

February 13th at 4:30 pm at St. Andrew Kim Parish



In 2016, the Archdiocese of Toronto will celebrate Marriage Sunday at the parish level on the weekend of February 6/7. **Cardinal Collins**

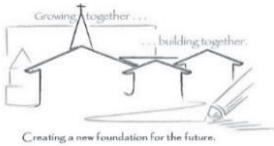
has also announced a special archdiocesan-wide gathering to honour married couples that will take place on Saturday, February 13, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. at St.

Andrew Kim Parish in North York.

His Eminence extends an invitation to all married couples, in particular those who will celebrate their 25th, 40th or 50⁺ wedding anniversary anytime throughout 2016 to join him for Mass and a reception to honour their fidelity and faithfulness. Loved ones and family members of those honored are most welcome to attend. **To ensure special reserved seating for honored couples, pre-registration is required. Visit www.archtoronto.org/marriage to register or call Dane or Anne MacCarthy at 416-964-8694.**

JANUARY 24, 2016

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Blessed Candles for Your Home

Candlemass candles are available for purchase in the church foyer at a cost of **\$3 each**. These candles are traditionally blessed on the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. **Bring your candles for blessing to the mass on Tuesday, February 2 at 7 pm or to any of the masses on the weekend of February 6/7.**

Marriage Encounter Weekend

February 19 - 21

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend getaway that helps married couples rediscover themselves as individuals and as a couple.

Upcoming Weekend: February 19-21, 2016 at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga
For more information and application, please go to www.wme.org or contact: Gerard & Marge McCauley at gerard.marge@rogers.com or (905) 792-1925

Best Lent Ever

Don't give up chocolate this Lent. Do something life changing. Sign up to receive the Best Lent Ever daily emails from Dynamic Catholic. Also, invite your friends to have their Best Lent Ever! **Sign up at www.dynamiccatholic.com**

Women's Ministry Meeting

Monday, January 25th at 7:30 pm

Real Life Testimonial

This month, a speaker from our women's ministry community will be sharing stories from her own life experience and how her Catholic faith played a role: whether she had to stand up for her beliefs or how her experiences have impacted her as a woman. The talk will be followed by short, inspirational videos from the "Chosen" program, discussion and then a social. If you need a ride to the meeting, contact Bernice van Herpt at bvanherpt@rogers.com

Charismatic Prayer Group

Tuesday, January 26th at 7:30 pm

Our Prayer Group meets every second Tuesday in the St. Anne's Room (next meeting January 26th). The evening will begin with Mass at 7 pm. Everyone is welcome.

Confirmation - Grade 8

Wednesday, January 27th from 7 pm to 9 pm

The third preparatory Confirmation class for Gr. 8 students will take place on Wednesday, January 27th in the Parish Hall beginning at 7 pm.



Friday, January 29th from 7 pm to 9 pm
For Youth in Grades 6 to 8

Steubenville Youth Conference

July 22 - 24, 2016



The Steubenville Toronto Youth Conference will be coming to the UOIT Campus in Oshawa from July 22 - 24, 2016. Youth who will be in Grade 9 in September 2016 up to those who will

be graduating high school by the end of 2016 can attend this exciting conference. **Registration forms can be found in the church foyer. A non-refundable deposit of \$50 must be paid when booking a spot.** Please visit the website for further details www.steubenvilletoronto.com

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