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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
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

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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!

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions For The Week

Tuesday, February 2nd @ 7:00 pm
The Presentation of the Lord

Seamus Magill req. by Fr. Michael

† Patricia Chalmers req. by Her Children

† Bill Nahr req. by Alfred Cadawas

† Filomena and Vito Ferrante req. by Family

Wednesday, February 3rd @ 8:30 am

† Clarita Gaerlan req. by Medina Family

Thursday, February 4th @ 8:30 am

† All Holy Souls in Purgatory req. by
Anonymous

**Friday, February 5th, Holy Hour @ 7:00 pm &
Mass @ 8:00 pm**

Mazzone Family req. by Anonymous

Saturday, February 6th @ 9:00 am

Pope, Bishops, Priests, Hughes &
McConville Families req. by Fr. Michael

† Veronica Guerin req. by Fr. Michael

† Helene Barbara Neal req. by Marilyn
DuChene

† Gennaro Bruno req. by Stefanie Bruno
@ 5:00 pm

† Tosca Meiorin req. by Peter Meiorin and
Family

Sunday, February 7th @ 9:00 am

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael
@ 11:00 am

Family of Gosephina Guzzo req. by Angela
Colosimo and Family
@ 12:30 pm

† Blagio Ferri req. by Maria Ferri

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, Roland Evelyn and Art Michea

Vocations

No prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. Do not
be discouraged by jeers when considering religious life or
priesthood. 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.

Marriage Sunday

February 13th at 4:30 pm



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.**

Come and See Weekend

February 26th to 28th

*"The Love of Christ urges us on" to radically
respond to His call to follow Him whole-heartily.*

Jesus is inviting you to spend time with Him
So that you may discover His desire for you.

February 26th to 28th, 2016

St. Augustine's Seminary

This will be an opportunity for young men of 18 years and
older to spend a weekend with time for prayer, reflection
and information on the process of becoming one of
Christ's disciples through the Catholic priesthood.

Contact Fr. Chris Lemieux at vocations@archtoronto.org

Lift Jesus Higher Rally

March 5th from 9 am to 5:30 pm

*God's Kingdom is unshakable. In Him, we are secure and
with His help, we will get what we need but, we need to be
rooted sufficiently in Him to stand firm.*

Join thousands of others at the 24th annual Lift Jesus Higher
Rally on Saturday, March 5th. The keynote speaker is
Deacon Larry Oney, a noted author, evangelist and CEO of
Hope and Purpose Ministries. Inspirational talks from the
Renewal Ministries Team: Ralph Martin, Sr. Ann Shields and
Peter Herbeck. Also includes High Mass celebrated by His
Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins; Eucharistic healing
procession and uplifting Christian music.

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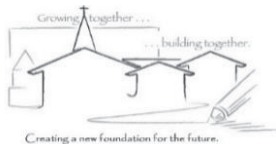
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www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.org

Cost: Adults \$20, Youth (ages 13 – 18) \$15, Children \$5

JANUARY 31, 2016

FAMILY OF FAITH CAMPAIGN



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THANK YOU!

Questions? Email us at
stmarkscampaign@bellnet.ca

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 masses on Tuesday, February 2 at 7 pm or 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.wvme.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**

Confirmation - Grade 8

Wednesday, February 3rd from 7 pm to 9 pm

The fourth preparatory Confirmation class for Gr. 8 students will take place on Wednesday, February 3rd in the Parish Hall beginning at 7 pm.



Friday, February 5th from 7 pm to 9 pm

For Youth in Grades 6 to 8

Ash Wednesday

February 10th - Mass at 8:30 am and 7:30 pm



This is a universal day of fasting and abstinence from meat. The law of abstinence from meat binds those who are 14 and older; the law of fasting binds those from 18 - 59 years of age. Parents and educators are reminded of their duty to introduce children gradually to the understanding and practice of penance.



Parish Movie Night

Saturday, February 20th



This month's movie:

Into Great Silence

Have you ever wondered what life is like inside a monastery? German filmmaker Philip Groning waited sixteen years for permission to film inside the Grande Chartreuse Carthusian monastery nestled in the French Alps. There is no score, no voiceover and no archival footage, just total immersion into the hush of monastic life.

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

The movie is free of charge. Running Time: 162 minutes

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.**

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

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