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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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Lectors
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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, March 15th @ 7:00 pm

- † Trevor O'Connor req. by Josh Steffoff
- † Corrado and Giuseppina Accurso req. by Di Leo Family
- † Phillip Losiggio req. by Di Leo Family
- † Joseph Naccarato req. by Domenic and Michelle Naccarato

Wednesday, March 16th @ 8:30 am

Thanksgiving req. by Edita and Family

Thursday, March 17th @ 8:30 am

- † Remedios Gonzales req. by Cruz Family

Friday, March 18th, Stations of the Cross @ 7 pm and Mass @ 7:30 pm

- † Anna and Violando Pacelli req. by Maria Pacelli-Segreti and Family

Saturday, March 19th @ 9:00 am

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

- † Trevor O'Connor req. by Josh Steffoff
- † Beverley Semon req. by Michael Semon
- † Olive Corley req. by DeLorey Family

@ 5:00 pm

- † Margaret Elliott req. by Martha Robertson

Sunday, March 20th @ 9:00 am

- † Matthew Benincasa req. by Mary and Emilio Benincasa

@ 11:00 am

- † Miguel Herrera Jr. req. by Marie & Camille Herrera

@ 12:30 pm

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

Pray For The Sick

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

Pray For The Recently Deceased

Michelle Trentadue (daughter-in-law of Alba and Steve)



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New Beginnings Event

Monday, March 14th from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

New Beginnings is a ministry dedicated to helping people who have suffered loss through death, separation or divorce. They will be hosting an inspirational talk given by Alex Lopechuk, MSW, RSW.

Presentation to take place at:

Catholic Pastoral Centre, 1155 Yonge St. 4th Fl.

Free underground parking available. No cost for this event.

St. Patrick's Day Annual Mass

Thursday, March 17th at 10 am

All are welcome to attend the annual Mass of St. Patrick.

Location: St. Paul's Basilica, 83 Power Street, Toronto

Celebrant and Homilist: Bishop John A. Boissonneau

Holy Land Pilgrimage Information Session

Wednesday, March 30th at 7:15 pm

at St. Patrick's Parish in Markham

Kitty McGilly, leader of over 130 pilgrimages to the Holy Land will make a presentation at St. Patrick's Parish, 5633, Hwy 7, Markham. She will provide details about an 11 day pilgrimage that is planned for June 1 – 11, 2016. Travel will be non-stop with Air Canada and the cost will be \$2,795. Itinerary will be provided at the meeting.

For more information, please contact

Paul Howard at 905-471-1103 or pjacb15m@mac.com

St. Mark's School 50th Anniversary

Monday, April 25, 2016

SAVE THE DATE!!!

St. Mark CES is celebrating its 50th Anniversary!

Monday, April 25, 2016

We hope that you will be able to join us on this special day to celebrate the wonderful history of our community as we look forward to our future.



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Today is ShareLife Sunday – March 13, 2016

Please give generously. You can work wonders!

Book of the Month

R. Michael Shewchuk Memorial Library book of the month:

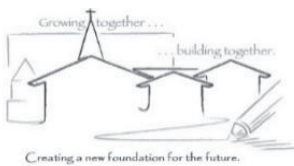
Children's Book: The Weight of the Mass

Adult Book: Mission to Cathay

PARISH WEBSITE <http://stmarkstouffville.ca>

MARCH 13, 2016

FAMILY OF FAITH CAMPAIGN



Amount pledged
to date:
\$1,210,070



WE'RE ALMOST THERE!

GET THOSE PLEDGE CARDS IN!

ALPHA Participants

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Does God Exist?

Looking To Ignite Your Faith?

Would you like to explore the Christian faith in a
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Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that freely explore
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of God that stirs up your faith and sets your heart on fire.

For further information, please contact
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ALPHA Volunteers

*Has the Holy Spirit blessed you with the gift of hospitality
to welcome newcomers and guests?*

Do you have skills in administration?

Can you cook and/or bake?

Are you willing to help with set up and/or clean up?

Can you help people feel included in group discussions?

...then we need you!

Please consider giving your time and talents as a volunteer
for our first ALPHA program at St. Mark Church. Visit our
ALPHA table at the back of the church to sign up.

For more information, please contact
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Euthanasia / Assisted Suicide *Tell Legislators How You Feel*

By June 2016, the Government of Canada is expected to pass legislation to legalize assisted suicide. Cardinal Collins encourages Catholics throughout the archdiocese to visit CanadiansforConscience.ca and support the Coalition for HealthCARE and Conscience. The coalition represents a group of like-minded partners, including 5,000 doctors across Canada, who are committed to protecting conscience rights for health practitioners and facilities. You can use this website to write directly to your Member of Parliament, respectfully expressing your concerns.

Please urge your elected representative

- 1) To protect the vulnerable; and
- 2) To ensure that individuals and institutions can provide health care without having to compromise their moral convictions

Given tight timelines for this legislation, please take action no later than April 1, 2016.



**Friday, March 18th from 7 pm to 9 pm
Grades 6 to 8**



Parish Movie Night

Saturday, March 19th



This month's movie:

I Confess

Father Michael Logan (Montgomery Clift), apparently a model of clerical piety, hears a killer's confession. Eyewitnesses point to a priest as the murderer and the sacrament of penance forbids Logan to speak out-even in his own defense-when circumstantial evidence targets Logan as the prime suspect! This is technically one of Alfred Hitchcock's most brilliant films.

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

The movie is free of charge. Running Time: 94 minutes



**SAVE THE DATE!
Totus Tuus Summer Camp
July 10th – 15th, 2016**

Children and youth of our parish are invited to join us for the Totus Tuus Summer Program at St. Mark's Church. Registration information and further details will be published in the bulletin in the upcoming weeks.

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

Tuesday Afternoons

The Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Prayer Group meets **every Tuesday afternoon from 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm**. Everyone is welcome. Prayers and the Rosary are said to blind satan and save souls.

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.

Moving??? Please inform the Parish Office.

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