



# St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

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 Fr. Michael Hughes - Pastor  
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 Deacon  
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 Deacon  
 Mary Ann Mehes - Secretary  
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**OFFICE HOURS**  
 Tuesday — Friday  
 9:00 am — 3:30 pm  
 Closed for lunch 12 — 1 pm  
 CLOSED MONDAYS

**WINTER SCHEDULE**  
**WEEKDAY MASSES**  
 Mon. Wed. Thurs. — 8:30 am  
 Tuesday & Friday — 7:00 pm  
 (except First Fridays-see below)  
 Saturday — 9:00 am  
 Statutory Holidays — 9:00 am

**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 pm — 4:45 pm  
 (or by appointment)

**DEVOTIONS**  
**Recitation of the Rosary**  
 (Mon., 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.

**COMMUNION FOR THE SICK AND HOUSE-BOUND**  
 Please call the Parish Office to arrange.

**ANOIDING 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  
 Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers  
 Finance Committee  
 Funeral Luncheon Committee  
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 Lectors  
 Ministry of Hospitality  
 Parish Council  
 Parish Music Ministry  
 R.C.I.A.  
 Sacramental Preparation  
 Social Committee  
 Squires  
 St. Vincent de Paul Society

**NEW PARISHIONERS**  
 Welcome to all new parishioners. We encourage you to register using the Registration Forms available from the foyer.

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

St. Brendan's School  
 751 Hoover Park Dr.  
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 223 Millard St.  
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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!



# FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT



## SAVE THE DATE! **Totus Tuus Summer Camp** July 13<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Children and youth of our parish are invited to join us for the Totus Tuus Summer Program at St. Mark. **The grade school program, for children entering grades 1-6, runs Monday to Friday from 9 am to 2:30 pm.** The cost is only \$75 for the first child in the family and \$60 for each additional sibling. **The Intermediate/High School program for Grades 7-12 runs Sunday to Thursday from 7pm to 9pm and is free.**

Registration forms will be available for pickup at the church, St. Brendan school, St. Brigid school, St. Mark school, or can be downloaded from the St. Mark Church website at [www.stmarkstouffville.ca](http://www.stmarkstouffville.ca). **Registration will take place at St. Mark Church on April 26<sup>th</sup> from 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm, and after all masses on April 27<sup>th</sup>.** First come, first served basis. More information about the program is also available at [www.totustuutoronto.ca](http://www.totustuutoronto.ca)



### Working wonders in our community...

*"You don't have to look far to see the wonders being worked by ShareLife... in the pews of your parish, in the homes on your street, in your neighbourhood."* ShareLife agencies provide competent, faith-informed care to those who turn to them for help, regardless of their beliefs or background. Last year, over 354,000 services were provided to over 96,000 people in our Archdiocese in more than 20 languages, receiving the compassion, care and respect they rightly deserve. In addition, countless others were assisted through outreach programs around the world.

—Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto

### Today is ShareLife Sunday

Please give generously. You can work wonders!

### COINS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN

Cardinal Thomas Collins said that, *"The Coins for Life project is a most appropriate way to support the important prolife efforts of Campaign Life Coalition."* Boxes are available in the foyer of the church. **Return your boxes the weekend of April 26/57. This is the only weekend they will be collected**

**CAMPAIGN LIFE PRO LIFE CONFERENCE**—Friday, April 4 & Saturday, April 5—Woodbine Banquet & Convention Hall, 30 Vice Regent Blvd., Toronto – for information call the Campaign Life Office 416-204-9749. See poster on bulletin board for Itinerary.

### PAPAL BLESSINGS

Parishioners may order a Papal Blessing scroll to commemorate a milestone wedding anniversary, birthday or reception of the sacrament of baptism, first communion, confirmation, marriage and religious ordination and profession. For further information on how to order a Papal Blessing scroll, including the cost and delivery time, please contact your parish office.

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**Tuesday, April 1st @ 7.00 pm**

Annina Pagnotta+ req. by Cassano Family

**Wednesday, April 2nd @ 8.30 am**

Maria Park+ req. by John Kim

**Thursday, April 3rd @ 8.30 am**

Msgr. Pranas Gaida+ req. by Fr. Michael

**Friday, April 4th – FIRST FRIDAY**

@ 7.00 pm – Holy Hour

@ 8.00 pm – Nina Falotico+ & David Sorichetti+  
req. by Angela Sorichetti

**Saturday, April 5th at 9.00 am**

Pope, Bishops & Priests

Hughes & McConville Families

Nora Farrell+ req. by Fr. Michael

Cal Stewart Jr+ req. by Helen & Alan Thompson

**Saturday, April 5th @ 5.00 pm**

St. Mark's Community

**Sunday, April 6th @ 9:00 am**

Daniel Ciardullo+

req. by Mario & Lucy Ciardullo & Family

**Sunday, April 6th @ 11.00 am**

Frank Preiditsch+

**Sunday, April 6th @ 12.30 pm**

Juana Argoso+ req. by Argoso Family

### MOBILE WEBSITE:

St. Mark Parish now has a mobile website. To access this on your cell phone, you may long on to [www.stmarkstouffville.ca](http://www.stmarkstouffville.ca) which will inform you of our Mass times and special events. You can also scan the QR code here.

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### PARISH DAY OF CONFESSIONS

**Saturday**

**April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

9:30 am until 4:45 pm

Visiting Clergy available from 10 am - 1pm  
and again from 2 pm – 4 pm

### LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday evening @ 7pm

followed by Mass @ 7:30 pm

(except on First Friday, normal schedule)

March 30th, 2014

**MOVING ???**

**Please inform the Parish Office.**

This will help us keep parish databases up to date

**UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS**

**TUES April 1 @ 9 am**

Volunteer Church Cleaning Day for Easter

**TUES. April 1 @ 7:45 pm—Hall**

Untold Blessings Faith Program  
(LAST SESSION)

**TUES. April 1 begins with 7 pm Mass**

Charismatic Prayer Group

**WED. April 2 @ 7 pm—Hall**

Confirmation Class

**FRI. April 4 - First Friday**

7 pm—Holy Hour

8pm— Mass

**SAT. April 5 @ 10 am—Hall**

Squires Monthly Meeting

**SAT. April 5 9:30 am until 4:45 pm**

Parish Day of Confessions

**Catholic Register – Aspiring Writers**

The Catholic Register invites high school, college and university students to join their team as a correspondent for the 2014-2015 school year. Application deadline is June 20, 2014. Visit [www.catholicregister.org](http://www.catholicregister.org) for details. Click on the "Youth" tab and "YSN application" For more info contact: Ruane Remy at [ruane@catholicregister.org](mailto:ruane@catholicregister.org)

**YCDSB Invites Feedback and Input into Strategic Planning Process**

The York Catholic District School Board is developing a new multi-year strategic plan that will allow it to set priorities and direction for its future. It is inviting all of its stakeholders and supporters of Catholic education in York Region, to take a confidential online survey, in order to obtain valuable feedback and suggestions for the strategic plan. The survey will be available on the Board's website, [www.ycdsb.ca](http://www.ycdsb.ca) from March 17th to April 14, 2014. Please share your thoughts about Catholic Education with the Board through this survey. Thank you .

**CHURCH CLEANING DAY FOR EASTER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

On **TUESDAY, APRIL 1st beginning at 9 am** we plan to clean the church for Easter. Please bring your buckets, rubber gloves and cloths for the clean-up. Please use the sign up sheet in the foyer if you are able to help out.



**✠ PRAY FOR THE SICK ✠**

Beverly Semon, Roybn MacPherson, Darrel Boddington, Debbie Beauchamp, Patrick Mariani and James Villanueva

**PRAYER BOX**

**OUR PARISH PRAYER GROUP WILL PRAY FOR YOUR INTENTIONS—**Please write out your prayer requests and place them in the box located near the statue of our patron, St. Mark.

*Pray for the Recently Deceased -America Prachter*

**2014 OFFERTORY BOXES**

**NO LONGER AVAILABLE FOR GENERAL PICK UP**  
You must call the office and make arrangements to pick up your box!!

**VENIAL SIN:** *Venial sin constitutes a moral disorder that is reparable by charity. (CCC 1875)*

Deliberate and unrepented venial sin disposes us little by little to commit mortal sin. However venial sin does not set us in direct opposition to the will and friendship of God; it does not break the covenant with God. (CCC 1863)

**MORTAL SIN:** *Mortal sin destroys in us the charity without which eternal beatitude is impossible. (CCC 1874)*

Gave matter is specified by the Ten Commandments, corresponding to the answer of Jesus to the rich young man: "Do not kill, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do consent." (CCC 1857)

"We must work the works of Him who sent me while it is day." Are you being called to a life as an ordained or a consecrated person? If God is calling you, contact **Fr. Hansoo Park at 416-968-0997** email [vocations@vocations.ca](mailto:vocations@vocations.ca) [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)



**RETROUVAILLE:**

**Help for Troubled Marriages - Upcoming Weekend April 25, 26, 27**

A live-in weekend and Post sessions to help couples experiencing troubles in their marriage relationships. For further confidential information and no-obligation information, call 416-281-6007 or visit the web site at: [www.torontoretrovaille.com](http://www.torontoretrovaille.com)



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