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Rev. Mr. John Schwarzbauer
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Rev. Mr. Wayne McCulloch
Deacon
Mary Ann Mehes - Secretary
Lad Mehes - Caretaker

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
- Knights of Columbus
- 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.
T: 905-642-6728

St. Brigid's School
223 Millard St.
T: 905-642-5100

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Serra House
T: 416-968-0997
W: vocationstoronto.ca

ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

T: 416-934-0606
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!

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SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

STEUBENVILLE PARISH UPDATE

****REGISTRATIONS STILL BEING ACCEPTED****

The Parish is hoping to take a group of 24 young people: 12 young men and 12 young women. Registration will be on a first come first served basis. We hope many of our youth will take advantage of this wonderful opportunity!

Archdiocesan YOUTH CONFERENCE – 2014 Steubenville, Toronto on July 4 – 6, 2014 Mattamy Athletic Centre, Toronto (Formerly Maple Leaf Gardens)

Who can attend: Youth entering Grade 9 in September 2014 up to those who will be graduating high school by the end of 2014.

Cost: \$275 per person (includes: entrance to the conference, 6 meals, hotel)

Deposit: A non-refundable deposit of \$50 per registration slot must be paid when submitting the Registration Form to the Church office.



Working wonders in our livelihoods....

Andrew attended counseling at Catholic Family Services in Simcoe at the suggestion of his employer. He was experiencing a considerable amount of conflict at work which was affecting his job performance. Andrew realized that if he didn't get some help he was at risk of losing his job. Through counseling he learned more positive ways of interacting as well as some healthy stress management skills. Today Andrew has fewer conflicts at work and has learned how to separate his work and home life. He appreciated the help that Catholic Family Services provided to him when he needed it most. Last year, ShareLife-supported Family Service agencies provided family counseling to over 5,100 people in the Greater Toronto Area.

First ShareLife Sunday – March 30, 2014

Please give generously. You can work wonders!

LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday evening @ 7pm followed by Mass @ 7:30 pm
(except on First Friday, normal schedule)

SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH

Wednesday, March 19, 2014
Mass at 8:30 am and 7:30 pm

LENTEN PARISH MISSION

March 22 – March 25, 2014

Facilitated by

Fr. Paul Burchat of Madonna House

Starting with Sunday Masses—March 22/23 weekend and continuing Monday, March 24 at 7:30 pm and will conclude with the Solemnity of The Annunciation of the Lord on Tuesday, March 25 with mass and homily at 7:30 pm.

SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

Tuesday, March 25th – 7:30 pm (last day of Lenten Parish Mission with Fr. Paul Burchat as homilist)

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday, March 18th @ 7.00 pm

Margaret Elliott+ req. by Martha Robertson
Helen Ewanchyna+ req. by Tania & Bruce Orr

Wednesday, March 19th @ 8.30 am

Zephyr Carmel

Wednesday, March 19th @ 7.30 pm

Feast of St. Joseph

Thursday, March 20th @ 8.30 am

Souls in Purgatory+ req. by Coreen Doucett Brown

Friday, March 21st

@ 7.00 pm – Stations of the Cross

@ 7.30 pm Tomasina Parente+

req. by Tony & Onesima Raponi

Saturday, March 22nd at 9.00 am

Pope, Bishops & Priests

Hughes & McConville Families

Roger Davey+ req. by Fr. Michael

Helen Ewanchyna+ req. by Tania & Bruce Orr

Saturday, March 22nd @ 5.00 pm

Maria De Biase and Pasquale Parente+

req. by Parente Family

Sunday, March 23rd @ 9:00 am

Quadrini & Cianflone Families

req. by Connie & Gino Quadrini

Sunday, March 23rd @ 11.00 am

Dino Raponi+ req. by Onesima & Tony Raponi

Sunday, March 23rd @ 12.30 pm

St. Mark's Community



ST. MARK'S PARISH MOVIE NIGHT

Saturday, March 22 at 7:30pm

After the wonderful success of our first Parish Movie Night, we would like to continue with a second movie about the life of one of the Saints. This month's movie will be the story of St. Joseph of Cupertino, "The Flying Friar". It is a heartwarming and humorous film for all ages about a humble Franciscan friar, who against all odds and by a series of miraculous incidents, is ordained a priest and rises to sainthood. Once again, there will be no charge to attend the show but goodwill offerings towards our parish's youth activities are gratefully accepted. Snacks and drinks will be sold for a small fee.

Movie Title: The Reluctant Saint

Running time: Approx. 104 minutes

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.

March 16th, 2014

MOVING ???
Please inform the Parish Office.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS
MON. March 17 @ 7–9:30 pm -Church
Recollection for Women
TUES. March 18 @ 7:45 pm- Hall
Untold Blessings Faith Program
TUES. March 18 -begins with 7 pm mass
Charismatic Prayer Group
WED. March 19@ 8:30 am & 7:30 pm
Solemnity of St. Joseph-Masses
WED March 19 @ 7 pm--Hall
Confirmation Class
FRI. March 21
Stations of the Cross @ 7pm
Mass @ 7:30 pm
SAT. March 22 @ 7:30 pm
Parish Movie Night

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 -Linda Butler

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)


One commits venial sin when, in a less serious matter, he does not observe the standard prescribed by the moral law, or when he disobeys the moral law in a grave matter, but without full knowledge or without complete consent. (CCC1862)

MORTAL SIN: *Mortal sin destroys in us the charity without which eternal beatitude is impossible.* (CCC 1874). Mortal sin, by attacking the vital principle within us—that i.e. charity—necessitates a new initiative of God's mercy and a conversion of heart which is normally accomplished within the setting of the sacrament of reconciliation(CCC1856)

Peter, James and John had a mountaintop experience with Jesus by witnessing His transfiguration. We too can have a mountaintop experience when we open our minds and hearts to following God's will for our life. If God is calling you, **contact Fr. Hansoo Park at 416-968-0997** email vocations@vocations.ca www.vocationstoronto.ca

Marriage Enrichment. Refresh and rekindle your love for each other by treating yourselves to a marriage enrichment weekend at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, or give a weekend as a gift to family or friends. The Centre offers comfort, excellent cuisine and an inspiring program. The next weekend is April 11-13, 2014. **For info:905-278-5229**

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.torontoretrouvaille.com


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Charismatic Prayer Group
Our Prayer group is moving to Tuesday night!
Every second Tuesday (next meeting March 18) the evening will begin with Mass at 7pm, then the group will join the currently scheduled Faith Development session and end the evening with their Prayer Meeting.
Everyone is welcome to attend all or part of the evening's activities.

St. Mark's *Recollection for Women*
Mon. March 17th, 2014 7:30–9:30pm
Confessions start at 7 pm
The recollection includes 2 meditations by a priest of Opus Dei, a talk on living the Christian life in the middle of the world, an examination of conscience and an opportunity for sacramental confession.


Pathways to Clinical and Spiritual Wellness:
A New Beginnings Retreat
Saturday, March 29 from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
St. Thomas Aquinas Church, 640 Glenholme Ave.
at Eglinton Ave. W., Toronto
Dr. Ken Fung will explore the pathways of Christian Spiritual Healing that restore wholeness, holiness and new life in accordance with God's will. The day includes presentation, discussion and prayer aimed at moving us away from false identities and forward toward the healing love of Jesus. A light lunch will be provided. Please register with Catholic Family Services of Toronto at 416-921-1163 ext 2227 or 2235.

PRAY FOR THE SICK
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Debbie Beauchamp and Patrick Mariani


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