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PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. Michael Hughes - Pastor
Deacon John Schwarzbauer
Deacon Wayne McCulloch

STAFF

Mary Ann Mehes-Administrator
Lisa Baker-Admin. Asst.
Krystiana Garde-Lyn-Youth Minister
Lad Mehes - Custodian
Emy Lomibao-de Asis-Friday Asst.

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday
9 am - 3:30 pm
Closed for lunch 12-1pm
CLOSED MONDAYS

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
Weekly Solemnities - 7:30 pm only

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday - 5:00 pm
Sunday - 9:00 am
(with Children's Liturgy)
- 11:00 am
- 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)

DEVOTIONS

Recitation of the Rosary
(Tues., Wed. & Thurs. before Mass)

Mother of Perpetual Help

Novena
(Tuesday Evening Mass)

Divine Mercy
(Before Friday 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
Edge
Eucharistic Ministers
Finance Committee
Funeral Luncheon Committee
Knights of Columbus
Lectors
Media Stand & Bookstall
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223 Millard St.
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VOCATIONS TORONTO

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W: vocationstoronto.ca

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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!

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions For The Week

Tuesday, October 25th @ 7:00 pm

- † Ron Edwards Sr. and Mona Taylor req. by Woodley Family
- † Dimas Martin req. by Ann Marie and Ian Munro
- † Rosena and Patrick Butler req. by Rose McKendry

Wednesday, October 26th @ 8:30 am

- † Giovanni Giuseppina Petramala req. by Mario and Ermina Petramala

Thursday, October 27th @ 8:30 am

- † Pat Hughes req. by Fr. Michael

Friday, October 28th at 7:00 pm

- † Jonh Niedra req. by Fr. Michael

Saturday, October 29th @ 9:00 am

- Pope, Bishops, Priests, Hughes & McConville Families req. by Fr. Michael
 - † Ryan L'Abbe req. by Fr. Michael
 - † Beverley Semon req. by Michael Semon
 - † Lorenzo, Ignacia and Lorela Delos Reyes req. by Samuel and Adelina Devera
 - † Roger Peirson req. by Peirson Family
 - Intention of Lorne McDonald req. by Peter Willan
- @ 5:00 pm**
- † Teresa Shaw req. by Elizabeth and Domenic Flagello

Sunday, October 30th @ 9:00 am

- † Cesare and Rosanna Rizzuto req. by Vincenza Blum

@ 11:00 am

- † Carmela Delisio, Paolo and Rosa De Palma req. by Domenica Lozito and Family

@ 12:30 pm

- St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

Pray For The Sick

Debbie Beauchamp, Modesta Manias, Clayton Parry

2017 Offertory Boxes

Offertory Boxes will not be issued for the remainder of 2016. For 2017 Offertory Boxes, please fill out a request form which can be found in the lobby and submit it to the office. You can pick up your 2017 box during the general distribution which should take place the end of October. Please do not use the 2017 boxes until January. You can use the pink visitor envelopes until the end of the year.

World Mission Sunday

Today, for World Mission Sunday, along with Catholics throughout the world, we are called to offer our prayers and generous financial support for the worldwide mission of Jesus. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you.

Library Books of the Month

Suggested children's book for this month:

St. Dominic

Suggested adult book for this month:

The Greek Fathers

Spiritual Corner



Excerpt from:

St. Therese of Lisieux by those who knew her Testimonies from the process of beatification

Edited and translated by Christopher O'Mahony.
Published by Veritas Publications.

“At school she noticed that some of her companions made a practice of getting well in with one or other of the teachers; Therese thought she would do the same, but found she was unable to. She has often told me that she considered this a special grace from God. In fact, she tells it in her autobiography as well: ‘I did not know how to ingratiate myself with people, so I never succeeded. But I’m glad, because this blessed ignorance saved me from many a pitfall.’” – Testimony of Mother Agnes of Jesus (Therese’s elder sister and future prioress of the Lisieux Carmel.)

Come and See Weekend at St. Augustine’s Seminary

November 4th to 6th

The Office of Vocations invites single Catholic men 18 years and older, to attend a weekend of prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming a Catholic priest. For information, please call **416-968-0997** or

email: vocations@archtoronto.org

Workshop on the Art of Discernment at Loretto College

November 5th, 2016 from 9 am to 4:30 pm

Workshop will be given by a team of men and women religious, and a married couple.

Location: Loretto College, 70 St. Mary St., Toronto

Suggested donation: \$30 (lunch included)

Contact: Frances Harrison-Atell at 416-467-2642 or fharrison-atell@csj-to.ca

Our Lady of Gratitude Gift Shop



Gift Shop Hours: Mon – Sat 10:00 am to 6:00 pm

Phone number: 416-740-7188

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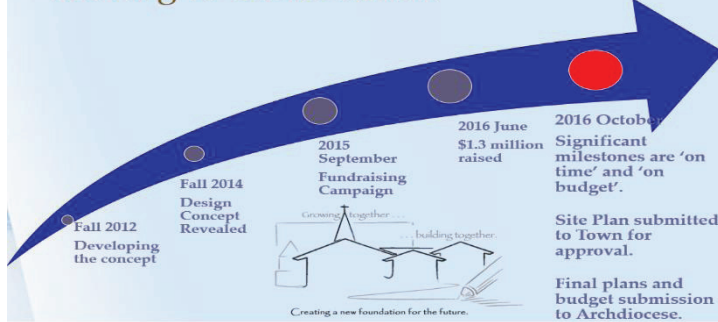
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Weekly Offering \$ 9,045

OCTOBER 23, 2016

St. Mark's Church Expansion

St. Mark's Church Expansion Moving to Construction



Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)

Our parishioners now have the option to give their offertory via the Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) program. With PAG, your offering is deducted automatically by direct debit from your bank account

Enrollment will be on an ongoing basis and forms are available in the church foyer. If you are ready to sign up for the program, simply fill in the form, attach a void cheque and submit it to the parish office or place it in an envelope in the collection basket.



Charismatic Prayer Group

Monday, October 24th at 7 pm

The Charismatic Prayer Group meets every second Monday in the St. Anne's Room. Everyone is welcome.

Women's Ministry Meeting

Monday, October 24th at 7:30 pm

It's "Bring a Friend" night, so please consider recruiting your friends to join us! We will be enjoying some video presentations from the Catholic Conference 4 Moms, an online conference entitled "The Faces of Mercy." For more information on our ministry, please email us at stmarkswomensministry@gmail.com

Healing Mass at St. Mark's Church

Wednesday, October 26th at 7 pm

St. Mark's Catholic Church in Stouffville invites you to join us for a healing mass on Wednesday, October 26th.

The celebrant will be Fr. Ben St. Croix. For further information, please call the Church office at 905-640-6954.

Haiti – Humanitarian Relief

The Archdiocese of Toronto is accepting financial contributions for humanitarian relief following the devastation caused by Hurricane Matthew in Haiti.

1.4 million people are in need of assistance.

Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- Online at www.archtoronto.org
- By calling the Development Office at 416-934-3411
- By using the envelopes in the Church foyer

Make cheques payable to: St. Mark's Church – Haiti Emergency

Volunteer Position: Parish Council Acting Recording Secretary

The Parish Council Acting Recording Secretary is responsible for taking clear, concise and accurate record of minutes of the Parish Council (PC) meetings.

Further to ensure that minutes are available in a timely manner and provide accurate records to the parish as directed by the Parish Council Constitution.

Summary of Experience and Responsibilities:

- Prior experience with taking minutes
- Ability to take minutes using Microsoft Word
- Attend PC meetings and take accurate notes
- Within one week of each meeting, issue minutes to the Chair and Pastor for review prior to distribution.
- Keep an accurate record of the agenda and minutes, including election results and membership.
- Maintain confidentiality, when required

The Parish Council meets every six weeks, from September to June for approximately two hours.

Forms can be picked up in the Church foyer or the office.

Month of the Holy Souls - November

Remembrance of the Faithfully Departed

During November, the *Month of the Holy Souls*, we join the whole Church, in prayerful remembrance of the faithful departed members of our families and our parish community. **We remember them, both on All Souls Day, November 2nd and each of our Friday evening masses during this month.** If you want your loved ones to be remembered in our Masses, please write down their names on the ALL SOULS envelopes available in the foyer. **For the entire month of November, there will be a glass vase in front of the altar. You may place your ALL SOULS envelope in the receptacle.**

Invitation to All Children of Our Parish!

11th ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT & CONCERT

SUNDAY, December 4th, 2016 at 3 pm



Come and Have Fun singing, acting and telling the story of Jesus' birth. We're looking for **you** to be Mary, Joseph, baby Jesus, Stars, Angels, Shepherds, Wisemen, Soldiers, Innkeepers and many more!

FIRST REHEARSAL & ROLE ASSIGNMENT

Sunday November 6th, 2016 at 2.00 P.M.

We are also looking for Parent & High School Volunteers.

For further details please contact

Eugenie Villanueva-Landry at 647-828-3884 or email

StMarksPageant2016@eugeniev.com

REGISTRATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH FOYER.

Thank You!


- ❖ Once again, thank you for your financial and food donations to the food bank this Thanksgiving. Currently, St. Vincent de Paul volunteers bring families to the food bank but soon the food bank will relocate to Sandiford Drive which will make it more convenient.

Moving??? Please inform the Parish Office.

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

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