



St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

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Deacon Wayne McCulloch

STAFF

Mary Ann Mehes-Administrator
Lisa Baker-Admin. Asst.
Emy Lomibao-de Asis-Friday Asst.
Lad Mehes - Custodian

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday
9 am - 3:30 pm

Closed for lunch 12-1pm

JULY & AUGUST

9 am - 12 noon

CLOSED MONDAYS

SUMMERR SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday - 7:00 pm
Wed. Thurs. & Fri. - 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
-11:00 am

FIRST FRIDAY

Holy Hour, Adoration &
Benediction
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

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

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
Eucharistic Ministers
Finance Committee
Funeral Luncheon Committee
Knights of Columbus
Lectors
Ministry of Hospitality
Parish Council
Parish Music Ministry
Prayer Group
Sacramental Preparation
Squires
St. Vincent de Paul Society
Women's Ministry
Youth Ministry

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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

St. Mark's School
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751 Hoover Park Dr.
T: 905-642-6728

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223 Millard St.
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W: vocationstoronto.ca

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T: 416-934-0606
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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!

TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions For The Week

Monday, September 14th @ 8:30 am

Exaltation of the Holy Cross Feast Day

Tuesday, September 15th @ 7:00 pm

† Domenico Metauro req. by Anna Metauro and Family

† Patricia Chalmers req. by Coreen Doucett and Family

† Edward Kaliciak req. by Helen Kaliciak

Wednesday, September 16th @ 8:30 am

† William M. Elliott req. by Martha Robertson and Family

Thursday, September 17th @ 8:30 am

† Fr. Michael Busch req. by Fr. Michael

Friday, September 18th @ 8:30 am

† Robert Knebel req. by Betty Statham

Saturday, September 19th @ 9:00 am

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

† Robert Baldi req. by Julia Iannuzzi & Family
Eva Ciechowski req. by Trudy Wolanski
@ 5:00 pm

† Ivan and Kata Katekovic req. by Milka

Sunday, September 20th @ 9:00 am

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

† Tom Robitaille req. by Marlene Robitaille and Family

Pray For The Sick

Darrel Boddington, Debbie Beauchamp, Douglas Ciceri Sr. and Margaret O'Boyle (Mother of Peter O'Boyle)

Pray For The Recently Deceased

Michael Bedore, Edward Kaliciak, Anna Debeljak, Leola Banks, Violando Pacelli, Carmel Ryder

Church Bulletin Advertising

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in November 2015 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. **Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.**

Vocations

"Who do people say that I am?" Who do you think Jesus is? The depth of our faith is rooted in our answer. Is God calling you to be a priest, religious, or deacon? If you think you are being called to a Church vocation, call Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, **Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org.**

Retrouvaille

Our Next Weekend: September 18, 19, 20

HELP FOR HURTING MARRIAGES

Retrouvaille is a Catholic based program supported by Cardinal Collins to help alleviate marriage breakdown.

A Live-in Weekend followed by 6 post sessions to help heal troubled marriages.

For confidential inquiries or to register call: **416-281-6007**

For more information visit: www.torontoretrouvaille.com

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by email at hburns@paulinmedia.com

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Catholic Community Services of York Region offers affordable and professional counselling for adults, couples and families, dealing with depression, anxiety, bereavement, conflict, parenting concerns and more. Located in Richmond Hill, Maple, Newmarket, Sutton and Pefferlaw. Call us at 1-800-263-2075 ext. 241. We also have group programs. See our website at www.ccsyr.org.



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Squires – Bob Tabone and Francis Kelly

We sincerely thank **Bob Tabone** for his leadership over the last four years in the role of Chief Counsellor for the St. Mark's Squires' Circle and for continuing on as a counsellor this year to mentor the boys. We would also like to congratulate **Francis Kelly** on his new position as the Squires' Chief Counsellor for this year and thank him for agreeing to assume this leadership role to guide the boys.

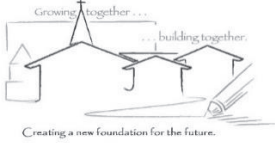
Garden Volunteers – Thank You



Thank you to the volunteers who kept our flower gardens around the church looking so beautiful all summer – Charles and Glynnis Barnes, Fran Allan, Damiana McQuigge, Maureen Morrison, Mario Petramala, Vince Sequeira and Milka Stipceвич

SEPTEMBER 13, 2015

FAMILY OF FAITH CAMPAIGN This is our Launch Day!



The good news is that
we've already raised
\$195,320!

What a great start!

Today is the start of our capital fund-raising. St. Mark's is coming of age! Stouffville has expanded rapidly since 1982 and so has the Catholic population of St. Mark's. Our goal is \$1,300,000. "Wow!" you say. For sure! But there are 3 things you need to remember:

1. **This is a five-year pledge campaign.** We're not doing this in five minutes! To avoid undue financial hardship, the campaign runs through to 2020, so divide that amount by five. With a five-year commitment from all parishioners, this looks very do-able!
2. **This isn't any old parish doing fund-raising:** this is St. Mark's Parish in Stouffville! We are so fortunate to live in this particular parish at this particular time! St. Mark's parishioners have always responded overwhelmingly to a perceived need. We have friendly, kind-hearted people who shine when they work together. As always, the total is more than the sum of its parts. We have some fantastic people in this parish, genuine leaders, and we're truly lucky to have them. They're putting their valuable time and effort into making this campaign a successful one. All they ask is your help!
3. **This isn't any old house we're building:** this is God's house! We have here a great opportunity to do, as Mother Teresa would say, "something beautiful for God!" This is your chance to make your faith a reality, to go from words to action. This is your chance to show you care about your fellow parishioners, the children, the youth, the seniors, all those who make up our parish family.

First Communion Registration

First Communion **Online Registration** will open on

- **Monday, September 14th, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. and will be on a first-come first-serve basis.**
- **A mandatory **Parent Meeting** will take place on Wednesday, **September 23rd, 2015 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** at the church.**

For more information, go to www.stmarkstouffville.ca


Charismatic Prayer Group

September 15th

Our Prayer Group meets every second Tuesday (**next meeting September 15th**). The evening will begin with Mass at 7 pm. Everyone welcome.


St. Mark's Choir – SMC

September 17th, 2015

 The St. Mark's Choir invites you to join the 11 am music ministry starting September 17, 2015.

You're invited to try out one of the Thursday practices in the September month at 7:30 pm. The choir sings traditional, contemporary, and sacred hymns/chorals.

Come and be part of a dynamic parish choir.

Please see Bibiana L'Abbé, the choir director, after the Mass or any choir members for more info. 

Parish Movie Night

Saturday, September 19th



This month's movie: Monsieur Vincent – The Remarkable Life Story of Saint Vincent De Paul

Monsieur Vincent, chronicles the remarkable journey of St. Vincent de Paul who rose from slavery to become a trusted advisor to queens and princes. St. Vincent de Paul's unwavering commitment to the poor made him one of the greatest humanitarians in history.

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

The movie is free of charge but donations to the St. Vincent de Paul Society gratefully accepted.

French with English subtitles Running Time: 114 minutes

Youth Ministry

2015/2016 Launch Dates

High School Youth Ministry (Grades 9 to 12)

Friday, September 25th from 7pm to 10 pm

EDGE Nights (Grades 6 to 8)

Friday, October 2nd from 7pm to 9 pm

EDGE Registration forms can be found in the foyer.

Thank You For Your Generosity

Weekly Offering \$ 5,862



RCIA Program

**Beginning late September 2015
Monday nights from 7 pm to 9:30 pm**

Know someone who wants to become a Catholic or someone who is already Catholic and would like to gain a deeper understanding of the Catholic Faith?

If so, all are invited to join the RCIA program taking place in the Parish Hall. If you are unsure about joining the program, you are welcome to attend a few sessions to see if this will be beneficial to you on your faith journey. You can register by contacting the Parish Office at 905-640-6954.

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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