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PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. Tad Walczyk - Pastor
Deacon John Schwarzbauer
Deacon Wayne McCulloch
Deacon Gordon Lee

STAFF

Sara Moreno-Stober - Office Administrator
Lisa Baker - Pastoral Administrator
Marcel Raes - Custodian
Emy Lomibao-de Asis - Friday Asst.
Grant Lalata - Youth Minister

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday
9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Closed for lunch 12 - 1:00 pm
CLOSED MONDAYS

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday & Thursday - 7:00 pm
Wednesday & Friday - 9:00 am
Saturday - 9:00 am
Statutory Holidays - 9:00 am

FIRST FRIDAY

Mass at 9:00 am and 7:00 pm
Eucharistic Adoration 9:30 am - 7:00 pm
All other Fridays: Adoration 9:30 am - 1 pm

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday - 5:00 pm
Sunday - 9:00 am & 11:00 am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9:30 - 10:00 am
4:00 - 4:45 pm (or by appointment)

PRIVATE PRAYER

Mon., Tues., & Thurs. - 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Wed. & Fri. - 9:30 am to 4:00 pm
First Friday - 9:30 am to 7:00 pm

DEVOTIONS

Recitation of the Holy Rosary
(Before Weekday Masses)
Mother of Perpetual Help
Novena
(After Wednesday Mass)
Divine Mercy Chaplet
(Before Friday Masses)

BAPTISM

Please pick up a Baptismal package from the foyer of the Church. Upon submission of the "Request for Baptism" form, please allow up to 3 months for a Baptismal date, which will be given only after the parents attend the Preparation Class. Baptism Ceremonies are held on the 2nd Sunday of each month and on the 4th Sunday if needed.

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 HOME-BOUND

Please call the Parish Office.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office.

MEMORIAL MASS

See website for policy.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome. We encourage you to register using the Registration Form available in the foyer or on the website.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Servers
Altar Society
AV Team
Children's Liturgy
Counter's Ministry
Eucharistic Ministers
Federation of North American Explorers
Finance Committee
Funeral Luncheon Committee
Greeters/Ushers
Knights of Columbus
Lectors
Media Stand & Bookstall
Movie Night
Parish Council
Parish Music Ministry
Prayer Shawl
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Rosary Apostolate
Sacramental Preparation
Social Committee
Squires
St. Vincent de Paul Society
Women's Ministry
Youth Ministry

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Pape-François
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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. They are also encouraged to get involved in a parish ministry.

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, February 13th @ 7 pm Feast of the Holy Face of Jesus

- † Souls in Purgatory req. by DiRienzo Family
- † Anthony Guastella req. by Caterina Guastella
- † Norma Herdy req. by Vicky Wong
- † Ki-Tsuen Ho req. by Deacon Joseph D'Amico
- Intentions of Cynthia Alcantara req. by Grace Abad

Wednesday, February 14th Ash Wednesday

- @ 9 am
- † Frances Perri req. by Teresa Perri
- @ 7 pm
- For the Poor req. by Fr. Tad

Thursday, February 15th @ 7 pm

- † Marianne Preiss req. by Rose Cabrelli

Friday, February 16th @ 9 am

- † Wayne Hainschwang req. by Carol Hainschwang
- Eucharistic Adoration from 9:30 am to 1 pm

Saturday, February 17th

- @ 9 am
- † Jim Beauchamp req. by Mike Rozario
- † Souls in Purgatory req. by Diep Cong
- Intentions of Bernadette Gerardo req. by Mary Jane Abad
- Intentions of Christina Viggiani req. by Beatriz Moreno
- Intentions of Boll Family req. by Peter Willan & Bernice Hryniewski
- @ 5 pm
- St. Mark's Community req. by Fr. Tad

Sunday, February 18th

- @ 9 am (also livestreamed)
- † Maura Fernandez req. by Elena Medina & Family
- @ 11 am
- † Tony & Dino Raponi req. by Onesima Raponi & Family

Pray For the Sick

Kenneth Pereira, Melanie Aniceto

Pray For the Recently Deceased

Fr. Manfred Schmid, Angella Deluca



Confessions

**Saturday 9:30 to 10 am & 4 to 4:45 pm
or by appointment**

Healing Mass

Friday, February 23rd at 7 pm



We are glad to host in our Parish **Fr. Ireneusz Lukanowski**, a Pallottine priest from Poland, who will say Mass on Friday, February 23rd at 7 pm. The main parts of the Mass will be in Latin (Novus Ordo).

After the Mass we will also have Benediction with the Blessed Sacrament and special prayers for healing.

Fr. Ireneusz has written books and recorded CDs about healing ministry which include some miracles that happened through faith and prayer. These books and CDs will be available for purchase before or after the Mass.

Come and experience the healing touch of Jesus.

The Stations of the Cross on February 23rd will start at 8 pm.

Kindergarten Registration



Kindergarten registrations being accepted in all York Catholic Elementary schools.

The York Catholic District School Board is now accepting registrations for Junior Kindergarten for children born in 2020. York Catholic School Board provides a Christ-centred, innovative Catholic Education in its 102 schools across York Region. The YCDSB is consistently ranked one of the top performing school boards in the province. You can visit their website, www.ycdsb.ca, to register for classes starting in September.

Estate Planning Webinar

Saturday, February 24th at 9 am

FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Learn:

- How to avoid problems: in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and proper Estate Trustee selection
- How to create your own legacy
- About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals



3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

1. scan this QR code:
2. follow this QR link: <https://QRCO.de/WebFeb24>
3. send an email to: Development@ArchToronto.org and write "webinar February 24" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.

Lift Jesus Higher Rally

Saturday, March 2nd from 9 am to 6 pm

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For tickets and information visit:
www.ljhr.ca

Dynamic Women of Faith Conference

Saturday, March 23rd

15th Annual Dynamic Women of Faith Conference

Saturday March 23, 2024

9:00am-4pm at the Old Mill

(includes light lunch)

Opening Mass celebrated by Cardinal Collins

Speakers:

- Kathleen Beckman: A Family Guide to Spiritual Warfare
- Carissa Douglas: Becoming a Co-creator with God
- Anna Boyagoda: Creating a Space for Prayer
- *Special Guest Speaker: Tammy Peterson*
(wife of Dr. Jordan Peterson)

Dorothy Pilarski: Starting a Catholic Moms Group

TO REGISTER VISIT www.dynamicwomenfaith.com



SL ShareLife

Thank you to all our parishioners who gave so generously to our ShareLife campaign to help all those in need in our community and throughout the GTA.

Our parish raised \$82,892!

PARISH WEBSITE <http://stmarksst.archtoronto.org>

FEBRUARY 11, 2024

Feast of the Holy Face of Jesus

Tuesday, February 13th



For the Feast of the Holy Face of Jesus on February 13th, a picture will be displayed in the sanctuary and devotional prayers will be said at the end of the 7 pm Mass.

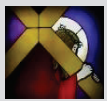
*"Whoever gazes upon me
already consoles me"*
(Our Lord to Sister Pierina)

Ash Wednesday

February 14th - Mass at 9 am and 7 pm
Ashes will be distributed at both Masses



This is a universal day of fasting and abstinence from meat. The law of abstinence from meat binds those who are 14 and older; the law of fasting binds those from 18 – 59 years of age. Parents and educators are reminded of their duty to introduce children gradually to the understanding and practice of penance.



Lenten Stations of the Cross Beginning February 16th

Every Friday during Lent at 7:30 pm.



Saturday, February 17th from 6 pm to 8:30 pm

Our next **LifeTeen** night for youth in Grades 9 to 12 will be on Saturday, February 17th from 6 pm to 8:30 pm.

We will be reflecting on the Lenten season.

Please invite your friends!

Registration forms will be available at the session.

For further information, email our Youth Minister, Grant, at stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com.

Follow us on Instagram: @stmarksyouthmin

Family Game Day

Monday, February 19th beginning at 2 pm



On the holiday Monday, the Knights of Columbus will be hosting their second annual **Family Games afternoon beginning at 2 pm in the parish hall.** A variety of fun board games

for all ages will be available for families to play. Pizza, popcorn, chips, water and soft drinks will be available to purchase. There is no registration or additional cost.

All families are welcome!

Recollection for Women

Monday, February 19th from 7 pm to 8:30 pm

The Women's Recollection at St. Mark's Church is a moment of peaceful prayer designed to refresh your spirit and help you come up with creative ways to live your faith in your family, social and professional life.

Confessions and Talk given by a Priest of Opus Dei

Confirmation Class

Wednesday, February 21st



The next Confirmation class will be on Wednesday, February 21st in the Parish Hall.
Group A – 6 pm to 7:15 pm
Group B – 7:45 pm to 9 pm

*There won't be a class on Ash Wednesday, February 14th

St. Mark's Pasta Night

Saturday, February 24th at 6 pm



Come and enjoy a delicious meal!

Penne Pasta, Sausage & Meatballs, Salad,
Rolls, Dessert, Coffee & Tea

Adults \$30 & Children 10 years old and younger \$10

Wine, Beer, Soft Drinks & Water available for purchase.

Tickets will be sold after the weekend Masses.

Timeless: LifeTeen Retreat

Registration will be open until February 24th

**Are you open to exploring your faith and
growing closer to Jesus and your friends?**

Do you want to be refreshed, renewed, and recharged?

If so, we invite you and your friends to register for our LifeTeen Retreat for youth in **Grades 9 to 12** from **Friday, March 1st - Sunday, March 3rd** for prayer, fellowship, catechesis, and fun at **Shadow Lake Centre on Ninth Line** in Stouffville. Registration is open until **Saturday, February 24th**. Please scan the QR code to access the registration form and submit your

payment of **\$150** by cash or cheque to the parish office. For more information, email our Youth Minister, Grant Lalata at: stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com.



Coffee Sunday

Sunday, February 25th



Coffee, tea and baked goods will be served in the Parish Hall on **Sunday, February 25th after the 9 am and 11 am masses.** Join fellow parishioners

in the hall for fellowship and some delicious refreshments!

Donations of baked goods are greatly appreciated and can be dropped off in the parish hall on Saturday between 8 am and 10 am or 4 pm and 6 pm or on Sunday morning.

St. Mark's Lenten Parish Mission

Saturday, March 2 to Wednesday, March 6



**St. Mark's Church Lenten Mission
in preparation for the Feast of Easter**

Preacher: Fr. Dominic Joseph Borg, OCD

Topic: The Importance and Power of the Living Word of God in our faith journey

Dates & Times:

- Weekend Masses on March 2 and 3
- Monday, March 4 at 7 pm
- Tuesday, March 5 at 7 pm
- Wednesday, March 6 at 7 pm

Confession will be available from Monday to Wednesday from 6 pm to 7 pm.

Everyone is invited to join us for this moment of Grace in our Parish!

Please remember your God, your Faith, and your Parish in your will.

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