



# St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

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## NOVEMBER 2019 - JUNE 2020

### PASTORAL TEAM

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

### STAFF

Mary Ann Mehes - Administrator  
Lisa Baker - Admin. Assistant  
Camille Herrera - Youth Minister  
Lad Mehes - Custodian  
Emy Lomibao-de Asis - Friday Asst.

### OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday  
9 am - 3:30 pm  
Closed for lunch 12 - 1 pm  
**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  
Weekday Solemnities - 7:30 pm only

### SUNDAY EUCHARIST

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

### 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 - 4:45 pm (or by appointment)

### DEVOTIONS

#### Recitation of the Rosary

(Tues., Wed. & Thurs. before Mass)

#### St. Therese of Lisieux

#### Novena

(Tuesday Evening Mass)

#### Divine Mercy

(Before Friday Mass)

#### Mother of Perpetual Help

(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 or on our website.

### COMMUNION FOR THE SICK AND HOME-BOUND

Please call Parish Office.

### ANointing OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office.

### MEMORIAL MASS POLICY

Cancelled during construction.

### 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  
Ministry of Hospitality  
Parish Council  
Parish Music Ministry  
Prayer Groups  
RCIA  
Sacramental Preparation  
Squires  
St. Vincent de Paul Society  
Ushers  
Women's Ministry  
Youth Ministry

### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

St. Mark's School  
333 Glad Park Ave.  
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W: [vocationstoronto.ca](http://vocationstoronto.ca)

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T: 416-934-0606  
W: [archtoronto.org](http://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!

# THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD



## Mass Intentions for the Week

**Tuesday, February 4<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 pm**

Living and Deceased Members of the Hughes and McConville Families req. by Fr. Michael

- † Rosina and Silvio Pierotti req. by Ossi & Ann Pierotti
- † Ella and Leo McDonald req. by Ian & Ann Marie Munro
- † Anna and Joseph Nguyen req. by Vincent Nguyen
- Intention of Marrino Sebastiampillai req. by Timothy Sebastiampillai

**Wednesday, February 5<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 am**

- † Anna Laconte req. by Jill McWhinnie

**Thursday, February 6<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 am**

- † Matthew Armstrong req. by Ian & Ann Marie Munro

**Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 pm**

- † Pope, Bishops and Priests req. by Fr. Michael
- † Carlomagno Mansueto req. by Mansueto Family
- Intentions of Alan D'Silva req. by Beverly Shewchuk
- Matthew Shin-Scott req. by Ian & Ann Marie Munro

**Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup>**

**@ 9:00 am**

- Intentions of A.P. req. by Maureen Morrison
- † Fr. Robin Gwyn req. by Dina & Michael Simon
- † Roland Hardy req. by Mike and Fran Rozario
- † Roseanne Farrell req. by Francesca De Caro
- † Franca Mereuri req. by Francesca De Caro

**@ 5:00 pm**

- † Philip & Italo Lavorgna and Giovanni Terrigno req. by Pamela & Gino Terrigno

**Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup>**

**@ 9:00 am**

Intentions of the Rosary Apostolate req. by Rosary Apostolate

**@ 11:00 am**

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

## Sign-up for Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)

### Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)

Give via pre-authorized transfers directly from your bank account.

To sign-up for St. Mark's Church Pre-Authorized Giving program, Please go to:

**[www.stmarkstouffville.ca](http://www.stmarkstouffville.ca), click on the "Contact" heading then "Donations" to print off the form.**

Complete the form and attach a void cheque which can be dropped off at the church office or put in the collection basket.

PAG allows you to support your parish even when you are away - a benefit to the church, since expenses continue all year long.

## FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION

After laboring in the temple for his entire life, Simeon was rewarded with the gift of beholding Christ with his own eyes. The reward of Simeon is the reward awaiting all of Christ's faithful stewards. So when the commitment to our life of stewardship becomes difficult and we're tempted to despair, let us remember the reward that awaits us of beholding Him with utter joy and peace in heaven.

## First Friday Holy Hour Cancelled Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup>

**The February 7<sup>th</sup> Holy Hour has been cancelled. However, there will still be a Mass that evening at 7 pm.**

## Annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally Metro Toronto Convention Centre 255 Front St. W., Toronto

**Saturday, March 7 from 9 am to 5:30 pm**



Join us for the largest single-day Catholic event in Canada! Hear inspired testimonies and talks by Ralph Martin and keynote speaker James Mallon.

There will be a Eucharistic Adoration procession and Holy Mass with Cardinal Thomas Collins. There will also be a separate youth event (13-18 years) with great music, dynamic talks, inspirational skits, Eucharistic Adoration and Holy Mass. Adults \$25 Youth \$15

For information and ticket sales:

**WEB:** [www.ljhr.ca](http://www.ljhr.ca) **EMAIL:** [contact@ljhr.ca](mailto:contact@ljhr.ca)

## Dynamic Women of Faith Catholic Women's Conference March 28<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 am to 4 pm



**Celebrating our 11th year!**

Saturday, March 28 – 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Le Treport Banquet Hall, 1075  
Queensway E., Mississauga

Mass celebrant: Fr. Edward J. Curtis

Speakers & Topics: • Kimberly Hahn– The Joys and Sorrows of Mary (Scott Hahn's wife) • Colleen Carroll Campbell – The Heart of Perfection (Award winning author, EWTN) • Dorothy Pilarski: One Mother's Heart (Founder of Dynamic Women of Faith)

Light Breakfast – Lunch – Free Parking. All Included.

Register at: <http://dynamicwomenfaith.com/>

Register early to avoid disappointment.

**CONTACT: 416-907-1042**

## NEW Share a Ride Ministry



*Share a Ride Ministry*



We are looking for individuals who would like to join a new ministry whose members will provide transportation to parishioners who are in need of a drive to Mass on the weekends. If you feel called to join this ministry, please email [stmarkspastoral@bellnet.ca](mailto:stmarkspastoral@bellnet.ca) and provide your name, phone number, email address and the Mass time you attend on the weekend.

**PARISH WEBSITE <http://stmarkstouffville.ca>**

# FEBRUARY 2, 2020

## Blessed Candles for Your Home



Candlemass candles are available for purchase in the church foyer at a cost of \$3 each. These candles are traditionally blessed on the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Bring your candles for blessing on Saturday, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> at the 5 pm Mass and Sunday, Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9 am and 11 am Masses.

## Lectio Divina

**Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> from 7 pm to 8:15 pm**

**\*\*\*Livestreamed at St. Mark's Church\*\*\***



In Lectio Divina we seek not to master or grasp the sacred text, but rather through it, prayerfully and silently, to come into the presence of God.

**LIVESTREAM:** This month Lectio Divina with Cardinal Collins will be livestreamed at St. Mark's Church. Hosted by Gordon Lee.

The night begins with **Vespers** (Evening Prayer) at 7 p.m., and **Lectio Divina** from 7:30 to 8:15 p.m.

Passage for meditation Ruth 1:1-22

## Confirmation Class

**Wednesday, February 5<sup>th</sup>**

The next preparatory Confirmation class will take place on Wednesday, February 5<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Hall.



Group A – 6 pm to 7:15 pm

Group B – 7:45 pm to 9 pm

**EDGE**

**February 7<sup>th</sup> from 7 pm to 9 pm**

We welcome youth in **grades 5, 6, 7, and 8** to join us on **Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup> from 7 – 9 PM** in the Parish Hall.

For further information, please go to [stmarkstouffville.ca](http://stmarkstouffville.ca) or email our Youth Minister, Camille, at [stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com](mailto:stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com).

Register Online at:

<https://stmarkschurch.breezechms.com/form/EDGE20192020>

## First Communion Class

**Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup>**



The next preparatory First Communion class will take place on Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Hall.

Group A – 10 am to 12 pm

Group B – 1 pm to 3 pm

## 2019 Tax Receipts

**February 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> and February 15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup>**

2019 Tax Receipts can be picked up in the church foyer on the weekends of **February 8/9 and February 15/16.**



## St. Mark's Pasta Knight

**Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6 pm**



*Come and enjoy a delicious meal!*

Penne Pasta, Home Made Sausage & Meatballs, Cold Cuts, Salad, Rolls, Dessert, Coffee & Tea

**Adults \$20 Youth \$10 10 & under \$5**

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For information, call Sal Lombardo at 416-721-1091.

**New to the parish?**

**What a great way to make new friends!**

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## World Day of Prayer Ecumenical Prayer Service Hosted by St. Mark's Church

**Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm**

*Everyone is invited to attend the World Day of Prayer Ecumenical Prayer Service on Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, at 2pm. Hosted by St Mark Church for the Stouffville community.*

This years' service will feature Zimbabwe.

We will be accepting donations of cookies and squares for the reception after the service. If you're able to contribute baked goods, please email [stmarkspastoral@bellnet.ca](mailto:stmarkspastoral@bellnet.ca) with the item you would like to bring and your contact information.

## Overview of Financial Picture 2020 Projected Weekly Average \$

<b>\$ Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$9,000</b>
<b>\$ Debt Reduction</b>	<b>+\$600</b>
<b>\$ Collections Required</b>	<b>\$9,600</b>

Example, if a gift of \$10 per week, we ask for an increase to \$12.50

If a gift of \$20 per week, we ask for an increase to \$25

If a gift of \$40 per week, we ask for an increase to \$50

## Thank You For Your Generosity

### Revenue

Weekly Offering	\$ 6,067
Average Weekly PAG (Pre-Authorized Giving)	\$ 1,404
Heating Collection	\$ 2,590
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$10,061</b>

### Expenses (2020 Projected Weekly Average)

Operating Exp. & Debt Reduction	\$ 9,600
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