



St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

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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
RCIA & RCIC
Rosary Apostolate
Sacramental Preparation
Social Committee
Squires
St. Vincent de Paul Society
Women's Ministry
Youth Ministry

VOCATIONS TORONTO

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

ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

T: 416-934-0606
W: archtoronto.org

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

Blessed Chiara
Badano School
55 Meridan Dr.

St. Katharine Drexel
High School
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Pape-François
276 Sunset Blvd.
T: 905-642-3440

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.

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, January 23rd @ 7 pm

- † Steven Gowland req. by Karen Gowland & Family
- † Souls in Purgatory req. by DiRienzo Family
- † Pamela Koschinsky req. by Helen & Alan Thompson
- † Christine & Stanley Peterson req. by Myrna Waterman
- † Selma Sylvester req. by Myrna Waterman
- † Thanksgiving for blessings received req. by Peter Willan
- † Thanksgiving to the Holy Spirit req. by Caterina Guastella

Wednesday, January 24th @ 9 am

Intentions of Evan, Tyrone & Tiffane Anandarajan req. by Anata & Anandarajan

Thursday, January 25th @ 7 pm

- † Dino Collura req. by Josie Collura

Friday, January 26th @ 9 am

Fr. Tad Walczyk req. by Anonymous

Eucharistic Adoration from 9:30 am to 1 pm

Saturday, January 27th

@ 9 am

- † Livio Raponi req. by Marsilio Raponi
- † Tony & Dino Raponi req. by Marsilio Raponi
- † Michael Carty req. by Carol Moran
- † Jacob Kvas req. by Elizabeth & Marcel Raes
- † Souls in Purgatory req. by Diep Cong
- † Cristeta Ancheta req. by Precy Ortiz
- † Intentions and Thanksgiving of Lorna Legara req. by Lorna Legara

@ 5 pm

St. Mark's Community req. by Fr. Tad

Sunday, January 28th

@ 9 am (also livestreamed)

- † Fiorina Castriota req. by Adele Castriota

@ 11 am

- † Dino Raponi req. by Onesima Raponi & Family

Pray For the Sick

Kenneth Pereira, Melanie Aniceto

Pray For the Recently Deceased

Elva Corcoran, Jim Beauchamp, Joseph Russo



Confessions

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



Eucharistic Adoration Every Friday

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place each **Friday from 9:30 am to 1 pm and on the First Friday of the month from 9:30 am to 7 pm ending with Benediction.** We ask for help to ensure at least 2 people in the church each hour of Adoration by **signing in with the paper registration sheet at the back of the church.** Please consider attending for even 5-10 minutes.

Is God Calling You

The call of the disciples is so familiar to us that we tend to miss the wonder of the disciples' response, which was immediate and complete; they leave everything and follow Jesus. Can we do less if we feel that God is calling us to the priesthood, religious life or deaconate? If you think God is calling you to a church vocation, call Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocation Director at **416-968-0997.**

Email vocations@archtoronto.org Website www.vocationstoronto.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

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.

Thank You!



The St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank the parishioners of St. Mark's parish for their generosity in 2023. Your donations and support allow us to serve our Neighbours in Need in the community of Stouffville and beyond.
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Register today and unlock your inner leader!

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

JANUARY 21, 2024

Women's Recollection

Monday, January 22nd

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. **Date: Monday, January 22nd. Confessions and Talk given by an Opus Dei Priest: 7 – 9:30 pm.**

Confirmation Classes

Wednesday, January 24th



The next Confirmation class will be on Wednesday, January 24th in the Parish Hall.
Group A – 6 pm to 7:15 pm
Group B – 7:45 pm to 9 pm

EDGE

Our next **EDGE** night for youth in Grades 5 to 8 will be on Friday, January 26th from 6 pm to 8 pm.

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



MOVIE NIGHT



**Saturday, January 27th at 6:30 pm
in the Parish Hall**



This month's movie:

**All or Nothing: The Life of
Sr. Clare Crockett**

A budding actress leaves her career and the open doors to fame behind to give her life to God. Some might see this as a total failure. But was it? Those who knew Sr. Clare speak in this film.

After her tragic death in the 2016 earthquake in Ecuador, many think that the story doesn't end there. Thanks to the Servant Sisters' archives with over 15 years of photos and videos of Sr. Clare's life, this documentary shows the real-life story of this Sister who gave her ALL to God!

Running time: 124 mins. There's no charge to attend the show.

Pizza, drinks & snacks will be on sale at 6 pm.

Movies are more appropriate for adults.

Coffee Sunday

Sunday, January 28th



Coffee, tea and baked goods will be served in the Parish Hall on **Sunday, January 28th 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.



Come, Holy Spirit!

St Mark's Women's Ministry Retreat

January 26th to 28th

We are SO excited to announce our 2nd Women's Ministry Retreat **Jan 26-28, 2024.**

This weekend will consist of specially curated, inspiring videos about the Holy Spirit and how we can activate the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives, receiving and exercising the Gifts and Fruits of the Holy Spirit, with reflection, discussion and sharing: love, laughter, and Faith, sprinkled with an outdoor adventure and bonfire ...and indoor activities and prayer crafts.

Also, on Saturday evening, there will be Mass and Confessions.

Location: The retreat will be held at The Lake St. George Field Centre, Richmond Hill

Cost: \$250 per person or \$225 per person if you bring a friend!

For Information and to register, please email:

stmarkswomensministry@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus Fraternal Benefits Night

Friday, February 2nd at 7:30 pm



We would like to invite all men and their wives in the parish to join us for our **Winter Fraternal Benefits Night on Friday, February 2nd after the 7:00 pm Mass in the hall with a virtual option available.**

Topics will include RRSPs and TFSA's just in time for tax season. Come and meet council members over some tea, coffee, and snacks. Please RSVP via email to

GK10874@ontariokofc.ca.

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

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