

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

Divine Mercy (Before Friday Mass) Mother of Perpetual Help (Saturday Morning Mass)

(Tuesday Evening 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 PARISH MINISTRIES months for an anticipated Baptismal date given only after the parents attend the Children's Liturgy Preparation Class. This time Counter's Ministry 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 Prayer Groups parish one year in advance. If either party has previously Sacramental Preparation gone through any form of civil Squires 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 fover 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.

Altar Servers Altar Society Edge **Eucharistic Ministers** Finance Committee Funeral Luncheon Committee Knights of Columbus Lectors Media Stand & Bookstall Parish Council

Ministry of Hospitality Parish Music Ministry **RCIA** St. Vincent de Paul Society Ushers Women's Ministry Youth Ministry

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

St. Mark's School 333 Glad Park Ave. T: 905-640-2915

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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!

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, January 28th @ 7:00 pm

Living and Deceased Members of the Hughes and

McConville Families req. by Fr. Michael

Al Lowe req. by Fr. Michael Hughes

Hugo Biondi req. by Ossi and Ann Pierotti

Lagrandian Joe Mazzone reg. by Anonymous

Anne Bijo req. by Parents

Wegnesday, January 29th @ 8:30 am

Mrs. Russell req. by Jill McWhinnie

Thursday, January 30th @ 8:30 am

Eva Dias req. by Hubert Pereira

Friday, January 31st @ 7:00 pm

Pope, Bishops and Priests req. by Fr. Michael

Mary Ann Mehes reg. by Fr. Michael

Fr. Michael Hughes req. by Anonymous

Rayanne Achong req. by Fr. Michael

Fr. Michael Hughes req. by Bev Shewchuk

Saturday, February 1st

@ 9:00 am

Seamus Magill req. by Fr. Michael

Avelino G. Caspe req. by Cherry Caspe

Joe Mazzone req. by Don and Susan Dizon

Farideh Gholami reg. by Sabreena Rajan

T Fortunata Cianflone req. by Quadrini Family

TBernardo Dino Collura (3rd Anniversary) req. by Josie Collura and Family

Sunday, February 2nd

@ 9:00 am

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

@11:00 am

Guzzo Family req. by Angela Colosimo and Family

Sign-up for Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)

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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, 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.

Is God Calling You?

"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." Are you willing to proclaim the coming of the kingdom as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

World Day for Consecrated Life at St. Paul's Basilica February 2nd at 3 pm

The Church will celebrate the World Day for Consecrated Life on Sunday, February 2, 2020. Please pray for all those who have made commitments to the consecrated life and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation. All are welcome to come to a special Mass on Sunday, February 2 at 3 p.m. at St. Paul's Basilica, Toronto, to celebrate with and pray for these consecrated men and women who are such a vital and important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our archdiocese.

First Friday Holy Hour Cancelled Friday, February 7th

The February 7th 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 singleday 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 Adults \$25 Youth \$15 Holy Mass. For information and ticket sales:

WEB: www.ljhr.ca **EMAIL**: contact@ljhr.ca

Holy Land Pilgrimage In the Footsteps of Jesus November 2 to November 15, 2020

Come join us on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land, the most sacred place on earth! Pilgrimage Dates: November 1 to 15, 2020

Travel Arrangements by:

Talk of the Town Travel

Information Meeting:

Date to be announced soon

Itinerary:

Copies located in the new foyer on the table Pilgrimage under the spiritual guidance of Fr. Joseph Devereaux & Fr. Michael Hughes

PARISH WEBSITE http://stmarkstouffville.ca

Women's Ministry Meeting Monday, January 27th at 6:30 pm



Brrr.....it's cold outside! Come, let us feed you with some hot Pizza al Forno....and **Hot Catholic Topics!**

What will we be discussing you ask? The topics are too hot to discuss here, so come and join us for good company, good food and good conversation.

PLEASE NOTE - our earlier start time at 6:30 pm

There will be pizza, salad, dessert and beverages provided.

So grab a friend and join us for our next Women's Ministry Meeting on

Monday January 27th at 6:30 p.m. If you plan to attend, please RSVP: stmarkswomensministry@gmail.com

Confirmation Class

Wednesday, January 29th

The next preparatory Confirmation class will take place on Wednesday, January 29th in the Parish Hall.

Group A - 6 pm to 7:15 pm Group B - 7:45 pm to 9 pm

YOUTH

January 31st from 6:30 pm to 9 pm

Bring a friend, meet new people. We invite all high school teens to join us on Friday, January 31st from 6:30 PM - 9 PM in the Parish Hall.

For further information, please go to stmarkstouffville.ca or email our Youth Minister, Camille, at **stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com**. Register Online at:

https://stmarkschurch.breezechms.com/form/HS20192020

Blessed Candles for Your Home



Candlemass candles are available for purchase in the church fover 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. 1st at the 5 pm Mass and Sunday, Feb. 2nd at 9 am and 11 am Masses.

Thank You For Your Generosity

Weekly Offering \$ 4.453 \$ 1.455 Average Weekly PAG

(Pre-Authorized Giving)

NEW Share a Ride Ministry



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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 and provide your name, phone number, email address and the Mass time you attend on the weekend.

Lectio Divina

Sunday, February 2nd 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

St. Mark's Pasta Night Saturday, February 22nd 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 Wine, Beer, Soft Drinks and Water available Tickets will be sold after the weekend masses.

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

New to the parish?

What a great way to make new friends!

World Day of Prayer Ecumenical Prayer Service Hosted by St. Mark's Church Friday, March 6th at 2 pm

Everyone is invited to attend the World Day of Prayer Ecumenical Prayer Service on Friday, March 6th, 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** with the item you would like to bring and your contact information.

Please remember St. Mark's Church in your will.

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