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Father, You revealed Your Son to the nations by the guidance of a star. Lead us to Your Glory in Heaven by the Light of Faith.



# Mass Intentions for the Week

#### Tuesday, January 7th @ 7:00 pm

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

John McCarthy req. by Fr. Michael

Joyce & Harry Outen req. by Ian & Ann Marie Munro

Wednesday, January 8th @ 8:30 am

T Celeste and Hugh Kivlichan reg. by Fr. Michael

Thursday, January 9th @ 8:30 am

Mary Hanratty req. by Fr. Michael Loretta's Doctor req. by Fr. Michael

Friday, January 10th @ 7:00 pm

Pope, Bishops and Priests req. by Fr. Michael

T Antonio & Maria Pallotta req. by Rita Pallotta

T Maria Laura Vecharelli req. by Rita Pallotta

🕇 Antonietta Luccketta req. by Rita Pallotta

#### Saturday, January 11th

9:00 am

Fortunata Cianflone req. by Onesima and Tony Raponi Mary Hanratty req. by Fr. Michael Intentions of Diep Cong req. by Diep Cong Intentions of Anna Marie Pierotti req. by Maureen

Morrison

6 5:00 pm Antonio, Angelina & Costanzo Spedaliere req. by Mary DiPasqua

Sunday, January 12th

@ 9:00 am

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

@11:00 am

Matthew Benincasa req. by Tony & Onesima & 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?

"On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid Him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ's name? If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux,

Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at **416-968-0997**.

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

# Making Christ Manifest to all the World

On this feast day we celebrate the visit of the foreign Magi which represents all the nations coming to know Christ. Even 2000 years later,



Christ still desires to make Himself known to the ends of the earth and we as stewards have the great privilege of helping in this important mission. We cannot keep the gift of the Gospel for ourselves, but we must use our God-given time and talents to go out into the world and proclaim it to others.

# Classical to Contemporary A Special Musical Event

January 18 at 7 pm, Christ Church Anglican

For one night only, award-winning soprano Ekaterina Shelehova and accompanist award-winning, world-renowned pianist Valentin Bogolubov, will perform an incredible evening of classical music, contemporary hits, Chopin, and tangos. Tickets are available through the Christ Church office (905-640-1461) or at Eventbrite.ca <a href="http://bit.ly/2PAvePt">http://bit.ly/2PAvePt</a>

#### **Event details:**

Saturday, January 18, 2020 at 7pm
Tickets: \$30 each
Christ Church, 254 Sunset Blvd., Stouffville
<a href="https://www.stouffvilleanglican.ca/concerts">https://www.stouffvilleanglican.ca/concerts</a>

# A History of Sacred Liturgy As Told by Its Music

January 25th from 9:30 am to 3 pm



A History of Sacred Music

Presenter: Fr. John Mark Missio
(Mass in the seminary chapel)

Cost: \$50 (lunch included)

Register online at: <a href="https://www.staugustines.on.ca">www.staugustines.on.ca</a>
Location: St. Augustine's Seminary,
2661 Kingston Rd., Scarborough
Phone: 416-261-7207, ext. 221

# **Celebration of Marriage Mass**with Cardinal Collins

February 9th at 3 pm at St. Isaac Jogues



On Marriage Sunday, Cardinal Collins will preside at a special Mass to honour couples celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2020. If you are celebrating a 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> or 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary this year, you are invited to join in this special celebration with a reception to follow the Mass.

**Location:** St. Isaac Jogues, 1148 Finch Ave, Pickering **Date and Time:** Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm **To register:** www.archtoronto.org/marriage or call

(416)934-3400 ext. 523

## **Lectio Divina**

### Sunday, January 5th from 6:45 pm-8:15 pm



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.

One Sunday evening each month all are welcome to join Cardinal Collins for Lectio Divina at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, 65 Bond St., Toronto.

We begin with music by the **Cathedral Vespers Choir** at 6:45 p.m., **Vespers** (Evening Prayer) at 7 p.m., and **Lectio Divina** from 7:30 to 8:15 p.m.

LIVESTREAM: Lectio Divina is livestreamed via the St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica website at www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live

## Charismatic Prayer Group Monday, January 6th at 7 pm

The Charismatic Prayer Group will meet on Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in the Parish Hall meeting room. All are welcome.

For information contact Deacon John at 905-294-4649

# **From Atheist to Priest**

Monday, January 6th from 7 pm to 9 pm

**Date & Time:** Monday, January 6 from 7 to 9 p.m. **Location:** Le Spot Billiard Lounge, 4531 Sheppard Ave.E., 2nd floor, # 200, Scarborough

All young adults (19-39) are invited to join us for Theology on Tap, an evening of thought-provoking conversation on theological topics, with munchies provided — come and bring a friend!

**CONTACT:** Office of Catholic Youth **PHONE:** 416-599-7676 **EMAIL:** youngadult@ocytoronto.org

# First Communion Parent Meeting Wednesday, January 8th from 7 pm to 9 pm



A mandatory First Communion Parent Meeting will take place on Wednesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020 with registration beginning at 7 pm in the church foyer.

# EDGE

January 10th from 7 pm to 9 pm

We welcome youth in **grades 5, 6, 7, and 8** to join us on **Friday, January 10**<sup>th</sup> **from 7 – 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/EDGE20192020

## Knights of Columbus Meeting Wednesday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm



The next meeting of the fraternal year will be held on January 15th at 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall meeting room.

For further information contact:

Nicholas Quadrini at squirenq@gmail.com

# Formation for Lectors Saturday, January 18th from 9 am to 12 pm

The Archdiocese of Toronto invites Lectors into a deeper understanding of the importance of the liturgical celebrations of the Church, and the Liturgy of the Word.

Saturday, January 18 from 9 am to 12 pm
St. Patrick Church, 139 McCaul St., Toronto
To register: <a href="http://bit.ly/LectorFormation-Jan2020">http://bit.ly/LectorFormation-Jan2020</a>
For further info: <a href="mailto:formation@archtoronto.org">formation@archtoronto.org</a>
There is no cost to attend and refreshments will be served.

# New Family Room Formerly called the "Crying Room"



In the past, there was a "crying room" at the back of the Church where families were able to sit with their children. Now with the new Church addition, we are

blessed to have a "Family Room" located near the front of the church on the left side near the ramp. If you have young children, we invite you to please feel free to sit in the Family Room. This is a place where your little ones can move about while you are still able to hear and take part in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

# Steubenville Youth Conference July 3 – 5 at Ontario Tech University



The Steubenville Toronto Youth Conference will be coming to the Ontario Tech University Campus in Oshawa from July 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Youth who will be in

Grade 9 in September 2020 up to those who will be graduating high school by the end of 2020 can attend this exciting conference. To find out more and to register, please contact Camille Herrera at 905-640-6954 or by email at stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com. A non-refundable deposit of \$50 must be paid when booking a spot. For details about the conference, please go to www.steubenvilletoronto.com.

# Thank you from the Squires

The St. Mark's Squires Circle would like to sincerely thank all of the parishioners who so generously contributed to the Tree of Life Christmas Campaign for the Rose of Sharon. Your donations of baby clothes, toys, blankets and other items were greatly appreciated!

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

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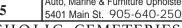
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