



# St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

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## PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. Marijan Sisko - Administrator  
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**

## WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday & Thursday - 7:00 pm  
Wednesday & Friday - 8:30 am  
(except First Fridays when Mass is at 7 pm)  
Saturday - 9:00 am  
Statutory Holidays - 9:00 am

## SUNDAY EUCHARIST

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

## HOLY HOUR

Every Thursday 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm

## EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration & Benediction  
Every Friday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

## RECONCILIATION

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

## REGISTRATION FOR WEEKEND MASSES

Registration is required for the Saturday 5 pm, Sunday 9 am and 11 am masses.

Registration for the upcoming weekend, begins on Wednesday at 7 pm. The registration link can be found on our website.

## DEVOTIONS

### *Temporarily Suspended*

Recitation of the Rosary  
St. Therese of Lisieux Novena  
Divine Mercy Chaplet  
Mother of Perpetual Help  
Prayer

## BAPTISM

Please pick up a Baptismal Package from the foyer of the Church. Upon submission of the "Request for Baptism" form, due to COVID-19, please allow 3 to 6 months for an anticipated Baptismal date given only after the parents attend the Preparation Class

## 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

Suspended due to COVID-19.

## ANointing OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office.

## MEMORIAL MASS POLICY

Please see website for policy explanation.

## 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.  
T: 905-640-2915

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T: 905-642-6728

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## VOCATIONS TORONTO

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W: [vocationstoronto.ca](http://vocationstoronto.ca)

## ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

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!

# THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## Mass Intentions for the Week

**Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm**

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

† Frank Gallo req. by Nella Nardi

**Wednesday, October 28<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 am**

Intentions of Scott Munro req. by Ian and Ann Marie Munro

**Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm,**

**Holy Hour from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm**

† Florence Iacono req. by Larry Tumino

**Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 am**

Eucharistic Adoration from 9 am to 12 noon

Pope, Bishops and Priests req. by Fr. Michael

† Frank Gallo req. by Sabina Gallo

**Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup>**

**@ 9:00 am**

† Michael & Beverley Semon req. by Russ & Pam May

† Fortunata Cianflone req. by Quadri Family

† Romano Stipcevic req. by Milka Stipcevic

In thanksgiving for the Beatification of Fr. Michael J.

McGivney req. by Knights of Columbus Council 10874

**@ 5:00 pm**

† Sonia Velocci req. by Velocci Family

**Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**

**@ 9 am**

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

**@ 11 am**

† Matthew Benincasa req. by Emilio and Mary Benincasa

## SUNDAY COMMUNION SERVICE



Communion Services are each Sunday at 1 pm and 1:15 pm. It will be a short service, so we ask those attending to remain standing throughout and avoid touching the pews or sitting. If you need to be

seated, please take a sticky note to place on the handrail in front of the spot where you sit. We hope this will allow more of our parishioners to be able to come to the Church on Sunday to hear the readings and receive the Eucharist. As a preparation for the service, we ask you to watch the Mass online.

## IS GOD CALLING YOU?

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul and with all your mind." Live in that love in the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life. Contact Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocation

Director at 416-968-0997 or email

[vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

[www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

## St. Vincent de Paul Society



St. Vincent de Paul Society

St. Mark's Conference

Know of a neighbour in need?

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## St. Michael's College School

**Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm**

The Office of Admissions of St. Michael's College School is now considering applications for September 2021. St. Michael's College School is Ontario's only independent Catholic school for young men from Grade 7 to Grade 12. Virtual Open Houses for prospective students and their families will be held on Tuesday, October 27 beginning at 7:30 pm. We invite you to register at [ApplySMCS.com](http://ApplySMCS.com). St. Michael's College School offers a generous bursary programme that provides financial aid to qualifying students.

## Cardinal's Dinner A Virtual Event

**Thursday, November 5<sup>th</sup> from 7 – 8 pm**

This year, the 41st Annual Cardinal's Dinner will be held as a Virtual Event on Thursday, November 5, 2020 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

We are inviting you to make a donation to continue to support the work of these charitable organizations and their programs, as well as to participate in a one-hour virtual event with His Eminence.

For more information please contact Lysle Kintanar at 416-934-3400, ext. 567 or by email at [cdinner@archtoronto.org](mailto:cdinner@archtoronto.org).

<https://www.archtoronto.org/cardinals-dinner>

## Family at the Heart of Formation

**Saturday, November 28 from 10 am-9:15 pm**



Cardinal Thomas Collins is pleased to invite families from across the diocese to our third annual virtual

Archdiocesan gathering of families on **Saturday, November 28**, 10 a.m. – 9:15 p.m. Our family day will include, prayer, praise and worship, games, scripture, teaching, Q&A with Cardinal Collins, family activity challenges, and a parent talk and discussion session with lay evangelist, Patrick Sullivan. Parents and children of all ages are invited to join us for both online Zoom sessions and offline activities.

There is no cost to attend, but tickets are limited.

One ticket per household. To register, please visit:

[www.archtoronto.org/family](http://www.archtoronto.org/family).

If you have further questions, please call Annalisa Parente at 416-934-3400 ext. 569 or email [aparente@archtoronto.org](mailto:aparente@archtoronto.org).

## 2021 Refugee Sponsorship Program for Family Members of Parishioners

The Archdiocese Office for Refugees has a program to assist parishioners who would like to sponsor a family member that is in need of refugee sponsorship. This program is intended to assist parishioners only. If you are a parishioner, and would like to sponsor a family member, please contact the parish office to schedule a meeting with the pastor **prior to November 15**. *The Office of Refugees will look to the sponsoring family to provide the necessary funds for sponsorship.*

# OCTOBER 25, 2020

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

### Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)

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

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

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

<https://stmarkstouffville.ca/contact/donations>

Complete the form and attach a void cheque which can be dropped off at the church office or put in the collection basket. If you already give to the Parish via PAG, please consider increasing your donation if possible. Please see our website or use the link below to access the St. Mark October 16 Financial Communique.

<https://stmarkstouffville.ca/images/downloads/documents/Finance%20Communique%20October%2016%202020%20Final%20version.pdf>



## Confirmation Registration

Confirmation Online Registration is now open on our website at [www.stmarkstouffville.ca](http://www.stmarkstouffville.ca).

Drop off of your child's Baptismal certificate (copy) and \$120 offering, as well as the workbook pick up, will take place in the Parish Hall on

- **Wednesday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Times to attend are assigned according to your child's last name (see the October letter to parents on our website at [www.stmarkstouffville.ca](http://www.stmarkstouffville.ca)**

## NEW Young Adults Ministry



If you are a Young Adult between the ages of 18-39, we urge you to consider joining this dynamic group. New participants are welcome to join. To register and reserve a copy of the Wisdom Faith Formation journal, please go to: <https://bit.ly/2GI57d6>.

**Thank you to the young adults who picked apples on Oct 20 for a Toronto shelter and food banks.**

## SL ShareLife

ShareLife-funded agencies are on the front line of the Covid-19 pandemic. One of these agencies, Silent Voice, serves the Deaf community.

They report being "in overdrive" as they work remotely to help Deaf children and youth. They are also helping Deaf people navigate the complex and ever-changing relief programs, restrictions and announcements, which are often not accessible to Deaf people. Your gift to ShareLife ensures they can continue this work.

**From Thursday, October 1 to Sunday, November 8, all contributions to ShareLife will be matched by a generous donor (up to a total of \$500,000).**

**To participate, parishioners can give online at [www.sharlife.org/donate](http://www.sharlife.org/donate), or donate to the parish anytime using the ShareLife envelopes.**

## EDGE &

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

### EDGE

**October 30<sup>th</sup> from 7 to 8:30 pm**

Students in grades 5-8 are invited to register and participate in person or online.

To register: <https://bit.ly/34fJ145>

### High School Youth

**November 6<sup>th</sup> from 7 to 8:30 pm**

High school students are invited to register and participate in person or online.

To register: <https://bit.ly/3igrnSK>

For further details, or to volunteer, email Camille at [stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com](mailto:stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com) or follow our Instagram account @stmarksyouthmin.

## Month of the Holy Souls



All Souls'  
Day

During November, the **Month of the Holy Souls**, we join the whole Church, in prayerful remembrance of the faithful departed members of our families and our parish community. **We remember**

**them, both on All Souls Day, November 2nd and each of our Friday masses during this month.** If you want your loved ones to be remembered in our Masses, please write down their names on the ALL SOULS envelopes available in the foyer.

**For the entire month of November, there will be a glass vase in front of the altar.**

You may place your ALL SOULS envelope in the receptacle.

### ALL SOULS DAY MASSES

**Monday November 2 at 9 am & 7:30 pm**

## Beatification of Fr. Michael McGivney



On October 31<sup>st</sup>, Father Michael J. McGivney, the founder of the Knights of Columbus will be beatified. To honour this special occasion, St. Mark Council 10874 would like to encourage you to watch the beatification mass at 11am on EWTN or online at [www.kofc.org/beatification](http://www.kofc.org/beatification). Our council will be making Fr. McGivney prayer cards available on the Oct 31/Nov 1 weekend as we join the church in prayer to honour this holy Priest of great faith.

## Fall Food Drive



The St. Mark Knights of Columbus are thankful for your support of our Fall Food Drive to support families in need in Stouffville. With your generous donations, we were able to raise over \$2000 for the Whitchurch Stouffville Food Bank! Thank you also to O'Neill Funeral Home for their support of this very important initiative.

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