



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.
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W: vocationtoronto.ca

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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!

TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, October 6th @ 7 pm

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

† David Stainrod and Domenic D'Agostino req. by Sidoti Family

† Thomas Thien Vinh req. by Cong Family

† Mary Arnold req. by Margaret Jordan

Bruce Sinclair req. by Sinclair Family

Wednesday, October 7th @ 8:30 am

† Antonio Raponi req. by Hans & Rita Mueller

Thursday, October 8th @ 7 pm,

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

† Francesco Mireni req. by Anonymous

Friday, October 9th First Friday Mass @ 7 pm

Eucharistic Adoration from 9 am to 12 noon

Pope, Bishops and Priests req. by Fr. Michael

† Thomas Thien Vinh req. by Cong Family

Saturday, October 10th

@ 9:00 am

† Sebastiana Aprile req. by Aprile Family

† Kyle Knox req. by Family

† Thanksgiving for blessings received req. by Peter Willan

† Francisco Lomibao req. by Carlos and Emy de Asis and

Mars Family

† Thomas Thien Vinh req. by Cong Family

@ 5:00 pm

† Theresa and John Innamarato req. by Mike and Dina Simon

Sunday, October 11th

@ 9 am

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

@ 11 am

† Domenico Metauro req. by Anna Metauro Family

SUNDAY COMMUNION SERVICE



Communion Services are being held at St. Mark's each Sunday at 1 pm and 1:15 pm. They consist of a short Liturgy of the Word, distribution of

Holy Communion and a blessing. 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 even if they are not able to obtain tickets for one of our three weekend

Masses or want to avoid larger crowds. As a preparation for the service, we ask you to watch the Mass online.

IS GOD CALLING YOU?

Listen for the voice of God. Are you being called to be a priest, deacon or religious? If God is calling you,

contact Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocation Director at 416-968-0997 or email

vocations@archtoronto.org

www.vocationstontoronto.ca

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.

Life Chain



Sunday, October 4th from 2 pm to 3 pm

Life Chain is an annual prayerful and peaceful witness to the sanctity of human life and the injustice of abortion. Provided you are healthy and have not recently travelled out-of-country or had contact with someone who may have COVID-19, **please join us this year at the intersection of McCowan and Hwy 7 on Sunday, October 4th from 2 pm to 3 pm.**

Cardinal's Dinner A Virtual Event

November 5th 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.

The Cardinal's Dinner, the largest annual dinner in Canada, has been very successful in bringing together business leaders and the Catholic community. More importantly, to date, this dinner has raised over \$6 million for the Cardinal's personal charities for the less fortunate in our community.

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.

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

Workshop on the Holy Spirit

Saturday, November 21st from 9:30 to 1 pm

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WORKSHOP ON THE HOLY SPIRIT:
Water and Fire: The Person of the Holy Spirit in Christian Life
Online
Presenter:
Father Joseph Chandrakathan

This event will be held ONLINE via Zoom. Link for the virtual presentation will be sent upon registration.

Cost: \$25.00 To register go to:

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/lay-formation-online-workshop-on-the-holy-spirit-tickets-110659166546>

PARISH WEBSITE <http://stmarkstouffville.ca>

OCTOBER 3, 2020

SL ShareLife

Collection Oct 3rd and 4th

Your support of ShareLife ensures Catholic agencies can continue their work on the front lines, helping the many people who are suffering.

Thank you for your generosity.

Saint Vincent de Paul Winter Coat Drive

September 19th to October 9th

The York Region conferences of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul along with the Salvation Army are working together this year on a Winter Coat Drive. For many families, the cost of warm winter clothing is just not in the budget.



We hope that you can help us out by looking through your closets and donating any coats that are no longer needed. We are looking for coats in good condition for men, women and children...all sizes!

You can drop off your winter coat donations at St. Mark's church until October 9th. There is a bin in the lobby area.

Ushers and Cleaners Needed



It is critical that we have enough Ushers and Cleaning Volunteers in place to allow us to continue to celebrate weekend masses. If you're interested in helping, please email stmarkspastoral@bellnet.ca with your contact information or call 905-640-6954 ext. 103. **We especially need extra volunteers at the Saturday 5 pm Mass and Sunday 11 am Mass, as well as Ushers for our Communion Services at 1 pm and 1:15 pm.**

EDGE &

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

EDGE begins October 16 from 7 to 8:30 pm

EDGE is a life-giving, activity-based, and fellowship-focused program for students in grades 5-8.

To register:

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

High School Youth begins October 9 from 7 to 8:30 pm

Our high school program is a faith-filled, fellowship-focused, laid back, and welcoming place to build community for all high school students.

To register:

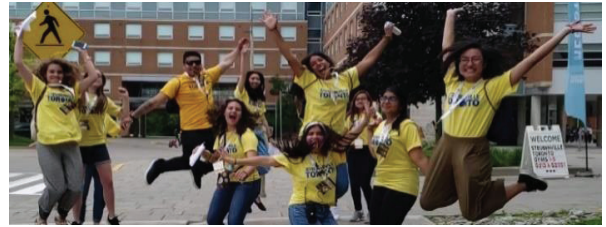
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For further details, or to volunteer, email Camille at stmarksyouthmin@gmail.com or follow our Instagram account @stmarksyouthmin.

NEW Young Adults Ministry

Beginning Sunday, October 4th

from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm



We are overjoyed to announce that Young Adult Ministry is finally launching at St. Mark's!

What: Trivia Cafe Night

When: Sunday, October 4, from 5:30 PM-7:30 PM

Who: All Young Adults Aged 19-39

Where: St. Mark's Parish Hall (Basement)

There are a limited number of Wisdom Faith Formation booklets. Register here to reserve your copy

<https://bit.ly/2GI57d6>

Thanksgiving Food Drive



The Knights of Columbus are organizing a Thanksgiving Food Drive. Due to COVID-19 restrictions from the Stouffville Food Bank, they will be collecting grocery gift cards and monetary donations. There will be a collection box at the back of the church from September 26th to October 11th. Also, the **Young Adults Ministry** will be collecting perishable and non-perishable foods to donate to Good Shepherd Ministries downtown. **All types of donations will be accepted after all masses.** Thank you for helping our neighbours in need.



Confirmation Registration

Confirmation **Online Registration** will open on

- **Monday, October 19th, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.** and will be on a first-come first-serve basis.

Dropping 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 4th, 2020. Times to attend are assigned according to your child's last name and will be listed in the October letter to parents that will be distributed through the schools and posted on the Church website.**

For more information, go to www.stmarkstouffville.ca

Weekday Rosary in October

The Rosary will be prayed 30 minutes before each weekday mass throughout the month of October.

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