



St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

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Fr. Michael Hughes - Pastor
Deacon John Schwarzbauer
Deacon Wayne McCulloch

STAFF

Mary Ann Mehes-Administrator
Lisa Baker-Admin. Asst.
Emy Lomibao-Friday Asst.
Lad Mehes - Custodian

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday
9 am - 3:30 pm
Closed for lunch 12-1pm
JULY & AUGUST
9 am - 12 noon
CLOSED MONDAYS

SUMMER SCHEDULE

May 18 - Oct 5, 2014

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday - 7:00 pm
Wed. Thurs. & Fri. - 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
-11:00 am

FIRST FRIDAY

Holy Hour, Adoration &
Benediction
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturday - 4:00 - 4:45 pm
(or by appointment)

DEVOTIONS

Recitation of the Rosary
(Tues., Wed. & Thurs. before Mass)

Mother of Perpetual Help Novena

(Tuesday Evening Mass)

Divine Mercy

(Before Friday pm Mass)

St. Therese of Lisieux Novena
(Saturday Morning 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 months for an anticipated Baptismal date given only after the parents attend the Preparation Class. This time 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 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 to all new parishioners. We encourage you to register using the Registration Forms available from the foyer.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK AND HOUSE-BOUND

Please call the Parish Office to arrange.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office.

MEMORIAL MASS POLICY

Please see website for policy explanation.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Servers
Altar Society
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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 7th @ 7:00 pm

Priests and St. Mark Community req. by
Fr. Michael

† James Villanueva req. by Bob and
Consuella Tabone

Wednesday, October 8th @ 8:30 am

† Francesco Mirenzi

Thursday, October 9th @ 8:30 am

† Morris Hryniowski req. by Bernice
(Bunny) Hryniowski

Friday, October 10th @ 8:30 am

† Kyle Knox req. by Fr. Michael

Saturday, October 11th @ 9:00 am

Pope, Bishops, Priests, Hughes &
McConville Families req. by Fr. Michael

† Giuseppina Morra req. by Mateo Morra
and Family

† Joseph and Mary Harriman req. by Beverly
Semon

@ 5:00 pm

† Tony Moncada req. by Tina Moncada

Sunday, October 12th @ 9:00 am

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael
@ 11:00 am

† Catherina van Herpt req. by Al van Herpt

Vocations

Listen for the voice of God. Are you being called to be a priest or religious? If God is calling you, **contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997** or by email at vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

Pray For The Sick

Beverly Semon, Darrel Boddington, Edward O'Reilly
Debbie Beauchamp & Douglas Ciceri Sr.

Pray For The Recently Deceased

Mike Shewchuk & Bill Sullivan

Prayer Box

OUR PARISH PRAYER GROUP WILL PRAY FOR YOUR INTENTIONS - Please write out your prayer requests and place them in the box located near the statue of our patron, St. Mark.

Charismatic Prayer Group

Our Prayer Group meets every second Tuesday (**next meeting October 14th**). The evening will begin with Mass at 7 pm. Everyone welcome.



LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA KIOSK

Features CD's, Books & Booklets. For purchase by donation. All material faithful to Christ. Great way to rekindle our faith as Catholics and sharing with family & friends.

Feature CD of the week:

Angels Explained: What You Should Know About The Nine Choirs

Dr. Mark Viravalle – Professor of Theology & Mariology at Franciscan University of Steubenville – teaches on the fascinating subject of Angels. Why did God create angels? How are they different from humans? Are guardian angels found in Scripture? Discover the answer to these questions and many more as Dr. Mark Miravalle explains the nine choirs of angels, their differing roles and hierarchical order, and how much angels can help us if we only ask.

Come & See Weekend

"The Love of Christ urges us on" to radically respond to His call to follow Him whole-heartily. Jesus is inviting you to spend time with Him so that you may discover His call.

October 31st to November 2nd, 2014

St. Augustine's Seminary

This is an opportunity for young men 18 years and older to spend a weekend praying, reflecting and learning about the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples through the Catholic priesthood. For more information, please call 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org.

Margaret Somerville Lecture

The topic of the lecture is: "Are one's religious beliefs the only reason to be anti-euthanasia?" The lecture will take place on **Wednesday, October 8th, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the University of Toronto, St. Michael's Campus, Charbonnel Lounge, Elmsley Hall, 81 St. Mary St., Toronto.** The cost is \$10. For ticket information, please contact: Mary Hawkley at 905-668-1644 or mahawkley@sympatico.ca.

Catholic Cemeteries & Funerals

On September 3, 2014, His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins began a new chapter in the Church's desire to minister to all its faithful with the blessing of Holy Cross Catholic Funeral Home. The funeral home, the first Catholic funeral home in Ontario is located on the grounds of Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery in Thornhill and is prepared to serve all the faithful in their time of bereavement. **Please contact the funeral home at 905-889-7467 or visit their website at <http://catholic-cemeteries.com>.**

OCTOBER 5, 2014

Confirmation Registration

For families with children attending public or private schools, please note that there is an important letter outlining this year's Confirmation registration procedures and class dates that can be picked up in the church foyer or printed from the parish website. This letter was distributed through the Catholic Schools at the end of June.

- **Confirmation Online Registration begins Tuesday, October 14 at 9 am and is on a first-come first-serve basis.**
- A mandatory **Parent Meeting** will take place on **Wednesday, October 22nd, 2014 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the church.**

Winter Schedule & Mass Book

- **Winter Mass Schedule** - Will begin on the weekend after Thanksgiving-**Sunday, October 19th**
- **Mass Intentions Book** - For those wishing to arrange for a Mass intention for next year, the 2015 book will be made available beginning **Tuesday, October 14th.**

Squires Fundraiser

From **September 20th to October 5th**, a fundraiser will be conducted to support the **St. Mark Squire Circle**. The squires will be collecting **scrap metal and electronics**. If you have any of the following items that you wish to have recycled, please bring them to the parish starting on September 20th and drop them off inside the trailer parked on the grass by the church.

- Anything made of metal (steel, aluminum, etc.)
- Appliances (stoves, fridges, toasters, etc.)
- Electronics (tv, dvd players, lamps, computers etc.)

If you have a large item and need to have it picked up, please contact **Francis Kelly at 647-678-2107 or by email at bakerkelly@rogers.com.**

The profit that is collected will go towards helping the Squires and support their various circle and community service activities. **Thank you - St. Mark Squires**

Project Rachel

Let God show you his love. Are you still hurting from an abortion experience? We can help.

Email projectrachel@stmarysrefuge.org or call 416-629-8264. A weekend retreat for women whose hearts have been broken by abortion will take place on **October 17th to 19th.**

"Let your requests be known to God." Philippians 4:6

Pulpit Announcements

To arrange for your Ministry Group to make an announcement after Mass regarding a special project or collection, please contact the church office at least two weeks in advance.

Church Expansion Plans

We hope everyone had a chance to view the new Church drawings last weekend. We are looking forward to hearing your suggestions and ideas which can be sent by email to stmarkschurch@bellnet.ca.



Parish Movie Night



This month's movie: Saint Francis

Filmed on location in Assisi and other locations in Italy, where St. Francis lived, this two-part film tells the story of the beloved saint from childhood through death. Captured by the enemy as a soldier and imprisoned, Francis has a life changing experience that inspires him to later abandon his riches and dedicate his life to living the Gospel in simplicity, poverty and charity towards all. The movie is in Italian with English subtitles.

There will be no charge to attend the show but goodwill offerings towards our parish's youth activities are gratefully accepted.

Date: Saturday, October 18th

Pizza, drinks and snacks on sale at 6:00 pm

Movie to start at 6:30pm

Rated: PG 13

Running Time: 205 minutes

Women's Recollection

A Women's Recollection evening has been scheduled at St. Mark Church on **Monday, October 20th** beginning with confession at **7:00 pm**. The recollection includes two meditations given by a priest of Opus Dei, a talk on living the Christian life in the middle of the world and an examination of conscience. This is a moment of peaceful prayer designed to refresh your spirit and to help you come up with creative ways to live your faith in your family, social and professional life.

Thanksgiving Food Drive

Donations for the **Thanksgiving Food Drive** will be **accepted at all the masses on October 11th and 12th.** The following items are urgently needed by the food bank:

- Canned items - gravy, stew, chilli, fruit, kids pasta
- Parmesan cheese, Cheese Whiz, Nutella,
- Instant pudding & jello cups, peanut free granola bars, nutritious snack size treats for children,
- Dog and cat food

Thank you for helping our neighbours in need.

Thank You For Your Generosity

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