



# 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

## EUCCHARISTIC 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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751 Hoover Park Dr.  
T: 905-642-6728

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223 Millard St.  
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## VOCATIONS TORONTO

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## ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

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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!

# TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## Mass Intentions for the Week

### Tuesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 7 pm

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

In Thanksgiving req. by Christina Viggiani

† Barbara Rozario req. by Mike Rozario and Family

### Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 8:30 am

† Clementina Mirenzi req. by Anonymous

### Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm,

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

† Pat Hargrave req. by Mary and Emilio Benincasa

### Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 am

Eucharistic Adoration from 9 am to 12 noon

Pope, Bishops and Priests req. by Fr. Michael

† Cheryl McCulloch req. by Deacon Wayne McCulloch

† Frank Gallo req. by Sabina Gallo

† Henrique, Mary Celestine & Peretria Correia req. by Ron & Seeta Correia

### Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>

@ 9:00 am

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

† Antonietta Mirabella req. by Josie & Nina

† Fortunata Cianflone req. by Quadrini Family

@ 5:00 pm

† Maurice & Lewis Carriero req. by Tavares Family

### Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>

@ 9 am

† Salvatore Battaglia req. by Battaglia Family

@ 11 am

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

## NEW COMMUNION SERVICE



Communion Services will now be held at St. Mark's at 1 pm and 1:15 pm each Sunday. They will consist of the Liturgy of the Word (a short reading and reflection), 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. 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.

## SL ShareLife

**ShareLife's new website celebrates donors like you!**

The brand new [sharelife.org](http://sharelife.org) tells the story of how ShareLife supporters like you are "living the Gospel." The new website features inspiring personal stories, insightful facts and figures, and beautiful photos and videos.

Visit [sharelife.org](http://sharelife.org) today!

**The next ShareLife collection will take place on October 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>. Please give generously.**

## The New Evangelization Summit Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup> from 12 pm – 3 pm



A lot has changed in the last 6 months- and we as a Church have had to learn how to respond. But have we done enough? Is there more for us to do? As the world begins to open up again, what new opportunities are there for sharing the Good News of Jesus with all the world?

**On Saturday September 26 from 12 - 3pm EDT, we are hosting a FREE, LIVE virtual conference for Catholics, tackling the topic Crisis & Opportunity: How to Evangelize In Uncertain Times.**

To answer this question, you'll be hearing from:

George Weigel, Dr. Mary Healy,  
Michele Thompson, Fr. Jon Bielawski

**To grab your free ticket, just go to this link:**  
<https://uevangelize.org/virtualsummit/>

## Life Chain



**Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup> 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. Participants hold non-graphic signs with messages such as "Life, the first inalienable right" and "Abortion kills children" at hundreds of locations across North America for one hour. 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 4<sup>th</sup> from 2 pm to 3 pm. Please rest assured that participants will be physically distanced, and organizers will be following all local COVID-19 protocols.

## The Catholic Moms Summit November 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>

## THE CATHOLIC MOMS SUMMIT

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So many of us struggle to find joy within our vocation of motherhood, and this Summit is here to help you do exactly that. Our dynamic presenters will be sharing inspiration, wisdom, and encouragement from a wide variety of experiences and backgrounds, and this event is a great opportunity for you to connect with other moms just like you from around the world. I know it will be an experience unlike anything you've ever done before. Be sure to register for this free conference and share this unique event with others.

<https://www.cardinalstudios.org/offers/ruzqhtxm/checkout>

**PARISH WEBSITE <http://stmarkstouffville.ca>**

# SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

## That Man is You! Men's Program Saturdays at 8 am on Zoom

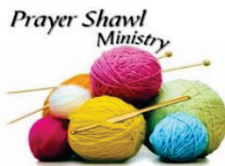


That Man is You! is an interactive men's program that combines the latest findings of modern science with the teachings of the Church and the

wisdom of the saints to develop authentic male leaders capable of transforming themselves, their families and greater society. Join us for fellowship and faith on **Saturdays at 8am on Zoom**. All men are welcome. Register and learn more at [www.stmarkstouffville.ca](http://www.stmarkstouffville.ca).

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

There are about 12 to 14 ladies in the newly formed Prayer Shawl Ministry who meet weekly to pray, knit or crochet prayer shawls and prayer squares for our sick and homebound.



We have made many items especially during the lockdown however, they have not been blessed. These shawls and prayer squares will be blessed at the weekend masses on September 26 & 27.

For further information about how to receive a prayer shawl for the home bound kindly contact Consuella Tabone at [consuellatabone@gmail.com](mailto:consuellatabone@gmail.com).

## Needs of the Canadian Church September 26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup> Collection



The Collection for the needs of the Canadian Church in Canada will be taken up on the weekend of September 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you for your generosity!

## First Communion Registration

**Wednesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>**

First Communion Parents are asked to come to the Parish Hall to drop off a copy of their child's Baptismal certificate and the \$60 offering, as well as pick up the workbook on **Wednesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>**.

Timeslots have been assigned as follows:

Child's Last Name **A to C** – Timeslot **6:00 – 6:30 pm**

Child's Last Name **D to I** – Timeslot **6:30 – 7:00 pm**

Child's Last Name **J to M** – Timeslot **7:00 – 7:30 pm**

Child's Last Name **N to S** – Timeslot **7:30 – 8:00 pm**

Child's Last Name **T to Z** – Timeslot **8:00 – 8:30 pm**

For more information, go to [www.stmarkstouffville.ca](http://www.stmarkstouffville.ca).

## Saint Vincent de Paul Winter Coat Drive

**September 19<sup>th</sup> to October 9<sup>th</sup>**

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 9<sup>th</sup>. There is a bin in the lobby area.**

Together we can continue to help our Neighbours in Need.  
Thank You!

## 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](mailto: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

## "WE'RE BACK!"

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

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

...and both ministry programs officially start back up again in OCTOBER!

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

## Free Online Retirement Seminar October 8<sup>th</sup> at 8 pm

Tom Hegna is an award-winning author, speaker and economist. he is considered by many as "The Retirement Income Expert." You're invited to join our webinar where Tom will share his 7 steps to a secure retirement. Register today to reserve your spot for this free seminar sponsored by the Knights of Columbus – Mullin Agency. Register at: [https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_6D-sj7HRgWnHJVqQNg5JA](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_6D-sj7HRgWnHJVqQNg5JA)

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