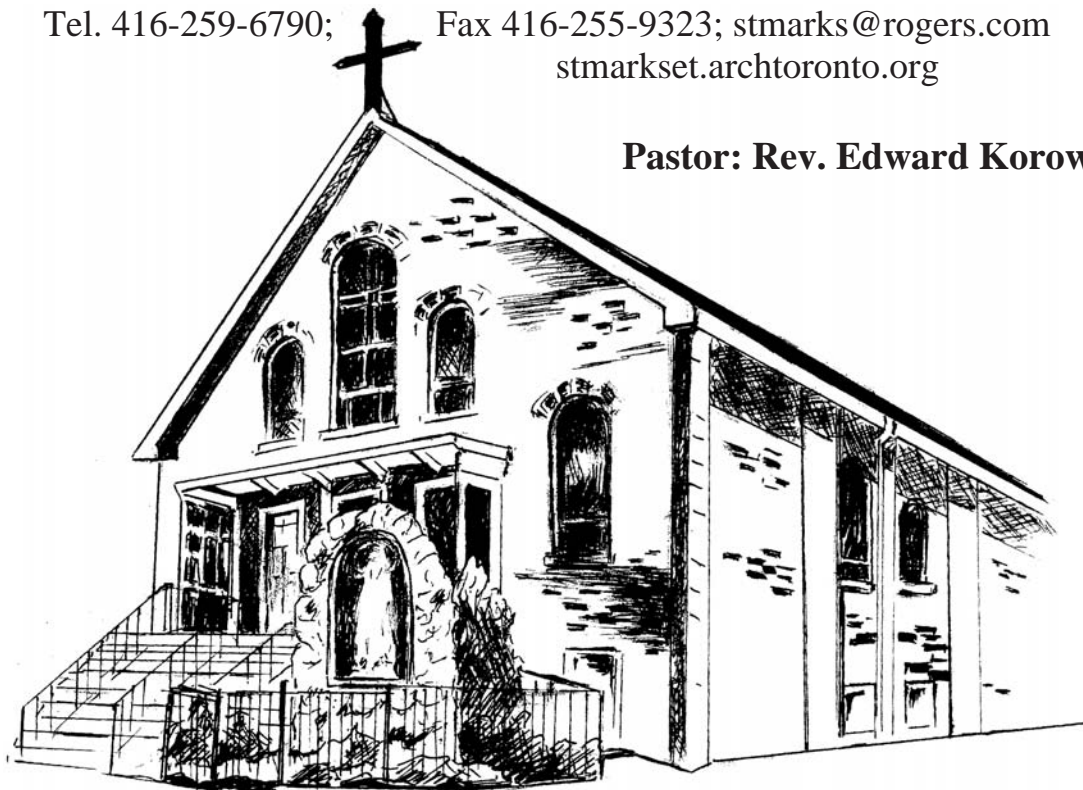


# St. Mark's Catholic Church

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**Pastor: Rev. Edward Koroway**

## WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m. (English)  
Sunday 8:30 a.m. (English)  
10:00 a.m. (Polish)  
11:30 a.m. (English)

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 7:00 p.m. (Polish)  
Tuesday 9:00 a.m. (English)  
Wednesday 9:00 a.m. (English)  
Thursday 9:00 a.m. (English)  
Friday 9:00 a.m. (English)

## CONFESSIONS

First Friday 6:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.  
Saturday 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., or by appointment.

**BAPTISMS:** by appointment

**MARRIAGE:** please contact the priest one year in advance.  
A marriage preparation course is required.

## DEVOTIONS:

Rosary daily before Mass  
First Friday Exposition: 9:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., followed by  
Benediction and Mass in Polish at 7:10 p.m.

## REGISTRATION:

Every family in the Parish should be properly registered.  
New parishioners are welcome, and invited to register and  
collect a box of Church support envelopes

## SCHOOLS

St. Mark  
45 Cloverhill Road  
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## USEFUL INTERNET WEBSITES

archtoronto.org (Toronto archdiocese)  
vatican.va (the Holy See)  
cccb.ca (Canadian Catholic Bishops)  
acbo.on.ca (Ontario Catholic Bishops)  
uscgb.org (U.S. Catholic Bishops)  
lifesitenews.com (pro-life news)  
ccrl.ca (Catholic Civil Rights League)

tedsb.org (Toronto Catholic School Board)  
vocationstoronto.ca (Vocations Office)  
catholic-cemeteries.com (Catholic Cemeteries)  
katolik.pl (Polish Catholic website)  
catholicherald.co.uk (Catholic news)  
catholicregister.org (The Catholic Register)  
ksmradio.com (local Polish Catholic Family radio)

*Please consider remembering St. Mark's Parish in your will. Thank you!*

**Mass Intentions**



**for the Week**

- Jan.18: 5:00 p.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's
- Jan.19: 8:30 a.m. Clarita and Osmundo Angeles
- 10:00 a.m. Za Mariana i Irenę Puchalskich
- 11:30 a.m. Małgorzata Świerzbński
- Jan.20: 7:00 p.m. Za Michalinę Gadzala
- Jan.21: 9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving
- Jan.22: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention
- Jan.23: 9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving
- Jan.24: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention
- Jan.25: 5:00 p.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's
- Jan.26: 8:30 a.m. Gloria and Loretta Lee
- 10:00 a.m. Za Mariana Szaflarskiego  
(1ą rocznicę)
- 11:30 a.m. Eric Robb

**BUILDING FUND COLLECTION:** Our monthly Building Fund collection will take place after Holy Communion *next* weekend. Special blue envelopes are available at the back of the Church for this purpose. The funds raised will go towards the many renovation projects that need to be addressed in our Church. *Thank you!*

**STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS:** *Playing our Part in the Church.* Even in today's short Gospel passage, we can learn a lot about authentic stewardship through the example of St. John the Baptist. John used his gifts of prophecy and preaching to help make Christ known. He readily used his gifts for the service of Christ and His mission. We should ask ourselves, how are we using our gifts to serve Christ? Cardinal Collins in his Pastoral Letter on Stewardship says that our time, talent and treasure "are the gifts that each of us has freely received, and which we need to use responsibly in a spirit of gratitude. If we do that ... then we will experience the joyful serenity of deep stewardship."

As we are still in the month of January, it is never too late to commit to a deeper life of stewardship this year. Let us strive to be intentional and tangible in our resolve to be stewards. For starters, it is important to gratefully acknowledge that all we have in our lives is

from God. Let us begin to take time each day in prayer to thank Him for all of His blessings. Secondly, by prayerfully examining our talents, let us seek how we can give our gifts back to God. We don't need to be intimidated if we feel we cannot do great things, for all of us have a role to play. Let us conclude today's reflection by pondering the following words of encouragement by St. Teresa of Calcutta. "If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one." (*adapted from [www.archtoronto.org/stewardship](http://www.archtoronto.org/stewardship)*)

**ST. JOSEPH SUNDAY MISSALS:** We have obtained a few additional copies. They are available from Fr. Koroway (for \$5 each).

**ONLINE GIVING:** You can support our parish by making a tax deductible gift using your credit card online. It can be a one-time gift, or a monthly offering. If you go to our parish website: [stmarkset.archtoronto.org](http://stmarkset.archtoronto.org), there is a yellow icon at the top right hand corner you can click. This "Donate Now" button is also accessible on the Archdiocesan website [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org) that will take you to a page where you can make your gift. Thank you for your support!

**INCOME TAX RECEIPTS FOR 2019** have been mailed or distributed to those whose total donations given in the parish were \$50 or more for 2019. (Those whose donations were over \$25 but under \$50 may obtain a receipt upon request.) The receipts are good for five years, in case you do not have enough income this year to benefit from the tax refund available. If married, either spouse may use the receipt, if you have the same address.

We encourage everyone to use envelopes. *They provide a record of your registration in the parish and attendance at Mass, should you require a sacramental or other reference letter at some stage.* Blank envelopes for those who have not been using them this year are available at the back of the Church. (Please take the *whole* box—not just the first envelope.) They allow us to issue you a tax receipt for charitable donations. For total charitable donations (from all sources) of *over* \$200, you receive a combined federal (29.0 per cent) and provincial (11.16 per cent) tax credit of 40.16 per cent. This means for every \$100 you contribute, you get \$40.16 back on your tax payable when you file your income tax return. [The

combined federal (15.0 per cent) and provincial (5.05 per cent) credit for total donations *under* \$200 is 20.05 per cent.]

*Please note that any donations made to the Family of Faith campaign (or for ShareLife directly to the Chancery) will be receipted separately, from the Chancery, by the end of February.*

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY  
ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE:**

You are invited to an ecumenical prayer service on **Sunday, January 26, 7:00 p.m.** at Yorkminster Park Baptist Church, 1585 Yonge Street. Cardinal Collins and other Christian leaders will be participating. Refreshments to follow.

**AN EVENING AT THE SEMINARY: Monday, January 27, 4:45 p.m.** St. Augustine's Seminary, 2661 Kingston Rd. Have you ever thought about becoming a priest? Spending an evening at the seminary offers discerners a glimpse into the place where priestly formation begins. The evening includes Holy Mass in the beautiful seminary chapel, dinner, a talk by Director of Vocations Fr. Chris Lemieux, and a tour of the seminary. This event is for men in grade 12 and above. Registration is required. Please telephone the Office of Vocations, 416-968-0997, or visit: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org); [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

**A HISTORY OF SACRED MUSIC:** The Story of the Liturgy as Told by its Music. **Saturday, January 25, 9:30 a.m.** St. Augustine's Seminary, 2661 Kingston Rd., Scarborough. Presenter: Fr. John-Mark Missio. This seminar is an opportunity to listen to the music of different ages, with a brief commentary on each historical period. Enrolment is limited, pre-registration is required. Holy Mass at St. Augustine's venerable chapel is included. Cost: \$50, includes lunch. [www.st.augustines.on.ca](http://www.st.augustines.on.ca). Tel. 416-261-7207; [layspiritualformation@sastoronto.org](mailto:layspiritualformation@sastoronto.org).

**Saint Michael the Archangel**, defend us in battle; be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray. And do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

**II Niedziela w ciągu roku – A**

**UCZESTNICZYĆ W ŚWIATŁOŚCI.** Dzisiejsze czytania kierują naszą uwagę ku Osobie Mesjasza, w którego usta Pan „włożył pieśń nową” (Ps 40,4). Wielki prorok Izajasz sięga jeszcze dalej i głębiej w sferę obszaru posłannictwa Mesjasza, pisząc: „Ustanowię Cię światłością dla pogan, aby moje zbawienie dotarło aż do krańców ziemi” (Iz 49,6). Światłość stanowi niezaprzeczalny atrybut Boga, więc przepowiadany tu Zbawiciel jest zarazem Synem Bożym.

Pan Jezus podczas swego trzyletniego nauczania na ziemi palestyńskiej niejednokrotnie wskazywał na Siebie jako na Światłość świata. Kto żyje Nim i w Nim, ten widzi, gdyż uczestniczy w Światłości. Oprócz światła materialnego, istnieje jeszcze światło duchowe, za pomocą którego człowiek – mając do dyspozycji inteligencję i uczucia – rozpoznaje byty bezcielesne. Światłość Boża jest dla ducha źródłem życia wiecznego. W niej jest mądrość i uświęcenie.

Św. Jan Ewangelista ukazuje nam niezwykle spotkanie Pana Jezusa z synem Zachariasza i Elżbiety. Jan Chrzciciel, uświęcony już w łonie swej matki światłem Ducha Świętego, żył nieustannie w Światłości. Dzięki temu, że kochał i rozumiał Światłość, bez trudu rozpoznał w Jezusie Syna Bożego, nazywając Go Barankiem Bożym, który gładzi grzech świata. W określeniu tym została zawarta cała istota misji ewangelizacyjnej i prawda o Mesjaszu.

Dzisiaj Bóg pyta każdego z nas, czy mamy otwarte oczy, czy ujrzeliśmy Jezusa i Jego działanie i czy jesteśmy gotowi świadczyć o Nim. (ks. Zbigniew Krzyszowski)

**W przyszłą niedzielę, zbierana będzie druga składka na fundusz renowacyjny Kościoła. Specjalne koperty niebieskie na ten cel są wyłożone na stolikach przy wejściu do Kościoła. Z góry bardzo wam dziękujemy za ofiary przeznaczone na ten cel. Bóg zapłać, i niech was Bóg błogosławi!**

**Święty Michale Archaniele**, wspomagaj nas w walce, a przeciw niegodziwości i zasadzkom złego ducha bądź naszą obroną. Oby go Bóg pogromić raczył, pokornie o to prosimy, a Ty, Wodzu niebieskich zastępów, szatana i inne duchy złe, które na zgubę dusz ludzkich po tym świecie krążą, mocą Bożą strąć do piekła. Amen.

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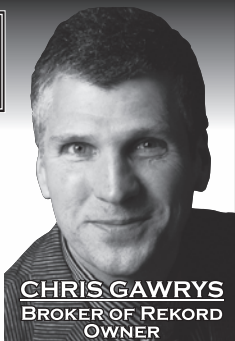


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