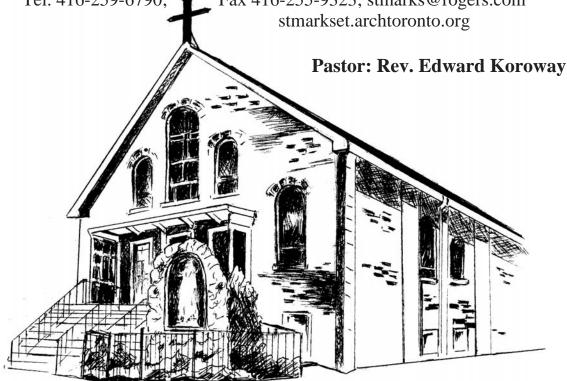
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WEEKEND MASSES

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 Bishop Allen Academy Sainte-Marguerite-d'Youville 45 Cloverhill Road 721 Royal York Road 755 Royal York Road Toronto, ON M8Y 1T4 Toronto, ON M8Y 2T3 416-393-5332 416-393-5549 416-393-5418

USEFUL INTERNET WEBSITES

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

tcdsb.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)

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 (1a rocznicę)

11:30 a.m. Eric Robb

Jan.27: 7:00 p.m. W intencji Bogu wiadomej

Jan.28: 9:00 a.m. Enzo Belluomini Jan.29: 9:00 a.m. Annie Kobich Jan.30: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention Jan.31: 9:00 a.m. Shirley Lee

Feb. 1: 5:00 p.m. Deceased members of the Jachna Family

Feb. 2: 8:30 a.m. Candelaria Profeta Angeles 10:00 a.m. Za Zofię i Wacława Witek

11:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION: Our monthly Building Fund collection will take place after Holy Communion *this* 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: Heeding the Call of Christ. "Come, follow me." This is the beautiful invitation Jesus extends to His first disciples in the Gospel today. How often do we hear those same words, "come, follow me," in our own lives? The Lord is constantly calling us to follow Him. By reflecting on today's Gospel we can learn how we too can heed the call. First, it is important to remember that Jesus says to Peter and Andrew, "I will make you fishers of people." Jesus calls them to mission. So too, Jesus calls us to mission as well, the mission of being true stewards of Christ for His glory and the good of the Church. The Gospel records that when the disciples were called, they "immediately left their nets and followed him. They saw in Christ all fulfillment and so followed him immediately. We should strive to imitate this eagerness in following Christ, for the Lord doesn't want us to delay the plans He has in store for us. Lastly, whenever we feel unworthy of the call of following Christ as stewards, we can take great

consolation in the fact that Jesus chose lowly, uneducated fisherman for His first apostles. It is famously said that God doesn't call the qualified, but qualifies the called. If the Lord calls us to a certain mission, He will sustain us through that mission as well. So let us strive to heed the call of Christ and begin to follow Him, the one in whom all our fulfillment is found.

(adapted from 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, 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 that will take you to a page where you can make your gift. Thank you for your support!

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE: You are invited to an ecumenical prayer service this 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.

<u>CANDLEMAS:</u> Next weekend **February 2**, we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, also known as Candlemas, when Jesus was presented in the temple forty days after his birth. Presentation candles will be blessed at all the Masses, and will be available for \$5 per box (of two candles).

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CONSECRATED LIFE: On Sunday, February 2, the Church celebrates the World Day for Consecrated Life. In the Archdiocese of Toronto we are blessed to have living and serving among us more than 900 religious men and women of 100 different religious congregations. There will be a special Mass on Sunday, February 2 at 3:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Basilica (83 Power St.—Queen St. East and Parliament) in celebration of the vocation and witness

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of these special men and women religious who are such a vital and important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our Archdiocese. All are welcome to attend.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: Celebrate your love and take a fresh look at your marriage! Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend getaway that helps married couples rediscover themselves as individuals and as a couple. The Weekend format helps couples communicate openly and honestly without group sharing, therapy or marriage counselling. Upcoming Weekend: April 24-26, Four Points Sheraton (Argentia Road), Mississauga. For more information and application, please go to www.wwme.org or contact: Gerard & Marge McCauley at gerard.marge@rogers.com or (905) 792-1925.

DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: Saturday, March 28, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Le Tre Port Banquet Hall, 1075 Queensway E, Mississauga. Speakers and Topics: Kimberly Hahn (Scott Hahn's wife will give - 2 Talks): The Joys and Sorrows of Mary; Women of Wisdom: Sharing Heart to Heart. Colleen Carroll Campbell - Award winning author, EWTN, former presidential speech writer will give one talk called: The Heart of Perfection. Dorothy Pilarski - Founder of Dynamic Women Faith: One Mother's Heart. Closing Mass celebrated by Fr. Edward Curtis, Rector Michael's Cathedral. St. Register http://dynamicwomenfaith.com/. For any questions, please phone: 416-907-1042.

EVENT. Friday, March 27 -7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Speakers & Topics: Adeodata Czink - What Makes a Lady a Lady? Dr. Sandra Sagrati - Get Uncomfortable: Less Stress & Anxiety. Dorothy Pilarski - The Power of Prayer. Register at http://dynamicwomenfaith.com/. For any questions, please phone: 416-907-1042.

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.

III Niedziela w ciągu roku – A

ODWAŻNA DECYZJA. W Jezusowym wezwaniu do nawrócenia Bóg wyciąga do człowieka pomocną dłoń. To wezwanie jest dziś skierowane także do Ciebie! Każdy bowiem potrzebuje nawrócenia. Nie trzeba być wielkim, zatwardziałym grzesznikiem, żeby posłyszeć słowa Chrystusa: Nawracajcie się! (Mt 4, 17). Bóg oczekuje od nas poprawy także z małych grzechów, z tych codziennych słabości, które obciążają nas w drodze do Królestwa Bożego.

Nawrócić się znaczy porzucić dotychczasowy styl życia i wartościowania, by rozpocząć życie od nowa, razem z Bogiem oraz zgodnie z Jego wolą. Człowiek nawrócony to ten, kto oddał się Bogu we wszystkim i na zawsze, kto postawił Boga na pierwszym miejscu i żyje tak, aby zdobyć nagrodę życia wiecznego.

Żeby zbliżyć się do Boga i przemienić swoje życie, trzeba przede wszystkim dostrzec przechodzącego Jezusa i Jego pełne miłości spojrzenie oraz usłyszeć Jego głos, który proponuje: Pójdźcie za Mną! (Mt 4, 19).W ten sposób Jezus wskazuje nam drogę nawrócenia. Ten, kto decyduje się pójść za Nim, musi zostawić wszystko, by stać się Jego uczniem i apostołem, musi zburzyć mury, które go od Boga odgradzają, oraz odrzucić grzech i to, co go do grzechu prowadzi.

Chrystus zaprasza dziś każdego z nas do odważnego podjęcia decyzji o nawróceniu. Nie lękajmy się! On leczy wszelkie ludzkie choroby i słabości oraz podnosi na duchu tych, którzy zadają sobie trud przemiany i kroczenia Jego drogą. (ks. Wojciech Kuzioła)

Dzisiaj zbierana będzie druga składka na fundusz renowacyjny Kościoła. Specjalne koperty niebieskie na ten cel są wylożone 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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