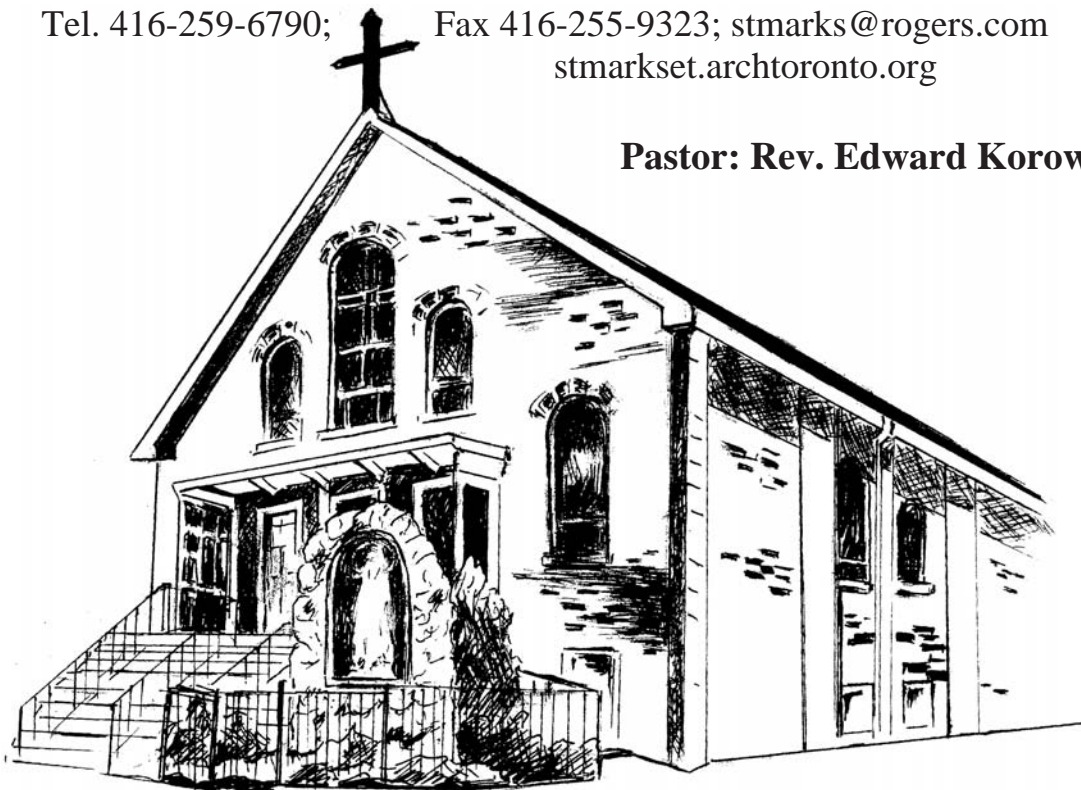


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Pastor: Rev. Edward Koroway



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

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



Masses For The Week

- Sept.12: 5:00 p.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's
 Sept.13: 8:30 a.m. Krzysztof and Tadeusz Sadowski
 10:00 a.m. Za Waleriana Waszkiewicza
 i za Henryka Kalinowskiego
 11:30 a.m. Matiza Sarkotic
 Sept.14: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention
7:00 p.m. W pewnej intencji
 Sept.15: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention
 Sept.16: 9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving
 Sept.17: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention
 Sept.18: 9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving
 Sept.19: 5:00 p.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's
 Sept.20: 8:30 a.m. Maria and Joseph Gogola
 10:00 a.m. Za Roberta Pietrewicza
 11:30 a.m. Eryk and May
 (67th wedding anniversary)

SHARE LIFE: *Living the Gospel by sharing our blessings.* With churches closed at the start of the 2020 ShareLife Campaign, our ShareLife Sunday collections were delayed. In the meantime, the challenges faced by the people helped by ShareLife-funded agencies have only increased. "The needs of our brothers and sisters in Christ are greater than ever before," says Cardinal Thomas Collins. "In order for ShareLife agencies to continue their vital work, it is crucial we meet our parish campaign goal of \$13.8 million. Our goal can be met, but only with your help." *September 13 is ShareLife Sunday.* (Envelopes are available at the back of the Church for those who did not receive one in the mail.)

FORGIVING AND BEING FORGIVEN. The central mystery woven throughout the readings this Sunday is the need to forgive others. In today's Gospel we hear the parable of the wicked servant who although he was greatly forgiven of his large debt could not forgive the small debt of his fellow servant. This parable can be summarized by the words found in the Our Father, "forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us."

The Catechism teaches us that unless we forgive those in our lives, we cannot fully experience God's forgiveness. It says that "in refusing to forgive our brothers and sisters, our hearts are closed and their

hardness makes them impervious to the Father's merciful love; but in confessing our sins, our hearts are opened to his grace" (CCC 2840)

So as stewards we should strive to forgive those who have hurt us, but how do we do this? The essential answer is prayer. The Catechism plainly states that "it is not in our power not to feel or to forget an offense; but the heart that offers itself to the Holy Spirit turns injury into compassion and purifies the memory in transforming the hurt into intercession" (CCC 2843). So we don't need to conjure up warm or fuzzy feelings, but we must intentionally choose to pray for our debtor and for the grace to forgive them. This is a difficult process and is sure to not happen overnight. Let us take some time daily, starting today, to pray for those who've hurt us.

(source: www.archtoronto.org/stewardship.)

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!*

FIRST CONFESSION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Parents of students in Grade 2 or older who would like their children to receive these sacraments this coming year (2020-2021) should attend one of the weekend Masses with their children, and obtain a registration form from Fr. Koroway afterwards. The form lists the five preparation meetings the students and parents must attend in the Church on Saturday mornings. The deadline for returning the registration forms is **Sunday, October 25.**

THE SOURCE WITH THE SISTERS OF LIFE: **Thursday, September 24, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.** St. Peters Church, 830 Bathurst St. (at Bloor). Join the Sisters of Life for an evening of prayer and fellowship. We'll have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with music from 7 to 8 p.m. in the main chapel. Confessions will be available. Refreshments and fellowship will follow from 8 to 9 p.m. We hope to see you there! The Sisters of Life, tel. 416-463-2722; toronto@sistersoflife.org/.

CHAPLAINCY CONNECT: Are you a post-secondary student? Catholic campus ministry is a great way to meet new people, both in-person and online, and journey together throughout the school year. Check it out at: www.chaplaincyconnect.ca. If you're studying from home this year, find out how to connect with a nearby chaplaincy by emailing: chaplaincyconnect@gmail.com.

ST. JOSEPH SUNDAY MISSALS: Fr. Koroway has a couple available for a discounted price of \$2.00.

THANK YOU! to all who have been contributing to our parish by dropping off your envelopes at the rectory mail box, mailing them in, or donating online. For those who have not been able to do so, we invite you to make up for the weeks you have not donated because of the closure. As there is no collection during Mass, you may leave your offerings in the baskets/boxes at the back of the Church or continue to drop them off, mail them in or donate online by **credit card** or through your **bank chequing account**. [Just go to our parish website: stmarkset.archtoronto.org, and on the home page, click the orange quadrangle in the upper right hand corner (where there is a hand and a \$ sign). Then click "Your Parish", select the "Toronto West" region, then our parish (St. Mark's) in the drop down menu. You can make a one time or recurring contribution to our parish's offertory or building fund using your credit card, or your bank chequing account.]

*God bless you
with health and happiness*

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.

XXIV-A Niedziela w ciągu roku

SPRAWIEDLIWOŚĆ. Gdyby Bóg wyrównywał rachunki z ludźmi według tego, co każdemu się należy, sytuacja wielu osób byłaby tragiczna. Jak moglibyśmy spłacić Panu rachunek za zło uczynione w naszym życiu? Bylibyśmy bankrutami bez szansy na wyjście z długów.

Pan Bóg ukazuje jednak swoją dobroć. Posługuje się przykładem ogromnego kontrastu. W dzisiejszej Ewangelii opowiada o dwóch dłużnikach. Pierwszy był winien panu 10,000 talentów. Jest to kwota niewyobrażalna dla zwykłego śmiertelnika, szacowana, w naszych realiach, na wiele milionów złotych. Pan darował ten dług. Człowiek obdarzony tak wielką łaską nie odpuścił jednak swojemu współsłudze należności 100 denarów (czyli 100 dniówek robotnika). Ten, kto prosił o miłosierdzie, nie miał go dla bliźniego.

Pan nie godzi się na takie postępowanie. Chce, żebyśmy przebaczeni nie 7 i nie 77 razy, ale zawsze. Biblijna „siódemka” jest przecież liczbą pełni. Nie można stawiać limitów w przebaczeniu. Skrupulatnie sumować sytuacji, kiedy przebaczyłem, i oczekiwać dnia, kiedy już nie będę musiał tego robić. Złość, gniew i pomsta nie znajdują uznania w oczach Pana (I czytanie).

Z czym więc zostajemy? Z wezwaniem od Boga, aby być takimi jak On – łaskawymi i pełnymi miłosierdzia (Psalm). Raczej nie musimy szukać specjalnej okazji ku temu, abyśmy mogli stać się właśnie tacy. Może nawet dziś będzie ku temu okazja? Pan Bóg przypomina nam o tym, że należymy do Niego, że nie żyjemy dla siebie samych (II czytanie). Nie warto więc rachować zysków i strat w relacji z innymi. Warto być dobrym jak Bóg, który od da każdemu sprawiedliwość. (ks. Marek Piedziewicz)

W przyszłą niedzielę, zbierana będzie druga składka przeznaczona 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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