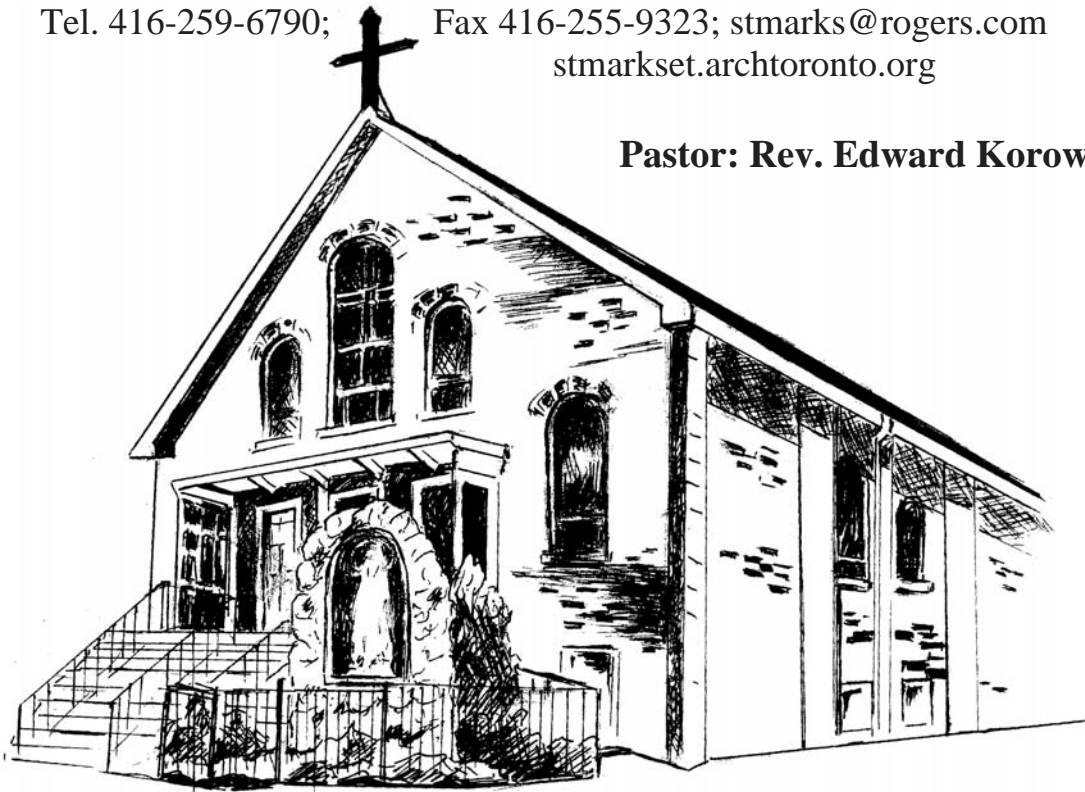


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Pastor: Rev. Edward Koroway

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 9:00 a.m. (English)
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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USEFUL INTERNET WEBSITES

archtoronto.org (Toronto archdiocese)
vatican.va (the Holy See)
cccb.ca (Canadian Catholic Bishops)
acbo.on.ca (Ontario Catholic Bishops)
uscbb.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)

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

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Due to the provincial government limitation of 10 persons in places of worship, effective Monday, November 23, Cardinal Collins has cancelled all public Masses in Toronto and Peel Region, until further notice. The Church will be open for private prayer during the following times, subject to a limit of 10 persons:

Monday to Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

(Confessions will be heard Saturday in the children's room beside the sanctuary from 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.)

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

If you are concerned about the restrictions placed on places of worship by the government, please contact your local M.P.P., the Premier and the Mayor. Parishioner Catherine D'Urzo at cdurzo@gmail.com or 416-917-7851 would also welcome discussing this issue with you.

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. You may, of course, still leave your offerings in the baskets/boxes at the back of the Church during the times the Church is open. To 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 "Support your parish" icon, or 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. During this period of restrictions, our finances will be facing challenges. So please in your charity remember your parish. Thank you!

PREPARING OURSELVES FOR CHRIST. This First Sunday of Advent marks the beginning of a new liturgical year. The readings during this time of preparation focus on making us aware that it is time to rouse from our sleep and prepare for the Lord's coming. Jesus says in the Gospel to "keep awake – for you do not know when the master of the house will come."

Advent and Christmas are also often times of lights. Whether it be lights on an advent wreath, a Christmas tree or festive lights decorating the house. However, above all these lights is Jesus, the true light of the world. This Advent we should strive to let the light of Jesus into our hearts so that it may even illumine and cleanse the dark and sinful areas of our lives. Our stewardship should reflect that light of Christ to others, so let us first be filled with what we seek to share.

One great way to invite the light of Christ into our lives is to seek God's cleansing healing in the sacrament of Reconciliation. ...This is a beautiful opportunity to ready ourselves for the coming of our Saviour on Christmas morning. Let us strive to be reconciled with God and as stewards, let us try to invite our family and friends to join us. (www.archtoronto.org/stewardship)

VIRTUAL ADVENT RETREAT with Edmonton Archbishop Richard Smith: **Saturday, December 5, 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon.**, sponsored by Newman Centre Catholic Mission. Register at: <https://adventretreat2020.eventbrite.ca>.

HOLIDAYS & HOPE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE: Ridley Funeral Home would like to extend an invitation to all our community to **Virtually** attend their annual Holidays and Hope Candlelight Service. The service will be held on **Wednesday, December 2, at 7:00 p.m.** Guest speaker will be Dr. Bill Webster, grief counsellor and author. This is a free event open to all. Please call 416-259-3705 or visit www.RidleyFuneralHome.com to register.

TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS WAFERS (from Poland) (OPLATKI) are available on the table in front of Our Lady's Chapel for \$2 per envelope.

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION: Our monthly Building Fund collection was planned for 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 parish, as well as reducing our debt (from the Family of Faith elevator addition).
Thank you!

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2021: These have been placed on tables at the back of the Church, *in numerical order*. You should have the same number you had in 2020. The labels reflect the information that we currently have on record. *If there are any mistakes, please write a note with the corrections on the next envelope you use so that we can make the necessary changes.* Everyone is encouraged to take advantage of this convenient means of supporting our parish. Envelope users receive a receipt for their charitable donations, which reduces their income tax payable. For total annual donations over \$200, there is a *combined federal and provincial* tax credit of approximately 40 per cent.

NEW ST. JOSEPH SUNDAY MISSALS are expected to be for sale in the vestibule of the Church for **\$5.00** each. Simply place the money in the offering box on which the Missals are displayed.

I Niedziela Adwentu – B

Czuwajmy, oczekując na przyjście Pana. Adwent to czas oczekiwania na przyjście Pana. Wspominamy w tym okresie wielowiekowe oczekiwanie narodu wybranego na nadejście Mesjasza, które wypełniło się w narodzeniu Jezusa. Szczególnym spojrzeniem obejmujemy oczekiwanie Maryi na narodziny Syna Bożego. Przez okres Adwentu chcemy się dobrze przygotować do uroczystości Narodzenia Pańskiego. Chodzi o oczyszczenie naszych serc, w których Syn Boży chce mieć swoje mieszkanie.

Równocześnie Adwent przypomina nam o nadejściu Chrystusa na końcu czasów i o tym, że każdy z nas stanie przed Jego obliczem – całe więc nasze życie ma być radosnym i aktywnym oczekiwaniem na to spotkanie. To oczekiwanie zostało w dzisiejszej liturgii słowa scharakteryzowane wezwaniem do „czuwania”. „Czuwajcie więc, bo nie wiecie kiedy pan

domu przyjdzie” – mówi Chrystus. „Czuwać” to wykorzystać dany nam czas i dary łaski, by swoje serce uczynić mieszkaniem Chrystusa. „Czuwać” to pełnić wolę Bożą, żyć Bożymi przykazaniami, tak aby nasza postawa przyniosła chwałę Bogu, który pragnie zbawienia wszystkich i dlatego wszystkim wychodzi naprzeciw w Jezusie Chrystusie, który poprzez zamieszkanie w nas pragnie uczynić nas swoimi świadkami wobec naszych bliźnich. (ks. Witold Wiśniowski – paulista)

„Czuwajcie, bo nie wiecie kiedy pan domu przyjdzie”.
(Mk 13, 35)

Dzisiaj zbierana będzie druga składka przeznaczona na fundusz renowacyjny Kościoła. Specjalne koperty niebieskie na ten cel są wyłożone na stolikach przy wejściu do Kościoła. Zebrane fundusze zostaną przeznaczone na wiele projektów remontowych, którymi należy się zająć w naszej parafii, a także na zmniejszenie naszego zadłużenia z budowy windy. Z góry bardzo wam dziękujemy za ofiary przeznaczone na ten cel.

OFIARY NA KOŚCIÓŁ. Jesteśmy bardzo wdzięczni parafianom którzy przynoszą regularnie niedzielne ofiary. Ofiary można wrzucać do koszyczków czy skrzynki umieszczonych na stolikach przy wejściu do kościoła. Również ofiary można składać w biurze parafialnym wrzucając do skrytki na listy przy schodach, wysłać pocztą, lub przez kartą kredytową na naszej stronie internetowej parafialnej. W tym okresie ograniczeń, nasze finanse staną przed wyzwaniem. Więc proszę, w swojej miłości, pamiętajcie o swojej parafii. Wielkie Bóg zapłać!

KOPERTKI PARAFIALNE. Kopertki są wyłożone na stolikach przy wejściu do Kościoła według numerów. Zachęcamy wszystkich do korzystania z kopert na ofiarę, ponieważ zapewniają one zapis darowizny. Składając ofiarę w kopercie, możemy otrzymać pokwitowanie do podatku dochodowego od darowizny na cele charytatywne. Zaświadczenia podatkowe za każdy rok są wysyłane w styczniu.

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