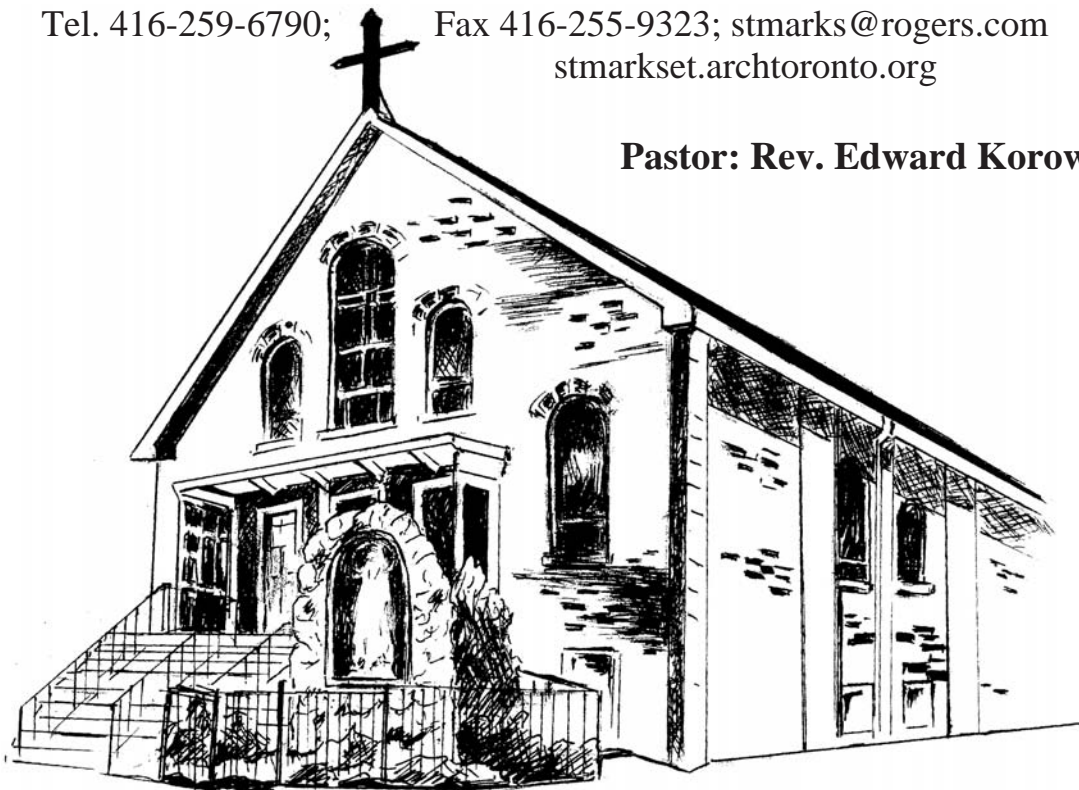


St. Mark's Catholic Church

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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 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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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)
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)
catholicerald.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!

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

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

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 from 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. every Saturday in the children's room beside the sanctuary, or by appointment—416-259-6790)

FIRST FRIDAY: Friday, February 5, is the First Friday of February. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church from **8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** You are invited to sign up on the schedule on the bulletin board in the vestibule to pray for an hour before the Lord.

Sanitizing Pews/Seating Areas: a recent update of the WorshipSafe guidelines for Catholic churches throughout the province was conducted. In relation to the sanitization of seating areas in churches, the following updated direction should now be utilized:

If a pew will not be used within an hour of the last occupancy, there should be no need to disinfect, though periodic regular cleaning should still continue. Where the pew is scheduled to be used within an hour of last occupancy, disinfection should consist of running a disinfectant-laden cloth along the tops and sides of each pew. This approach is likely to be sufficient to combat pathogens, and as more research is done, such requirements may be eventually be dispensed with.

NEW ST. JOSEPH SUNDAY MISSALS are for sale in the vestibule of the Church for **\$5.00** each, or available for pickup at the Rectory.

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION: Our monthly Building Fund collection is scheduled 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).

FINANCIAL SUMMARY (Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2020)

Receipts

Offertory	\$132,034.99
Building Fund	38,156.26
Easter and Christmas	10,700.00
Other parish collections	4,909.00
Baptisms, Marriages, Funerals	4,140.00
Bank Interest	75.71
H.S.T. Refund	4,703.85
Masses	4,710.00
Candles	5,323.00
Share of Family of Faith proceeds	22,424.88
Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy	19,049.35
Miscellaneous	1,367.00
Special Diocesan Collections	12,589.30
	<u>\$260,183.34</u>
Cash balance (January 1, 2020)	49,000.88
	<u>\$309,184.22</u>

Expenditures

Pastor's salary	\$ 43,578.00
C.P.P., and E.I. (parish contribution)	3,555.03
Musicians and cleaners	22,880.00
Office supplies and expenses	6,743.33
Church utilities (gas, hydro)	8,467.40
Insurance	5,832.17
Repairs and renewals	10,661.29
Liturgical expenses	4,258.47
Candles & Missals	2,799.68
Grounds (landscaping, snow removal)	8,888.31
Rectory expenses	19,006.17
Sundry expenses	675.97
Diocesan assessment	22,017.00
Clergy health & retirement premium	11,535.00
Elevator loan repayment	55,000.00
Interest on elevator loan	257.14
Property additions	1,893.00
Special diocesan collections	12,589.30
	<u>\$240,637.26</u>
Cash balance (December 31, 2020)	68,546.96
	<u>\$309,184.22</u>

Notes: We received \$19,049 from the *Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy*, a federal program to help employers retain their employees during the pandemic. This was a big help. Going forward, we will only receive a small fraction of the original assistance, so we cannot count on this. *Other parish collections* includes the Initial Offering, and New Year's. In terms of our elevator project, we repaid a total of \$55,000 towards the debt: \$22,425 came from our share of proceeds from the Family of Faith appeal. As five years have now passed since the appeal was launched, we will not be receiving any more significant amounts from that appeal, as the pledges (for five years), have now been fulfilled. We also repaid \$33,575 towards the loan from parish funds. This means we currently owe \$100,000 for the elevator project, down from \$155,000 at the start of 2020. *H.S.T. Refund:* charities pay this tax, but then receive a *partial* rebate of about 69 per cent. *Pastor's salary* is gross, *before* deductions. The *Diocesan assessment* is a 15.75 per cent tax levied by the diocese on parish revenue. *Repairs and renewals* includes plumbing, repairing and painting the hall electrical room, repairing broken windows in the hall, fire extinguisher maintenance, and the annual elevator maintenance contract and licence. *Liturgical expenses* includes hosts, wine, flowers, offering envelopes. Our personnel expenses are low because there is only one priest, and no secretary, caretaker or housekeeper. Two part-time cleaners are responsible for cleaning the Church and rectory, and a firm is under contract for landscaping and snow removal. Because of the Church closures, less money was spent on musicians and cleaners.

There are many projects that need to be addressed in our parish. The Church was built back in 1955, and after 66 years, there is much in need of repair and renovation. With your prayers and support, we hope to be able to implement these projects over the next few years. We are grateful to all who make their sacrificial offering every week. In particular, we are extremely grateful to those who, in spite of the pandemic, have made generous sacrificial offerings to the parish. The Church expenses never go on holiday, nor on lockdown! In keeping with diocesan policy, the parish has a finance committee. In 2020, it was composed of the Pastor, Paul Venneri, Peter Madej and Darryl Quinn.

III Niedziela w ciągu roku – B

Świętości. We współczesnych nam czasach także wielu jest ludzi, którzy odrzucając Chrystusa, stawiają mu pytanie podszeptywane przez złego ducha: Czego chcesz od nas, Jezusie Nazarejczyku? Pobudzeni wiarą nie możemy ulegać tej wielkiej fali antychrześcijańskiej ideologii, które od wieków przetaczają się przez świat. Z wiarą i ufnością wsłuchajmy się w drugą część dzisiejszej Ewangelii, która ukazuje nam, jak Pan Jezus wypędza złego ducha. Bądźmy więc pewni, że Jezus, jak pisał do Tymoteusza św. Paweł: jest błogosławionym i jedynym Władcą, Królem królów i Panem panujących. Dlatego też nie lękajmy się pytać Chrystusa o to, czego od nas pragnie. Ale pytajmy nie po to, by w Niego wątpić, ale by prawdziwie poznać Jego wolę wobec naszego życia.

Gdy już za sprawą Ducha Świętego dostąpimy tej łaski, starajmy się ze wszystkich sił wypełniać to, co proponuje nam Zbawiciel. Pamiętajmy, że On nie żąda od nas rzeczy niewykonalnych, nieosiągalnych. Prosi jedynie: pójdz za Mną i wypełniaj moje przykazania. Pójdz za Mną i naucz się miłować Boga i bliźniego. Pójdz za Mną, aby nauczyć się pokory, czystości i godności cierpienia. Pójdz za Mną, aby nauczyć się ofiarowywać życie swoje za bliźnich swoich.

Tego chce od nas Chrystus. Jeżeli wypełnimy Jego misję w każdej chwili naszego życia, to osiągniemy ideał świętości, do której każdy z nas jest powołany. Wówczas bez lęku będziemy przyłączać się do modlitwy zapisanej w ostatnim zdaniu Pisma Świętego: „Przyjdź Panie Jezu!”. (bp Tadeusz Bronakowski)

PIERWSZY PIĄTEK: Piątek **5 lutego** to pierwszy piątek lutego. W kościele w godzinach 8:30 - 16:00 odbędzie się Wystawa Najświętszego Sakramentu. Zapraszamy do zapisania się na tablicy ogłoszeń w przedsionku na godzinną modlitwę.

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