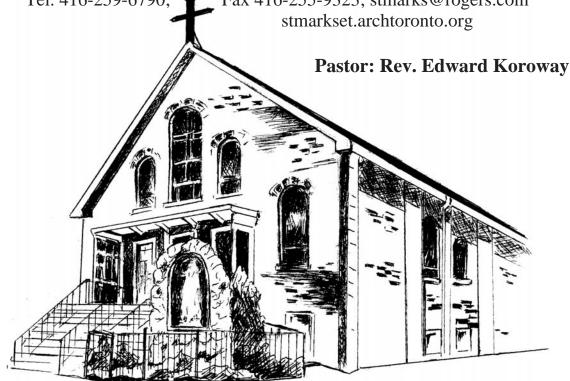
St. Mark's Catholic Church

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WEEKEND MASSES

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

10:00 a.m. (Polish) 11:30 a.m. (English)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 9:00 a.m. (English)

7:00 p.m. (Polish)
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
7:00 p.m. (Polish)
9:00 a.m. (English)
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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Bishop Allen Academy
721 Royal York 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)
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!

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 <u>private prayer</u> during the following times, <u>subject</u> to a limit of 10 persons:

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

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

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

(<u>Confessions</u> 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.)

If you are concerned about the restrictions placed on places of worship by the government, please contact your local M.P.P. (christine.hogarth@pc.ola.org), the Premier (correspondence.premier.gov.on.ca), and the Mayor (mayor tory@toronto.ca).



Friday, March 5, is the First Friday of March. 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.

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).

EMAIL ADDRESSES: We would like to increase the number of email addresses we have for our parishioners. We invite you to print your email address on the back of your offering envelope, so we can enter it into our database, *or simply send us an email.* This will help us contact parishioners on short

notice (if, for example, there are further developments related to the pandemic). Thank you!

FAST or FEAST!

Fast from food—Feast on the Lord who dwells in you. Fast from talking—Feast on silence with God. Fast from gossip—Feast on saying good things. Fast from selfishness—Feast on service to others. Fast from bitterness—Feast on forgiveness. Fast from discouragement—Feast on hope. Fast from problems—Feast on prayer that supports. Fast from complaining—Feast on appreciation. Fast from discontent—Feast on gratitude. Fast from anger—Feast on patience. Fast from lethargy—Feast on enthusiasm. Fast from self-concern—Feast on compassion.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS VIRTUAL ORDINANDI DINNER: Tuesday, March 2, 7:00

p.m. Sponsored by the Serra Foundation of Canada and the six Serra clubs in the Archdiocese of Toronto, we will be holding a virtual Ordinandi Dinner on the archdiocese's YouTube channel. We hope you will join us as we meet and honour our ordinandi from St. Augustine's Seminary and Redemptoris Mater Seminary who, with God's grace, will be ordained to the priesthood in 2021. Share this unique opportunity to meet these fine men and to hear about their unique faith journeys that led them to this most noble commitment. There is no cost to view this event. To obtain further information about this event, please visit: http://bit.ly/OrdinandiDinner.

CATHOLIC **FAMILY SERVICES** TORONTO ONLINE SESSIONS. Catholic Family Services of Toronto is now offering online quick access single sessions. The single-session consultation is a quick and effective way for individuals, couples or families to address a mental health or relationship concern. To arrange for a session, please contact: info@cfstoronto.com or 416-921-1163 or 416-222-0048. Leave us a message with your name, email and phone number, and a staff person will contact you. Clients who are interested in pursuing other or additional services in the agency have the option to access our ongoing counselling, wellness or group programs. Counselling fees are charged according to a client's income level. No one is denied service because of his/her inability to pay fees.

It's Up to You!

Choose to love – rather than hate.
Choose to smile – rather than frown.
Choose to build – rather than destroy.
Choose to persevere – rather than quit.
Choose to praise – rather than gossip.
Choose to heal – rather than wound.
Choose to give – rather than grasp.
Choose to act – rather than delay.
Choose to pray – rather than despair.
Choose to forgive – rather than curse.

(Rev.) Norbert Wever, M.S.C.

LIVE YOUR BEST LIFE IN LOVE: Friday, March 5, 7:00 p.m. to Sunday, March 7, 3:00 p.m. A virtual event hosted by Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience. In these stressful times, give your marriage a booster shot! Restore your loving communication with your spouse and rekindle the romance. The Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience is a skill-building enrichment program where together, as husband and wife, you learn how to be the best couple you can be. No group discussion. Based on Catholic values but open to couples of all faiths. Rediscover the love in your relationship! Contact: Doug & Natalie, tel.: 905-453-3879; email: doug.natalie@bell.net; www.wwme.org.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: Canada's Next Census of Population will take place in spring 2021. Statistics Canada will be hiring across the country in every community, big and small, in preparation for the 2021 Census. For more information, and to apply, visit: www.census.gc.ca.

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.

<u>Druga Niedziela Wielkiego Postu – B</u>

WIELKOŚĆ WIARY A WIELKOŚĆ OFIARY. Wielkość wiary i miłości do Boga mierzy się wielkościa ofiary, jaka w imię tej miłości człowiek

gotowy jest ponieść. Na wzgórzu Moria Bóg zażądał od Abrahama ofiary z Izaaka. Chciał, aby oddał Mu tego, którego najbardziej kochał i który stanowił dla niego nadzieję wypełnienia się Bożych obietnic. Poddał Abrahama niezwykle trudnej próbie wiary, a on jej sprostał. Okazał się gotów – w imię posłuszeństwa Panu – ofiarować Mu swego syna. Bóg oszczędził Izaaka. Wystarczyła Mu gotowość.

Ewangelista Marek prowadzi nas na Górę Tabor. Opowiada o przemienieniu Chrystusa wobec uczniów. Ono przygotowało ich na późniejsze odrzucenie Jezusa i Jego śmierć na krzyżu. Przemienienie sprawiło, że Apostołowie inaczej spojrzeli na Mistrza z Nazaretu. Odkryli, że "jest umiłowanym Synem Boga, którego trzeba słuchać". Zapragnęli pozostać na tej górze, by kontemplować Chrystusa w chwale.

Musieli jednak zejść na dół, gdyż na Jezusa czekało inne wzniesienie – Golgota. Leży ono niedaleko świątynnego wzgórza, na którym według tradycji Abraham zbudował ołtarz ofiarny i związał swe ukochane dziecko. Na Golgocie "Bóg nie oszczędził własnego Syna", jak uczynił to z Izaakiem. Pozwolił, aby dokonała się ofiara Chrystusa – Baranka ofiarnego Nowego Przymierza. Jego krew obmywa nas z grzechów. W Nim i dzięki Niemu żyjemy nadzieją zmartwychwstania i życia wiecznego. Ofiara Chrystusa ukazuje nam wielkość miłości, jaką Bóg nas obdarzył. (ks. Zbigniew Sobolewski)

<u>PIERWSZY PIĄTEK:</u> 5-go marca przypada pierwszy piątek miesiąca marca. W kościele w godzinach 8:30 - 4:00 odbędzie się wystawienie Najświętszego Sakramentu. Zapraszamy do zapisania się na tablicy ogłoszeń w przedsionku na godzinną modlitwę.

<u>FUNDUSZ</u> <u>RENOWACYJNY.</u> *Dzisiaj* zbierana będzie składka przeznaczona na fundusz renowacyjny Kościoła. Specjalne koperty niebieskie na ten cel są wyłożone na stolikach przy wejściu do Kościoła.

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.

Faith and trust are rooted in our hearts. Faith and trust guide us. In the time of need.

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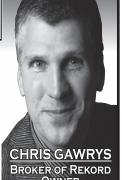
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