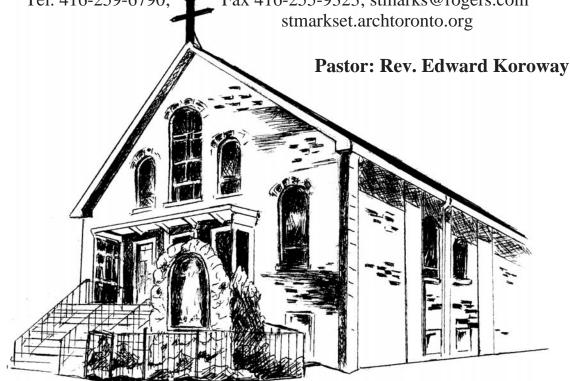
St. Mark's Catholic Church

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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
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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!

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Due to the provincial government limitation of 10 persons in places of worship, Cardinal Collins has cancelled all public Masses in the diocese 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).

LAYING DOWN OUR LIVES. "No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends" are the beautiful words we hear from Jesus in the Gospel today. Jesus goes on to say that He no longer calls us servants but His friends. This is the radical truth of our faith. That God became man in order to befriend us and show His love for us through His death on the cross. As stewards we too are called to befriend Christ and lay down our lives for Him.

While the most literal way to lay down our life is to become a martyr for the faith, few are actually called to this type of death. It is more likely that we are called to lay down our lives by sacrificing our own wills and own comforts for the sake of the Kingdom. Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI says, "The world promises you comfort, but you were not made for comfort. You were made for greatness." This is how we can display love's greatest act in our lives, to live not for ourselves but to live for the Gospel.

As stewards, we can live for the Gospel by giving our time and talents to our parish community. Our lives are made out of time, so to freely offer our time to help serve those in our community is a beautiful way to lovingly give to others. Likewise, to give of ourselves through the sharing of our talents is another way to lay down our lives for Christ and the Church. Let us strive to commit more faithfully to our call of stewardship.

(source: www.archtoronto.org/stewardship)

PAPAL CHARITIES COLLECTION: The annual collection for the pastoral works of the Holy Father will take place *this* weekend after Holy Communion. Special envelopes are available at the back of the Church for this purpose.

BISHOP ALLEN ACADEMY NEW SCHOOL TOWN HALL: Tuesday, May 11, 7:00 p.m. hosted by Trustee Teresa Lubinski. To join the meeting or to submit a question, email teresa.lubinski@tcdsb.org; or BAnewschool@gmail.com.

PASTORAL LETTER. Cardinal Collins has released a new pastoral letter *Heart Speaks to Heart* on the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This is a significant reflection on one of the most sacred symbols in the Catholic faith and what it can teach us in these difficult times. It is available on the diocesan website: www.archtoronto.org.

PRIESTHOOD ORDINATIONS: On Saturday, May 8, Cardinal Collins ordained Rev. Arthur Lee and Rev. Andrew Taylor, to the priesthood for service in our diocese. As a community of faith, let us offer our prayers for them. Let us also continue to pray for all those who are currently in formation to the priesthood at St.Augustine's Seminary and at the Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary.

NEW PARISH WEBSITE: Recently the diocese changed the web platform for parishes using the common diocesan program to comply with the Access for Ontarians with Disabilities Act. St. Mark's website is **stmarkset.archtoronto.org.** This is a kind of "hybrid" website, in that it offers information that is specific to our parish, but also has regularly updated information from the diocese that is sent to all parishes participating in the program. On it you will find the weekly bulletin, the Sunday Homily (select Parish Life, then Parish Blog and Sunday Homily), as well as an online Donation option. This is still a "work in progress", and we hope to improve it over time.

A very Happy Mother's Day to all of our Mothers, Grandmothers, Godmothers, and Mothers-in-Law!

Beatitudes for Mothers

Blessed are mothers who did without for us, they will be rewarded.

Blessed are mothers who lost sleep when we were sick, they will find rest.

Blessed are mothers who taught us how to pray, they will share God's kingdom.

Blessed are mothers who comforted us, they shall be comforted.

Blessed are mothers who taught us right from wrong, they will know justice.

Blessed are mothers who shared with us the meaning of peace, they shall know peace.

Blessed are mothers who taught us the importance of loving God and each other, they shall see God.

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.

VI Niedziela Wielkanocna – B

W obecnych czasach wiele słyszymy na temat miłości z prasy, radia i telewizji. Ileż powstaje wierszy, powieści, i filmów ukazujących różne jej wyrazy. Ale warto się zastanowić, jaki model miłości jest w nich proponowany i czy warto go realizować. Może trzeba poszukać gdzie indziej?

W dzisiejszej Ewangelii Jezus zaprasza nas do realizacji Jego miłości, tej, którą dawał przez całe swoje ziemskie życie i którą obdarowuje nas nieustannie. Miłość Jezusa jest taką miłością, jaką On sam otrzymywał i otrzymuje wciąż od Boga Ojca.

Już w Izraelu realizowano przykazanie miłości Boga i bliźniego. Jednak miarą miłości dawanej drugiemu człowiekowi była miłość samego siebie: "Kochaj bliźniego swego jak siebie samego". Jezus poszerzył jej zakres podkreślając, abyśmy kochali ludzi taką miłością, jaką On sam nas umiłował. Jego miłość zaś znalazła swój najpełniejszy wyraz w dobrowolnej męce i śmierci krzyżowej. My, chcąc praktycznie realizować miłość do Boga i ludzi, winniśmy przestrzegać Jego przykazań.

Każdy dzień jest szansą, by dawać ludziom Jezusową miłość, o której św. Paweł mówi, że jest cierpliwa, łaskawa, nie zazdrości, nie działa obłudnie, nie unosi się gniewem, nie pamięta złego, nie cieszy się z niesprawiedliwości, lecz współweseli się z prawdą. Jezusowa miłość wszystko znosi, wszystkiemu wierzy, we wszystkim pokłada nadzieję, wszystko przetrzyma. Z realizacji takiej miłości będziemy odpowiadali przed Bogiem.



Dzisiaj obchodzimy Dzień Matki. Życzymy wszystkim Matkom i Babciom dużo zdrowia i błogosławieństwa Bożego i Matki Najświętszej!

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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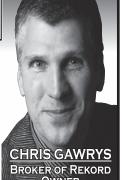
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