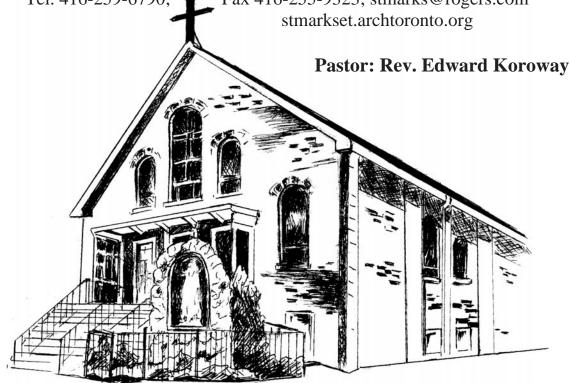
St. Mark's Catholic Church

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WEEKEND MASSES

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

> 10:00 a.m. (Polish) 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:

First Friday Exposition: 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., followed by Benediction and Mass in Polish at 7:00 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 Bishop Allen Academy Sainte-Marguerite-d'Youville 45 Cloverhill Road 721 Royal York Road 755 Royal York Road Toronto, ON M8Y 1T4 Toronto, ON M8Y 2T3 416-393-5332 416-393-5549 416-393-5418

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) catholicnewsagency.com (Catholic news) catholicherald.co.uk (Catholic news) catholicregister.org (The Catholic Register)

Masses For The Week

Sept. 4: 5:00 p.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's

Sept. 5: 8:30 a.m. Christopher & Tadeusz Sadowski

10:00 a.m. Za zmarłą Marię, Jana i Rozaliję

z rodziny Hucalak, i wszystkich

zmarłych z tej rodziny

11:30 a.m. Waldemar Golianek

(65th birthday)

Sept. 6: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention

Sept. 7: 8:30 a.m. Special Intention

Sept. 8: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention

Sept. 9: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention

Sept.10: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention

Sept.11: 5:00 p.m. Special Intention

Sept.12: 8:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's

10:00 a.m. Za Jerzego Klukowskiego i za cała

rodzinę Pełszyńskich

11:30 a.m. Matiza Sarkotic (5th anniversary)

EPHPHATHA! In the Gospel today, Jesus encounters a deaf man who is brought to Jesus to be healed of his impairment. The deaf man didn't come on his own initiative, but rather was brought by the people who begged Jesus to lay his hands on this man and heal him. This selfless action of the people, who didn't seek healing for themselves or for some favour to be granted to them, but instead sought the healing of the deaf man is a beautiful example of the power of intercessory prayer. The deaf man was healed not because of his faith or desire, but of the faith and desire of those who brought him to Jesus.

As the prophet Isaiah declared in the first reading, "Be strong, fear not! Here is your God, he comes with vindication; with divine recompense he comes to save you." Christ came to bring healing, comfort, and forgiveness. Jesus desires to speak those healing words we hear in today's Gospel to everyone, 'be opened!', yet many people, including ourselves are not able to hear it because of our spiritual deafness. We may not even realize that we need the healing, after being so caught up in our own spiritual deafness. When people are unable to come to Jesus because they feel unworthy, or maybe don't know that Jesus loves them, our intercessory prayer becomes crucial as we bring before the Lord the people who need Jesus' healing touch and love.

As stewards, we are responsible for bringing people to through our prayers and work evangelization. Stewards understand that they have received many gifts from the Lord and wish to share them with others so that those around them can also partake in God's blessings. In what ways do we bring people to Christ so that Christ can bestow his blessings? Do we participate in the missionary action of the Church? Do we welcome new parishioners? Do we pray often for the needs of the people around us? Even if we are unable to bring people physically to church, let us make a greater effort to spend more time in prayer, praying for those we know if our lives who requires Christ's healing. (source:

www.archtoronto.org/stewardship)

IS OUR GOD TOO SMALL? Friday, October 15, 7:00 p.m. to Sunday, October 17, 1:00 p.m. Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre, 2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering. A silent Ignatian weekend retreat for men and women. What happens to our faith as we learn just how big the cosmos is? How do we encounter God differently when we realize that all those stars and planets are real places - part of the same universe created by God and redeemed by the Incarnation? Facilitated by Brother "The Consolmagno. SJ. as Pope's known Astronomer." He is the director of the Vatican Observatory and president of the Vatican Observatory Foundation. Br. Consolomagno believes in the need for science and religion to work alongside one another, rather than act as competing ideologies. A suggested offering of \$260 per person. Includes two nights' accommodation, meals, program and spiritual direction. Register: www.manresa-canada.ca; contact: registration@manresa.ca; tel. 905-839-2864.

SANITIZATION OF SEATING UPDATE: have been advised by the Chancery that it is no longer necessary to clean pews with disinfectant after Mass. We thank all those who have been diligently doing so for the last year.

CHAPLAINCY CONNECT AND CATHOLIC **CAMPUS MINISTRY:** Attention Grade 12 students: If you're going to university or college in the fall, campus ministry is waiting for you! Connect with the Catholic community on your campus by visiting: www.chaplaincyconnect.ca!

MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY: Tuesday, October 12, 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, 1617 Blythe Rd., Mississauga. Celebrate October, the month of the Holy Rosary, by attending a day retreat at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre in Mississauga. Cost: \$40 (includes morning coffee and muffin, hot lunch and the program). To register, call Anne at 905-278-5229.

RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS FAQ. The Archdiocese of Toronto has recently updated its website to include Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) regarding the Residential School system and the Church's part in it. You can view that page here: https://bit.ly/ResidentialSchoolsBackground, or on our parish website (stmarkset.archtoronto.org), or the main diocesan website (archtoronto.org).

PLANNING TO BE A CATHOLIC TEACHER?

It is important for you to know that to be hired to teach in any Catholic School Board in Ontario as part of your application for employment there must be a letter of reference from your pastor. If you are planning to apply to teach in a Catholic School, please contact the pastor well in advance. It is also helpful to be a regular envelope user in order to verify that you do indeed regularly attend Mass in the parish.

<u>THANK YOU</u> to all who were thoughtful enough to make up their offerings for the weeks they were away during the summer. Please remember that our Church expenses never go on holiday!

NEW TO OUR PARISH? Please pick up a box of offertory envelopes from the tables at the back of the Church so you can register. <u>Please do not just take a single envelope—take the whole box!</u> Thank you.

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.

XXIII Niedziela w ciągu roku-B

W dzisiejszej Ewangelii Chrystus uzdrawia człowieka głuchoniemego: bierze go na bok, dotyka mu śliną języka i wkłada palce do jego uszu. Po co te gesty? Nie należy dopatrywać się tutaj znaków magicznych. Oba te gesty mogły zmierzać do pobudzenia wiary i nadziei w tym chorym człowieku.

Wielu Chrystus uzdrowił nawet ich nie widząc z bliska, gdyż stali daleko w tłumie, a do ich uzdrowienia potrzebne było tylko Jego słowo. W tym przypadku, Jezus nie tylko wypowiada słowo: *Effatha*, to znaczy: *Otwórz się*, ale dokonuje dotknięcia śliną i włożenia rak do uszu chorego.

Ewangelista Marek zaznacza, że uzdrowienie to wywołało podziw w tych, co tam byli, a niektórych doprowadziło nawet do wiary w Chrystusa. Jezus przykazał im, *aby nic nikomu nie mówili* (Mk 7,36). On nie chciał, aby za Nim szli tylko dlatego, że dokonuje wielkich cudów. On chce wiary w Jego słowa. Bo wiara jest cnotą, która potrafi zbawić człowieka.

Ten głuchoniemy zanim został uzdrowiony, był pozbawiony wielkiego przywileju słuchania Chrystusa. On sam nawet nie mógł poprosić Go o pomoc. Może ja także jestem tym głuchoniemym człowiekiem, który potrzebuje uzdrowienia? Może ja nie słyszę słów Chrystusa, który mówi do mnie w swoim Kościele?

Do każdego z nas—w sposób jedyny i niepowtarzalny — Chrystus kieruje wezwanie: Otwórz się. Otwórz się na Moje słowa! Nie bój się przyjść do Mnie, by w sakramencie pokuty i pojednania poprosić o uzdrowienie dla swojej duszy! To otworzenie się na Chrystusa i przyjęcie Go do swojego serca znaczy o wiele więcej, niż wszelkie bogactwa ziemskie.

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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