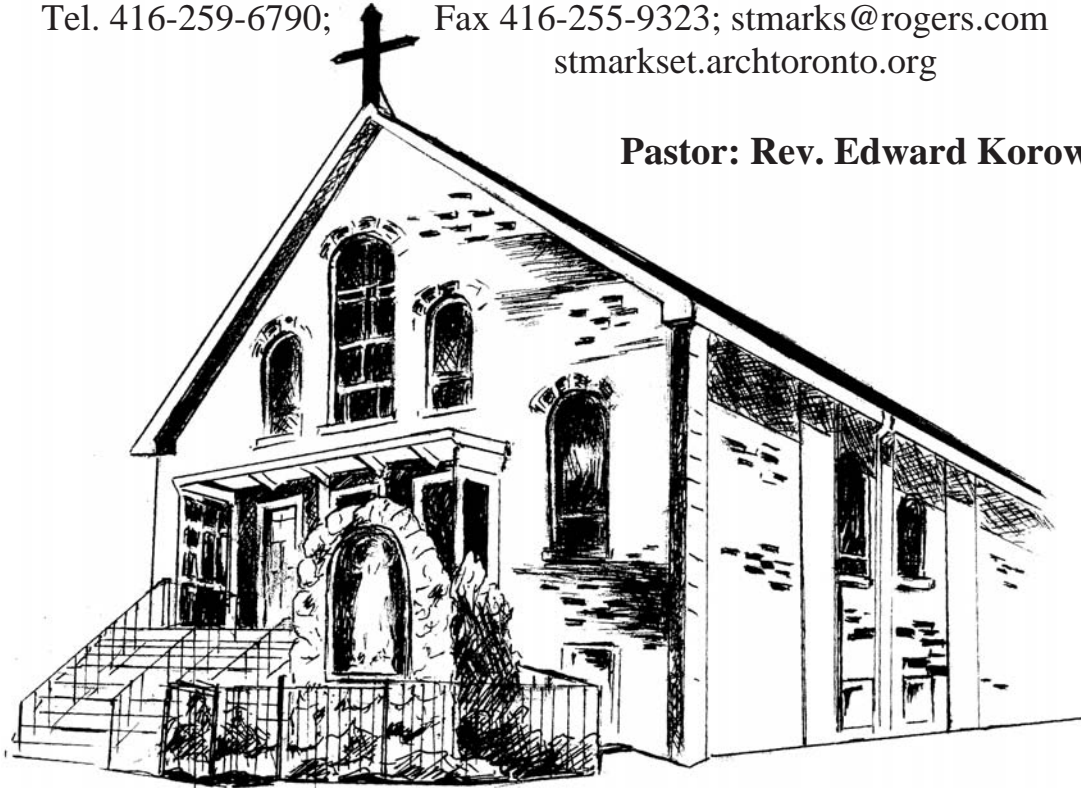


St. Mark's Catholic Church

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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)
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

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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)

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



- Oct. 2: 5:00 p.m. Jachna Family (deceased members)
 Oct. 3: 8:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's
 10:00 a.m. Za Roberta Pietrewicza
 11:30 a.m. Za Marię i Jana Konderak; i za
 Natalię i Stanisława Świetlickich
 Oct. 4: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention
 Oct. 5: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention
 Oct. 6: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention (for Mark)
 Oct. 7: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention
 Oct. 8: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention
 Oct. 9: 5:00 p.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's
 Oct. 10: 8:30 a.m. Christopher and Tadeusz Sadowski
 10:00 a.m. Za Michała Wysłobockiego
 i rodziców
 11:30 a.m. Anna Kalata (1st anniversary)

SHARE LIFE: This weekend we have the second Share Life collection (delayed because of the pandemic). Green envelopes are available at the back of the Church for this purpose for those who did not receive one in the mail. (The third and final Share Life collection will be on October 31.)

VACCINATION POLICY: Cardinal Collins has directed that by October 8, all parish staff and parish volunteers must be fully vaccinated (two doses plus a two week interval after the second dose); otherwise they must obtain a negative rapid test from a pharmacy within the previous seven days. (They are responsible for the \$40 fee.) No proof of vaccination or recent negative test will be required from parishioners to attend Mass or other religious services.

THE ORIGINS OF STEWARDSHIP. In the first reading this Sunday we hear about our first parents, Adam and Eve. By reflecting on their lives we can learn a great deal about how we too are called to live. It says in Genesis that, "the Lord God formed man ... and put him in the Garden of Eden to till it and keep it," It is from this that the spirituality of stewardship finds its origins, all the way from the first book of the Bible.

To be a steward is to gratefully acknowledge our lives and all we possess as gifts from God that should be

used for the glory of Christ and the Church. We must maturely take care of them, not for selfish reasons, but out of love and generosity. This is exactly what God is asking of Adam in Genesis.

God gives Adam the gift of Eden and the beauty of creation, yet, He doesn't instruct him to use all these gifts for his mere enjoyment and pleasure. Instead, he is told to work at nurturing and fostering these gifts so as to allow them to increase. God tells him to till the land. So too as stewards, we need to till the lands of our time and talents. Let us strive to not passively use them for our own gain but work on using them for God's will. God desires us to share our gifts for His glory, so let us reflect on how we can better offer ourselves for the good of God and the Church.

(source: www.archtoronto.org/stewardship)

LIFE CHAIN 2015: Sunday, October 3, 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Our nearest locations: Islington/Bloor; Kipling/Queensway.) Life Chain is a simple and prayerful way to give public witness to the truth that abortion is a violent destruction of human life. It takes only an hour, and all you have to do is stand quietly with others, holding a non-graphic sign. And as you stand, you can quietly pray silently for an end to abortion and for those affected by it.

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.

VOTIVE CANDLES: Please remember that the offering for lighting the votive candles is: **\$5.00** for *each* large red candle; and **\$1.00** for *each* of the small white candles. *Thank you!*

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).

CONFIRMATION. The Sacrament of Confirmation is *tentatively* scheduled to be administered in our parish on **Saturday, April 23, 2022**, at the **5:00 p.m.** Mass. Students in **Grade 7 or older**, and any adults who wish to be confirmed should attend one of the weekend Masses, and obtain a registration form from Fr. Koroway afterwards. The form lists the dates of the three preparation meetings the candidates and their parents must attend on Saturday mornings in the Church. The deadline for returning the registration forms is **Sunday, November 14**.

FIRST CONFESSION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Parents of students in Grade 2 or older who would like their children to receive these sacraments this coming year should attend one of the weekend Masses with their children, and obtain a registration form from Fr. Koroway afterwards. The form lists the five preparation meetings the students and parents must attend in the Church on Saturday mornings. The deadline for returning the registration forms is **Sunday, October 24**.

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.

XXVII Niedziela w ciągu roku-B

Będą oboje jednym ciałem. Nowa Ewa wchodzi także w samotność naszych serc, by je przywracać do życia i zjednoczyć z Bogiem.

W raju, przed grzechem pierworodnym, Adam był kontemplatykiem - wpatrywał się w oblicze Boga. Serdecznie Go kochał. Wypełniał także misję otrzymaną od Boga, współuczestnicząc w stwarzaniu świata. Korzystał z otrzymanej władzy, ale równocześnie czuł, że to zaangażowanie nie jest spełnieniem jego największych pragnień. Pomimo przyjaźni z Bogiem czuł się samotny.

Ratunkiem dla Adama stała się Ewa. Ona, równa jemu, ale i korona Bożego stworzenia, potrafiła wejść w jego samotność, aby zaspokoić tęsknoty serca. Wprowadziła go w doświadczenie zachwyty: „to jest kość z moich kości i ciało z mojego ciała”. Grzech pierworodny zniszczył w nas wszystkich wrodzoną

wrażliwość serca. Ukrycie przed Bogiem i przed innymi ludźmi prowadzi także do odcięcia się od głębokich tęsknot: przyjaźni, bliskości, czułości, bycia darem i życia w komunii. Nasze zaangażowania są wtedy „zamiast”. Zastępują realizację naszego najważniejszego powołania.

Jezus, opowiadając o raju, zaprasza nas, byśmy do Niego wrócili. Nie jesteśmy na przegranej pozycji, jeśli wchodzimy w bramy raju poprzez bramę przebitego Serca. Bóg Ojciec przez przebicie boku nowego Adama - Jezusa - tworzy Jego Oblubienicę, która może zaspokoić Chrystusową tęsknotę miłości. Nowa Ewa to Maryja, a potem każdy, kto Ją w postawie wiary naśladuje. Jej odpowiedź trwania w wierze przy krzyżu dopełniła Bożego pragnienia, by oddać swego ducha i powiedzieć: „Wykonało się”.

Nowa Ewa wchodzi także w samotność naszych serc, by je przywracać do życia i zjednoczyć z Bogiem. Jeśli za św. Janem Pawłem II będziemy powtarzać: „Cały Twój, Maryjo!”, jeśli tak jak on będziemy wracać do Różańca, to jak pierwszy Adam, jak Maryja, rozpoznamy Boże oblicze. (o.Paweł)

Módlmy się ze św. Franciszkiem z Asyżu:

O Panie, uczyni z nas narzędzia Twego pokoju.
Abyśmy siali miłość tam, gdzie panuje nienawiść.
Wybaczenie - tam, gdzie panuje krzywda.
Jedność - tam, gdzie panuje zwątpienie.
Nadzieję - tam, gdzie panuje rozpacz.
Światło - tam, gdzie panuje mrok.
Radość - tam, gdzie panuje smutek.
Spraw, abyśmy mogli nie tyle szukać pociechy, co pociechę dawać.
Nie tyle szukać zrozumienia, co rozumieć.
Nie tyle szukać miłości, co kochać.
Albowiem dając otrzymujemy.
Wybacząc zyskujemy przebaczenie.
A umierając rodzimy się do wiecznego życia.
Przez Jezusa Chrystusa Pana naszego. Amen.

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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