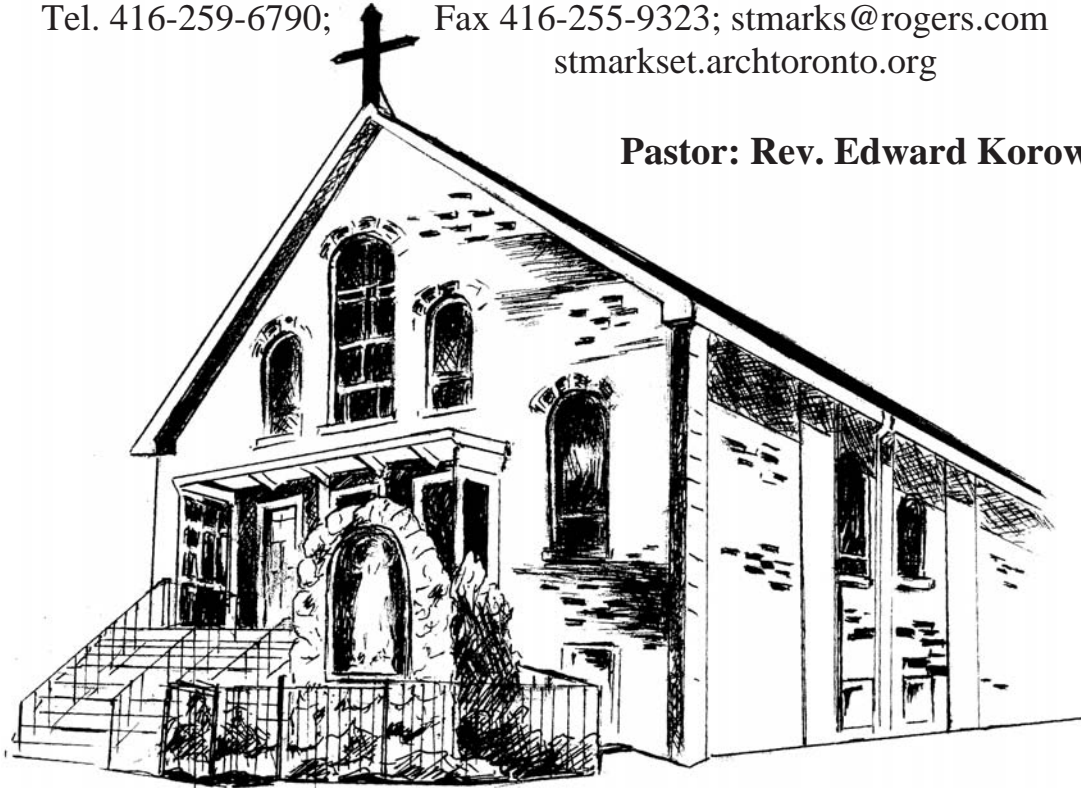


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Pastor: Rev. Edward Koroway



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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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)

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



Masses For The Week

- Oct. 1: 5:00 p.m. Deceased members of the Jachna Family
- Oct. 2: 8:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's
10:00 a.m. O zdrowie i Boże błog. dla Dominika Wysockiego
11:30 a.m. Maria and Jan Konderak; Natalia and Stanisław Świątlicki
- Oct. 3: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention
- Oct. 4: 9:00 a.m. Janez Puc
- Oct. 5: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention
- Oct. 6: 9:00 a.m. John Kovich
- Oct. 7: 9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving
7:10 p.m. Za Annę Kalata
- Oct. 8: 5:00 p.m. Ewelina and Bronisław and parents Bubińczyk
- Oct. 9: 8:30 a.m. Christopher and Tadeusz Sadowski
10:00 a.m. Za Michała Wsłobockiego i rodziców
11:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's

FIRST FRIDAY

FIRST FRIDAY: Friday, October 7 is the First Friday of October. After the usual 9:00 a.m. Mass (in English), there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament **until 3:00 p.m.** The Church will reopen at **6:00 p.m.** for Confessions until **6:45 p.m.**, followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at **7:00 p.m.**, and evening Mass at **7:10 p.m.** (in Polish).

INDIGENOUS HEALING & RECONCILIATION

FUND COLLECTION: **October 1/2.** Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in the collection being held the weekend of October 1/2 to support the Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund. The collection is a national grassroots effort to assist healing and reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples of This Land. The fund was the result of a \$30 million financial commitment made by the Canadian Bishops in September 2021. Dark yellow envelopes are available at the back of the Church for this purpose.

Funds will support culture and language revitalization, education and community building, healing and reconciliation for communities and families and dialogue involving Indigenous elders, spiritual leaders and youth

with a focus on Indigenous spirituality and culture. This is an opportunity to follow the invitation of the Holy Father made earlier this year for each one of us to become engaged in the healing and reconciliation journey. For more information, please visit: www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation, where you can also donate online. Thank you for your generosity.

THE GIFT OF FAITH. How often do we pray to God for greater faith? The apostles in today's Gospel echo the words of Christians throughout the centuries, "increase our faith!" Jesus was teaching messages that challenged their own preconceived notions and they recognized that they needed faith to be able to accept these truths. So too, it is often difficult in our own secular society to believe all of the increasingly counter-cultural teachings of the Church. In a culture that demands the stamp of scientific approval on all matters, it requires greater faith to believe certain sublime truths of the Church that cannot be proven in such a manner.

This is why we too need to earnestly implore the Lord for more faith. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states that "faith is a gift of God, a supernatural virtue infused by Him." (CCC 153). This understanding is important in realizing that while we can perform acts that help cultivate our faith, it ultimately remains a pure gift of grace from God. This lens allows us to remain humble in times when our faith is strong for we realize that we are constantly being sustained by grace. This should spur us onto greater gratitude to God.

By recognizing our great need for the pure gift of faith, we should strive to return to the core act of our discipleship, namely, prayer. Let us set aside time each day to pray to the Father the words found in the Gospel of Mark, "I believe, help my unbelief." Let us then move outwards and pray for others to be strengthened in their faith, especially those whom we know are struggling, (source: archtoronto.org/stewardship)

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS 2022: Cast Your Vote!

A municipal election will be held on **Monday, October 24.** All Catholics are strongly encouraged to exercise their democratic right to vote. To help learn more about the candidates for Catholic School Board Trustee, Cardinal Collins has given permission for these candidates to distribute literature to parishioners departing Mass on weekends from October 1/2 through October 22/23. We hope you will take the time to get to know those seeking elected office for this important role.

To ensure your vote for Catholic School Board Trustee, at the polling booth, verify that you are registered as a separate school supporter. If your support status is incorrect ask for an Application to Amend Voters' List. This form may be completed and submitted at the polling station. Thank you for your interest and involvement in this fall's municipal election!



Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered in our parish on **Saturday, April 15, 2023**, at the **5:00 p.m.** Mass by Bishop Ivan Camilleri, Auxiliary Bishop for the Western Pastoral Region. 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 four preparation meetings the candidates and their parents must attend on Saturday mornings in the Church. The deadline for returning the registration form is **Sunday, November 13**.

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 23**.

ORGANIST: Our organist/cantor, Joey Jang, has been with us for some twelve years. As part of his studies at Osgoode Hall Law School, he has gone to Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland on a student exchange. He will return to us for Christmas. Dr. Daniel Lee will be substituting for him on Saturdays at the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Jeff Glover will do the same for most Sundays at 11:30 a.m. (though he is away for the next two Sundays). Martin Gomes will be the cantor at the 8:30 a.m. Mass most Sundays, as well as the 11:30 a.m. Mass this week and next.

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-C Niedziela w ciągu roku

MODLITWA O WIARĘ. Dzisiejsza liturgia przywołuje dwa istotne aspekty życia chrześcijańskiego, jakimi są wiara i służba. Bez wiary nie można podobać się Bogu ani być zbawionym. O wiarę trzeba się nieustannie modlić. Przykład takiej modlitwy odnajdujemy w dzisiejszej Ewangelii. Apostołowie prosili Chrystusa: Przymnóż nam wiary. Widząc cuda, które czynił, słuchając Jego słów, a nade wszystko, przypatrując się Jego zjednoczeniu z Ojcem na modlitwie, czuli, że własnymi siłami nie są w stanie pojąć Bożych tajemnic ani wypełnić powołania, jakim zostali obdarowani. Panie, przymnóż nam wiary – to jedna z najprostszych, ale zarazem najważniejszych modlitw Kościoła. Tymczasem wielu chrześcijan, prosząc Boga o zdrowie czy pomyślne załatwienie trudnych spraw, zapomina o wierze, traktując ją jako coś oczywistego, raz zdobytego na wieki. Dar wiary, który otrzymaliśmy na chrzcie św. trzeba nieustannie pomnażać. Gdybyśmy mieli wiarę jak ziarno gorczycy, przenosiłaby ona góry i przesadzała potężne stare drzewa, czyli czyniłaby to, co po ludzku wydaje się niemożliwe.

Wiara jest niewidoczna. Nie można jej zobaczyć ani zmierzyć. Nie ma też duchowego amperomierza, który badałby jej natężenie. Wiarę poznajemy po owocach. Dlatego Jezus łączy naukę o wierze z zachętą do kształtowania w sobie postawy sługi, który kieruje się bezinteresowną miłością. Dobrze wyraziła tę prawdę św. Katarzyna ze Sieny, pisząc: „Miłość jest jak służąca, która myje w kuchni brudne naczynia”. (o. Jarosław Krawiec — dominikanin)

PIERWSZY PIĄTEK: 7-go października przypada pierwszy piątek miesiąca października. Po Mszy Św. o godzinie **9-ej** rano, będzie wystawienie Najświętszego Sakramentu do godziny **3-ej**. Będzie też okazja do spowiedzi świętej od godziny **6:00 do 6:45** wieczorem, i Błogosławieństwo o godz. **7:00**. Po Błogosławieństwie będzie dodatkowa Msza Św. po polsku o godz. **7:10**.

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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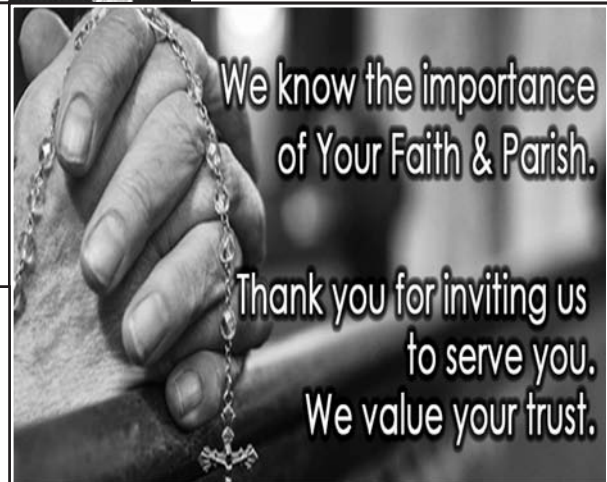
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