

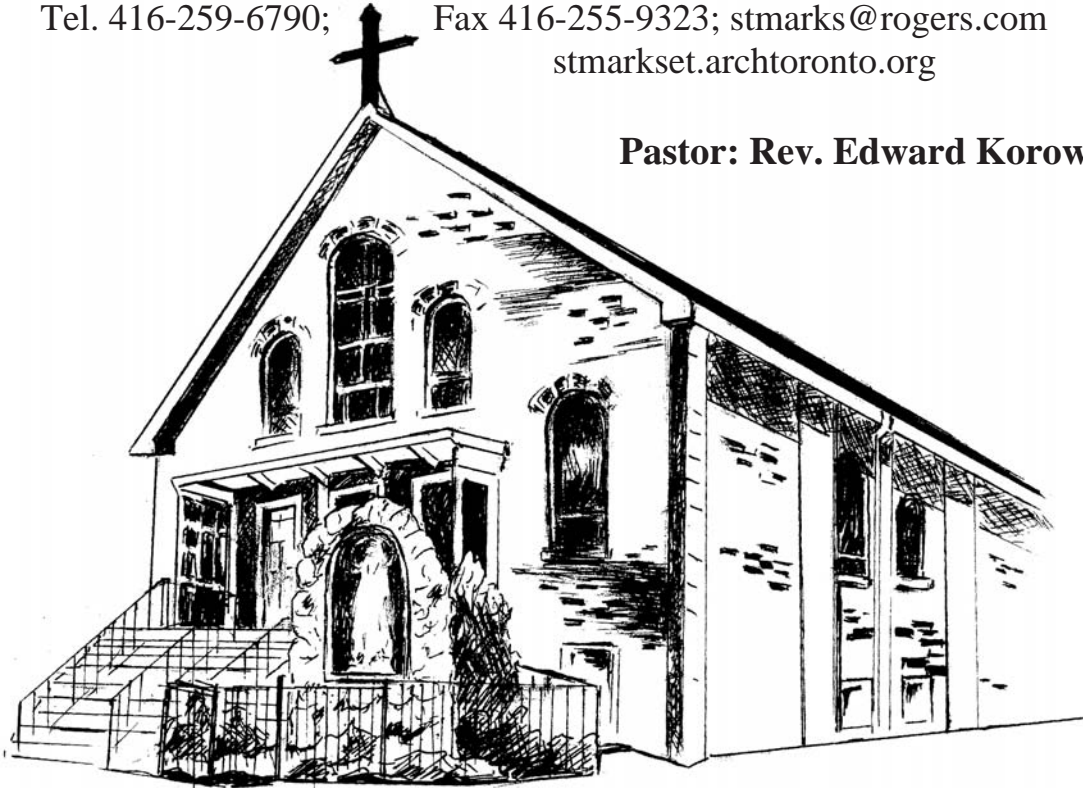
# St. Mark's Catholic Church

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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

## SCHOOLS

St. Mark  
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archtoronto.org (Toronto archdiocese)  
vatican.va (the Holy See)  
cccb.ca (Canadian Catholic Bishops)  
acbo.on.ca (Ontario Catholic Bishops)  
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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!*

**Mass Intentions****for the Week**

- Jan. 7: 5:00 p.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's  
 Jan. 8: 8:30 a.m. Gloria and John McDonald  
 10:00 a.m. Za Tadeusza Zych (18-tą rocznicę), brata Aleksandra i Stanisława  
 11:30 a.m. Giuseppe D'Urzo  
 Jan. 9: 9:00 a.m. Stanisław Madej (45<sup>th</sup> anniversary)  
 Jan.10: 9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving  
 Jan.11: 9:00 a.m. George Lee  
 Jan.12: 9:00 a.m. Bridie McNamara  
 Jan.13: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention (C.L.)  
 Jan.14: 5:00 p.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's  
 Jan.15: 8:30 a.m. Clarita and Osmundo Angeles  
 10:00 a.m. Za Gertrudę i Lucjana Kocleyda  
 11:30 a.m. The DeBiasi Family

**SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY:** The word "Epiphany" comes from the Greek word meaning "appearance" or "manifestation". Today we honour the revelation Our Lord made of himself to the wise men, or magi, who, inspired by almighty God, came to worship him and gave him presents. Of the four evangelists, only St. Matthew relates the events described in today's Gospel. He says some "wise men" came to Jesus. He does not name them, but by tradition, they have been known as Gaspar, Melchior and Balthasar. Their remains are believed to have been taken to Cologne, Germany, and are enshrined in the cathedral there. These were the first of the Gentiles, that is, the non-Jews, to come to see the King of the Jews. That is really the main point of today's feast. Our Lord has come as Saviour of all peoples, of all nations, of whom the Magi were the first to come and worship Our Lord.

**BLESSED CHALK ON THE SOLEMNITY OF EPIPHANY:** Gold and frankincense was blessed on the Feast of the Epiphany in the 15th/16th centuries. Blessing of chalk was first introduced in the 18th century. This beautiful tradition is carried out in many countries, including Poland. The Blessed Chalk is used to inscribe the first letters of the names of the Magi and the current year (K+M+B 2023) on the front door of Catholic homes. Following Mass, a small piece of chalk may be taken home and the following is said with family and friends gathered at the front door:

*Leader:* And the Word was made Flesh.

*All:* And dwelt among us.

*Leader:* May Christ dwell in our midst.

*All:* Amen.

**NEW LIVING WITH CHRIST SUNDAY MISSALS**

are for sale in the vestibule of the Church for **\$6.00** each. Simply place the money in the offering box on which the Missals are displayed. In addition to the Mass prayers and readings for every Sunday, the Missals have many other prayers and hymns, as well as other materials.

**CATHOLIC ART CALENDARS** for **2023** are available at the back of the Church. Our thanks to the **RIDLEY FUNERAL HOME** (3080 Lake Shore Blvd.) for so generously providing these beautiful calendars.

**TCDSB KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION:**

**Wednesday, January 25, 10:00 a.m.** Kindergarten in the Toronto Catholic District School Board provides children with a variety of learning experiences in a caring, faith-based environment. Students develop a positive attitude about themselves and others, become more independent and responsible, develop self-regulation skills and appropriate social skills, and solve problems. TCDSB looks forward to welcoming new students for the 2023-2024 school year. Children born in 2019 are eligible to attend Junior Kindergarten in September 2023. Register at: [SOAR.tcdsb.org](http://SOAR.tcdsb.org). For more information, please visit: [www.tcdsb.org/kindergartenregistration](http://www.tcdsb.org/kindergartenregistration).

**LECTORS:** We are looking for more lectors, especially at the Saturday 5:00 p.m. Mass. If you are a baptized and confirmed Catholic, eighteen years or older, and would be interested, please contact Fr. Koroway.

**OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2023:** These have been placed on tables at the back of the Church, *in numerical order*. You should have the same number you had in 2022. Please always write the amount of your donation on the envelope. Blank envelopes for 2023 for those who have not been using them this year are now available. Everyone is encouraged to take advantage of this convenient means of supporting our parish. It provides a record of your attendance should you require a pastoral reference. Envelope users receive a receipt for their charitable donations, which reduces their income tax payable. For total annual donations over \$200, there is a *combined federal and provincial* tax credit of approximately 40 per cent.

**INCOME TAX RECEIPTS** for 2022 will be mailed directly from the Chancery in January.

## *Step by Step*

*God does not lead me year by year  
Nor even day by day;  
But step by step my path unfolds  
As He directs my way.  
Tomorrow's plans I do not know;  
I only know this hour.  
And Him who bids me walk each step  
Supported by His power.  
And I am glad that it is so  
Today's enough to bear.  
And when tomorrow comes, His grace  
Will far exceed my care.  
What need to worry then or fret?  
My Lord, who gave His Son,  
Holds all my moments in His hand  
And gives them one by one.*

**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.



## **Uroczystość Objawienia Pańskiego**

**MĘDRCY W BETLEJEM.** W święta Bożego Narodzenia cieszyliśmy się, że Bóg stał się człowiekiem i narodził się z Maryi Dziewicy w ubogiej stajni w Betlejem. W uroczystość Objawienia Pańskiego serca nasze wypełnia radość, że Bóg objawił swego Syna wszystkim narodom, które oddały Mu pokłon w osobach Mędrców ze Wschodu. Spełniły się w ten sposób słowa psalmu: *Uwielbią Pana wszystkie ludy ziemi.*

Trzej Mędrcy ze Wschodu ujrzeli gwiazdę Boga Wcielonego, która wzbudziła w nich nadzieję zbawienia. Poszli za tą gwiazdą, a ona zaprowadziła

ich do Betlejem. Tam zobaczyli Dziecię wraz z Matką Maryją, upadli na twarz i oddali Mu pokłon. Ofiarowali Mu też dary pełne zbawczej symboliki: złoto, kadzidło i mirrę.

Świętych Mędrców uważamy za ojców naszej wiary i śpiewamy na ich cześć najpiękniejsze kolędy. Ale czy sama radość z powołania do zbawienia wystarczy? Mędrcy ze Wschodu przebyli długą drogę do Betlejem. Była ona pełna różnych doświadczeń i cierpień duchowych, jak znikanie gwiazdy, obojętność na przyjście Chrystusa, a nawet strach mieszkańców Jerozolimy z powodu Jego narodzin i nienawiść Heroda do nowo narodzonego Zbawiciela. Jednak podobnie jak droga krzyżowa wiedzie do zmartwychwstania, tak pełna doświadczeń droga Mędrców prowadzi do szczęścia z odnalezienia Chrystusa. [abp Stanisław Nowak]

**POŚWIECENIE KREDY.** Kredą oznaczamy drzwi na znak, że w naszym mieszkaniu przyjęliśmy Wcielonego Syna Bożego. Piszemy na drzwiach domu poświęconą kredą: K+M+B. Niech przypominają nam one imiona Mędrców: Kacpra, Melchiora i Baltazara, a także łacińskie życzenia „*Christus Mansionem Benedicat*” (Niech Chrystus błogosławi temu domowi). Módlmy się więc, aby Chrystus Pan w tym Nowym Roku zawsze przebywał między nami i aby wszyscy, którzy Go szukają, tak jak Mędrcy ze wschodu, znaleźli Go w naszej rodzinie.

K+M+B=2023

mówiąc przy tym:

*Przewodniczący ceremonii:*

A słowo stało się ciałem

Wszyscy: I mieszkało między nami

*Przewodniczący ceremonii:*

Niech Chrystus mieszka w naszych sercach i umysłach i niechaj każdy, kto Go szuka znajdzie Go między nami. Wszyscy: 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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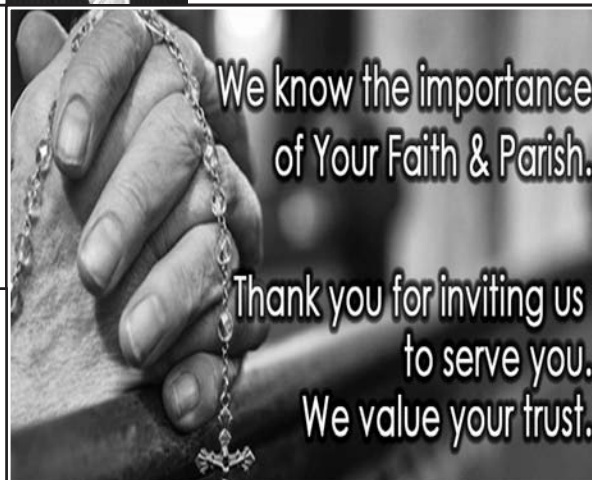
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