

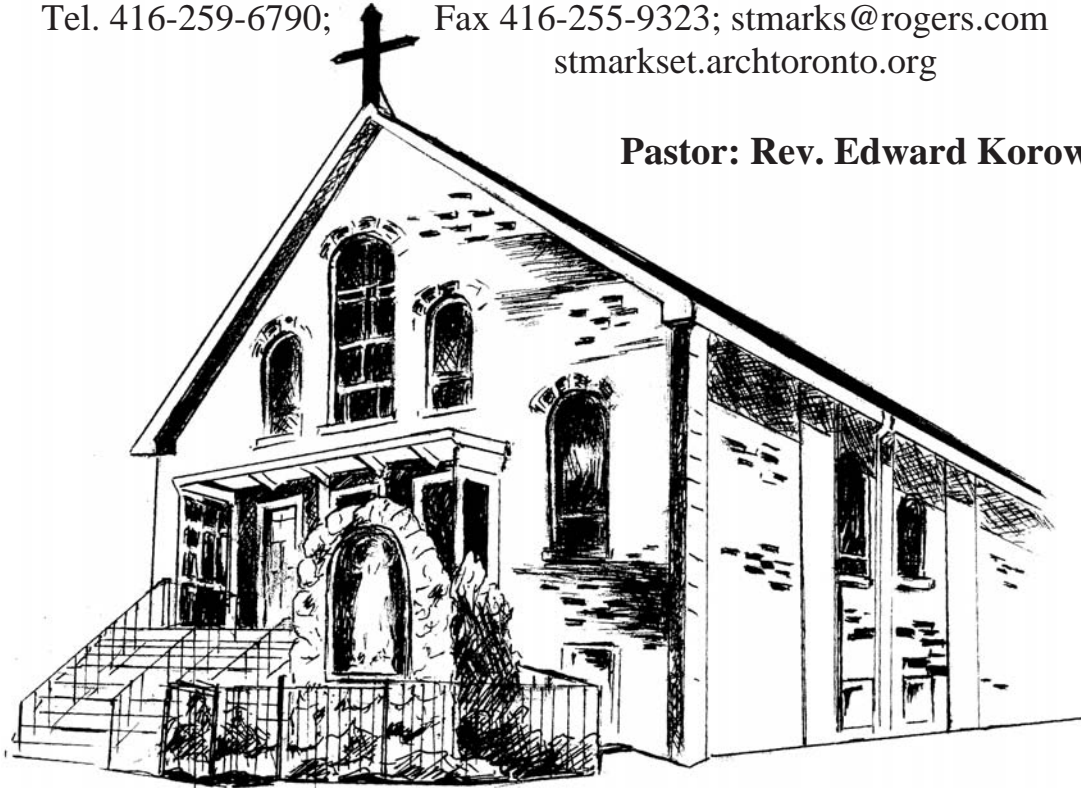
St. Mark's Catholic Church

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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
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)
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

- Sept. 2: 5:00 p.m. Thanksgiving
 Sept. 3: 8:30 a.m. Christopher & Tadeusz Sadowski
 10:00 a.m. Za Jana Przybyłka
 (20-tą rocznicę śmierci)
 11:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's
 Sept. 4: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention
 Sept. 5: 9:00 a.m. Waldemar Golianek
 Sept. 6: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention
 Sept. 7: 9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving
 Sept. 8: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention
 Sept. 9: 5:00 p.m. Thanksgiving
 Sept. 10: 8:30 a.m. Special Intention
 10:00 a.m. Za wszystkich naszych parafian
 11:30 a.m. Matija Sarkotic; Mary Jane Paras

THE PATH OF DISCIPLESHIP. Who truly is the Christian disciple and what does it take to become one? Jesus addresses this question in today's Gospel by stating, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it."

To truly embrace discipleship in the Lord, we must begin by denying ourselves. This act of self-denial involves placing complete trust in Jesus, recognizing that He has a purpose and plan for our lives. Moreover, it requires acknowledging our weaknesses and humbly acknowledging that all the blessings we receive come from the Lord. Then, we take up our cross, which entails accepting the various sufferings we encounter and uniting them with the sufferings of Jesus on the cross. In doing so, we grow in awareness that He bears our sufferings with us. Lastly, we commit to following Him wherever He may lead us. This may involve stepping outside of our comfort zones, but being a disciple means having faith that Jesus will be with us every step of the way.

This is the path to which all stewards are called – a life characterized by sacrifice, service, and love. Stewards willingly offer their gifts and talents, even at the cost of their valuable time, recognizing that these abilities are bestowed by Jesus Himself. Their deep affection for Him and His Church compels them to share these gifts with others. It is only by denying ourselves, shouldering our

individual crosses, and faithfully following Jesus that we can extend the same selflessness to others and actively contribute to the growth of God's kingdom.

(source: archtoronto.org/stewardship)

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION: Thank you to all who contributed \$1,115 in last Sunday's monthly collection towards the many renovation projects that need to be addressed in our parish, as well as reducing our debt for the new roof for the Church.



Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered in our parish on **Saturday, April 27, 2024**, 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 form is **Sunday, November 12.**



First Communion

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 29.**

CONFERRAL OF THE PALLIUM ON ARCHBISHOP LEO. Toronto celebrates the feast day of our diocesan patron, St. Michael, on **Friday, September 29.** All are welcome to join in a special celebration on that day at **5:30 p.m.** at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St.). Archbishop Francis Leo will celebrate Mass, with music from the world-renowned St. Michael's Choir School. As part of the celebration, the Apostolic Nuncio to Canada, the Most Rev. Ivan Jurkovič will confer the pallium on our archbishop, a symbol of his role as Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto and shepherd to the faithful. Following Mass, there will be an informal reception with

light refreshments in the St. Michael's Cathedral atrium and courtyard. Seating will be first come, first served. All are welcome to join in this special celebration.

CHAPLAINCY CONNECT AND CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY: Attention students: Are you headed to university or college this fall? Campus ministry is waiting for you! Connect with campus ministry to find a welcoming community of friends and faith. Visit: chaplaincyconnect.ca to check out campus ministry on your campus.

The Cross in My Pocket

I carry a cross in my pocket
A simple reminder to me
Of the fact that I am a Christian
No matter where I may be.

This little cross is not magic
Nor is it a good luck charm
It isn't meant to protect me
From every physical harm.

It's not for identification
For all the world to see
It's simply an understanding
Between my Saviour and me.

When I put my hand in my pocket
To bring out a coin or key
The cross is there to remind me
Of the price He paid for me.

It reminds me, too, to be thankful
For my blessings day by day
And to strive to serve Him better
In all that I do and say.

It's also a daily reminder
Of the peace and comfort I share
With all who know my Master
And give themselves to His care.

So I carry a cross in my pocket
Reminding no one but me
That Jesus Christ is Lord of my life
If only I'll let Him be.

*Far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our
Lord Jesus Christ (Galatians 6:14)*

DAILY ROSARY: We are reciting the Holy Rosary before weekday Mass, Monday to Friday, beginning around 8:30 a.m. You are invited to join us.

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.

XXII-A Niedziela w ciągu roku

KRZYŻ Z PROMIENIAMI. Zapowiedzi Jezusa, „że musi iść do Jerozolimy i wiele cierpieć, że będzie zabity”, przeciwstawia się Piotr: „Panie, niech Cię Bóg broni!”. To myślenie Piotra jest wynikiem ziemskiej zapobiegliwości, to myślenie na krótką metę w celu odniesienia doczesnego sukcesu. Jezus, zawsze do końca posłuszny woli Ojca, nie może i nie chce przyjąć takiego „roztropnego” rozwiązania. Ono bowiem nie ceni tego, co trudne, co łączy się z cierpieniem i krzyżem.

Nie ma Chrystusa bez krzyża i nie można bez krzyża służyć Chrystusowi. Stąd, pod adresem swoich uczniów skieruje On słowa: „Jeśli kto chce pójść za Mną, niech się zaprze samego siebie, niech weźmie krzyż swój i niech Mnie naśladuje”. Wzywając na drogę krzyża, Pan Jezus uczy zrozumienia jego sensu. Chrystus, umierając na krzyżu, zwyciężył grzech i pokonał śmierć, wprowadził pokój i jedność. W tajemnicy krzyża wszystkich nas poєднаł z Bogiem i między sobą. Chrystusowy krzyż trzeba zawsze łączyć z chwałą, Jego śmierć ze zmartwychwstaniem, a Wielki Piątek z Wielkanocą. I to dopiero jest pełny symbol naszej wiary: krzyż z promieniami, który tak często spotykamy na cmentarnych nagrobkach.

Nie bójmy się zatem krzyża i tej drogi, którą on wyznacza. Na początku wiąże się to z cierpieniem, ale zawsze jest ono tylko wstępem do zmartwychwstania. I nikt, kto wiernie szedł w życiu za Jezusem, nigdy tego nie żałował. Bowiem na końcu odłożono dla nas wieczną nagrodę. (ks. Zbigniew Godlewski)

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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