

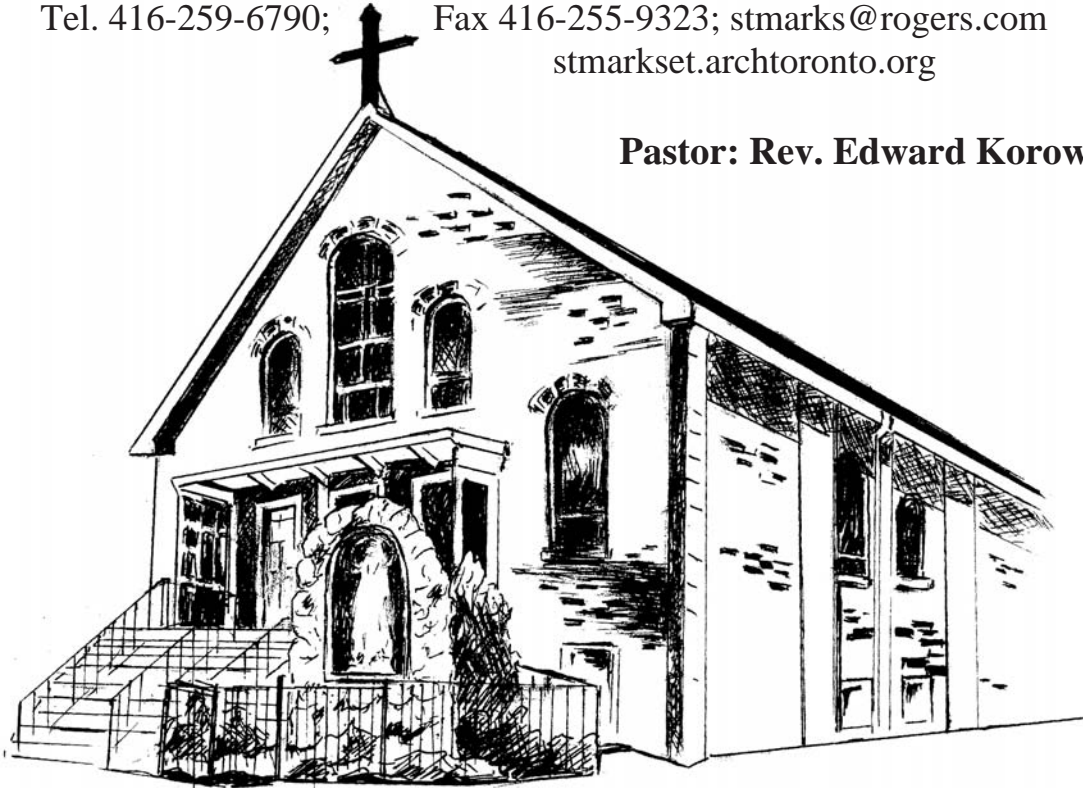
St. Mark's Catholic Church

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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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Bishop Allen Academy
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Sainte-Marguerite-d'Youville
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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

Sept. 9: 5:00 p.m. Thanksgiving
 Sept.10: 8:30 a.m. Ludmila Aldatova
 10:00 a.m. Za wszystkich naszych parafian
 11:30 a.m. Matija Sarkotic; Mary Jane Paras
 Sept.11: 9:00 a.m. Janet Michael
 Sept.12: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention
 Sept.13: 9:00 a.m. Aleksander Czechel
 Sept.14: 9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving
 Sept.15: 9:00 a.m. Richard and Family
 (safe journey home)
 Sept.16: 5:00 p.m. Thanksgiving
 Sept.17: 8:30 a.m. Stepan Budus
 10:00 a.m. Za wszystkich naszych parafian
 11:30 a.m. Robert Orszulik (good health)

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION: Our monthly Building Fund collection will take place *next* weekend. Special blue envelopes are available at the back of the Church for this purpose. The funds raised will go 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 and rectory (which now stands at approximately \$20,000). **Thank you!**

THANK YOU 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! We encourage everyone to use offertory envelopes weekly as they provide a record of your donations so that you may obtain an income tax receipt for your charitable donations. As well, the envelopes provide a record of your attendance should you require a reference letter. If you have not increased your regular weekly donation amount for a number of years, perhaps you could consider doing so, to keep up with inflation. Thank you!

REFLECTION. In today's second reading from Romans, St. Paul speaks about the importance of love. He boldly proclaims that we should "owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law." Let us take some time today to reflect on how we can live out this exhortation as stewards of Christ.

Before we can proceed, we must understand what love is and what it is not. Firstly, love is not a feeling but rather a choice that we must make each and every day. The classical definition of love is willing the good of the other. So in order to love, we must not look towards our own needs but to the needs of others. It is essentially a lens of stewardship that seeks to use our own gifts to serve our neighbour.

However, in order to express our love we must move past merely willing the good to actually doing the good for others. St. Gregory the Great says that "the proof of love is in the works. Where love exists, it works great things. But when it ceases to act, it ceases to exist." So in order to love, we must concretely choose to perform loving acts that will the good of the other. Let us reflect on how we can practice this within our parish community. (*source: archtoronto.org/stewardship*)

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. Please do not just take a single envelope—take the whole box! Thank you.



Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered in our parish on **Saturday, May 4, 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.

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.

PROJECT RACHEL AT THE REFUGE is offering a retreat **October 27-29**, for women who are suffering the effects of abortion. We have been offering Project Rachel retreats for more than fifteen years. At our retreats, we welcome women whose pain has been silenced and denied by the world. See our web site (stmarysrefuge.org/rachel), and phone or e-mail us in confidence: 289-691-6840. projectrachel@stmarysrefuge.org. St. Mary of Egypt Refuge, 206 Barry Road, Madoc, ON K0K 2K0, www.stmarysrefuge.org. 613-473-2679.

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-A Niedziela w ciągu roku

BRATERSKIE UPOMNIENIE. Bogu bardzo zależy na każdym człowieku. On nie chce, żeby ktokolwiek się zgubił, lecz jest gotów szukać i ratować każdego grzesznika. Od nas – wierzących w Chrystusa – też tego Bóg oczekuje, czyni nas odpowiedzialnymi za naszych bliźnich.

W tym kontekście należy odczytywać obowiązek braterskiego upominania. Nie chodzi o wykazanie winy, o ukaranie, ale o odzyskanie brata, o pomoc człowiekowi. Po prostu o miłość.

Ma to być upomnienie „braterskie”. Upominam, bo to mój brat, bo mi na nim zależy, bo go kocham. Przekazywana prawda musi iść w parze z miłością. Grzech zostaje zdemaskowany i potępiony, ale grzesznik ma być zrozumiany, przyjęty, ochroniony – kochany. Jeśli nie ma we mnie takiej akceptacji dla człowieka, którego mam upomnieć, to moje argumenty, choć słuszne, będą bardzo trudne, a czasem wręcz niemożliwe do przyjęcia przez drugą stronę. Najskuteczniejszym sposobem wykazania błędu są czyny a nie słowa. Chodzi więc nie tyle o napominanie innych, co o pokazanie, jak należy postępować. Takie argumenty są dużo bardziej skuteczniejsze, ale wymagają znacznie większego zaangażowania i wysiłku z naszej strony. Ale gdy chodzi o odzyskanie brata – żadna cena nie jest za wysoka. (ks. Józef Trela)

„Gdzie są dwaj albo trzej zebrani w imię moje, tam jestem pośród nich”. (Mt 18, 20)

W przyszłą niedzielę odbędzie się druga zbiórka na fundusz remontowy kościoła. Specjalne niebieskie koperty w tym celu umieszczane są na stołach przy wejściu do kościoła. Zebrane środki zostaną przeznaczone na wiele projektów remontowych, którymi trzeba się zająć w naszej parafii, a także zmniejszenie zadłużenia (obecnie \$20,000) z nowego dachu dla kościoła i plebanii. ***Dziękuję za Twoje wsparcie!***

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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