

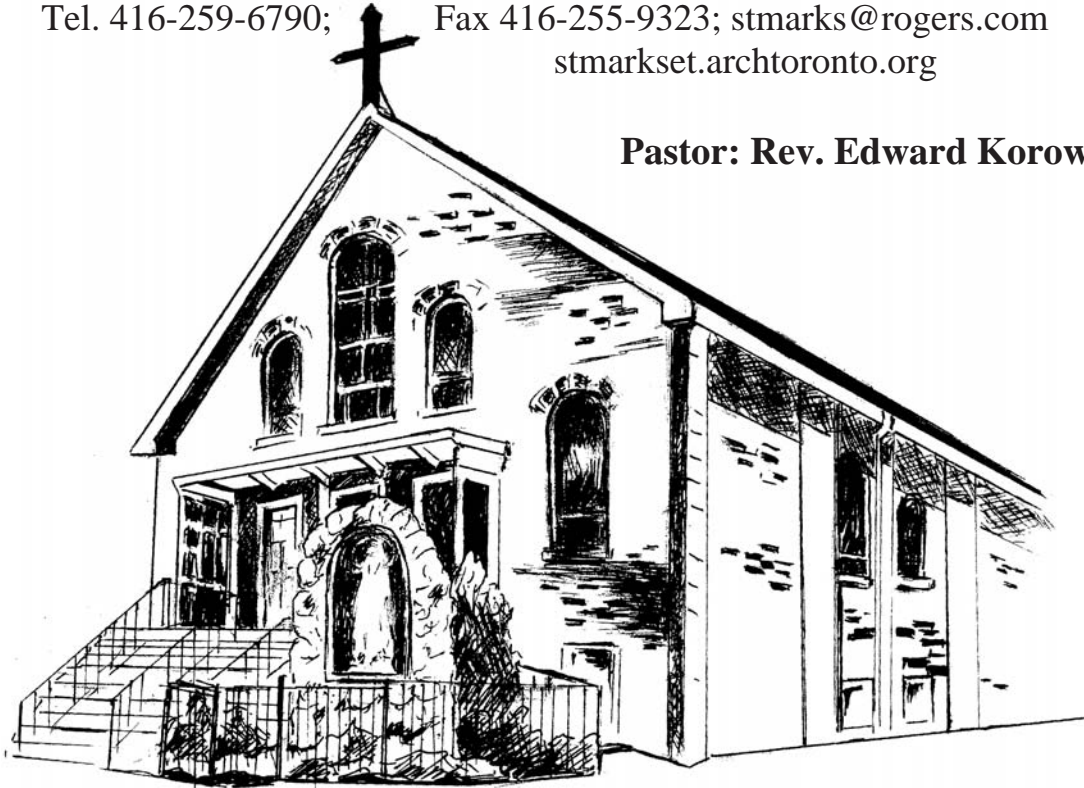
St. Mark's Catholic Church

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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
Toronto, ON M8Y 1T4
416-393-5332

Bishop Allen Academy
721 Royal York Road
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416-393-5549

Sainte-Marguerite-d'Youville
755 Royal York Road
Toronto, ON M8Y 2T3
416-393-5418

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.14: 5:00 p.m. Velthoria Sequeira
 Oct.15: 8:30 a.m. Tadeusz Małolepszy (anniv.)
 10:00 a.m. Za Leokadię i Bronisława
 Szymczyk
 11:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's
 Oct.16: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention
 Oct.17: **No Mass** (due to annual priests' seminar)
 Oct.18: **No Mass** (due to annual priests' seminar)
 Oct.19: **No Mass** (due to annual priests' seminar)
 Oct.20: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention
 Oct.21: 5:00 p.m. Thanksgiving
 Oct.22: 8:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's
 10:00 a.m. Za Henryka Kalinowskiego
 i Waleriana Waszkiewicza
 11:30 a.m. Allan Anderson (35th anniversary)

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY is observed throughout the Church next **Sunday, October 22**. As we pray for the missionary activity of the Church, we are also invited to contribute to the special collection for the missions. Yellow envelopes are available at the back.



In Loving Remembrance

HOLY SOULS ENVELOPES are available on the tables at the back of the Church for those who wish to make use of them. During the month of November, all of the Masses (except for the required weekly Mass for the Parishioners) will be offered for the repose of the souls of those whose names have been listed on the Holy Souls envelopes, which will be kept on the altar throughout the month.

COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS. A steward is one who receives God's gifts gratefully, develops those gifts responsibly, shares those gifts lovingly in justice with others, and makes a return with interest to the Lord. As stewards we are called to be grateful disciples of Christ. Gratitude is at the very core of what it means to be a steward. ...

One practice that is often recommended to children is to "count your blessings." There is great spiritual fruit to be discovered through this practice, even as adults. Often

times we place greater weight on the few negative things in our lives rather than focusing on the hundreds of blessings. Let us intentionally set aside a few minutes this weekend to concretely identify all of the blessings the Lord has bestowed on us this past year. We can then begin to move from gratitude to generosity by offering up these blessings to our parish community.

(source: archtoronto.org/stewardship)

MASS ATTENDANCE COUNT: For the next two weekends (**October 14/15 and 21/22**), we will again be counting attendance at all of the Masses during the homily, as requested by Archbishop Leo.

BISHOP ALLEN ACADEMY INFORMATION EVENING & OPEN HOUSE: Grade 8 students and their parents are cordially invited to attend an Information Evening and Open House at Bishop Allen Academy on **Wednesday, October 18**, from **6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** Learn about the Advanced Placement Program, French Immersion, Gifted Program, Leadership Development, Athletics, Music, Drama and more. All are welcome to attend.

COME AND SEE DISCERNMENT WEEKEND: **November 17-19** at St. Augustine's Seminary (2661 Kingston Road, Scarborough). The Office of Vocations will be hosting this weekend for men 18 years and older. This retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to the priesthood at our seminary. Registration must be done online at www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee. For more information, visit vocations@archtoronto.org.

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.

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 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.**

ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE SCHOOL is now considering applications for September, 2024. The school is Ontario's only independent Catholic school for young men from Grades 7 to 12. Open Houses for prospective students and their families will be held on **Thursday, October 19** and **Tuesday, October 24**, from **7:00 p.m.** Please register at ApplySMCS.com.

WOMEN TOGETHER RETREAT: **Wednesday, October 25, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, 1617 Blythe Road, Mississauga. 905-278-5229 or office@goa.ca. Cost: \$45.00.

POWERS OF ATTORNEY: You are invited to a free seminar about 'Powers of Attorney' on **Wednesday, October 25, at 3:00 p.m.** at the Ridley Funeral Home (3080 Lake Shore Blvd. West). Together we'll learn about what to consider when choosing Powers of Attorney for both health and finance. Ann Woodruff, Lawyer with Copeland McKenna, will lead the presentation. Light refreshments will be served. To register, please call 416-259-3705.

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: projectrachel@stmarysrefuge.org. Tel. 289-691-6840 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.

XXVIII-A Niedziela w ciągu roku

ZAPROSZENIE NA WESELE. Król przygotował wspaniałą ucztę i wysłał zaproszenia na wesele swojego syna. Chciał podzielić się wielką radością i zaproszonych gości podjąć tak, jak potrafił najlepiej. A goście? Zapatrzeni w swoje sprawy zlekceważyli króla i to, co dla nich przygotował.

Może słuchając przypowieści o uczcie królewskiej, oburzamy się na tych, którzy nie myśląc o gospodarzu odrzucili jego zaproszenie. Któż z nas odmówiłby królowi, tłumacząc się codziennymi sprawami? A gdyby królem był Bóg, a ucztą weselną żywe chrześcijaństwo, do którego nas zaprasza? Bóg pragnie być z nami przy jednym stole we wszystkich naszych sprawach. Chce być blisko, gdy przeżywamy wielkie życiowe radości, kiedy załatwiamy codzienne obowiązki, ale jeszcze bardziej, gdy nadchodzi noc cierpienia i smutku. Głos Pana dociera nawet na „rozstajne drogi”, bo wie, że odrzucenie Jego zaproszenia kończy się samotnością człowieka.

Nasza wartość nie polega na tym, co mamy, ale kim jesteśmy dla Boga. Chrześcijaństwo to Chrystus, a chrześcijanin to ten, który wszystkie sprawy swojego życia odnosi do Chrystusa. Zaproszenie do radości bycia chrześcijaninem jest łaską od Boga, jednak każdy sam musi zatroszczyć się o strój weselny. Przez chrzest święty weszliśmy na gody weselne Króla i „przyoblekliśmy się w Chrystusa” (Ga 3,27), czego symbolem jest biała szata. Czy dziś nadal jest czysta, bez dziur i kurzu? Co zrobiliśmy z naszym strojem weselnym? Uczta gotowa! Bóg zaprosił nas do swego Królestwa i dał nam najpiękniejszą szatę weselną, byśmy nosili ją z godnością dzieci Bożych – nie dlatego, że zasłużyliśmy, ale po prostu, zostaliśmy przez Niego wybrani. (ks. Mariusz Rosik)



WYPOMINKI: Miesiąc listopad to miesiąc modlitwy za zmarłych. Podczas całego miesiąca listopada, każdego dnia Msze Św. będą odprawiane za zmarłych poleconych w wypominkach. Kopertki na ten cel są wystawione przy wejściu do Kościoła.

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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