

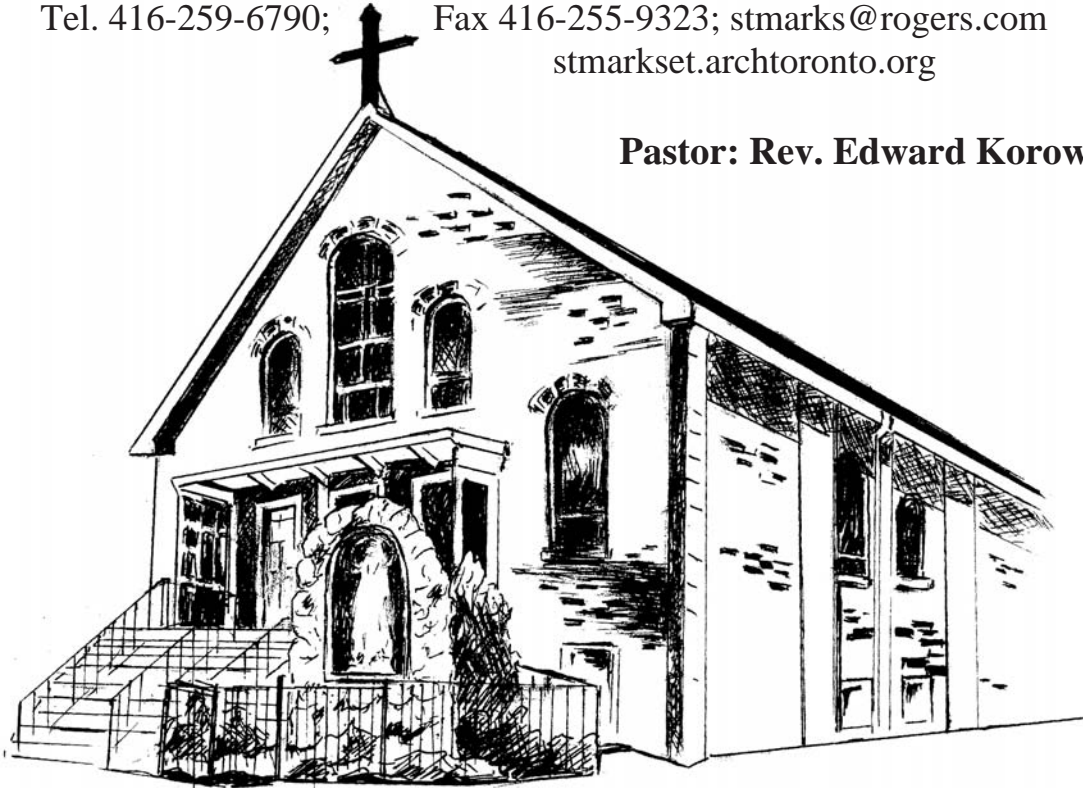
St. Mark's Catholic Church

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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!



Masses For The Week

Nov.18: 5:00 p.m. Holy Souls
 Nov.19: 8:30 a.m. Holy Souls
 10:00 a.m. Za zmarłych wspomnianych
 w wypominkach
 11:30 a.m. Holy Souls
 Nov.20: 9:00 a.m. Holy Souls
 Nov.21: 9:00 a.m. Holy Souls
 Nov.22: 9:00 a.m. Holy Souls
 Nov.23: 9:00 a.m. Holy Souls
 Nov.24: 9:00 a.m. Holy Souls
 Nov.25: 5:00 p.m. Holy Souls
 Nov.26: 8:30 a.m. Holy Souls
 10:00 a.m. Za zmarłych wspomnianych
 w wypominkach
 11:30 a.m. Holy Souls



The Shepherds' Trust
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There will be a second collection *this* weekend for The Shepherds' Trust. The mission of The Shepherds' Trust is to help ensure that elderly and disabled priests are provided with sufficient financial resources to lead a dignified life after many years of ministry. Through our support of The Shepherds' Trust, the retired priests are given the dignity of adequate pensions, health care and other assistance in their golden years. For more information about The Shepherds' Trust, please go to: www.shepherdstrust.org. White envelopes are available at the back of the Church for this purpose.

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 \$13,000). *Thank you!*

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. They come into effect on the First Sunday of Advent, **December 2/3**. In addition to

the Mass prayers and readings for every Sunday, the Missals have many other prayers and hymns, as well as other materials.

ENTERING INTO OUR MASTER'S JOY. "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; enter into the joy of your master." These are the beautiful words that all of us long to hear after a life of following Christ. The parable of the talents is often seen as the classical parable on stewardship. Let us take some time reflecting on it more deeply today.

Cardinal Collins comments on this parable in his Pastoral Letter on Stewardship saying, "As good stewards, we are meant to use God's gift fruitfully and creatively, so that with true gratitude for what we have received we may return God's gifts to Him with increase." The key word in that sentence is increase. Although the third slave did not waste or squander the talents or gifts he had received, the Master did not utter that beautiful phrase to him. The third slave did not work so as to create an increase of his goods. Stewardship always remains as an active way of life.

If we want to hear those beautiful words at our judgment we must live in such a way that fully embraces the spirituality of stewardship. How well are we using our gifts for the glory of God and the Church? Let us not be passive in our service but seek ways to be used as an instrument of God. Let us start with prayer and move into acts of charity. We can serve in our parish community whether it be joining various ministries or helping people in need. This weekend let us renew our commitment to serving Christ.

(source: archtoronto.org/stewardship)

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING: Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our parish bulletin. The advertising will begin in February, 2024, and supports our bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637 for more information and to advertise..

TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS WAFERS (from Poland) (OPLATKI) are available on the table in front of Our Lady's Chapel for \$3 per envelope.

FIRST CONFESSION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: The next preparation class for students and their parents is this **Saturday, November 25**, from **10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.** in the Church.

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.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHOIR SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CONCERT: *Choirs of Angels*. **Saturday, December 2, 7:00 p.m.** Massey Hall. Tickets \$40 - \$105. masseyhall.mhrth.com.

ADVENT RETREAT: Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre (1617 Blythe Road, Mississauga) invites both women and men to an Advent Retreat on **Saturday, December 2, 9:30 a.m. to 2:20 p.m.** Cost \$45. Registration 8:30 a.m. Coffee, tea with muffins and a hot lunch included. We will close the day with Mass. To register, phone 905-278-5229, or office@qoa.ca.

ARCHDIOCESAN CONSULTATION: Archbishop Francis Leo is inviting Catholics throughout the archdiocese to share their key priorities to help inform and guide an updated Pastoral Plan. To participate in the consultation, visit: www.archtoronto.org/consultation to complete a brief survey by December 15, 2023, where you can offer your suggestions and insights. We look forward to hearing from the Catholic community throughout the archdiocese. Thank you in advance for sharing your insights, ideas and discernment.

COPING WITH GRIEF: You are invited to a free presentation about *Coping with Grief over the Holiday Season* on **Thursday, November 30 at 6:00 p.m.** at the Ridley Funeral Home. After the loss of a loved one, the holidays can be an especially difficult time. Light refreshments will be served. To register, please call 416-259-3705.

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.

XXXIII -A Niedziela w ciągu roku

Życie: dar i zadanie. Zjawiliśmy się na tej ziemi, bo tak chciał Bóg. To On wezwał nas z nicości do życia, bo taka była Jego Wola. Otrzymaliśmy do dyspozycji określony czas, który mamy przeżyć według wskazań samego Boga. O tym, jak powinno wyglądać nasze życie doczesne, poucza nas Pismo Święte i wewnętrzny głos, dany nam przez Boga, zwany sumieniem.

W Ewangelii dzisiejszej Zbawiciel wyjaśnia nam w sposób obrazowy, jak mamy żyć, aby to codzienne życie było piękne. Opowiada o pewnym człowieku, który mając udać się w podróż, przywołał swoje sługi i wręczył każdemu pewną ilość talentów, to znaczy pieniędzy, używanych za czasów Chrystusa. Poleciał im, by obracali nimi aż do jego powrotu. Nie trudno się domyślić, że tymi sługami są wszyscy ludzie, a więc i my. Zostaliśmy ubogaceni różnymi darami przyrodzonymi i nadprzyrodzonymi. I nadejdzie taka chwila, kiedy Bóg zażąda od nas zdania sprawy z tego, jak wykorzystaliśmy ofiarowane nam przez Niego zdolności.

Mając na uwadze, że czas upływa i z każdym dniem, z każdą minutą jesteśmy bliżsi Sądu Bożego, prosimy Pana, aby chwila zdania sprawy ze swojego życia była dla każdego z nas chwilą szczęśliwą. Wszystkich wyborów dokonujemy wpatrzeni w przykład świętych, którzy przed nami przeszli drogą wiary. Różne były koleje ich doczesnej wędrówki, ale nawet w najtrudniejszych warunkach potrafili postępować według wskazań Jezusa. Na tym polega ich wielkość. (ks. Leonard Ostrowski)

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 \$13,000) z nowego dachu dla kościoła i plebanii. **Dziękuję za Twoje wsparcie!**

OPLATKI: Oplatki wigilijne (z Polski) są do nabycia przy ołtarzu Matki Boskiej. Prosimy o ofiarę \$3 za jedną kopertkę.

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



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