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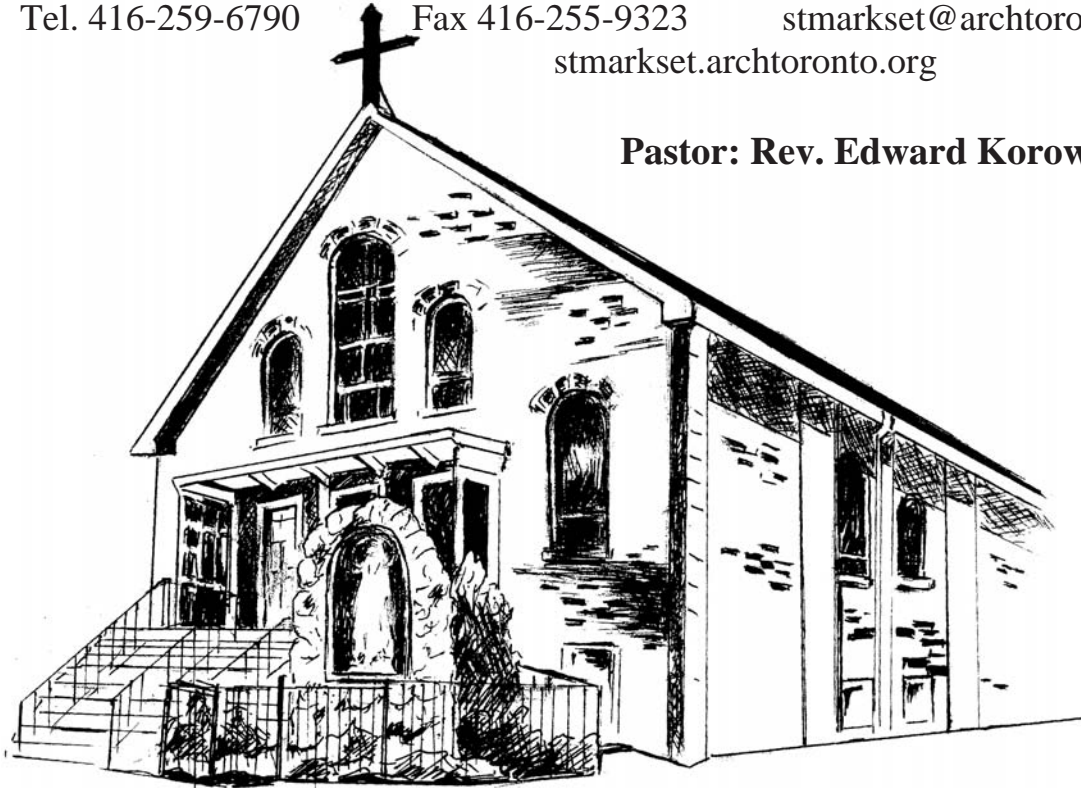
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**Pastor: Rev. Edward Koroway**

## 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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archtoronto.org (Toronto archdiocese)  
vatican.va (the Holy See)  
cccb.ca (Canadian Catholic Bishops)  
acbo.on.ca (Ontario Catholic Bishops)  
uscgb.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

- April 6: 5:00 p.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's  
April 7: 8:30 a.m. Christopher & Tadeusz Sadowski  
10:00 a.m. Za Stanisława Czapran  
11:30 a.m. Ivanka Jurman  
April 8: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention  
April 9: 9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving  
Apr.10: **No Mass due to Bishop Allen Masses**  
Apr.11: 9:00 a.m. Msgr George Hay  
Apr.12: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention  
Apr.13: 5:00 p.m. Heather Ryan  
Apr.14: 8:30 a.m. Special Intention  
10:00 a.m. Za Lucjana i Gertrudę Kocleyda  
11:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's

**THANK YOU!** to all who helped to make our Holy Week and Easter celebrations so beautiful this year: the musicians, lectors, servers, those who helped to decorate the sanctuary, those who counted the collection, and anyone else who assisted in any way. Thank you too for your generosity during the Easter offertory.

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY:** Today, the Second Sunday of Easter, is known as *Divine Mercy Sunday*. During the course of Jesus' revelations to Saint Faustina on the Divine Mercy, he asked on numerous occasions that a feast day be dedicated to the Divine Mercy and that this feast be celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. The liturgical texts of this day concern the institution of the Sacrament of Penance, the Tribunal of the Divine Mercy, and are thus already suited to the request of Our Lord. This Feast, which had already been granted to Poland, was granted to the Universal Church by Pope Saint John Paul II on the occasion of the canonization of Sr. Faustina on April 30, 2000: "throughout the world the Second Sunday of Easter will receive the name Divine Mercy Sunday, a perennial invitation to the Christian world to face, with confidence in divine benevolence, the difficulties and trials that mankind will experience in the years to come."

Jesus told St. Faustina that this Feast of Mercy would be a very special day when "all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened". (Diary 699) Our Lord made a great promise to all those souls who would go to Confession and then receive Him in Holy Communion on the Feast of Mercy.

The Image of The Divine Mercy, is displayed in our Church above St. Joseph's chapel. The image portrays the Risen Jesus Christ bringing mercy to the whole world. "The two rays denote Blood and Water. The pale ray stands for the Water which makes souls righteous. The red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls. These two rays issued forth from the very depths of My tender mercy when My agonized Heart was opened by a lance on the cross. ...Happy is the one who will dwell in their shelter, for the just hand of God shall not lay hold of him." (Diary 299)

**ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY:** Archbishop Leo has asked parishes to make an act of consecration to Our Lady on the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord (celebrated this year on **Monday, April 8**, because of the early date of Easter.) This will be done following the 9:00 a.m. Mass on that morning.

**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.

**"EASTER DUTY":** Because of the central importance of Easter to the Christian faith, the Catholic Church requires that all Catholics who have made their First Holy Communion receive the Holy Eucharist sometime during the Easter season (canon 920.1), unless it is fulfilled for a just cause at another time during the year (canon 920.2.) The Easter season lasts until Pentecost Sunday (May 19 this year), fifty days after Easter. In order to receive Holy Communion worthily, we need to be in a state of grace. So also, after having reached the age of discretion (taken to be 7 years of age), each member of the faithful is obliged to confess their grave sins at least once a year (canon 989). Of course, if we are in a state of grave sin, we should get to confession as early as possible, and not delay. We are also encouraged to confess lesser, or venial sins. For in the sacrament of penance, we not only receive God's forgiveness, his divine mercy, but also his grace so we do not fall back into sin so easily in the future.

**VOCATIONS.** Pray to know how God wants to use your talents and abilities. Could it be He is calling you to consider priesthood, religious life or diaconate? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, please contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto. Phone: 416-968-0997. Email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org). Website: <https://www.vocationstoronto.ca>.

## Food for Thought

*He had no servants, yet they called Him Master.  
He had no degrees, yet they called Him Teacher.  
He had no medicines, yet they called Him Healer.  
He had no army, yet kings feared Him.  
He had no toys, yet children loved Him.  
He won no military victories,  
yet he conquered the world.  
He committed no crime, yet they crucified Him.  
He was buried in a tomb, yet He lives today!*

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## **UNDERSTANDING THE PROBATE PROCESS.**

You are invited to attend a free seminar entitled *Understanding Probate* on **Monday, April 22 at 3:00 p.m.** at the Ridley Funeral Home (3080 Lake Shore Blvd. West). Learn about probate, its associated fees, when it's required, and how to apply. Light refreshments will be served. To register, please call 416-259-3705.

**PLANNING TO BE A CATHOLIC TEACHER?** It is important for you to know that to be hired to teach in any Catholic School Board in Ontario as part of your application for employment there must be a letter of reference from your pastor. If you are planning to apply to teach in a Catholic School, please contact the pastor well in advance. It is also helpful to be a regular envelope user in order to verify that you do indeed regularly attend Mass in the parish.

**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.

## Druga Niedziela Wielkanocna Miłosierdzia Bożego – B

**PAN MÓJ I BÓG MÓJ.** Dzisiejsze święto Miłosierdzia Bożego ukazuje nam ogrom Bożej miłości względem każdego z nas. Jezus otwiera przed nami wnętrze swojego Najświętszego Serca, byśmy mogli zaczerpnąć wiele łask dla siebie i całego świata. Dlatego i my otwórzmy się na bezmiar tej miłości uzdrawiającej, byśmy mieli pełny udział w radościach Zmartwychwstania. „Bóg bogaty w miłosierdzie” pragnie dotknąć nas swoją łaską, byśmy nie byli niewolnikami grzechu i szatana, ale stali się „dziećmi Światłości”.

Zmartwychwstały Jezus zachęca nas do głębokiej wiary, pobudza naszą nadzieję i obdarza nową miłością. Miłość ta większa jest od śmierci, przewycięża wszelkie zło i jest całkowicie bezinteresowna. Nie patrzy na to, co było, ale pragnie nam dać nową szansę na lepsze jutro. Dzisiejszy świat, tak bardzo poraniony grzechem egoizmu i pychy, potrzebuje tej miłości, by w sercu każdego człowieka zapanował pokój i radość, które płyną z faktu pustego grobu Zbawiciela.

Chcemy dziś, wpatrując się w Miłosiernego Pana, powiedzieć za św. Tomaszem: „Pan mój i Bóg mój!”, byśmy mieli udział w błogosławieństwie Zbawiciela: „Błogosławieni, którzy nie widzieli, a uwierzyli”. Nie bądźmy jedynie wystraszonymi uczniami Chrystusa, zamkniętymi w skorupie swoich słabości, ale stańmy się mężnymi głosicielami Jezusowej Ewangelii, bo Pan pokonał wszelkie zło i pragnie naszego szczęścia. (ks. Jacek Zakrzewski — pallotyn)

„*Kiedy sam odślonisz tajemnice swego miłosierdzia, wieczności będzie za mało, aby Ci za to należycie podziękować*”. (św. Faustyna Kowalska, *Dzienniczek*, 1122).

**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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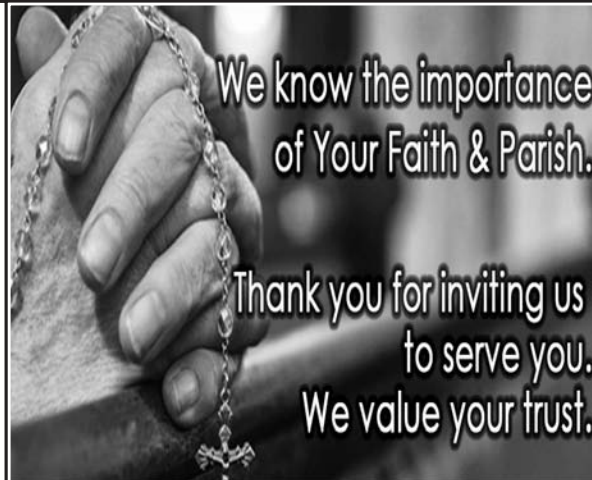


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