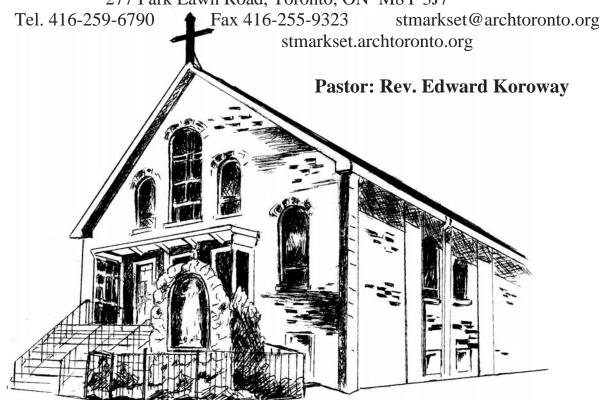
St. Mark's Catholic Church

277 Park Lawn Road, Toronto, ON M8Y 3J7



WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m. (English) 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 Bishop Allen Academy Sainte-Marguerite-d'Youville 45 Cloverhill Road 721 Royal York Road 755 Royal York Road Toronto, ON M8Y 1T4 Toronto, ON M8Y 2T3 Toronto, ON M8Y 2T3 416-393-5332 416-393-5549 416-393-5418

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Mass Intentions



for the Week

Aug.31: 5:00 p.m. Mary Grabham

Sept. 1: 8:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's

10:00 a.m. Za Władysławę, Kazmierza,

Tadeusza i Halinę Kazmierczuk

11:30 a.m. Marie Manger (64th birthday)

Sept. 2: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention

Sept. 3: 9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving

Sept. 4: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention

Sept. 5: 9:00 a.m. Waldemar Golianek (birthday)

Sept. 6: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention

7:10 p.m. W pewnej intencji

Sept. 7: 5:00 p.m. Anna and Leonardo Morassutti

Sept. 8: 8:30 a.m. Christopher and Tadeusz Sadowski

10:00 a.m. Za Alberta Łyjak

11:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's



Friday, September 6 is the First Friday of September. After the usual 9:00 a.m. Mass (in English), there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament **until 3:00 p.m.** The Church will reopen at **6:00 p.m.** for Confessions until **6:45 p.m.**, followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at **7:00 p.m.**, and evening Mass (in Polish).

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION: Thank you to all who contributed \$1,700 in our monthly Building Fund collection last weekend towards the many renovation projects that need to be addressed in our parish.

THE LAW OF LOVE. The Pharisees were devout Jewish men. They diligently followed the laws of Moses and the traditions of the elders which were passed on to them, and yet in the Gospel we see them being rebuked for being the hypocrites that Isiah prophesized about. Although the Pharisees followed the law, Jesus sees their heart and saw that their actions did not come from a place of loving God and his law, but of pride and self-reliance. He tells the crowd "Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person, but the things that come out from within are what defile."

...as Jesus reminds us in the Gospel, our actions alone aren't what makes us holy, but it is what comes from within. St Paul says in the second reading, "be doers of

the word and not hearers only." When we truly listen and allow God's word to take root in our hearts, we undergo conversion and our actions that come from this conversion will be out of love and gratitude for God.

As we listen to God's word, let us pray that we can allow it to take root in our hearts and transform us, producing within us fruits which we can share with those around us. Let us remember the words of St. Paul in the second reading, that every perfect gift comes from God. The gifts that we have come from the Lord, and we should share them out of gratitude for Him. Let us take time this week to evaluate the work that we do towards building up the kingdom of God, and ensure that all that we do is a labour of love, responding to the generous gifts God has given us... (source: archtoronto.org/stewardship)

EWTN FAMILY CELEBRATION: Saturday, September 7. EWTN, the world's largest Catholic TV Network, invites everyone to a Family Celebration at the Delta Hotels Toronto Airport & Conference Centre, at 655 Dixon Rd. Admission is free. This year's theme is "Stand Firm in the Faith!" Be renewed with inspirational talks. Cardinal Collins will celebrate Mass. There will be Adoration and Confession. Register now at www.ewtn.com/familycelebration; or marketingreply@ewtn.com; or 437-986-3986. Please see the poster in the vestibule for more details.

HEALTH AND DEMENTIA. You are invited to attend a free seminar about *Brain Health and Dementia* on Friday, September 6, at 3:00 p.m. at the Ridley Funeral Home. An Alzheimer Society representative will discuss the risk factors of dementia and outline how healthy lifestyle changes can improve and maintain the health of the brain. If possible, please bring a non-perishable food item for the Daily Bread Food Bank. To register, call 416-259-3705. Light refreshments will be served.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER EXPERIENCE: Are you ready for more growth and happiness in your marriage? Join us on September 20-22 at Queen of Apostles for a weekend that could change your life. Discover the secrets to a lasting, supportive, and transformational marriage! This weekend is for couples, whether you are newlyweds or have been married for decades. Call us: Christian & Elizabeth Arroba, 416-554-4439 or 416-554-7062. christian.elizabeth.arroba@wwme.org

MARTYRS' SHRINE: The National Shrine to the Canadian Martyrs in Midland, Ontario, is open until

October 13. For more information, please visit www.martyrs-shrine.com.

CHAPLAINCY CONNECT. Are you a university or college student? This school year, open your heart to an exciting journey of spiritual growth and community. Join campus ministry to grow deeper in your faith, form lasting friendships and experience university/college life in a more meaningful way. Connect with campus ministry anywhere in Canada and find your Catholic home on campus! Visit chaplaincyconnect.ca.

<u>VOCATIONS.</u> 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. Website: https://www.vocationstoronto.ca.

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.

<u>DAILY ROSARY:</u> 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. <u>Please do not just take a single envelope—take the whole box!</u> Thank you.

SUMMER DRESS: Although it can be warm during the summer, we should still dress appropriately inside the Church, the House of God. The traditional practice is that shoulders should be covered. *Thank you!*

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.

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EKOLOGIA SERCA. Ewangelia dzisiejsza, podejmując bardzo ważny dla Żydów problem rytualnego obmycia, prowadzi nas do obmycia wewnętrznego. Chrystus stanowczo podkreśla, że nie to, co wchodzi z zewnątrz, czyni człowieka nieczystym, lecz to, co wychodzi z niego.

Problem czystego serca w dobie sekularyzacji i relatywizmu moralnego staje się coraz bardziej aktualny. Obecnie bardzo wiele — i słusznie — mówi się o problemach ekologii, o zanieczyszczaniu powietrza czy wody. Jednak w sprawach zanieczyszczenia wewnętrznego i moralnego świat współczesny stara się mówić jak najmniej, wręcz zachowuje "święte milczenie".

Człowiek współczesny jest bardzo zaniepokojony tym, co "wchodzi" w niego, co spożywa. Natomiast, praktycznie, nie zwraca uwagi na to, co "wychodzi" z jego ust — na kłamstwo, oszczerstwo, obłudę czy przekleństwo. Czy nie są i do nas, w tym wypadku, skierowane słowa Chrystusa: "hipokryci"?

W dzisiejszej Ewangelii Jezus proponuje człowiekowi program ekologii serca. Właśnie ono najbardziej potrzebuje uzdrowienia, bo z niego pochodzi wszelkie zło i zanieczyszczenie. W stworzeniu nie ma nic, co samo przez się jest złe lub grzeszne. Dzikie zwierzęta lub niektóre zjawiska przyrody mogą być niebezpieczne, ale nigdy złe. Złe intencje pochodzą tylko od człowieka, który został przez Stwórcę obdarzony wolnością. Dopóki Adam nie zanieczyścił świata swoim grzechem, wszystko "było bardzo dobre".

Tak więc, zostaje przed nami nakreślone poważne zadanie: zastosować w swoim życiu słowo Boże i dbać o ekologię naszego serca. (abp Tadeusz Kondrusiewicz)

PIERWSZY PIĄTEK: 6-go września przypada pierwszy piątek miesiąca września. Po Mszy Św. o godzinie 9-ej rano, będzie wystawienie Najświętszego Sakramentu do godziny 3-ej. Będzie też okazja do spowiedzi świętej od godziny 6:00 do 6:45 wieczorem, i Błogosławieństwo o godz. 7:00. Po Błogosławieństwie będzie dodatkowa Msza Św. po polsku.

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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