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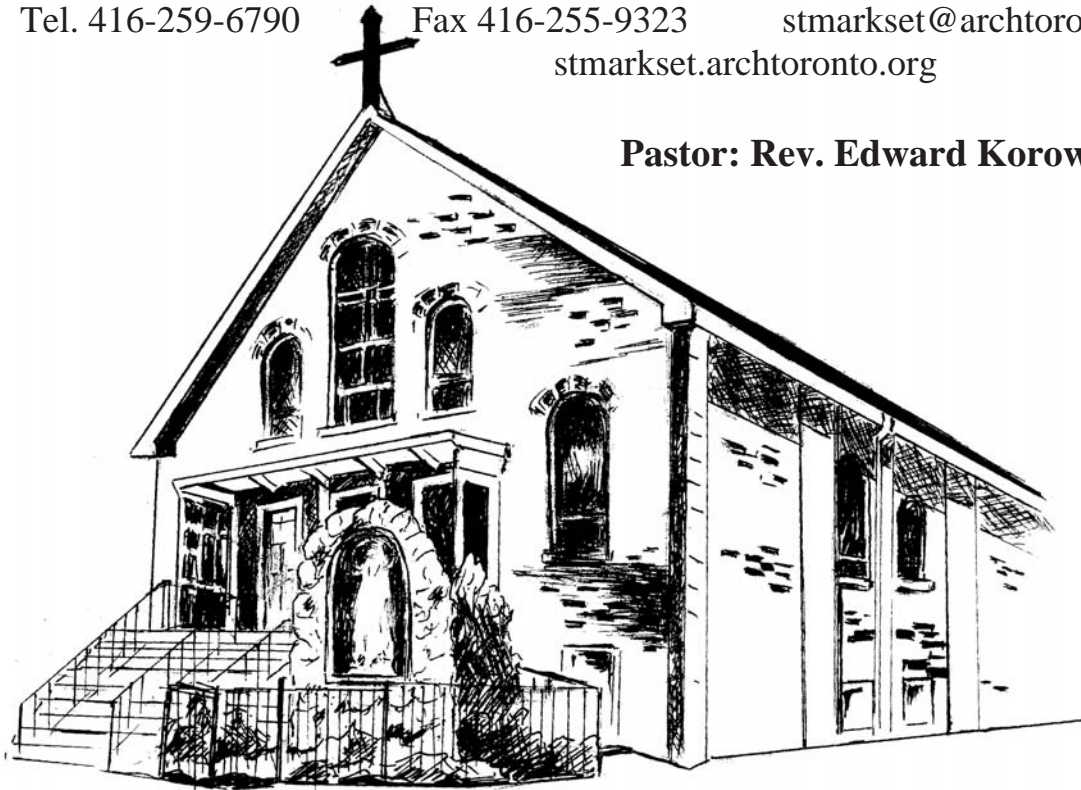
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Pastor: Rev. Edward Koroway

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.
Holy Rosary weekdays at 8:30 a.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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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)
uscbb.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!



- Sept.14: 5:00 p.m. Zofia Jachna
- Sept.15: 8:30 a.m. Matthew (16th birthday)
- 10:00 a.m. Za wszystkich naszych parafian
- 11:30 a.m. Steve Wichtacz
- Sept.16: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention
- Sept.17: 9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving
- Sept.18: **No Mass** (due to Bishop Allen Masses)
- Sept.19: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention
- Sept.20: 9:00 a.m. Władław Duc
- Sept.21: 5:00 p.m. Huguette Slater (10th anniversary)
- Sept.22: 8:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's
- 10:00 a.m. Za Roberta Pietrewicza
- 11:30 a.m. Matija Sarkotic; Mary Jane Paras

of our food. The prayer is essential, but as stewards, we must strive to offer tangible support as well. Let us take some time to reflect on how we can better put our faith into action through proper use of our time and talents. (source: www.archtoronto.org/stewardship)

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY. Next weekend is being observed in our diocese as the annual Stewardship Sunday Archbishop Leo has written a pastoral letter for this occasion which he has asked us to share with you at all of the Masses. The text is available on the diocesan website: www.archtoronto.org/stewardship.



Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered in our parish on **Saturday, April 26, 2025**, 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 four 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 17**.



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 six preparation meetings the students and parents must attend in the Church on Saturday mornings. The deadline for returning the registration forms is **Sunday, October 27**.

SECURITIES AS A CHARITABLE GIFT OPTION.

One of the most financially sound ways to support the Archdiocese of Toronto is with the gift of securities (stocks, bonds, mutual funds). When you donate stocks, mutual funds and other securities to a registered charity, you pay no capital gains tax and receive a tax receipt for the full amount of the gift. It means a great tax break for you and support of various archdiocesan charities such as your parish. For further information, contact the development office: Tel. 416-934-3400, ext. 519/561; or by email at development@archtoronto.org.

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. *Thank you for your generosity.*

A LIVING FAITH. “What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works?” In our second reading from the Letter of James we are challenged to have a living faith, a faith that is backed up by action. ...

While prayer and our relationship with Christ should always remain the most important aspect of our lives, it should still lead us to take action. This is the life of a steward. Before we can bring Jesus to others, our hearts must be filled with His love through our prayer and frequent reception of the Eucharist. We can only give what we have first received.

Moreover, we should always realize that the most generous and loving thing we can do for someone is pray for them. This is the humbling reality of being a disciple. It is not our own merits that bring about change but rather God's mercy and providence. Therefore, we should always turn to intercessory prayer before we take any action. However, after entrusting everything to God, we can then play our part and concretely try to help. For example, St. James cautions us against only praying for people who are hungry while not actually offering some

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!

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.

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 chaplainsconnect.ca.

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

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

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.

XXIV Niedziela w ciągu roku – B

Dzisiejszy fragment Ewangelii składa się z trzech części. Pierwszą stanowi wyznanie św. Piotra. Gdy Chrystus pytał swych uczniów o to, za kogo Go ludzie uważają, padły odpowiedzi, które odzwierciedlały panujące wówczas o Nim opinie. Wtedy znów zapytał: „A wy za kogo Mnie uważacie?”. W imieniu wszystkich Piotr wyznał: „Ty jesteś Mesjaszem”.

Drugą część stanowi nauczanie Jezusa mówiące o tym, co Go jako Mesjasza spotka: „Syn Człowieczy musi wiele cierpieć (...), będzie zabity, ale po trzech dniach zmartwychwstanie”. Jezus użył tu słowa „musi”, zaznaczając w ten sposób, że czekające Go męka i zmartwychwstanie należą do istoty mesjańskiego posłannictwa. Jednakże św. Piotr zaprotestował przeciwko temu, ulegając wyobrażeniom o Mesjaszu, który miał przywrócić królestwo Izraela, głównie w sensie politycznym. Jezus gwałtownie zareagował na jego słowa: „Zejdź mi z oczu, szatanie”. Ostrość Jego słów wynikała z tego, że Piotr próbował odwieść Go od urzeczywistnienia mesjańskiego posłannictwa.

Trzecia część Ewangelii mówi natomiast o sytuacji uczniów Chrystusa. Nie tylko bowiem Jezus jako Mesjasz musiał cierpieć. Ponieważ żaden uczeń nie jest ponad Mistrza, nikt nie może uchylić się od tego, by Go naśladować — nawet, gdyby to wiązało się z cierpieniem. Jezus nie pozostawił nam w tym względzie żadnych wątpliwości: „Jeśli kto chce pójść za Mną, niech się zaprze samego siebie, niech weźmie krzyż swój i niech Mnie naśladowuje”. A przecież wszyscy uczniowie na mocy chrztu świętego stanowią „lud mesjański”.

W przyszłą niedzielę, zbierana będzie druga kolekta na fundusz renowacyjny Kościoła. Specjalne koperty niebieskie na ten cel są wyłożone na stolikach przy wejściu do Kościoła. Z góry bardzo wam dziękuję za ofiary przeznaczone na ten cel.

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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