

# St. Mark's Catholic Church

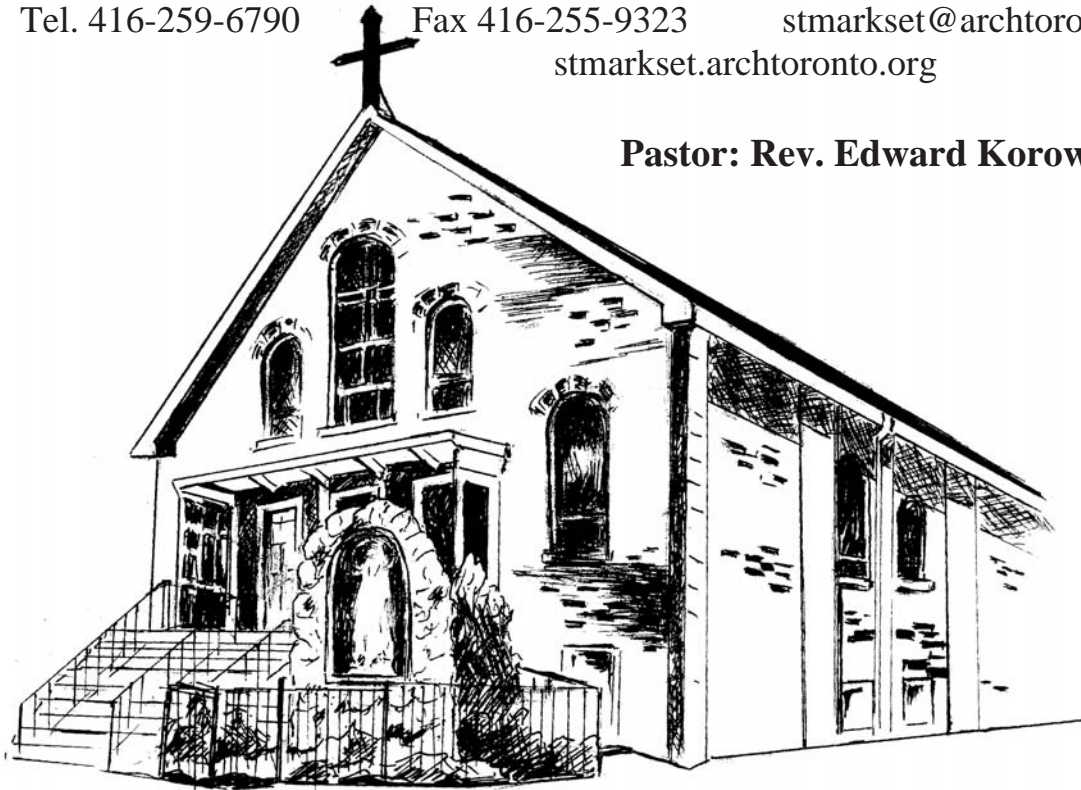
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**Pastor: Rev. Edward Koroway**

## 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.  
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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## USEFUL INTERNET WEBSITES

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

- Sep.28: 5:00 p.m. Zofia Jachna  
 Sep.29: 8:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's  
 10:00 a.m. Za Marię i Jana Konderaków;  
 i Natalię i Stanisława Świetlickich  
 11:30 a.m. Edwin Tabone  
 Sep.30: 9:00 a.m. Mary Grabham  
 Oct. 1: 9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving  
 Oct. 2: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention  
 Oct. 3: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention  
 Oct. 4: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention  
 7:10 p.m. O zdrowie i Boże błog. dla rodziny  
 Młynarczyk  
 Oct. 5: 5:00 p.m. Anna and Leonardo Morassutti  
 Oct. 6: 8:30 a.m. Christopher and Tadeusz Sadowski  
 10:00 a.m. W pewnej intencji  
 11:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's



**Friday, October 4** is the First Friday of October. 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).

**NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA** (also known as the Canadian Bishops' Collection). There will be a second collection *this* weekend for this purpose. This annual initiative is an important opportunity for the faithful to actively support and assist the bishops in their ministry of accompanying, teaching, guiding, sanctifying and caring for the Church in Canada. Special white envelopes are available at the back of the Church for this purpose. (Please write your envelope number on them.) Thank you for your support of this important work.

**INDIGENOUS HEALING & RECONCILIATION COLLECTION.** There will be a special collection *next* weekend to support the Indigenous Healing and Reconciliation Fund. The fund will support both local and national programs proposed by Indigenous communities to nurture the ongoing reconciliation journey. Yellow envelopes are available at the back of the Church for this purpose.

**BUILDING FUND COLLECTION:** Thank you to all who contributed \$1,135 in last week's monthly collection towards the many renovation projects that need to be addressed in our parish.

**REMOVING THE OBSTACLES.** In today's Gospel, Jesus gives us the bold teaching that we should rid ourselves of anything that causes us to sin, for the price of losing our eternal salvation is far too great. This teaching can seem harsh at times, yet it is actually one of great truth and love. The radical implication in Jesus message' is that the salvation of our souls is the most important thing in life.

As followers of Christ, we should ask ourselves, is there anything that is causing us to sin? Sin begins to weaken our relationship with God which hinders our ability to truly love others and act as authentic stewards. If we want our stewardship to flourish, we should take concrete actions to avoid the near occasions of sin and seek forgiveness in the sacrament of Confession whenever we do fall.

Additionally, not only should we seek to remove the causes of sin in our lives, but we should try to remove all those things that hinder us from being better stewards of our time and talents. For example, if our pride and ego get in the way of us being willing to humbly serve others, we should pray for the strength to grow in humility. Likewise, if our addiction to television or movies stops us from giving our time to others, we should try to intentionally limit our viewing time. There are many ways we can grow as faithful stewards of Christ so let us start by taking small steps towards being more generous.

(source: [www.archtoronto.org/stewardship](http://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.**

**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.

## *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.**

**PROJECT RACHEL.** Women suffering after abortion need support. If this is your pain, or the grief of someone you know, consider the upcoming Project Rachel retreat at St. Mary's Refuge, **November 8–10.** For more information, contact us through our confidential phone line at 289-691-6840; or e-mail at [ProjectRachel@stmarysrefuge.org](mailto:ProjectRachel@stmarysrefuge.org), or visit [stmarysrefuge.org/rachel](http://stmarysrefuge.org/rachel). 206 Barry Road, Madoc, ON K0K 2K0.

**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>.

**FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR:** **Saturday, October 19, 9:00 a.m.** Learn:

- How to avoid problems: in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- How to create your own legacy
- About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals

To register, follow this QR link: [qrco.de/WebOct19](https://qrco.de/WebOct19); or send an email to: [Development@ArchToronto.org](mailto:Development@ArchToronto.org) and write “webinar October 19” in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.

## XXVI Niedziela w ciągu roku – B

**PROROKIEM BĄDŹ!** Gdy słuchamy słowa, które Pan przekazuje nam w dzisiejszą niedzielę za pośrednictwem Kościoła, zastanawia nas, dlaczego ci, którzy widzieli wyrzucających złe duchy i słyszeli prorokujących, tak gwałtownie reagowali, sprzeciwiając się temu. Co nimi powodowało – zazdrość, zawiść, małoduszność, niechęć, a może pycha, gdyż uważali, że tylko oni są przeznaczeni do tych czynności? Może bali się, że działania podejmowane przez tych „z boku” przerastają ich możliwości?

To dzisiejsze słowo kierowane jest do nas samych. Pan Bóg ukazuje dwuznaczność postaw i zachowań. Czasem patrzymy „zazdrosnym” okiem na poczynania innych – na ich zapał, pobożność, dobroczynność, a sami postępujemy jak nieuczciwi bogacze z II czytania ...

Pan Bóg objawia nam dzisiaj, że może przemienić ludzkie namiętności. Przez Mojżesza zaprasza nas: „Oby tak cały lud prorokował”. Trzeba się jedynie postarać, aby posiadać usposobienie proroka. Pomaga nam w tym Pan, nie pomijając natury człowieka, tylko wykorzystując jego skłonności, zapał, impulsywność, a nawet usiłując pogodzić to z naszym gniewem, zazdrością, strachem i smutkiem. Musimy jednak dotrzeć do dna naszego serca. A gdy tam będziemy, Bóg „da nam swego ducha”, byśmy byli radykalni w naszych zabiegach o wejście do królestwa Bożego i nie bali się odcinać od tego, co jest istotną przeszkodą w rozwoju duchowym i codziennym moralnym postępowaniu. (ks. *Zbigniew Krzyszowski*)

**PIERWSZY PIĄTEK: 6-go października** przypada pierwszy piątek miesiąca października. Po Mszy Św. o godzinie **9-iej** rano, będzie wystawienie Najświętszego Sakramentu do godziny **3-iej**. 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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