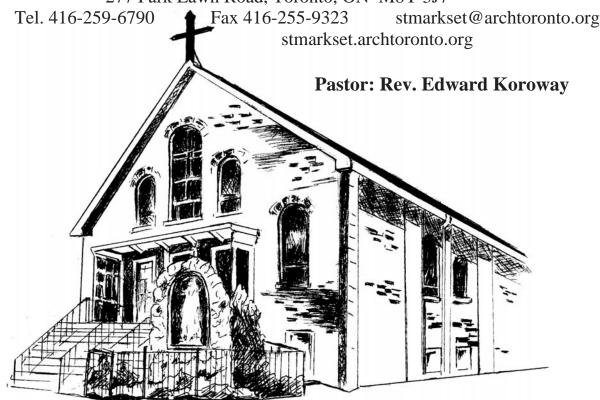
St. Mark's Catholic Church

277 Park Lawn Road, Toronto, ON M8Y 3J7



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

9:00 a.m. (English) Monday 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 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 416-393-5418 416-393-5332 416-393-5549

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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)

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Jan.18: 5:00 p.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's

Jan.19: 8:30 a.m. Clarita and Osmundo Angeles

10:00 a.m. Za Stanisława Stolarza (30-tą

rocznicę śmierci)

11:30 a.m. Maria Lilian Roxas

Jan.20: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention

Jan.21: 9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving

Jan.22: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention

Jan.23: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention

Jan.24: 9:00 a.m. Luis da Silva

Jan.25: 5:00 p.m. Barbara and Zbigniew Piątek

(wedding anniversary)

Jan.26: 8:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's

10:00 a.m. Za Stanisława i Aleksandra

Skoczylas

11:30 a.m. Mykola Lesiuk

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*.

LESSONS FROM CANA. In the Gospel this Sunday we hear about Jesus' first miracle. Jesus was with His mother and disciples at a wedding in Cana when the wine had run out. Mary asked Jesus to help and He in turn changed six large jars of water into ... fine wine. Let us take some time to reflect on this extraordinary event and see how it can influence us in our life of stewardship.

First, we can learn a beautiful lesson about the role of Mary in our lives from this scene. It was our Blessed Mother who noticed that the wine was running out and she was quick to intervene. Mary has a true mother's heart and is very in tune with the needs of all her children. Whenever we are in a time of trial we should run to Mary and trust that she will console us as a mother consoles her young. Perhaps the next time we experience a moment of difficulty, let us take a moment to stop, consider the loving embrace of Our Lady and say a Hail Mary.

Additionally, from this episode we can learn a great deal about trust and obedience from the servants whom Jesus instructed. The Gospel says that the servants had "drawn the water" from the jars. The servants saw the cup filled with water, yet they still trusted that something remarkable would happen when they handed the cup to the chief steward. Sometimes from our perspective nothing remarkable is happening in our good works of stewardship. However, let us strive to trust that God can take our simple acts and bring about great miracles through them. (source: archtoronto.org/stewardship)

"ORDINARY TIME": The Feast of the Lord's Baptism was celebrated last Sunday. This feast marks the end of the Christmas season in the Church. We now begin the season known as "Ordinary Time". Normally green Mass vestments are worn, except on feasts and memorials of saints. During Ordinary Time, the Church celebrates the fullness of the mystery of the Lord Jesus. The people of God offer praise by celebrating the Paschal Mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus, especially on the Lord's Day, the day Our Lord rose from the dead.

JUBILEE YEAR MASSES. In commemoration of the opening of the 2025 Jubilee Year in the Pastoral Regions, there will be two Masses celebrated in the Western Pastoral Region's Pilgrimage Parishes. The first will be celebrated by Cardinal Frank Leo, at St. Mary's Parish, Brampton, on Wednesday, January 29, at 7:00 p.m. This Mass is also a Mass of Thanksgiving to celebrate the elevation of His Eminence to the College of Cardinals. Bishop Camilleri will be celebrating the second Regional Mass at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, on Wednesday, February 5, at 7:00 p.m. Confessions will be available prior to each Mass from 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.

JUBILEE OF YOUTH 2025: Calling all young adults (ages 19 - 39), join Fr. Paul Magyar and the Office of Catholic Youth team for a pilgrimage of a life time! We will be embarking on a pilgrimage to Venice, Padua, Florence, Assisi and Rome from July 23 to August 5. Please contact youth@archtoronto.org to receive the pilgrim information package and detailed itinerary. For questions or further information, please contact Amanda Pereira at avperiera@archtoronto.org.

<u>THE 2025 JUBILEE YEAR.</u> Prayer cards are available at the back of the Church with the special Jubilee prayer and logo.

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS for 2024 will be mailed directly from the Chancery by the end of January.

CAREGIVER STRESS AND ANTICIPATORY GRIEF: You are invited to attend a free presentation about Caregiver Stress and Anticipatory Grief on Wednesday January 29, at 3:00 p.m. at the Ridley Funeral Home (3080 Lake Shore Blvd. West). A representative from Dorothy Ley Hospice will guide us through helpful support strategies (for you or someone you love). 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.

MARRIAGE SUNDAY (February 9). As part of Marriage Sunday celebrations, Bishop Ivan Camilleri will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2025. The Mass will take place at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, February 9, at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment. All are welcome to attend. Couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversary in 2025 may register for reserved seating. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass. The broadcast will begin at 2:15 p.m. Registration and other important information can be found at www.archtoronto.org/marriage.

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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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OBJAWIENIE SIĘ JEZUSA I MARYI. W dzisiejszej Ewangelii, widzimy Chrystusa i Jego Matkę na weselu w Kanie Galilejskiej. Wydarzenie to ukazuje nam dwa bardzo ważne aspekty naszej wiary: objawienie się Jezusa jako Syna Bożego (poprzez ukazanie mocy czynienia cudów) oraz objawienie się Maryi jako Wspomożycielki i Orędowniczki (przez wstawiennictwo w obliczu nieszczęścia człowieka). Jezus, czyniac swój pierwszy, publiczny cud, ukazuje moc Bożą, która jest w Nim, a przez to utwierdza swoich uczniów w przekonaniu, że jest Tym, na którego czekały pokolenia. Apostołowie potrzebowali tego znaku, aby w pełni zawierzyć swojemu Nauczycielowi, dla którego pozostawili wszystko i za którym poszli.

Spoglądając na to wydarzenie, możemy zauważyć, że dla Jezusa nie ma rzeczy niemożliwych, a każdy, kto poświęci wszystko dla Niego, uzyska obfite błogosławieństwo. Ważna rolę w tym wydarzeniu odgrywa Matka Jezusa. To na Jej prośbę Chrystus przemienił wodę w wino, pomimo tego, że "nie nadeszła Jego godzina". Maryja jawi się jako Ta, która dostrzega ludzką biedę i stara się jej zaradzić. Staje się Wspomożycielką i Orędowniczką w trudnych chwilach życia. Ona wskazuje, co mamy czynić: "Zróbcie wszystko, cokolwiek wam powie". A Jezus pragnie od nas tylko jednego: byśmy się wzajemnie miłowali, jak On nas umiłował. Wpatrując się w scenę z Kany, przyjmijmy Jezusa do naszego życia jako jedynego Pana i prośmy Maryję, naszą najlepszą Matkę, by wypraszała nam cud przemiany naszych serc. (ks. Jacek Zakrzewski — pallotyn)

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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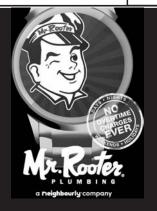


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