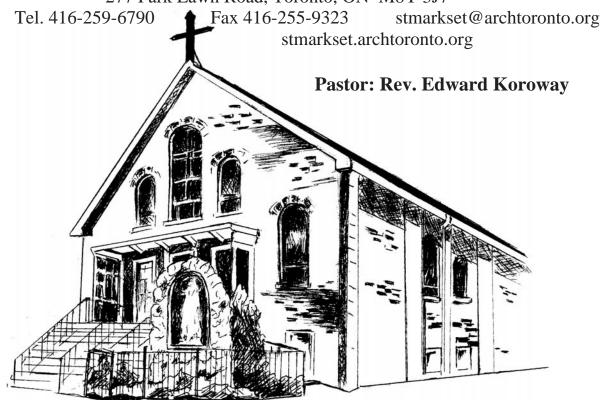
St. Mark's Catholic Church

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

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Mass Intentions



for the Week

Apr. 26: 5:00 p.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's

Apr. 27: 8:30 a.m. Patti Lee

10:00 a.m. Za Danutę Kaczynską

11:30 a.m. Pina Vukosa

Apr. 28: 9:00 a.m. Deceased parents Karolina and

Józef, and family Jan and Anna

Skoczylasy

10:00 a.m. St. Mark's School Mass

11:30 a.m. Jeanette Dodson (funeral)

Apr. 29: No Mass due to Bishop Allen Masses

Apr. 30: 9:00 a.m. Mary Grabham

May 1: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention

May 2: 9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving

7:10 p.m. W pewnej intencji

May 3: 5:00 p.m. Leonardo Morassutti

May 4: 8:30 a.m. Christopher & Tadeusz Sadowski

10:00 a.m. Za Siostrę Leokadię Zagułę;

za Siostrę Eligię Zagułę;

i za Adama Zagułę

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



FIRST FRIDAY: Friday, May 2 is the First Friday of May. 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 at 7:10 p.m. (in Polish).

<u>THANK YOU!</u> 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.

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION: Our monthly Building Fund collection will take place *this* weekend. Special 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*.

"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 (June 25 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.



The sacrament of Confirmation will be administered in our parish on **Saturday**, **April 26**, at the **5:00 p.m.** Mass. There are eleven candidates this year. We pray that the Holy Spirit may come down upon them and their families in abundance.



Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful, and enkindle in them the fire of Your Love.

Send forth Your Spirit, and they shall be created; and You shall renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray. O God, who has taught the hearts of Your faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant that by the gift of that same Spirit, we may be always truly wise and ever rejoice in His consolation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Come, Holy Spirit, come through the powerful intercession of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, your well-beloved spouse.

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 St.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 Divine Mercy image 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)

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.

<u>Druga Niedziela Wielkanocna Miłosierdzia</u> <u>Bożego – C</u>

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, przezwycięża 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.

Chciejmy 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 odsłonisz tajemnice swego miłosierdzia, wieczności będzie za mało, aby Ci za to należycie podziękować". (św. Faustyna Kowalska, Dzienniczek, 1122).

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

<u>PIERWSZY PIĄTEK:</u> 2-go maja przypada pierwszy piątek miesiąca maja. Po Mszy Św. o godzinie 9-ej rano (po angielsku), 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 o godz. 7:10.

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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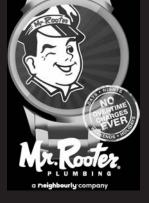


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