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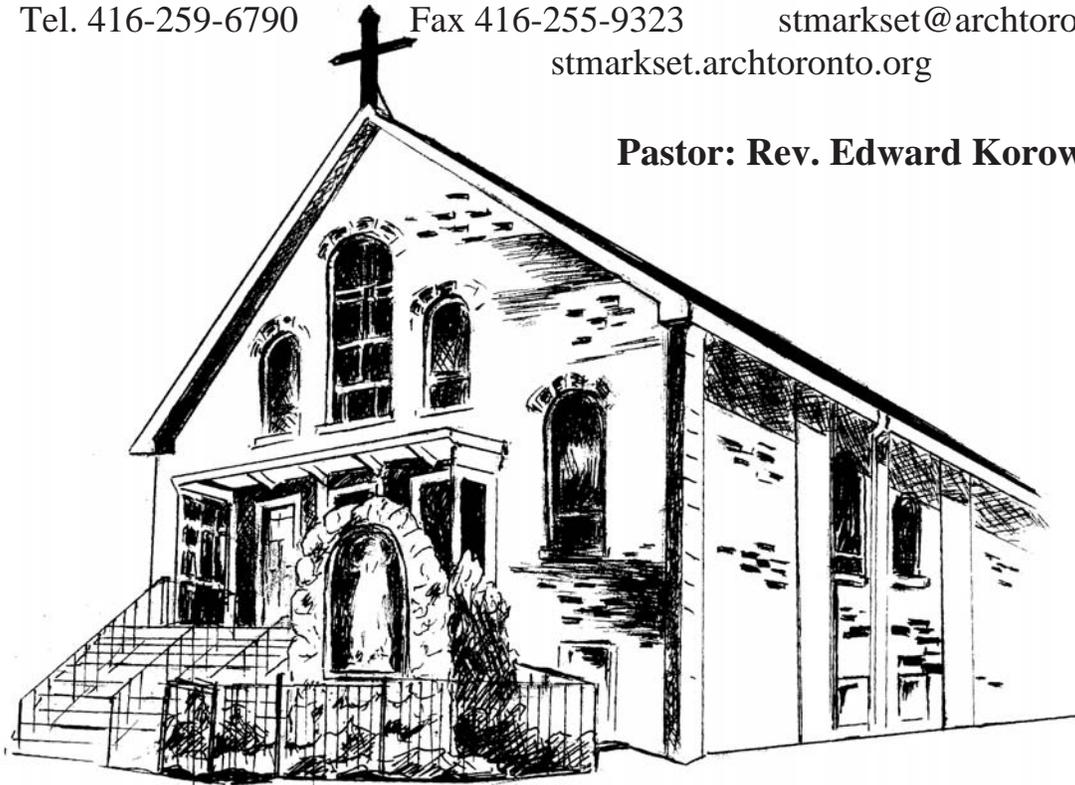
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Pastor: Rev. Edward Koroway

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
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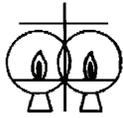
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USEFUL INTERNET WEBSITES

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!



MASS INTENTIONS

- Feb. 7: 5:00 p.m. Michalina Gracon
 Feb. 8: 8:30 a.m. Thanksgiving
 10:00 a.m. Za Józefa i Roberta Celuchów
 i zmarłych z rodziny Celuchów
 11:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's
 Feb. 9: 9:00 a.m. Anna Łapińska
 Feb.10: 9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving
 Feb.11: 9:00 a.m. Greg Greco
 Feb.12: 9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving (P.K.)
 Feb.13: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention (D.B.)
 Feb.14: 5:00 p.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's
 Feb.15: 8:30 a.m. Thanksgiving
 10:00 a.m. W pewnej intencji
 11:30 a.m. Edwin Tabone

MARRIAGE SUNDAY: Cardinal Leo has designated the weekend of February 7/8 as Marriage Sunday in the Archdiocese of Toronto. The event provides an opportunity to honour husband and wife while saluting the faithfulness, sacrifice and joy that comes with the marriage covenant. To those preparing for marriage, newlyweds and those that have been companions on the journey for decades, we offer our prayers and best wishes in a special way this weekend.

MARRIAGE (from The Catechism of the Catholic Church): 1660. The marriage covenant, by which a man and a woman form with each other an intimate communion of life and love, has been founded and endowed with its own special laws by the Creator. By its very nature it is ordered to the good of the couple, as well as to the generation and education of children. Christ the Lord raised marriage between the baptized to the dignity of a sacrament.

1661. The sacrament of Matrimony signifies the union of Christ and the Church. It gives spouses the grace to love each other with the love with which Christ has loved his Church; the grace of the sacrament thus perfects the human love of the spouses, strengthens their indissoluble unity, and sanctifies them on the way to eternal life.

A CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE. Bishop John Boissonneau 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 2026. The Mass will take place at St.

Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St.) on **Sunday February 8, at 2:30 p.m.** All married couples will have the opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

EXPERIENCE: March 7-8. Fall in Love Again! Are you ready for more growth and happiness in your marriage? Join us 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. Contact us now: Christian & Elizabeth Arroba, 416-554-4439 or 416-554-7062. christian.elizabeth.arroba@wwme.org.

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK (February 11-- Our Lady of Lourdes):

The ministry of Jesus to the sick is central to the life of the Church. This day highlights the healing ministry of the Church. It reminds us that service to the sick and suffering cannot be neglected. It recognizes the great efforts of doctors, nurses, health care institutions and pastoral care givers to restore health to those afflicted with illness and disease. We will be offering the sacrament of the anointing of the sick after the **9:00 a.m. Mass on Wednesday, February 11.** *If you would like to receive the sacrament of the anointing of the sick at another time, please speak with Fr. Koroway.* It is intended for those who *begin* to be in danger due to sickness or old age (e.g. 65 years). Someone planning to have surgery of a serious nature would also be eligible. As with all the sacraments, to receive the anointing of the sick, the faithful should be in a state of grace, and not persevering in grave sin. (Cann. 1004; 1007)

THE LIGHT OF STEWARDSHIP.

St. Teresa of Avila is famously quoted for saying, "from sour-faced saints, good Lord, deliver us." She believes that Christians who are on fire for their faith should not be downcast but instead be joyful stewards of Christ. In today's Gospel, Jesus says "let your light shine before human beings so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven" (Mt 5:16).

Jesus challenges us to let our light shine brightly. We must not be stewards with gloomy and sour faces, but ones that shine with the peace and joy of knowing we are beloved children of God. We need smiling Christians, not because they take things lightly, but because they are filled with the joy of God, because they believe in love and live to serve.

When people see us, they should be able to see the love and joy that emanates not from us, but from God dwelling within us. As stewards, we should fight the temptation to become complacent or robotic in our good works, doing them as if we're on autopilot. Instead, we should strive to be intentionally joyful and light-hearted as we serve Christ and His Church. Let us ask ourselves today, does our demeanour as stewards showcase the reality of God's transforming love to others? Does our light truly shine forth as a witness to the world?

(source: archtoronto.org/stewardship)

RE: BILL C-9 – ACTION STILL REQUIRED.

Catholics are still encouraged to reach out to their Member of Parliament regarding Bill C-9. For more details refer to Cardinal Leo's Dec. 5 statement: <https://bit.ly/CardinalLeoBillC9>. Thank you.

COME & SEE DISCERNMENT WEEKEND

RETREAT: **Friday, February 27** (6:30 p.m.) to **Sunday, March 1** (2:00 p.m.), at St. Augustine's Seminary (2661 Kingston Rd., Scarborough). The Office of Vocations will be hosting a retreat for men 18 years and older to offer them an opportunity to discern a possible call to the priesthood at our diocesan seminary. Registration must be done online at www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee. For more information, please email vocations@archtoronto.org.

ONTARIO PRAYER BREAKFAST: **Thursday,**

March 12, 7:15 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel. For more than 50 years, Ontario's Christian community has gathered to pray for our provincial and municipal politicians. We invite you to join us for the 2026 Ontario Prayer Breakfast at the Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel (123 Queen Street West). Guest speaker for 2026 will be Herbie Kuhn. Known as the "Voice of the Toronto Raptors", Herbie has been the announcer for the team since their inception in 1995. He is also co-Chaplain of the Raptors and Chaplain for the Toronto Argonauts as well as a gifted public speaker. Individual tickets are \$90 or \$900 for a table of 10. For more information and to secure your tickets, visit: www.ontarioprayerbreakfast.ca.

LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY: **Saturday, March**

14, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Metro Toronto Convention Center. Join us for a powerful day of Spirit-filled worship, Eucharistic Adoration, and inspiring talks from Ralph Martin, Sr. Mary Gabriel and others! Visit ljhr.ca for detailed event information, speaker bios, and

registration. We are excited to gather for this life-changing day of prayer, praise, and fellowship!

17th ANNUAL DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH

CONFERENCE: **Saturday March 21.** Le Treport Banquet Hall, Mississauga. Bishop Ivan Camilleri will be celebrating the closing Mass. Register at dwf2026.eventbrite.ca.

LECTORS: We are looking for additional readers for the **Saturday 5:00 p.m.** and **Sunday 8:30 a.m.** Masses. If you are interested, please speak with Fr. Koroway.

V Niedziela w ciągu roku – A

SÓL I ŚWIATŁO. Uczniowie Chrystusa winni być solą ziemi i światłem świata. Sól jest czymś bardzo powszechnym, codziennym, a także czymś bardzo cennym, czymś co trudno zastąpić. Sól ma uchronić świat i ludzkość przed zepsuciem, a także utrzymywać pragnienie życia i przyczyniać się do tego, aby człowiek pozostał człowiekiem. Jednak kiedy sól utraci swój smak, wówczas zniknie troska i zapobiegliwość o nią. Uczniowie Chrystusa – będąc solą ziemi – muszą ciągle baczyć, aby duchowo nie zwietrzeli. Bowiem świat, który nie znajdzie w nich tego, czego potrzebuje, w swoim rozczarowaniu i rozgoryczeniu pogardzi nimi oraz zechce odrzucić i podeptać, jako nieprzydatnych.

Czy jesteśmy solą w naszych rodzinach, w miejscach pracy, w środowisku, w którym żyjemy? Jeśli poprzez słowo i świadectwo własnego życia nie wpływamy na otoczenie, w którym postawił nas Bóg, to albo jeszcze nie jesteśmy solą, albo już zwietrzeliśmy i staliśmy się nieużyteczni.

Podobnie jak siebie, nazwał Jezus swoich uczniów światłem świata. To za ich pośrednictwem ludzie mają poznawać Boga i w ten sposób stawać się dziećmi Bożymi. To zadanie uczniowie wypełnią tylko wówczas, kiedy upodobnią się do Boga w myślach, słowach i czynach. Mają płonąć pełnym światłem w miejscu, z którego jest ono najbardziej widoczne, a przez to skuteczne. Obrazami soli i światła Jezus przypomina nam – swoim uczniom, że musimy nimi pozostać zawsze i wszędzie bez względu na okoliczności i konsekwencje. (ks. Zbigniew Godlewski)

„Wy jesteście światłem świata”. (Mt 5,14)



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