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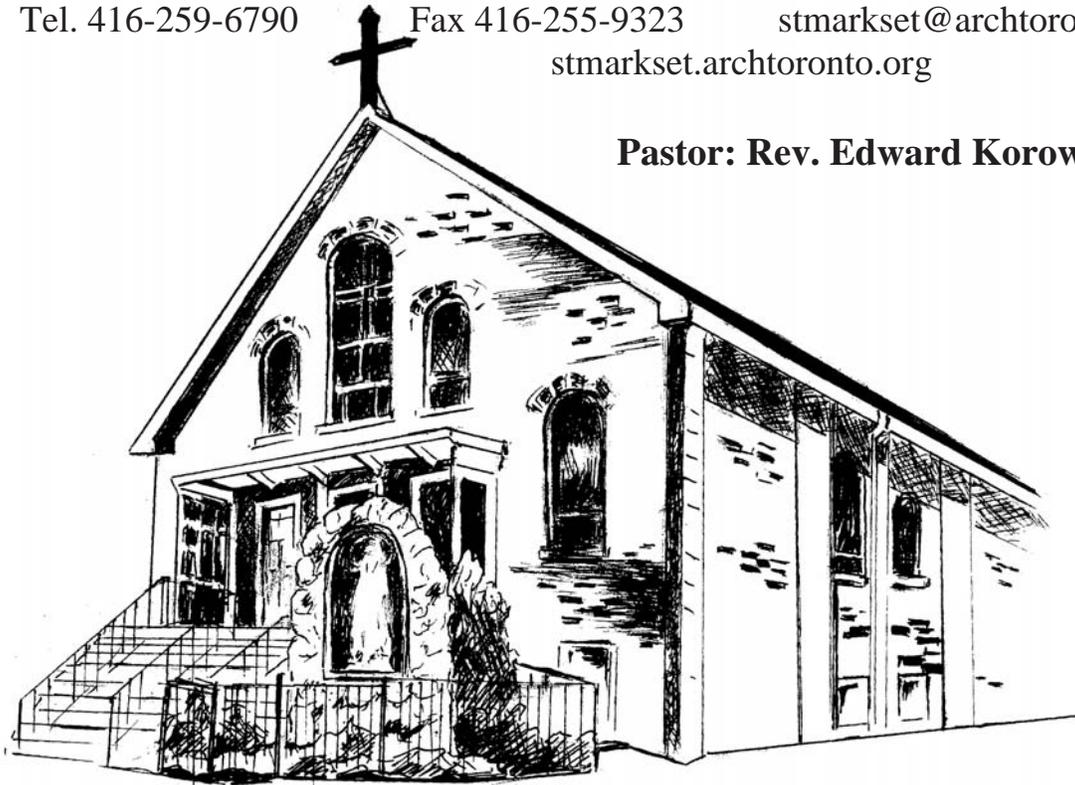
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Pastor: Rev. Edward Koroway

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

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St. Mark
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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)
usccb.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!



- Mar.21: 5:00 p.m. Jose Melo
 Mar.22: 8:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's
 10:00 a.m. Za zmarłych z rodziny Jędrasików
 11:30 a.m. Anna Anderson (89th birthday)
 Mar.23: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention
 7:00 p.m. W pewnej intencji
 Mar.24: 9:00 a.m. Irena Hansz
 Mar.25: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention
 Mar.26: 9:00 a.m. Special Intention
 Mar.27: 9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving
 Mar.28: 5:00 p.m. Special Intention
 Mar.29: 8:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's
 10:00 a.m. Za Bronslawę i Bronislawa
 Dorosz; i za Władysława
 i Henryka Słupczyńskich
 11:30 a.m. Fernando De Raucourt

Help Not Harm: Take Action to Support Bill C-218
Write your Member of Parliament Today! Visit
HelpNotHarmCanada.ca

You're invited to visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca where you can e-mail your Member of Parliament (MP), asking for their support of **Bill C-218 (The Right to Recover Act)**, which would amend the Criminal Code to prevent Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) (assisted suicide) from being provided when mental illness is the sole underlying condition. Without this change, MAiD will be available for those suffering from mental illness alone beginning in March 2027.

Our Catholic faith teaches that every human life is a sacred gift from God. We are called to accompany those who suffer, to uphold their dignity, and to ensure they receive authentic care, compassion, and hope. Mental illness requires treatment, support and love — never abandonment or the offer of death. Many of us know someone living with mental illness — a family member, friend, neighbour, or colleague. At this critical moment, let us raise our voices in faithful witness to the Gospel of life.

As Catholics and Canadians, we are called to offer care, hope, and protection — not death — to those who are suffering and most vulnerable. Visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca today and ask your MP to support Bill C-218.

Holy Week and Easter Schedule

Palm Sunday (March 29): Usual weekend Mass times. [Saturday 5:00 p.m.; Sunday 8:30 a.m.; 10:00 a.m. Polish; 11:30 a.m.] Palms will be blessed at all of the Masses, and distributed after Mass.

Holy Thursday (April 2): 7:00 p.m. (English)
Mass of the Lord's Supper, with **Adoration** until **9:00 p.m.**

Good Friday (April 3): Commemoration of the Lord's Passion
1:30 p.m. (English)
3:30 p.m. (Polish)

N.B. Good Friday is a day of fasting (for those 18-59 years of age), and of abstinence from meat (for those 14 years of age and older). (The annual collection for the Holy Land takes place today. Special envelopes are available.)

Holy Saturday (April 4):

Blessing of Easter Foods (Polish), from **11:00 a.m.** until **12:30 p.m.** (every 15 minutes).

Easter Vigil: 7:00 p.m. (English)

(N.B. No 5:00 p.m. Mass or confessions today.)

Easter Sunday (April 5):

8:30 a.m. (English)
10:00 a.m. (Polish)
11:30 a.m. (English)

Easter Monday (April 6): 10:00 a.m. (Polish)

(No 9:00 a.m. or evening Mass today.)

CONFESSIONS:

Thursday, March 26: 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
 Saturday March 28: 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
 Wednesday, April 1: 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

(N.B. No Confessions on Holy Saturday.)

SHARE LIFE: This Sunday, **March 22**, is ShareLife Sunday. Special envelopes, as well as brochures, are available at the back of the Church for those who did not receive one in the mail.

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION: Our monthly Building Fund collection will take place *next* 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.*

STATIONS OF THE CROSS. During Lent, there will be the Stations of the Cross in English on **Fridays, at 9:25 a.m.** (after Mass); and in Polish on **Mondays, at 7:25 p.m.** (after Mass).

RAISING FROM DEATH TO LIFE. Raising from Death to Life In today's Gospel we encounter the great mystery of the raising of Lazarus from the dead. This apparent death of Lazarus was not in vain for Jesus says it occurred so "that the Son of God may be glorified through it." After raising Lazarus from the dead, Jesus instructs the crowd to "unbind him, and let him go"

This "unbinding" signifies that Jesus doesn't just raise him from the dead but also sets him free. So too, through God's great gift of forgiveness, He raises us from the death of sin and leads us to interior freedom. This Lent, let us seek God's forgiveness by availing ourselves to the sacrament of Reconciliation before Easter. The Catechism says that "the sacrament of Reconciliation with God brings about a true "spiritual resurrection," restoration of the dignity and blessings of the life of the children of God, of which the most precious is friendship with God" (CCC 1468).

Moreover, after Lazarus was freed it says that many people believed in Jesus. Likewise, after we receive God's forgiveness and live in freedom and friendship with God, we should be true stewards of God's gifts and evangelize those around us. Through the grace of the sacrament we will have the necessary strength to offer our time and talents to our parish community. So this Lent let us not remain in the death of sin but turn to Jesus and receive the life and freedom of forgiveness.

(source: archtoronto.org/stewardship)

VOTIVE CANDLES. Please remember that the price for lighting a large votive candle is **\$5 each** and **\$1 each** for the small candles. Thank you!

Piąta Niedziela Wielkiego Postu - A

WIERZE W CIAŁA ZMARTWYCHWSTANIE.

Dzisiejsza liturgia Słowa przypomina nam prawdę o zmartwychwstaniu ciała. Wiele religii i systemów filozoficznych dopuszcza możliwość istnienia życia po śmierci. Jednak chrześcijańskie Objawienie do prawdy o nieśmiertelności duszy dodaje także wiarę w „ciała zmartwychwstanie”. Jaka rzeczywistość kryje się za tymi słowami?

Ewangelia ukazuje nam, jak Jezus przywraca życie Łazarzowi. Dzieje się to w szczególnym momencie, kiedy po czterech dniach od śmierci ciało zaczęło już się rozkładać. Św. Jan opisuje nam tę scenę z detalami. Możemy sobie wyobrazić, jak wielki musiał to być szok dla rodziny Łazarza i dla wszystkich osób, które były świadkami tego wydarzenia. Ten, którego już pożegnano, odzyskał życie!

Każde niespodziewane wyzdrowienie można nazwać cudem, ale wydaje się, że wskrzeszenie umarłego jest tego najbardziej ewidentnym przykładem. Nieważne, czy człowiek leży w grobie sto lat, czy tylko godzinę. Nikt nie potrafi ożywić zmarłego, bo nikt poza Bogiem nie ma władzy nad życiem. Dlatego wskrzeszenie Łazarza jest wielkim cudem. O ileż jednak bardziej zdumiewające będzie dla nas zmartwychwstanie ciał do nowego, wiecznego życia! Otrzymamy wówczas ciało chwalebne, duchowe, inne od ziemskiego. Nie potrafimy nawet wytłumaczyć, jak się to dokona.

Jezus daje nam dziś klucz, który otwiera bramy życia wiecznego. Tym kluczem jest wiara: Kto we Mnie wierzy, choćby i umarł, żyć będzie (J 11, 25). Aby więc zmartwychwstać i móc cieszyć się szczęściem wiecznym, trzeba szukać w Bogu sensu życia. (ks. Krzysztof Burski – paulista)

W przyszłą niedzielę, zbierana będzie druga kolektka 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.

DROGA KRZYŻOWA: W każdy poniedziałek podczas Wielkiego Postu o godzinie **7:25** wieczorem (po Mszy św. o godz. **7:00.**)



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