# 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's readings look at the nature of a calling. The first reading examines Elisha's call to serve, while Paul's Letter to the Galatians talks about the calling of all Christians to find freedom by living in the spirit. The gospel then tells us about Jesus setting his face to Jerusalem, about to begin his journey towards the end – his passion and death.

These passages underscore two important points about the nature of our summons as Christians. First, a calling involves redirection. Elisha departs from what is familiar, leaving behind his fields and family to follow God. Paul calls us away from gratifying the desires of the flesh. Finally, Jesus orients himself through unfriendly territories (Samaria and ultimately Jerusalem).

The second point is made most clearly by the rejection of Jesus by the Samaritans. Following God's path involves hardship and difficulty. Embracing God means letting go of the world. Jesus responded to rejection with love and compassion, showing us by example how to persevere in times of difficulty.

These readings point to our need for God's grace. Without grace, the entire reorientation of our lives towards God is too great a struggle. Every time we gather for the Eucharist we take in spiritual nourishment so that we too, like Elisha and Jesus, will boldly follow God's call, undeterred by those who are the hostile and unwelcoming Samaritans of our day.

(Reflection of Andrew Hume, from Living With Christ.)

### **Summer Camp Registration**

St. Edward's will host Totus Tuus this summer! The children and youth of the parish are invited to join us for Totus Tuus (Latin for Totally Yours) this summer from July 17 - 22, 2016.

The grade school program, for children entering grades 1 - 6, runs Monday – Friday from 9 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. The Intermediate/High School program for Grades 7 – 12 runs Sunday – Thursday from 7- 9 p.m. during the week of July 17 – 22 (only). The Day Camp Registration Fee is \$75 per child for the entire week. The Evening Program Registration Fee is \$20 per youth for the entire program. More information about the program itself can be found at: www.totustuustoronto.ca. To register, contact Rosanna at: delgrosso@sympatico.ca



<u>Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016</u> 4:30 p.m. Deceased members of Scaini & Peruzzi Families

Sunday, June 26th, 20168:00 a.m.+ Ivan Balazic9:30 a.m.Special Intention of Pius Wong11:00 a.m.+ Giuseppe Martino

Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016 8:30 a.m. + Josephmary Carvalho

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Tuesday, June 28th, 2016 Multi-intention8:30 a.m.Special Intentions of Angel & Laurent and<br/>Special Intentions of David Suh's Family<br/>+ Rosie O'Dea and Joshua Doyle

Wednesday, June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016

8:30 a.m. + Mary Matthews

<u>Thursday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016</u> 8:30 a.m. + Mary Matthews

Friday, July 1st, 2016

8:30 a.m.	+ Jo-Nam Joseph Park and
	+ Kitty Quish
7:30 p.m.	For the protection of Unborn Children

#### Children's Choir

The 9:30 a.m. Sunday Mass will rotate the Children's Choir each Sunday. Clea Soare invites any new young person to join the choir. The summer schedule is:

June 26 – 9:30 Mass (Sat., June 25; 10:30 – 11:00 Rehearsal)

July 10 – 9:30 Mass (Sat., July 9; 10:30 – 11:00 Rehearsal)

July 24 – 9:30 Mass (Sat., July 23; 10:30 – 11:00 Rehearsal)

Aug. 7 – 9:30 Mass (Sat., Aug 6; 10:30 – 11:00 Rehearsal)

Aug. 21 – 9:30 Mass (Sat., Aug. 20; 9:30 – 10:00 Rehearsal If interested in enrolling your child, contact Clea Soare at: clea\_music@yahoo.ca Dear Parishioners: I wish to thank the Knights of Columbus and the Social Committee for hosting the special Father's Day celebration last weekend following each Mass. I trust everyone had a wonderful time and that the rest of the day was also memorable for each family. The Father's Day cards were also a nice gift for the men of the community, provided by the Knights of Columbus.

The seminarians and I were busy this past week attending all the Year-End Masses and graduations at our parish schools. I congratulate all our students and wish them much happiness as they continue their education. Let us pray, also, for the parents, teachers, principals and staff who have been so instrumental in the lives of these students; I am sure the students are most grateful.

In closing, I once again thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers for me, and my family, on the recent passing of my great-nephew, Joshua Doyle. My sister (Rose) and Joshua's mother (Kelly), and his father and siblings, are deeply grateful for the love, support and prayers of the St. Edward's Parish community, and beyond. Please know of our gratitude and be assured of our prayers as well for you and your loved ones.

As we conclude another school year, I wish everyone a safe and happy summer.

Fr. Pat

#### Summer Music Ministry

Even musicians and singers need a vacation!

During the summer months, July and August, our 4:30 p.m. Saturday evening Mass, and the Sunday morning 8:00 a.m. Mass, will not have music ministry, to allow for a break for the musicians and singers who will take holidays.

A special thanks to Stephen Di Fonzo (8:00 a.m. music leader) and Julie Ryall (4:30 p.m. music leader), and those who assist them, for their time and dedication to music ministry.

#### **Host Families Needed**

During the week of our parish summer camp, July 17 - 22, we are looking for two host families to house our camp counsellors (university students). We will need to house 2 women in one home and two men in another. If interested, please contact Fr. Pat at the parish office (416-221-9131).

## **Liturgical Ministries**

Lectors are needed for the Saturday 4:30 p.m. Mass and 8:00 a.m. Mass. Training provided. Please call Yolanda Chin at 416-226-3619.

#### **Ministers of Eucharist**

We would like to increase the number of Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist who assist in distributing Holy Communion at the weekend Mass. Training provided. Please contact Yolanda Chin at 416-226-3619.

#### **Ushers**

We would like to increase the number of ushers (ministers of hospitality) at the weekend Masses, to help greet people and to assist in taking up the collection. Training provided. Please contact Fr. Pat at the parish office, 416-221-9131 or pastor.stedward@rogers.com

### Altar Servers

Young men and women interested in serving at Mass are invited to contact seminarian Rob Rosales at the parish office, 416-221-9131, or pastor.stedward@rogers.com

#### NOTICE

Please note, during the months of July and August, we shall publish only one bulletin per month (July 3<sup>rd</sup> and August 7<sup>th</sup>). Weekly bulletins will resume on September 4<sup>th</sup>. During the summer, flyers announcing special events or programs will be distributed after each Mass.

# Friday, July 1<sup>st</sup> First Friday Holy Hour, Benediction and Mass

Join us on Friday, July  $1^{st}$ , for First Friday Holy Hour (6:30 – 7:30p.m.), followed by Mass at 7:30p.m. All are welcome.

### Lectors (Readers)