

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear Parishioners:

The Cardinal's message for Marriage Sunday is included in this bulletin. I join with him in wishing all married couples a most joyful and blessed day. At each Mass, we will offer a special blessing for our married couples. Let us also keep in prayer those who are engaged and preparing for marriage.

This Sunday we also celebrate World Day of Prayer for the Sick. For this special occasion, I have included, as an insert in the bulletin, a copy of a reflection offered by Dr. Moira McQueen, for your personal reading and edification. Please, read it. I am sure you will find it very inspiring. In her concluding paragraph, Dr. McQueen invites us to pause and to reflect on the deeper meaning of sickness and health and human dignity. Dr. McQueen was our guest last year at the CWL Communion breakfast and her talk on health issues was most enlightening. Let us pray for her important ministry within the Church and this Archdiocese.

I have also provided for each parishioner, and family, a Prayer Card, marking World Day of Prayer for the Sick. Take it home as a reminder of this special occasion.

My thanks to all the students who attended the Rite of Enrollment last weekend in preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation and to all our parishioners for your prayerful support.

Let us remember one another in prayer. God Bless.

Fr. Pat



Mass Intentions

Monday, February 13th, 2017

8:30 a.m. + Valerie Glockner

Tuesday, February 14th, 2017

8:30 a.m. + Fr. Emeric Fuzy

Wednesday, February 15th, 2017 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Odessa Galicia

Thursday, February 16th, 2017

8:30 a.m. (L) Fr. Joseph McDonald

Friday, February 17th, 2017

8:30 a.m. Blessings & Birthday Wishes for Matthew

Saturday, February 18th, 2017

4:30 p.m. Special Intention for Tom Callaghan

Sunday, February 19th, 2017

8:00 a.m. + Bernardo Rendace

9:30 a.m. + Katharina & Joseph Bischoff

11:00 a.m. + Anne Clarke



February 12, 2017

To Married Couples throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto,

On the occasion of Marriage Sunday in the Archdiocese of Toronto, be assured of my prayers and gratitude for all those who have nurtured and strengthened the sacramental bond of matrimony. In my travels throughout the archdiocese, I continue to be inspired by loving couples who faithfully support one another and share their abundant talents with the church in diverse and creative ways.

It is important that the church affirm married couples throughout their journey. It is my prayer that your local parish provides both a spiritual home and welcoming community where you may find other couples and a loving community to both support and nourish you through the joyful and challenging moments of your relationship.

We also pray and extend loving support to those who have lost a spouse or experienced the anguish of a broken relationship. Our archdiocese is blessed with many programs and resources to assist with marriage enrichment, counselling and pastoral care. I encourage you to visit www.archtoronto.org/marriage or speak with your own parish on how to best access these services.

Once again, as we celebrate Marriage Sunday, thank you for your incredible witness and fidelity. May God continue to bless you now and always!

Sincerely in Christ,

Thomas Cardinal Collins
Archbishop of Toronto

St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Dance

The Social Committee is pleased to inform we shall host a St. Patrick's Dinner & Dance on Saturday, March 11th at 6:30 p.m., with live music, a D.J. and full supper. Tickets are \$30 per person and will go on sale this weekend after all Masses.

Senior Residence Mass

Wednesday, February 15th – Del Manor – 10:30 a.m.
World Day of Prayer

World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women who welcome you to join in prayer and action for peace and justice. St. Edward's will be hosting this event on **Friday, March 3rd, 12:00 – 2:00 pm.** This year, we are praying for the Philippines. We are looking for volunteers to help plan and/or host this event. For more information, please contact Alice Trudeau at 416-733-3333.

Poor Box

Don't forget the poor. The St. Vincent de Paul poor box is located in the lobby. Please be generous. The St. Vincent de Paul of our parish works faithfully to serve the needs of the less fortunate. Thank you for opening your hearts.



EDGE youth Ministry is coming to St. Edward the Confessor Parish! All students in grades 6, 7, and 8 are invited. For registration and more information, contact Kimberly Go at stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com

Pancake Sunday

The Knights of Columbus will host an early "Shrove Tuesday" on the **last Sunday** of February, Feb. 26th, following the 11 a.m. Mass. Pancakes and sausages, coffee and juice will be served. Suggested donation is \$5 per person. Tickets go on sale this weekend after all Masses.

Children's Choir

Rehearsal for the Children's Choir will be held Thursdays, 6:15 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. The children will sing every other week at the Sunday 9:30 a.m. Mass. Those wishing to join are asked to attend the practice each Thursday. For more information, contact Marc Michalak, choir Director, at marcfmichalak@gmail.com

Join the Parish Knights of Columbus!

St. Edward's Parish Knights of Columbus is celebrating more than a year in Formation. It is open to new members, men (age 18 and older) who wish to join a great community of Catholic men, eager to serve the church. For more information, contact the Grand Knight, Peter Bernotas at 416-460-7089. We meet the second Thursday of each month.

55+ Club

All men and women, 55+ and up, are welcome to join our meetings, every Wednesday, from 1 – 3 p.m. A variety of activities are planned for the New Year.

Choral Scholarships

St. Edward's Choral Scholarships were created for young talented singers to support and nurture the high standards of our music ministries. The proud winners are Evan Morrin (tenor) and Katherine Ma (soprano). Here's a little something about them:

Evan Morin is a student at Cardinal Carter Academy for the Arts in the vocal program; he studies voice as well as piano at the RCM Grade 10 level. He has sung with numerous choirs including the Orpheus Choir and the Upper Canada Chorus. Since beginning voice lessons at the age of 8, Evan has won many gold medals, including the RCM gold medal for voice -- four times -- for highest exam mark in Ontario and Quebec. After singing with the St. Edwards choir for four years, Evan is delighted to have been chosen to receive this scholarship. Evan would like to thank his family for supporting him in everything he does.

Katherine Ma is 15 years old (going on 16), and a tenth grader attending the TOPS Program at Marc Garneau C.I. In the past, she has participated in choirs at Claude Watson School for the Arts and at the RCM. She enjoys all types of music, from singing to playing piano, flute, and writing or composing; she once performed her own composition, a flute piece, at her school concert. She has been a parishioner at St. Edward's Parish for almost 3 years.

Congratulations to Evan and Katherine and we look forward to their sharing of their gifts and talents in music ministry within the parish community.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (First Confession) will be celebrated on Wednesday, February 22nd, at 7:30 p.m., for students of our parish schools who registered this past Fall in preparation for their First Reconciliation and Communion. Parents are asked to bring their children to the Church by 7:30 p.m. Extra priests will be on hand to assist in hearing confessions. Let us pray for all those preparing for this important Sacrament of God's mercy and forgiveness.

CWL

The CWL will meet on Thursday, Feb. 16th in the hall following mass at 7 pm. We will have a Valentine's party and in honour of Family Day, please bring your daughters, sisters, moms and grandmas. Did you know that you don't have to belong to the CWL to attend these functions? All women of the parish are welcome.

Income Tax Receipts for 2016

Income tax receipts for your 2016 donations have been mailed out.