Dear Parishioners:

I trust your summer provided a time of rest and relaxation with family and friends. I am always amazed at how quickly the summer months fly by. However, I am also thankful for the wonderful memories that remain from all the inspiring events we shared together.

The outdoor Mass (on the Feast of the Assumption), the parish picnic, the trip to the Blue Jays Game, and the parties held for both our seminarians, John Sutka and Vang Tran, were quite inspiring. As well, the celebration of the 75th Anniversary of our parish, with Cardinal Collins, was a true highlight of the summer. I thank the Social Committee for their tremendous efforts and hard work, as well as the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Women's League.

I also thank Kimberly Go for her fine work with the youth of our parish. The summer camp was a great success and we look forward to the start of EDGE on September 22^{nd} .

I am pleassed to announce that Cardinal Collins, in conjunction with St. Augustine's Seminary, has appointed Shawn De Sousa as a seminarian-intern to our parish, effective September 12th. This will be the third seminarian-intern in as many years. This is a wonderful sign to you, as parishioners, who extend so generously your support, affirmation, and prayers on those preparing for the priesthood. Shawn will be introduced on the weekend of September 16, 2017.

On a personal note, thank you for your prayers for Patrick Reed, my niece's husband, who died last week from cancer at the age of 45. I went to Rochester, New York, to be with him and his family, in Patrick's final days and to celebrate his Funeral Mass. My niece, Kelly, and her children, were inspired by all the prayers and Masses offered for them and for Patrick. I was very conscious of your prayers during the beautiful Funeral Mass and I am most grateful.

In closing, as we begin this new school year, let us keep one another in prayer, and let us thank God for all His blessings each and every day. God Bless you.

Fr. Pat

COMMUNION MINISTERS

There are more openings for those who might wish to be trained as Eucharistic Ministers for our Sunday Masses, especially the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Training provided. Please contact Yolanda Chin at: y_chin@rogers.com or Fr. Pat at the office.



Monday, September 11th, 2017

8:30 a.m. Special Healing for Gail Barber

Tuesday, September 12th, 2017

8:30 a.m. + Lo Parco & Family

Wednesday, September 13th, 2017 Mult-intention

8:30 a.m. + Vittoria De Carlo

For successful surgery for Francis Kang

Thursday, September 14th, 2017

8:30 a.m. + Alvaro Saldanha

Friday, September 15th, 2017

8:30 a.m. + Patrick Reed

Thanksgiving for Blessings for Neres and

Esther

Saturday, September 16th, 2017

4:30 p.m. + Bruna Partenio & Elda Lenarduzzi

Sunday, September 17th, 2017

8:00 a.m. + Kee Sau Yuan 9:30 a.m. + Hugh Lunney 11:00 a.m. + Frances Sylvain



R.C.I.A.: For those wishing to be Catholic

The course for those wishing to become Catholic will begin on Wednesday, Sept. 20th from 7 – 9 p.m. For more information, contact Sr. Eva at 647-542-3309, email: eajanning@gmail.com

<u>55+ CLUB</u>

Meets Wednesdays from 1:00-3:00 p.m. New members are welcome. This week, September 13^{th} , Charles Min, will speak on Financial Planning.



St. Edward's Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus meet the <u>second</u> Thursday of each month in the parish hall at 7 p.m. Our next meeting is Thursday, September 14th. Men of the parish, 18 and older, who wish to join the Knights of Columbus, are invited to contact Peter Bernotas at 416-460-7089.

PRE-MARRIAGE COURSE

St. Edward's will host a pre-marriage course in the parish hall on the following dates:

Tuesdays 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
October 17, 24, 31
November 7, 14
Saturday, November 4 at 9:45 AM – 3:00 PM
All Sessions Required
\$ 150.00 per couple

Registration forms are available online at www.stedward.ca or in the parish office.



EDGE Youth Ministry

EDGE is back at St. Edward's! Join us for a night of fun games and activities! All students in grades 6, 7, and 8 are invited!

"Donuts" EDGE Night

Kick-Off Night: Friday, September 22 from 7:00-9:00pm (Parish Hall)

Come join us and bring a friend!

The EDGE Registration Fee for 2017-2018 (September to June) is \$50.00 per child. Contact Kimberly Go at: stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com to register or if there are any financial difficulties.

Calling All Catechists, Religious Educators, and High School Volunteers!

St. Edward's is looking to fill various volunteer positions for our two Sacramental programs for First Holy Communion and Confirmation. If you are someone seeking teaching experience, developing your teaching skills further, or community service hours, please contact Kimberly Go at stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com for more details.

KNITTING GROUP

The senior's knitting group is still very active with their projects for Out of the Cold and Tiny Shroud Ministry. They are in-need-of donations of wool to make warm items for those in need. For more information, contact Marie Heard at 416-222-5139.

St. Edward's Children's Liturgy 2017-2018

Children's Liturgy is looking for some energetic, dedicated youth volunteers and teachers for the upcoming school year. Teachers (min. 18 years of age) will lead a group of children through the Liturgy of the Word at the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Volunteers should be available to teach from September 2017 to June 2018. Teaching materials and lesson plans will be made available for each session. Youth volunteers (Grade 9 and up) are also needed to help assist teachers with the program. A great way to complete required volunteer hours! For orientation and for registration, please contact (martin.c.yeung@gmail.com) Martin or Melissa (Melissa_shek@yahoo.ca)

ALPHA

Alpha begins on Monday September 25, 2017 at 6:30pm. Alpha is a series of interactive sessions exploring the basics of the Christian faith. It begins with dinner and is followed by discussions of life's most meaningful questions in a friendly and accessible environment. It is a great opportunity for those who have questions about Christianity. There's no pressure, no follow-up and no charge. It's just an open, informal, and honest space to explore and discuss life's big questions together. Admission is free and friends are welcome. Childcare is provided as well. Learn more at www.alphacanada.org