3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

SHARING IMPORTANT NEWS with family and friends can give birth to a feeling greater than the news itself. Bringing news back to our home communities is a more personal celebration of what has been achieved and a recognition of who has helped along the way.

Perhaps this connection to home is what led Jesus to choose Nazareth to proclaim the good news. At this point in the Gospel, Jesus was already becoming well known in Galilee for his teaching. The people of Nazareth gathered at the synagogue to see what the carpenter's son may have to say to them, to his friends and family.

Think of a time when someone came to share exciting news with you. What was your response? Conversely, think of a time when someone came to share something that was upsetting or unexpected. Did you respond differently?

Although it can be challenging to always accept the news we receive, we should ask ourselves why that person chose us as the recipient and what our response means to them. 'Tis the season for New Year's resolutions. This year, resolve to show support and acceptance to those who bring us their news.

(Reflection of Julianna Deutscher, from Living with Christ)



Monday, January 28, 2019 8:30 a.m. + Giovanni Palazzolo

<u>Tuesday, January 29, 2019</u> 8:30 a.m. + Giorgio Iadipaolo

Wednesday, January 30, 2019 8:30 a.m. Antonio-Joshua for Healing

Thursday, January 31, 2019 8:30 a.m. + Tse Ying Kwan

<u>Friday, February 1, 2019</u> 8:30 a.m. + Henry & Kitty Grimes 7:30 p.m. + Karine Ng

Saturday, February 2, 2019 4:30 p.m. Deceased members of the Augello Family

Sunday, February 3, 20198:00 a.m.+ Maria Keesau & Joseph Yung Fu Yuan9:30 a.m.+ Anna & John Kessel11:00 a.m.For the Protection of the Unborn Children

New! Saturday morning Mass 9:00 a.m.

Beginning Saturday Morning, February 2nd, at 9:00 a.m., we shall commence a weekly Saturday morning Mass. Be sure to inform your friends.

In commemoration of the Feast of St. Blaise, we shall also have the <u>Blessing of Throats</u>, at the Saturday morning Mass, February 2^{nd} .

The Mass

Fr. David will offer a course on "The Mass". The series is based on a DVD by Bishop Robert Baron. The series will run on Monday mornings, Jan. 28^{th} – Feb. 18^{th} , from **9:30 a.m.** – **10:30 a.m.** (Refreshments will be served from 9:00 – 9:30 a.m. for those staying after the morning Mass.)

EDGE Youth Ministry Fridays 7 – 9 p.m.

for students in Grades 6, 7 and 8

All young people, grades 6-8 are welcome to attend; no preregistration needed. For more information, contact Jessica Bews at: stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com

VOLUNTEERS FOR MINISTRY WITH YOUTH

Jessica Bews, our Youth Director, is looking for volunteers to help with the EDGE program (Friday nights) and possible LIFE TEEN program, which will be announced soon. Contact Jessica at: stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com. You may also speak with Fr. Pat.

Lectio Divina Cardinal Collin's talk to be live-streamed in the parish hall February 3, 2019

Theme: Spritual Life and Death in a Christian Community Acts 2.43-47; 4.32-5.11

Cathedral Vespers Choir: 6:45 pm Vespers with Cardinal: 7:00 pm Lectio Divina starts: 7:30 – 8:15 pm

The parish hall will be open from 6:00 p.m.; coffee, juice and water provided, prior to start of the event. All are welcome. There is no charge.

Perpetual Mass Cards

Perpetual Mass cards are now available through the parish office.

<u>CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE - MARY</u> <u>MATTHEWS PUBLIC SPEACKING CONTEST</u>

Sunday February 3, 2019 at St. Edward the Confessor Church at 1:00 p.m. Open to all students in grade 7 & 8.

PREPARED SPEECH: Contestants will choose their own topics.

IMPROMPTU SPEECH: All contestants will be assigned the same topic.

Winners will go on to compete at the Regional level. For more information and to register, please send your name and contact information to: **stedwardcwl@gmail.com**

<u>New!</u> <u>Travelling Chalice</u> <u>For Vocations</u>

A new Vocations Prayer program will be introduced at St. Edward's Parish, commencing this weekend January 26th/27th. Families or individuals will be invited to take into their home, for one week, a "Travelling Chalice". This chalice belonged to a priest, Fr. Lorne Edward MacFarland, Scarboro Foreign Missions (1911-1976). He was born in 1911, and served in the Missions of China and Japan, as well as ministry in Canada. This chalice travelled with him. Today, it is provided to families and individuals who are invited to take it in their homes for one week and to pray for all priests, deacons, sisters, and religious, and for all future vocations. A prayer booklet will be made available to assist you in your prayers.

A sign-up sheet, with the week you desire, in 2019, will be available at the back of the church. The chalice will be presented each weekend at the Mass the family or individual normally attends and is returned for the following weekend. We hope this will be a wonderful spiritual opportunity for all.

World Day for Consecrated Life Celebration At St. Paul's Basilica

On Saturday, February 2^{nd} , the Church celebrates the **World Day for Consecrated Life.**

In the Archdiocese of Toronto, we are blessed to have living and serving among us more than 900 consecrated men and women. The World Day for Consecrated Life is a wonderful opportunity for us to thank God for the gifts of these sisters, virgins, brothers and priests and to pray for God's blessing upon them in their efforts to faithfully live the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience.

Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick will preside at a special Mass on Sunday, February 3, 2018 at 3 p.m. at St. Paul's Basilica, Toronto in celebration of the vocation and witness of these special men and women, who are such a vital and important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our archdiocese. All are welcome to attend.

Friday, February 1st First Friday Holy Hour Benediction and Mass

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

Taco Dinner

The Taco Lunch has been rescheduled to be accommodating to those writing exams. All teens in grades 9-12 are now invited to join us for a free **Taco Dinner on Saturday**, **February 2nd in the hall after the 4:30 p.m. Mass. RSVP** to Jessica - stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com Jessica Bews (Youth Director)

<u>Celebration of Marriage Mass with Cardinal Collins –</u> <u>February 10, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.</u>

Cardinal Thomas Collins will preside at a special Mass to honour couples celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2019. If you (or a couple you know) are celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th or 60+ wedding anniversary in 2019, you are invited to join in this special celebration. The Mass will take place at 4 p.m. on Sunday, February 10th at St. Clare of Assisi Parish (150 St. Francis Ave., Woodbridge). A reception will follow Mass. All are welcome to attend. Couples celebrating milestone anniversaries are asked to register online or by phone to ensure reserved seating. Registration and other information can be found at: https://www.archtoronto.org/marriage or by calling 416-934-3400, ext. 523.



Fr. Pat and Fr. Dave will offer a special "Marriage Blessing" for ALL married couples on the weekend of February 9th/10th, at each Mass. Couples celebrating significant anniversaries (25, 40, 50, etc.) are invited to leave their names at the parish office.

Senior Residence Masses – February 2019

Friday, February 8^{th} – Canterbury Place – 10:30 a.m. Friday, February 8^{th} – Lansing – 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, February 20^{th} – Del Manor – 10:30 a.m.

EXERCISE CLASSES!

The Better Living Health and Community Services is providing <u>free</u> exercise classes for seniors at St. Edward's on Tuesday mornings as follows:

Gentle Fitness: 9:30 a.m. Healthy Heart: 10:30 a.m.