

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

6th Sunday of Easter

JESUS IS “GOING away”, we are told in today’s Gospel as we near the end of the Easter season. Imagine how upset the apostles felt. Also reflect on Jesus’ human desire to comfort and reassure them. As is usually the case when anyone approaches a final goodbye, Jesus wants to impart his most important message.

As I reflect on this, I remember visiting my father for a weekend shortly before he died. He slept most of the time as I read or prayed while sitting by his bed. One moment he woke up, looked right at me and said quietly, “It wasn’t always easy for your mom and me to raise such a large family. I hope you understand.” He quickly fell back asleep. At the time, I did understand, and now, after many more years of parenthood, I have even greater understanding. I remain grateful for this last message that conveyed what he held in his heart for me.

Jesus’ final message was that the Father would send his gifts of the Holy Spirit and peace. Can we receive these gifts with gratitude? Perhaps we will also be moved to offer a special message to someone dear who needs a word of love and comfort. (*Reflection of Joe Egan, from Living with Christ*)



Mass Intentions

Monday, May 27, 2019

8:30 a.m. Special Intention of Augustine Lee

Tuesday, May 28, 2019

8:30 a.m. Special Blessings for Fr. Mauricio Sanjines

Wednesday, May 29, 2019

8:30 a.m. + Sylvie Arend

Thursday, May 30, 2019

8:30 a.m. + Durval Lima

Friday, May 31, 2019

8:30 a.m. + Anna Maria Cheung

Saturday, June 1, 2019 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. + Rudolfo Siano

+ Asucena A. Crisostomo

4:30 p.m. + Clorinda Liegghio

Sunday, June 2, 2019

8:00 a.m. + Maria Kee Sau & Joseph Yung Fu Yuan

9:30 a.m. + Paul Joseph Ricciardi

11:00 a.m. + Annunziata, Franceso & Vincenzo DeSantis

The Gospel according to Mark

Our series on the *Gospel according to Mark* will resume on Monday, June 3rd and will continue until Monday, June 24th. We will meet from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in the parish hall. Coffee and refreshments served from 9:00 to 9:30 a.m. All are welcome!

The Joy of the Gospel

“Rejoice in the Lord always! Again, I will say, Rejoice!” (*Philippians 4: 4*)

Our series *The Joy of the Gospel* will resume on Monday, June 3rd and will continue until Monday, June 24th. We will meet from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the parish hall. All are welcome!

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 pre-registration needed. For more information, contact Jessica Bews at: stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com

Totus Tuus Summer Camp – July 21 – July 26, 2019

Registration for **Totus Tuus** is open! Totus Tuus, Latin for “Totally Yours” is a unique program featuring a team of four university/college-age students who engage youth in a fun week-long program focusing on our Catholic faith. The week is packed with skits, songs, games, and inspiring teaching.

The **Day program** for grades 1-6 will be happening Monday, July 22nd – Friday, July 26th from 9:00am-2:30pm. The cost for this program is \$80.00

The **Evening program** for grades 7-12 will be happening Sunday, July 21st – Thursday, July 25th from 7:00-9:00pm. The cost for this program is \$25.00

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Youth Director Jessica Bews at stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com or call St. Edward’s Parish at 416-221-9131.

Vocations

Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love them and we will come to him. How will I respond to that love? Am I being called to the priesthood or religious life? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

MAY 26, 2019

Lectio Divina

Cardinal Collin's talk to be live-streamed Sunday, in the parish hall

June 2, 2019

Theme: Jerusalem

Apocalypse 21.1-8;22.6-21

Vespers with Cardinal: 7:00 pm

Lectio Divina starts: 7:30 – 8:15 pm

The parish hall will be open from 6:30 p.m.; coffee, juice and water provided, prior to start of the event. All are welcome. There is no charge.

TINY SHROUD MINISTRY

The Tiny Shroud Ministry provides knitted garments for still-born children, woven in love and prayer by those who have volunteered for this ministry. Donations of wool for this cause are appreciated or feel free to offer a monetary donation to help in the purchase of wool. Simply place a cheque payable to St. Edward's Parish (re: Tiny Shroud Ministry). Tax receipts are available. Thank you for your support of this important ministry.

55+ Club

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

Day of Reflection For Women

Day of Reflection for Women: Women, Full of Grace:

Identity, Community and Purpose

Saturday, June 1 – 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

St. Augustine's Seminary

2661 Kingston Rd., Scarborough *EASTERN REGION*

Dr. Lombardi will lead us through a reflection on the "feminine genius," and what it means to know our identity and purpose as cherished daughters of God. We will examine some women of the Bible and how they found their identity after an encounter with God's love.

The retreat will include Mass in the seminary chapel.

Feel free to invite other women to join us on this day.

COST: \$50, includes lunch

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Lord's Flock – New Ministry

The Lord's Flock – a Catholic Charismatic prayer group – is forming a new chapter at St. Edward's Parish, starting Saturday, June 1st from 1:30 – 3:30 p.m., and running each Saturday, same time. The focus is on prayer, biblical reflection, and praise and worship. All are welcome to come and experience this new ministry. For more information, contact the ministry leaders at: Pilar Acosta: 647-289-8389; pilarcruzacosta67@yahoo.com or Ferdinand Acosta: 416-579-8419; ferdinand_acosta24@yahoo.ca

First Communion

The Sacrament of First Communion will be celebrated this Sunday, May 26th at 2:00 p.m. and next Saturday, June 1st at our regular 4:30 p.m. Mass. Please pray for all our young people.

Catholic Women's League - Communion Brunch

This is the final weekend to purchase tickets to the Communion Brunch on Sunday, June 2nd, following the 11:00 mass, in the church hall. All women of the parish are invited; **keynote speaker Deacon Mark Neugebauer** will speak on the topic of "**Women in the Bible as Agents of Change**". A full catered brunch is included. Tickets are \$30. Please visit the table in the foyer after mass.

ShareLife

Living the Gospel by supporting youth ministry in our parishes...

What difference does training make for youth ministers? Consider that the 40+ youth ministers in the Archdiocese of Toronto collectively impact thousands of youth and their families. The Office of Catholic Youth (OCY), funded by ShareLife, visits parishes, equips youth ministers, and facilitates networking—including an archdiocesan training day attended by 200 youth ministers and volunteers. OCY helps ensure a vibrant church for future generations.

June 2 is the next ShareLife Sunday.

Please give generously.

Poor Box

Please remember the poor box on your way out of the Church. All funds assist our local St. Vincent de Paul society in its ministry to the poor.