TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear Parishioners:

I hope you and your families found time for rest, recreation, or travel, during the summer months. As we prepare for a new academic year, I welcome back all the students, teachers, principals, and staff of our parish schools. We look forward to seeing you again.

Last month, August, the parish was kept busy with weddings, the EDGE summer camp, and in celebrating a wonderful Jubilee Mass for the Missionary Sisters of the Precious Blood. My thanks to all who assisted in helping on these events.

As you know, our former seminarian-intern, Martin Lugo, travelled to Mexico to spend some time with his family. He returns to St. Augustine's Seminary, September 4th, for his final year of study.

However, some other exciting news: we will have another seminarian this year! I am pleased to inform that Cardinal Thomas Collins, in conjunction with St. Augustine's Seminary, has assigned Fraser McLaren to our parish, for his pastoral-internship; he will arrive on September 10th.

Fraser was born in the heart of the Canadian prairies in Regina, Saskatchewan, but raised in Victoria, B.C., the third oldest of four children. He has a degree in history and economics from the University of Victoria and Columbia. Fraser is now in his fourth year of formation at St. Augustine's Seminary, studying for the Archdiocese of Toronto, having determined, a few years ago, that Toronto would be his new home. I am sure you will join me in welcoming Fraser to our parish; we look forward to supporting him in his discernment of priesthood.

Finally, I am enclosing an important message, and invitation, from Cardinal Collins, regarding an All Party Debate, from a Catholic Perspective, in advance of the Federal Election. This debate will take place on October 3rd, 2019, at the John Bassett Theatre, in downtown Toronto. The theatre seats 1,000 people. Tickets are free, but must be ordered on-line at http://www.archtoronto.org/election, as of September 3rd. A flyer is included in this week's bulletin with more details. I encourage you to attend if at all possible. The Archdiocese has also highlighted, on their http://www.archtoronto.org/election, Election website, seven topics of our interest to all of us. These non-partisan resources will allow you to explore these issues from a Catholic perspective. The topics include: Poverty, Life Issues (Abortion, Euthanasia, Palliative Care), Respectful Political Discourse, Immigration/Refugees, Environment, Christian Persecution, and Indigenous Issues.

Also included in this bulletin is a letter from the Archbishop of Hanoi, thanking us for our support of seminarian, Vang

Tran, who recently returned to Vietnam in preparation for his future Ordination.

In closing, may God bless you as we begin a new academic year, and let us remember one another in prayer.

Fr Pat

New Youth Program!

(in addition to the EDGE program)

In October, we shall commence a new Youth Ministry program for the teenagers of the parish (Grades 9 and up). Life Teen is a wonderful opportunity for our youth to come together and to meet others within a faith-filled community.

The Life Teen Program will be run on alternate Friday evenings (the EDGE Program, for younger youth, in Grades 6-8), will be held on the other Friday nights) A full schedule will be announced shortly.

In the meantime, Jessica Bews (Youth Director) and Fr. Pat, are looking for Life Teen volunteers (adult volunteers) to assist Jessica with the program. For more information and to volunteer contact **Jessica** at: stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com or

Fr. Pat at pastor.stedward@rogers.com

Fr. David's Courses

The Gospel according to Mark

Our series on the *Gospel according to Mark* will resume on Monday, September 16th and will continue until Monday, October 7th. We will meet from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in the parish hall. Coffee and refreshments will be served from 9:00 a.m. 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, September 16th and will continue until Monday, October 7th. We will meet from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the parish hall. All are welcome!

Knitting Group

The St. Edward's Charity Knitting group will re-convene on September 11^{th} from 11:30 a.m. -1:00 p.m.



Monday, September 2, 2019

8:30 a.m. + Domingo Montiel Siorella

Tuesday, September 3, 2019

8:30 a.m. + Betty & Derek Pazder

Wednesday, September 4, 2019 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. For All Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, September 5, 2019

8:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Edward's

Friday, September 6, 2019

8:30 a.m. + Sabatino & Nicoletta Ficcaglia 7:30 p.m. + Miriam & Steven Amoroso

+ Barbara & Claude Clarke

Saturday, September 7, 2019 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving Mass for Ida May Bruno

4:30 p.m. + Emily Doherty

Sunday, September 8, 2019

8:00 a.m. + Bernadette Carvalho

9:30 a.m. Protection of the Unborn Children

11:00 a.m. + Nolasco Lobo

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.

Lectio Divina

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

September 8, 2019

Theme: Adam and Eve Genesis 3:1-19

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.

Friday, September 6th

First Friday Holy Hour -6:30-7:30 p.m. Mass -7:30 p.m.

Pre-Authorized Giving (P.A.G.)

The work of St. Edward's is made possible through the giving hearts of our parishioners. That is why the Archdiocese of Toronto has established a Pre-Authorized Giving Plan (P.A.G.) as another giving option to assist you in sustaining the needs and programs of our parish.

P.A.G. provides; convenience and ease to our parishioners; steady stream of funds for our parish; help in planning for parish expenses and resources. If interested, please fill in the PAG sign-up form, attach it to your void cheque and drop these in the offertory basket. For more information contact the parish office at 416-221-9131.

ShareLife - Goal Reached!

A special thanks to all who donated to this year's ShareLife Campaign. We achieved our goal of \$119,600.00; the final amount raised was \$121,015.50. A great success. The many agencies supported by this campaign are most grateful for all our efforts.

<u>Senior Residence Masses – September 2019</u>

(any parishioner is welcome to attend)

Friday, September 13th – Canterbury Place – 10:30 a.m. Friday, September 13th – Lansing – 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, September 18th – Del Manor – 10:30 a.m.

R.C.I.A.

Persons interested in becoming Roman Catholic are invited to an information session in advance of our Fall R.C.I.A. program. Come and meet the teachers, learn about the process and the schedule of classes in the Fall.

Information Session to be held this Sunday, September 8th – after 11:00 a.m. Mass

The R.C.I.A. course begins on Wednesday Sept. 18th.

For more information, contact Sr. Eva at 647-542-3309 Email: eajanning@gmail.com

55 + Club

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The 55+ Club will resume regular weekly meetings on Wednesday September 11^{th} from 1-3 p.m. in the parish hall. Come make new friends and enjoy games days, movie day, speakers and the occasional pot luck lunch. New members always welcome.