

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

2nd Sunday of Lent

TODAY'S GOSPEL IS one of great mystery: the Transfiguration. Moses and Elijah appear next to Jesus, who Himself is completely transfigured, radiating pure light. Imagine yourself there...the sight must have been out of this world! In the face of all this glory, Peter's first reaction is to set up three dwellings, offering them worldly comfort. How often is God right in front of us, showing us His divinity and His plan for our life, and we focus on logistics and worldly preoccupations?

As a matter of fact, today during Mass, we will witness one of the greatest miracles of all time: bread and wine becoming Jesus' body and blood. The Eucharist is the sacrament where we get a glimpse of God's glory and power. For a moment, heaven and earth meet. As we witness this miracle today, where will our heart and mind be? Will we be checking the time, or revelling in God's glory? Will we be thinking about the things we need to do this week, or listening to God speak to our heart?

God's words to the disciples are a wake-up call: "Get up and do not be afraid." They prompt us to refocus on what's important: not worldly considerations, but an attentive ear and an open heart to His ever-living word, calling us to be examples of heaven here on earth.

(Reflection of Myriam Dupuis of Living with Christ)

St. Patrick's Day Mass

The annual Mass for the Feast of St. Patrick will be held on Tuesday, March 17th, at 10:00 a.m., at St. Michael's Cathedral-Basilica. All are welcome.

ST. PATRICK'S DINNER AND DANCE **Saturday, March 14, 2020**

The St. Edward's dinner and dance for St. Patrick's Day is **sold out**. Thanks to all who have worked hard to organize it.

Senior Residence Masses in March 2020

Friday, March 13th – Canterbury Place – 10:30 a.m.

Friday, March 13th – Lansing – 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 18th – Del Manor – 10:30 a.m.

Bible Study Groups

Our morning series (9:30–10:30a.m.) on the Gospel according to Matthew and our evening series (7:00–8:00p.m.) on the Gospel according to St. Paul are held on Mondays, and will continue to Monday March 30th, in the parish hall.



Mass Intentions

Monday, March 9, 2020

8:30 a.m. + Ann Mauser

Tuesday, March 10, 2020

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Wednesday, March 11, 2020

8:30 a.m. + Katherine Mauser

Thursday, March 12, 2020

8:30 a.m. + Geny Orsini

Friday, March 13, 2020

8:30 a.m. + Amilcare, Giulia & Pompilio Iannucci

9:00 a.m. Holy Hour

6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

7:00 p.m. Birthday Wishes for Clea Soare

Saturday, March 14, 2020 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. + Maria Augello

4:30 p.m. + Cora Rhondenizer & Helen Broadbridge

Sunday, March 15, 2020

8:00 a.m. For the protection of unborn children

9:30 a.m. + Christian Stassi

11:00 a.m. + Carol Joy Larkin

Lenten Fridays

Morning: 8:30 a.m. - Mass

9 – 10 a.m. - Holy Hour

Evening: 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. - Lenten Soup in Parish Hall

6:30 p.m. - Stations of the Cross

7:00 p.m. - Mass

TOTUS TUUS SUMMER CAMP

Mark your Calendars! St. Edward's Parish will be offering our summer camp the week of July 19-24, 2020.

Day Program – July 20-24 from 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., for children entering grades 1-6 in September 2020.

Evening Program – July 19-23 from 7-9 p.m., for youth entering grades 7-12 in September 2020.

Registration Forms are available on the table in the lobby

EDGE

EDGE-Youth Ministry will return after March Break on Friday, April 3rd. We shall assist at Stations of the Cross.

MARCH 8, 2020

Dear Parishioners:

A special message from the Archdiocese, concerning the Coronavirus, is included in this bulletin. Please read it carefully, and we shall continue to keep you updated on any changes or new developments.

As you know, we have placed special intention prayers in our weekly Masses for all impacted by the Coronavirus, as well as prayers for all those in the medical field working so tirelessly to protect lives. Let this be a daily prayer for all of us.

I, also, wish to take this opportunity to thank Father Daniel Sehlapelo, who recently offered our parish a very inspiring Lenten Retreat. Father Daniel also led us in a Lenten Reconciliation service this past Wednesday. Please pray for Father Daniel as he continues to work on his doctoral studies, in homiletics, during his stay in Toronto. Once he completes his studies, he shall return to Johannesburg, South Africa, his home diocese. I hope he shall visit our parish, once again, before he leaves Toronto.

In this season of Lent, may God bless you and may your spiritual exercises bear much fruit. God Bless you. Let us continue to pray for one another.

Msgr. Pat

Scholarship Announcement

The Toronto Diocesan Council of the Catholic Women's League of Canada is offering a scholarship to **St. Michael's College**. This scholarship is open to any young woman who is of Catholic faith, who is completing her secondary school education, and who has indicated on her application to the **University of Toronto** that **St. Michael's College** is her first choice. The applicant must be entering the Faculty of Arts and Science in one of the following areas of study: Commerce, Computer Science, Humanities and Social Sciences or Sciences. **Applications must be submitted by May 31, 2020** For further information, please contact St. Edward the Confessor Catholic Women's League Education and Health Convener: **Genevieve** – stedwardcwl@gmail.com

Come and See Weekend

March 13 – 15, 2020 at St. Augustine's Seminary

Inviting single Catholic men 17 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. Please register online at www.vocationstoronto.ca.

For more information, please contact the office of Vocations at 416-968-0997; or email vocations@archtoronto.org.

Please note: Registrants 17 years old will require parental consent.

Message from the Archdiocese Re: Coronavirus for Parish and Staff

Our goal is to act responsibly, based on credible information from reliable sources. We have been in regular contact with local health officials and will continue this dialogue. Information from the provincial website (Ontario.ca/COVID-19) provides basic background and practical advice.

There are everyday actions that can help prevent the spread of germs that cause respiratory illnesses. Take these everyday steps to reduce exposure to the virus and protect your health:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water or alcohol-based hand sanitizer
- Sneeze and cough into your sleeve
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth
- Avoid contact with people who are sick
- Stay home if you are sick

Regarding liturgical practices, local health officials have indicated that it is not necessary to alter current practices at this time. Parishes are asked to ensure that those distributing communion wash their hands or use hand sanitizer before and after the distribution of communion. (Please note: this procedure has now been implemented at St. Edward's.) We shall keep you updated. Please pray for all impacted by the coronavirus.

Offertory Collections

November 2019 (4 weeks)	\$ 30,325.00
Pre-Authorized Payment (PAG)	\$ 2,781.66
December 2019 (5 weeks)	\$ 42,650.00
Pre-Authorized Payment (PAG)	\$ 2,821.66

Special Collections

Christmas	\$ 25,208.10
Shepherd's Trust	\$ 23,888.26
Needs of the Canadian Church	\$ 4,512.55
Mission Co-op	\$ 5,942.50
Canadian Mission Collection	\$ 6,779.50

Thank you for your support and generosity

WALK-IN COUNSELING CLINIC

Catholic Family service

Open to the public at two locations:

Every Tuesday 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

1155 Yonge Street, Ste. 101 Phone: 416-921-1163

Every Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

245 Fairview Mall, Ste. 201 Phone: 416-222-0048