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Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m.

Reconciliation: By Appointment

First Friday of the Month

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Following 8:30 a.m. Mass

Baptism: Contact the office to register your child. Baptism dates assigned at time of interview with Priest or Deacon.

Marriage: Contact the parish office for appointment.

Office Hours: Monday – Wednesday – Friday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Pastoral Team

Msgr. Patrick O'Dea, C.H.H. – *Pastor*

Rev. Mr. David Quail – *Permanent Deacon*

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Parish Ministries

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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

“O COME, o come, Emmanuel” opens the Advent hymn, gathering voices in hope and praise. It harkens back to Isaiah’s time over two-and-a-half millennia ago when God’s chosen people called on Him to “ransom captive Israel.” Isaiah’s words sought to comfort a weary people. He proclaimed His message to them and now to us. Bring good news to the oppressed. Set the captives free. Bind up the broken-hearted. Be faithful “until the son of God appear” and then righteousness will spring up before all nations.

Paul tells us to rejoice always, praying and giving thanks continually. “Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.”

Our waiting cannot be a passive act. From down deep in each of us individually and stretching out to the far ends of our global society, we, as followers of Jesus, know what is right. We know that kindness, caring and love must prevail. Our voices cry out in a wilderness of deception and greed, hatred and abuse. Like John before us we can be witness testifying to the light. As the Baptist did, we in this time and place can by our actions “make a straight the way of the Lord.”

O Come, Desire of Nations bind all people in one heart and mind; bid envy, strife and quarrels cease; fill the whole world with heaven’s peace.

(Reflection of Michael Dougherty of Living with Christ)



Monday, December 14, 2020

8:30 a.m. + Darlene Campbell

Tuesday, December 15, 2020

8:30 a.m. + Lerru Desamero and Terasita Trespeces

Wednesday, December 16, 2020 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Sarah & Jolanthe MacDermot

Thursday, December 17, 2020

8:30 a.m. + Cathy Vasey

Friday, December 18, 2020

8:30 a.m. + Moira Winter

Saturday, December 19, 2020 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. Special Intentions for the Fernandez Family

4:30 p.m. + James Hutchinson

Sunday, December 20, 2020

8:00 a.m. Special Intentions of the Fernandez Family

9:30 a.m. + Linda Kwon

11:00 a.m. + Celina Rabanal

Dear Parishioners,

I am hopeful we can have Mass at Christmas in all our churches. If churches are opened for people to attend, you will receive a Flocknote message which will contain the EventBrite registration link, so that people can reserve in advance. I plan to offer additional Masses Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

The Christmas Schedule is

Thursday, December 24th

4:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m., 8:00 p.m. and Midnight Mass

Friday, December 25th

8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

God bless!

Msgr. Pat

HOLY HOUR

Holy Hour from St. Edward's will be live-streamed Monday - Friday through this time of lock down from 5 - 6 p.m. Just go to <http://www.stedward.ca> Let us pray for our world and all impacted by COVID-19, and for those working in the medical profession as well as those working to secure a vaccine.

CWL

For collections for *Birthright* please contact any one of the following to have your items picked up.

Susan Barry: 416-223-5261

Marie Barry: 647-351-3788 or askmarieb@yahoo.ca

Gerry Rebello 416-226-1232 or

gerryrebello@hotmail.com

(Please see attached flyer announcing virtual Christmas event)

SHEPHERD'S TRUST



The Shepherds' Trust fund support the needs of retire clergy in the Archdiocese of Toronto who have served for many years. By support of the Shepherds' Trust, retired priests are given the dignity of adequate pensions, health care and other assistance in their golden years. To date, St. Edward's has collected \$7,717.00 for Shepherds' Trust. Thank you to all for your contributions. For more information about the Shepherds' Trust, please go to: www.shepherdstrust.org



UPDATE
ANGEL TREE

The Angel Tree Program is extended to Monday, December 14th. As in last year, we will be helping families served by the St. Vincent de Paul Society, of our parish, as well as Good Shepherd Ministries and Children's Aid.

How to get a Tag

This year, we will have virtual participation. To obtain a tag, and to discuss the specific age, gender, and need of a child, family, or adult, please contact one of the following persons:

St. Vincent de Paul & Children's Aid

Jasmine Carvalho – 416-226-6577

Email : carvalhojp@hotmail.com

Good Shepherd Ministries

Marie Barry – 647-351-3788

Email : askmarieb@yahoo.ca

How to Return the Tag

We extended hours for this weekend, and Monday, to return gift cards. A representative will be available in the parish lobby to assist you. Please note the following dates and times.

Saturday, December 12th

10:00 a.m. – 12 noon

Sunday, December 13th

12 noon – 3:00 p.m.

Monday, December 14th

10:00 a.m. – 12 noon.

Parishioners may also pick up new offertory envelope boxes, which are displayed alphabetically on social distanced tables, and Sunday Missals.

PRIVATE PRAYER

The church will be open for private prayer, at the same times listed for the Angel Tree drop off. Please note that no more than 10 people can be in the church at any time. Thank you!

THE OTHER MAJOR CHRISTMAS DRIVE

If you still wish to donate to the St. Vincent de Paul annual Christmas collection, you are welcome to do so.

Because the Church will be closed for public Masses, during this time, feel free to mail the Church or use the DONATE NOW link on the parish website: www.stedward.ca to

This parish has always been very generous in their efforts to support the poor and needy and we are all indeed grateful.

May God Bless all our special efforts in this most difficult year!

SHARELIFE

St. Edward's Parish has raised \$108,036.00 towards the annual appeal for ShareLife, a very impressive amount considering the lockdown of churches. Msgr. Pat received an email from Arthur Peters, at ShareLife, offering words of gratitude on behalf of all the charitable agencies that will benefit from this help. Thanks to all for your generous support of ShareLife!

CHILDREN'S RESOURCES

The Children's Liturgy of the Word team have placed Sunday Resources for the children of our parish on the parish website: www.stedward.ca

These may also be downloaded for the children to keep and read.





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