

# St. Edward the Confessor Church

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Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

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

**Reconciliation:** By Appointment

**Weekday Masses** 

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m.

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*Sr. Eva Janning, CPS – *R.C.I.A.* 

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#### **Parish Ministries**

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#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent

AS WE LISTEN to today's readings, we do well to remember that Jesus Himself was a Jew. The Ten Commandments (the first reading) were fundamental to Jesus, as they are to both Jews and Christians today.

At Passover, many people were coming to the temple in Jerusalem to offer a sacrifice – an animal or a dove. Some individuals saw this as a wonderful business opportunity. Why not ignore the holiness of the temple and set up shop there for a few days? The Gospel passage describes a tense confrontation between Jesus and these individuals, who may even have thought of themselves as religious but who were choosing their personal gain over God. Jesus' love for the Father inspires his strong reaction.

This episode invites us to journey deeper into Lent, examining the consistency between our own faith and our intentions and actions. Do "the precepts" – the teachings of our faith – revive and enlighten us, as the psalmist says? Are we growing in love for God and for others? Are we loving ourselves – caring for our own body, mind and spirit? When we live according to God's law, the psalmist promises, this law will "rejoice our hearts." Of course, we face many challenges and distractions. In the Gospel, Jesus gives us hope as He points to His coming victory over sin and death.

(Reflection of Beth Porter, of Living with Christ)

#### **YOUTH MINISTRY IS BACK!**

St. Edward's is brining back youth ministry with Youth Nights! We will come together every Friday night from 7:00-8:30 p.m. to learn more about our faith, play games, and spend time in prayer. We will be using some EDGE material to teach as well as have open discussions about our own faith journey.

The ministry will be organized by long time Core member, Keith Villaneuva, and seminarian-intern, Sean Jacob, as well as familiar faces from previous years and some new faces. Join us each Friday night, at 7 p.m., as we play a few rounds of Fishbowl!

We invite you all to register at the following: https://forms.gle/JF4TznAu4h4sUwd3A

Stay tuned for more information provided through email as well as on our Instagram page @st.edsym!



Monday, March 8, 2021

8:30 a.m. + Bernadette Carvalho

Tuesday, March 9, 2021

8:30 a.m. + Antonietta Bumbaca

Wednesday, March 10, 2021 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. Special Intention of the Berardi Family

Thursday, March 11, 2021

8:30 a.m. + Antonietta Bumbaca

Friday, March 12, 2021

8:30 a.m. + Antonietta Bumbaca

Saturday, March 13, 2021 – Multi Intention

9:00 a.m. + Susana Rodrigues

+ Mary Gleeson

Special Intention of Carol Abbayaratua For Good health of robin Ludowyk

4:30 p.m. + Matthew & Tom Meagher

**Sunday, March 14, 2021** 

11:00 a.m. + Matthew & Tom Meagher

+ Repose of the soul of Tom & Marie Callaghan

+ Tekla & Frank Ramski

#### **Traditional Lenten Disciplines**

**Penance:** Lent is a time for penance and repentance, for almsgiving and prayer, for working to change attitudes that are not pleasing to God.

**Fasting & Abstinence:** Catholics aged 14 and older abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent. In addition, on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, Catholics from age 18 – 59 fast, limiting theselves to one full meal and two smaller measl each day.

**Prayer:** Catholics are encouraged to pray more during Lent, especially with Scripture. Lent is also an ideal time to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in preparation for the celebration of Christ's Passion, Death and Resurrection.

**Almsgiving:** Moved by the sacrifice of Christ, many Christians combine almsgiving with fasting, giving to the poor the money saved by less eating, or shopping. Consider donations to Share Life or the St. Vincent de Paul Society who serve the poor and needy.

#### LOCK DOWN

IMPORTANT: Please note that with the everchanging situation on COVID- 19 measures, in Toronto, we will update parishioners, weekly, through the FLOCK NOTE messages that announce the weekend schedule. If Communion Services are to be held, on a weekend, we will live-stream only the Saturday 4:30 p.m. Mass, in order to have more time in the church for the Communion Services. The livestreamed mass, once it is shown, is then uploaded on to the website for later viewing.

If churches are allowed to re-open for Mass at 30% capacity, you will be informed through email FLOCK NOTE and provided a link to register for Mass.

## **World Day of Prayer**

World Day of Prayer (WDP) has been happening in Canada for almost 100 years. The 2021 service was written by the WDP committee of Vanuatu inspired by the Biblical theme "Build an a Strong Foundation" (Matthew 7; 24-27). This year the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada (WICC) has produced a full-length video. This free one-hour recording features participants from across Canada and may be accessed any time between February 15 and September 30, 2021 at wicc.org. There will be a well-marked tab on the website to click. Donations received for services not only support the World Day of Prayer movement but provide generous grants that support social justice projects in Canada and the world. Individuals can use the DONATER button on the WICC website. Or go to wick.org on a smartphone and click DONATE BY TEXT (647-953-5557. Cheques can be mailed to: WICC, 47 Queen's Park Crescent East, Toronto, ON M5S 2C3. Please make sure that any cheques include a mailing address as tax receipts will be provided for donations of \$20 or more.

#### Lectio Divina

Cardinal Collins' talk to be live-streamed from St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica

> March 7, 2021 Theme: My God, My God Psalm 22

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

#### Yes, Lord! A Lenten Liturgy of the Word for Kids

Tune into Salt + Light Television on Friday mornings during Lent for a kid-friendly approach to the Sunday Mass readings and homily. Whether you are worshipping at home due to the pandemic or are just looking for a way to boost your family's faith life, you won't want to miss this brand new series!

<b>Fridays</b>	at	9:30	a.m.
Saturda	ys	at 4	p.m.

 $\square$  Sundays at 7 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

☐ On Demand: www.slmedia.org/veslord

St. Edward's Children's Liturgy of the Word resources for month of March can be downloaded from our website: www.stedward.ca

#### **Live Your Best Life in Love** Friday, March 5 at 7 p.m. to Sunday, March 7 at 3 p.m. A VIRTUAL EVENT HOSTED BY WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

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### Two New Documentaries on BL. Michael McGivney, Founder of Knights of Columbus

Known as "Apostle of Christian family" and "Priest of the Beatitudes," Fr. Michael McGivney lived during turbulent times of discrimination and division, which were particularly difficult for Catholic families. Today, his legacy lives on thanks to the work of the Knights of Columbus, the world's largest community of lay Catholic men, which he founded in 1882. This Lent, immerse yourself and your close ones in the virtues of prayer, holiness and charity through the life and legacy of this new blessed in the Church – and learn about his historical and active links to the Canadian Church. Watch two new documentaries about his life and legacy here: http://bit.ly/McGivneyDocs.

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