

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. 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* Sr. Eva Janning, CPS – *R.C.I.A.* Sean Jacob – Seminarian Josie Paladino - Secretary Jeswyn Devas - Secretary Gerry Robin - Accountant Lucas Pak - Custodian

Parish Ministries

55+ CLUB - 416-222-5139 CATECHISM COURSE(S) - Msgr. Pat O'Dea CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE - Elisabeth Quail 416-788-0858 GOOD SHEPHERD - Margaret Hawkins KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - Deacon David Quail jdfg@rogers.com SOCIAL COMMITTEE - Juliet Santos ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - 437-388-4960 YOUTH MINISTRY -Sean Jacob stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com **Liturgical Ministries**

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Parish Schools

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Cardinal Carter Academy for the Arts	36 Greenfield Ave., Toronto, ON M2N 3C8	416-393-5556

5th Sunday of Lent

ACKNOWLEDGMENT, OPENNESS AND acceptance of what God wants of us are central to what it means to be a Christian.

Our Lenten prayer and fasting give us the strength to remain open to understanding what God wants of us, acknowledging God's purifying grace that will wash us thoroughly "from our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin," and accepting God's will with "a new and right spirit."

Through this willingness to be ever open to God's call, we enter into a new covenant and a new life, one in which God is our guarantor. It is only when we allow God to write in our hearts what is being asked of us that our covenant with God is assured.

In the Annunciation (which we commemorate later this week), Mary gives us a magnificent example of acknowledging God's invitation, opening her heart and accepting what she is being called to do. Our response, like Mary's must be unreserved and unconditional.

Even Jesus "in the days of His flesh" offered up prayers and supplications. We need to acknowledge that we must die to ourselves and be open to God's word. Through our acceptance we will "bear much fruit."

Let us remember, as the Gospel reminds us, that when Christ is lifted up, we will also share in the glory of His resurrection. (Reflection of Jack Panozzo fo 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 22, 2021 8:30 a.m. + Pepi Eusabi

Tuesday, March 23, 2021 Multi-intention 8:30 a.m. + Ignacio Young

Wednesday, March 24, 2021 8:30 a.m. + Antonietta Bumbaca

Thursday, March 25, 20218:30 a.m.+ Antonietta Bumbaca

<u>Friday, March 26, 2021</u> 8:30 a.m. + Noel Lobo

Saturday, March 27, 2021 – Multi Intention 9:00 a.m. Intention of Gillian Francis 4:30 n m + Jim Hutchinson

4.50 p.m.	1 Jill Hutchinson
6:30 p.m.	+ Hector Joseph

Sunday, March 28, 2021 Palm Sunday

8:00 a.m.	+ Irma Paddy Blake
9:30 a.m.	Special Intention of the Colla Family
11:00 a.m.	The Protection of the Unborn Children
12:30 p.m.	+ Rita and Patrick Hayes

Palm Sunday

If we are still permitted to remain opened at 15% capacity for Palm Sunday weekend, we will be adding two additional Masses. Kindly note the schedule below and please keep in mind that parishioners must register in advance for attendance at Mass through the regular weekly link that is sent by email to all parishioners on a weekly basis. No walk-ins are permitted. If you have difficulty trying to access the link, please phone or email the parish for assistance. We will inform of the Holy Week Schedule in next week's bulletin. For Palm Sunday weekend, on arrival at the church, an usher wearing gloves, will hand each parishioner a single palm branch.

SATURDAY, MARCH 27 (PALM SUNDAY VIGIL) Mass at 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

PALM SUNDAY - (March 28) Mass at 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 12:30 p.m.

Come & See Weekend

On Friday, March 26 (5:00pm – 9:00pm) until Saturday, March 27 (10:00am – 5:00pm), the Office of Vocations will be hosting the first <u>virtual</u> Come & See Weekend for single Catholic men, ages 17 + and older.

On-line registration is required at:

https://www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee

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!

Fridays at 9:30 a.m. Saturdays at 4 p.m. Sundays at 7 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. On Demand: www.slmedia.org/yeslord

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

Thank You – Social Committee

A big thank you to the Social Committee who organized a wonderful virtual St. Patrick's Day Social last Saturday evening. Great fun was had by all who participated. Thank you!

The Mass of Chrism March 30, 2021 - 11:00 a.m.

The Mass of Chrism will be livestreamed from St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, on Tuesday, March 30th at 11:00 a.m.

All are welcome to join in the celebration via livestream at:www.stmichaelscathedral.com/livestream

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.

<u>Catholic Family services of Toronto's Online</u> <u>Sessions</u>

Catholic Family Services of Toronto is now offering online quick access single sessions. The single-session consultation is a quick and effective way for individuals, couples or families to address a mental health or relationship concern. To arrange for a session, please contact: info@cfstoronto.com or 416-921-1163 or 416-222-0048. Leave a message with your name, email and phone number and a staff person will contact you.

Clients who are interested in pursuing other or additional services in the agency have the option to access our ongoing counselling, wellness or group programs.

Counselling fees are charged according to a client's income level. No one is denied service because of his/her inability to pay fees.

