

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 Adoration/Benediction 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.

Liturgical Ministries

Marriage: Contact the parish office for appointment.

Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 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.* Josie Paladino - Secretary Jeswyn Devas - Secretary Gerry Robin - Accountant Aldrin Fernandes - Custodian

Parish Ministries

55+ CLUB - 416-222-5139 **ALTAR SERVERS** CATECHISM COURSE(S) - Msgr. Pat O'Dea EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE - Elisabeth Quail 416-788-0858 **HOSPITALITY MINISTERS (USHERS) GOOD SHEPHERD** - Margaret Hawkins LECTORS KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - Deacon David Quail jdfq@rogers.com EUCHARISTIC MINISTRY TO THE SICK **SOCIAL COMMITTEE** - Monica Figueredo & Marie Barry MUSIC MINISTRY ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - 437-388-4960 CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD YOUTH MINISTRY -Keith Villanueva stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com LITTLE LAMBS MINISTRY

Parish Schools

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St. Edward	1 Botham Rd., North York, ON M2N 2J6	416-393-5255
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Cardinal Carter Academy for the Arts	36 Greenfield Ave., Toronto, ON M2N 3C8	416-393-5556

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE WORDS PROCLAIMED today in the Gospel are extremely important to our faith and tradition as Catholics. After He feeds the crowd and walks on water, Jesus tells His disciples that unless they eat His flesh and drink His blood, they will not have life.

In the face of this seemingly gruesome teaching, many disciples decide to walk away. When the twelve are given the opportunity to leave, Peter's response is one of faith. Instead of backing away from the difficult teaching given by Jesus, he responds with absolute trust, remembering that the one who speaks these words is the Holy One of God.

Sometimes we do not understand what God is telling us, or why we are going through a difficult situation. Sometimes the truth is inconvenient or too difficult to digest and we are tempted to walk away from God.

We are invited today to have a faith like Peter's – to trust in God, no matter how mysterious His ways. In fact, the communion we are about to share is an act of faith: we believe in the true presence of Jesus in the bread and wine. As we go back into the world after taking part in the Eucharist today, let us remember that we are carrying the life of God within us. May His life shine brightly through us!

(Reflection of Myriam Dupuis, of Living with Christ)



Monday, August 23, 2021 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Ken Mullin + Luk Shun Kwan Intention of Claire De Melo Intention of Angie Baglieri

Tuesday, August 24, 2021 8:30 a.m. + Dominic Castrella

Wednesday, August 25, 2021 Multi-intention

- 8:30 a.m. + Edgar Reduta
 - + Consalacion Gammad

<u>Thursday, August 26, 2021</u> 8:30 a.m. + Tom & Marie Callaghan

Friday, August 27, 2021 8:30 a.m. + Luk Shun Kwan

Saturday, August 28, 2021 Multi-intention		
9:00 a.m.	Intention of Cheung's Family	
	+ Giuseppina & Vincenzo Ruggero	
	Wedding Blessings for Ryan & Natalie	
4:30 p.m.	+ Paul Soares	

Sunday, August 29, 2021

8:00 a.m.	+ Mary Lunney
9:30 a.m.	+ Giuseppe D'Angela

11:00 a.m. + Adolf Rygiel

Dear Parishioners:

It is a great privilege to announce that two of our former seminarian-interns will be ordained to the diaconate on Saturday, September 4th, at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, by His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto. The ordination will be live-streamed through the Cathedral website at 7:00 p.m., September 4th.

Thank you, also, for your support and prayers for our current seminarian-intern, Sean Jacob, who returns shortly to the seminary to continue his formation.

I am also pleased to announce that the Archbishop, in conjunction with St. Augustine's Seminary, has assigned a new seminarian-intern to our parish for this coming year (2021-2022). The new seminarian-intern, Jeremy Ling Hong Zou, will arrive on September 12th. Jeremy's home parish is St. Agnes, in Vaughan.

Finally, it is with great joy, that I inform you that Lucas Brolley, a young man from our parish, has been accepted to St. Augustine's Seminary.

This past Sunday on the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary, Lucas received a special blessing at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. (You can still view that Mass, as it remains on our website.)

Present for the blessing were his parents who came all the way from Fort Worth, Texas. They are Canadian, but moved to the United States a few years ago. Lucas has served as a Lector, and volunteer, at our parish the past two years. Fr. Larry Marcille, Pastor of Blessed Sacrament Parish, assisted me in obtaining a statue of the "sleeping Joseph" as a gift for Lucas as he prepares to enter the seminary.

Lucas has also written a note to all parishioners in appreciation of the support and prayers offered to him (his letter is enclosed in this bulletin).

As I mentioned this past Sunday, I personally thank everyone in the parish, for providing such care and support to all who are discerning a vocation. Your example and witness of faith is truly inspiring. God, in return, has provided us these wonderful blessings!

Please pray for these seminarians, and for all our brothers and sisters in Christ. Know of my prayers for you.

God Bless you all. Msgr. Pat O'Dea

BANNS FOR ORDINATION

Mr. Martin Santos Lugo Tapia is to be ordained to the Diaconate for the Archdiocese of Toronto on September 4, 2021 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, Toronto. Please remember him in your prayers.

Mr. Robert Fraser Andrew McLaren is to be ordained to the Diaconate for the Archdiocese of Toronto on September 4, 2021 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, Toronto. Please remember him in your prayers.

Canon Law obliges Catholics to reveal any impediment to sacred orders to the bishop or pastor.

Dear Parishioners of St. Edward,

For those of you, I have not had the pleasure to meet, I wanted to introduce myself. My name is Lucas Brolley, and I am a relatively new parishioner of St. Edward. I began attending in March of 2020, after moving back to Toronto.

Throughout my time here, I have had the opportunity to continue to discern the Lord's will for my life. After having the opportunities, to meet with Msgr. Pat, lector at daily Mass, and volunteer on Sunday Masses, I am happy to announce that later this month, I will be entering St. Augustine's Seminary to begin Priestly Formation for the Archdiocese of Toronto.

I would especially like to thank Msgr. Pat, Fr. David, Deacon Dave, Sean Jacob, and you the Parishioners of St. Edward for your tremendous witness of faith, and for the way you have shown me the love of our heavenly father. As I prepare to enter, please know that you will continue to be in my prayers, and I humbly ask for your prayers as well. A life lived for Christ is a wonderful adventure, but we cannot live it alone.

> In Christ, Lucas Brolley

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 those in need.

R.C.I.A. – FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC

The program for those who may wish to learn more about the Catholic faith, and/or who may wish to join the Catholic Church, is known as the Rite Of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Sr. Eva Janning, who coordinates this course so wonderfully each year, has announced that anyone who wishes to consider becoming a Catholic for this coming year, should contact her by filling in the special forms available on our parish website: https://stedwardtheconfessorno.archtoronto.org/

The program, this year, will commence on Wednesday, September 22nd and consecutive Wednesdays. Depending on numbers, and social distance, Sr. Eva may teach and communicate with you, either in a small class setting, or virtually, or a combination of both. Please contact Sr. Eva, or Msgr. Pat, if more information is needed, or if you need assistance with the information provided on the parish website.

Msgr. Pat and/or Sr. Eva will contact each person who signs up to arrange for a preliminary interview. Sr. Eva may also be reached at: eajanning@gmail.com

PRAYER IN TIME OF COVID

Gracious God, you who are the author of all life, and who desire the well-being of all people, during these dark days of Covid19, increase in us, respect and reverence for all human life.

Grant restored health to the sick, comfort and hope to the dying, strength to family members, friends, relatives, clergy and volunteers, renewed energy to hospital workers, PSWs, nurses and doctors, and perseverance to all in the health care professions. Grant wisdom to scientists for the development of effective and moral vaccines. discernment and right judgment for legislators, aid to the discouraged, poor and vulnerable, courage and justice for front-line workers, and keep always in our minds the vision of the true common good of all the world. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. Bishop Robert Kasun CSB Auxiliary Bishop Central Region, Archdiocese of Toronto

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR WEEKEND VOLUNTEERS

Msgr. Pat wishes to publicly thank and invite prayers and gratitude for all the weekend volunteers who so faithfully and happily serve all parishioners who arrive for mass, are signed in, seated, and warmly welcomed to church. This is a ministry that formed because of the pandemic, but illustrates the inspiring ways in which the Gospel is lived out generously in time of need. Thank you, all weekend volunteers. You are an inspiration!

