

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

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.

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.*Jeremy Ling Hong Zou – *Seminarian*

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Parish Ministries

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CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE - Marie Barry

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YOUTH MINISTRY -Keith Villanueva

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Liturgical Ministries

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Parish Schools	<u>Address</u>	<u>Phone</u>
St. Edward	1 Botham Rd., North York, ON M2N 2J6	416-393-5255
St. Cyril	18 Kempford Blvd., Willowdale, ON M2N 2B9	416-393-5270
St. Antoine Daniel	160 Finch Ave. W., Willowdale, ON M2N 2J2	416-393-5339
Cardinal Carter Academy for the Arts	36 Greenfield Ave., Toronto, ON M2N 3C8	416-393-5556

3rd Sunday of Lent

MY YOUNG GRANDSON, in a burst of enthusiastic love, told his dad that "when I grow up I want to be you." We were delighted at the depth of his devotion, that his desire to *be like* his dad would expand to become the desire to *be* his dad. Perhaps that is a model for the disciples of Christ, to love Jesus so much that we desire to become Him.

The Gospel today recounts Jesus' parable of the barren fig tree. The gardener pleaded for one more year, one more chance for the fig tree to become what it was meant to become. It is a reminder of the shortness of our lives and our dependence on God's grace to create in us the fruit of holiness and good works. It is Christ within us that produces good fruit, as we become less and he becomes more.

So we seek to be transformed through our utter and complete surrender to Him, becoming more and more like Him – becoming, in a sense, Him. And just as bread and wine retain their appearance while becoming Christ, we too remain in our unique and particular form even as we are transformed.

May we bring the child-like love that my grandson expressed, as we offer ourselves in union with the offering of bread and wine on the altar.

. (Reflection of Kathleen Giffin from Living With Christ)

Youth Ministry

The St. Edward youth ministry for youth grades 6 to 8 reassumed and is running to the end of June. It is a weekly program for youth to grow deeper in their relationship with God and one another via catechesis, praying together, and various games/activities. Sessions will be conducted weekly via Zoom on Fridays, from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm until restrictions may be lifted for us to gather in person.

Registration is open, and is accessible via the parish website. If you have any questions, feel free to email us at: stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com.

The Lenten Series

The Lenten series "An Introduction to the Interior Life" will be delivered weekly via Zoom on Mondays starting Monday, March 14th, 2022 for five weeks. It will take place from 7:00pm to 8:00 pm in the evening and will be led by seminarian Jeremy Zou. The interior life is the work the Holy Spirit does in an individual to form him or her more and more unto the image of Christ. Jeremy will be sharing what he learned form the seminary in Catholic Spirituality regarding this topic. You can register via the parish FlockNote or the parish website:

https://stedwardtheconfessorno.archtoronto.org/



Monday, March 21, 2022 – Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + John Pereira & Violet Pereira

+ John Sequara

Tuesday, March 22, 2022 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. Birthday Wishes for Christopher Kim

Wednesday, March 23, 2022 8:30 a.m. + Yong Sun Kim

Thursday, March 24, 2022 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Andrew Tan

Friday, March 25, 2022

8:30 a.m. + Vitus Leung

Saturday, March 26, 2022 Multi=intention

9:00 a.m. + Norberto & Honorina Franco

Good Health and Recovery for Michael Sansaverino

4:30 p.m. + Ron Monk

Sunday, March 27, 2022

8:00 a.m. + Ernesto Rodrigues

9:30 a.m. Thanksgiving

11:00 a.m. + Celina Rabanal Canepa

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience Friday, March 25 to Sunday, March 27

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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 they saved by eaing, drinking or buying less as they rely more upon God's abundant grace.

Free Webinar **Estate Planning from a Catholic Perspective** Saturday, March 26, 2022 - 9:00.m.

Join this webinar to learn about the importance of a Will, Powers of Attorney & Estate Planning as well as Catholic teachings and traditions around cremation. The Archdiocese of Toronto estate planning team & Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services will share:

- How to protect your loved ones with a proper Will
- How to ensure that your wishes are legally protected
- Powers of Attorney\Estate Trustee selection
- Finding lawyers and estate panning advisors
- Catholic traditions around will, cremation, burial and funeral.

To register, send an email to: development@archtoronto.org

LENTEN RETREAT WITH CARDINAL COLLINS **Saturday, March 26 -- 9:00 a.m.**

The Newman Centre at the University of Toronto invites you to attend an in-person and/or on line event with Cardinal Collins who will speak on St. John Henry Newman as a Guide to Modern Life. Registration required. For more information, contact Lenita at:

lenita.lopes@newmantoronto.com

Cost for Retreat is \$30.



MONDAY TO FRIDAY CHURCH WILL OPEN 30 MINUTES PRIOR

MASS AT 8:30 A.M.

SATURDAY

CHURCH WILL OPEN 30 MINUTES PRIOR

MASS AT 9:00 A.M.

EVERY FRIDAY

MASS AT 8:30 A.M

ADORATION AND BENEDICTION 9:00 TO 10:00 A.M.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS 7:00 P.M.

WEEKEND MASSES

SATURDAY VIGIL 4:30 P.M.

SUNDAY MORNING 8:00 A.M., 9:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

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