

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.* Jeremy Ling Hong Zou – *Seminarian* 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 - Marie Barry 647-351-3788 askmarieb@yahoo.ca **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

Address

<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

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE PROPHET ISAIAH shares with us a vision of people of "all nations and tongues" coming to the Lord. Jesus also speaks of people coming from "east and west, from north and south," to feast in God's kingdom. Paradoxically, though, Jesus first speaks about "the narrow door." How can the way to God be both narrow and wide?

Perhaps it is narrow in the sense that we cannot merit it through some special status, like race, religion or class. We cannot earn it by performing correct rituals, saying the right prayers, following the rules. If we rely on our own merit or status, the way to God seems impossibly narrow.

We don't merit or earn God's love, mercy and grace: they are freely given. Our call is to receive and respond. Luke's Gospel shows us many unlikely people who are God's chosen. God's beloved: the young Mary, her cousin Elizabeth, the shepherds, fishermen, the woman who anointed Jesus' feet, the Samaritan leper, Zacchaeus the tax collector. God's love is widely available, and those who know they have received this gift want to live it and share it with others.

This is our call as disciples; this is what we celebrate in the Eucharist. As God's beloved, we trust that salvation is in loving God and one another. (Reflection of Dinah Simmons of Living with Christ)

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy of the Word is a program for **children aged 3-7** which features prayers and the Gospel reading tailored for young children's understanding and attention.

We will begin the program on **Sunday, September 18, 2022 at the 9:30am Mass**. The program's aim is to make the Liturgy of the Word accessible to young children and make their experience of the Mass as meaningful and understandable as possible. Children will be invited to the Parish Hall during the beginning of Mass and will return at the Prayers of the Faithful.

This year, we shall be combining Children's Liturgy with the previous Little Lambs program as a single program for all children to enjoy and grow.

At this time, we would kindly ask any interested parents or guardians to complete the online registration form at the following link: https://forms.gle/qtbEuJsjqyKFhmgC7



Monday, Aug	ust 22, 2022
	+ Joe Kennedy
Tuesday, Aug	ust 23, 2022 Multi-intention
8:30 a.m.	+ Kisung Augustin Kim
	+ Adolf Rygiel
	Blessings for Maureen & Patrick Callan's 50 th
	Wedding Anniversary
Wednesday, A	August 24, 2022
8:30 a.m.	+ Maria & Bernardo Pader
Thursday, Au	gust 25, 2022 Multi-intention
8:30 a.m.	+ Eladia Manosa
	+ Consolacion Casaldan
Friday, Augu	st 26, 2022
8:30 a.m.	Blessings for Jeremy Zou
Saturday, Au	gust 27, 2022 Multi-intention
9:00 a.m.	For our Holy Father Pope Francis
4:30 p.m.	+ Ramon Pitchot
Sunday, Augu	ıst 28, 2022
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8:00 a.m.In Thanksgiving for Health & Recover9:30 a.m.+ G. D'Angela11:00 a.m.+ Eliba Gracie La Moreno

For those who may be discerning the Catholic faith, and perhaps wishing to learn more about the process, please note that there will be an information session following the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, September 11th, at 12:00 Noon in the parish hall. Sr. Eva Janning and Msgr. Pat will be on hand to welcome you and to answer questions about the coming fall course (which begins on Wednesday, September 21st).

Vocations

The Lord is calling people from the East and West and from North and South as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers. Are you one of them? If God is calling you contact **Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997** Email vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

Dear Parishioners:

I thank you for your warm support of our former seminarian-intern, Jeremy Zou, who is returning to St. Augustine's Seminary to continue his formation for the priesthood. He returns knowing of your prayers and gratitude for his ministry with us this past year. I truly enjoyed having Jeremy with us; his presence was indeed a special blessing for the parish.

I am also happy to inform and announce that His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins, in consultation with St. Augustine's Seminary, has approved a new seminarianintern for our parish for the coming year. His name is Alvin Thevalakkara Joys. His appointment will commence on September 13th, and I look forward to welcoming him. He will be introduced to the parish on the weekend of September 18th. I must say I am already intrigued by the last name of our new seminarian ("Joys"); I have a feeling that says it all!

This summer we have been pleased to host a seminarian resident at the parish (Alphonse Choi); he has been working at the Archdiocese of Toronto and we were asked to provide a home for him while he worked there. As you know, in the brief time he has been with us, he has chosen to assist us on weekends at the parish, as well as weekday morning Mass. Despite his not being full-time in parish ministry, he has made a great impression in the short time he has been with us. He returns to the seminary on August 28th (same day as Jeremy).

God has gifted our parish with wonderful seminarians the past few years, and I am deeply grateful to all of you for the support and encouragement you provide to them, by way of your prayers, hospitality and feedback in all their ministry. This is a very important role for the community as we help in the formation process for those who are discerning the priesthood. Thank you so much for your role in helping St. Augustine's Seminary as well,

Please continue to pray for all vocations in the Church.

God Bless. Msgr. Pat

Notice

We will resume regular bulletins on Sunday, Sept. 4th. Kindly note parishioners will continue to receive the weekly FLOCK NOTE on their emails for regular updates and any special events.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON PROPOSED TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATIONS PLAN FOR TORONTO REFUGEES

The city of Toronto has entered into an agreement to use 3 Park Home Ave (site of Novotel) to expand the number of new spaces available for refugee claimants arriving in Toronto in need of temporary accommodations. The potential opening date is September 1, 2022 (for families and individuals). The proposed program at 3 Park Home will provide safe shelter, as well as wrap around supports aimed at helping refugees and refugee claimants find and secure permanent housing and build connections in the community. The supports will be based on individual needs, and may include help with the settlement process and case coordination with legal services, employment and education support, and referrals to healthcare and other community services. Recreation programs will be developed at the site to engage clients and youth.

Community engagement will begin prior to the service opening and will continue after it opens, to support a smooth transition. This will include community meetings (some have already occurred) with resident associations, businesses and local community organizations to address questions, share information and discuss and solve community concerns together. Some will be joining particular faith communities. More details to follow.

To learn more, visit: toronto.ca/3ParkHome General Inquiries: ssha.homeless@toronto.ca

2nd Sunday of the Month – Sept. 11th

Casseroles for Good Shepherd Ministries Non-Perishable Food Items for North York Food Bank

ST. EDWARD'S 55+ SENIORS GROUP

Greetings parishioners: - our seniors group will be returning to regular weekly meetings on Wednesday, September 7th in the parish hall at 1:00 pm. This first meeting will also welcome all knitters, crocheters and anyone wishing to learn and support our charities. Come out at 11:30 am on September 7th, before the regular meeting. We look forward to welcoming you all back. For more information, please contact: Marie Heard 416-222-5139 or Lorena Chioran 416-398-0973.



