

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.

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.* Alvin Thevalakkara Joys – *Seminarian* Josie Paladino - Secretary Jeswyn Devas - Secretary Gerry Robin - Accountant Aldrin Fernandes - Custodian

Liturgical Ministries **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 - Mike Mastromatteo mikejmastro@gmail.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 Phone

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2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

IN TODAY'S GOSPEL we hear these familiar words from John the Baptist: "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" During each Eucharistic celebration we hear these words and then repeat them three times – personalizing, affirming and professing – "Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world." The triple repetition of these words is purposeful: for the emphasis, following long-standing tradition and the spiritual significance of the number three.

Can we truly believe this? Did Jesus take away the sin of the world? John the Baptist knew Jesus, and his testimony and his experience convince his listeners, including us today, that it is indeed true.

The power of such an act – taking away the sin of the world – is quite beyond comprehension. As believers we have faith that this is true. Jesus' sacrifice was for the world and for each one of us. With this knowledge of our forgiveness, we can also believe Isaiah – that the Lord formed each on of us from the womb – and pray with St. Paul that the peace of Christ can be ours. Is it any wonder that the psalmist expressed such joy in the "glad news" and such willingness to do God's will? Let us show and tell our gratitude for this good news.

(Reflection of Jeanne Lambert of Living with Christ)

Senior Residence Masses in January 2023

Del Manor – Wednesday, January 18th – 10:30 am

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Please remember the poor and needy with contributions to the St. Vincent de Paul <u>Poor Box</u> located in the church lobby each and every weekend. This parish has always been very generous in their efforts to support the poor and needy and we are all indeed grateful!

EXERCISE PROGRAM

Better Living Health Exercise Program resumed Friday, January 13th in the church hall at 12:15 to 1:00 pm. Preregistration is required, forms are available on line at MAzad@betterlivinghealth.org. Free of charge to those 65 +, masks are still required and all require proof of 2 doses of COVID 19 vaccinations.

Previous participants do not need to register again just provide your name for the list. Pre-assessment is done by calling 416-222-2241 ext. 6444 prior to starting the program. Questions, call the above number or Marie at 416-222-5139.



<u>Monday, January 16, 2023</u> 8:30 a.m. + Mr. Spano

Tuesday, January 17, 2023 Multi-intention8:30 a.m.Special Intention of the Blackier Family

Wednesday, January 18, 20238:30 a.m.Special Intention for Sr. Theresina

Thursday, January 19, 2023 Multi-intention8:30 a.m.+ John Walsh

Friday, January 20, 2023 8:30 a.m. + Raymond Tellis

Saturday, January 21, 2023 Multi-intention			
9:00 a.m.	Special Intention for Veronica Yuen + Catherine Bhopa		

4:30 p.m. + James Hutchinson

Sunday, January 22, 2023

8:00 a.m.	+ Paddy & Queenie Monaghan
9:30 a.m.	+ Vincenzo & Anna Saracino
11:00 a.m.	Protection of the Unborn Children



OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2023

Those who have not yet picked up the offertory envelopes for 2023, please do so in order that you can start using them in January. They are available in the lobby. The boxes are in alphabetical order. If there is a change of address or you no longer plan on using them, please contact the Parish office.

2022 DONATION TAX RECEIPTS

Later in January, we will be preparing and mailing the 2022 donation tax receipts. Please notify the parish office if your mailing address information has changed. Thank you.

PERPETUAL MASS CARDS

Perpetual Mass cards are available through the parish office. The suggested donation for a hard cover is \$25 and for a soft cover \$15.

GOOD SHEPHERD MINISTRIES

A reminder that the casseroles for Good Shepherd Ministries are due the 2^{nd} weekend of the month. Thank you for providing a hot nourishing meal for the homeless people at Good Shepherd Centre.

<u>Celebration of Marriage Mass with Bishop Nguyen</u> Sunday, February 12 – 2:30 p.m. EST

St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, 65 Bond St., Toronto

As part of Marriage Sunday 2023 celebrations, Bishop Vincent Nguyen will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, especially those celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries (25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+) in 2023. All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their vows and milestone anniversary celebrants will be honoured with a special blessing. The Mass is open to all, but due to space restrictions those wishing to attend are asked to register online. Milestone anniversary celebrants will be assured of reserved seating. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream:

https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/

The broadcast will begin at 2:15 p.m. Please visit <u>www.archtoronto.org/marriage</u> to register and to access resources for parishes & couples.

TCDSB KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION Wednesday, January 25, 2022 – 10 a.m. EST

Kindergarten in the Toronto Catholic District School Board provides children with a variety of learning experiences in a caring, faith-based environment. Students develop a positive attitude about themselves and others, become more independent and responsible, develop self-regulation skills and appropriate social skills and solve problems. TCDSB looks forward to welcoming new students for the 2023-2024 school year. Children born in 2019 are eligible to attend Junior Kindergarten in September 2023.

REGISTRATION: SOAR.tcdsb.org For more information: www.tcdsb.org/kindergartenregistration

YOUTH MINISTRY

The **EDGE** Program is returning to St. Edward the Confessor Parish in February; to be held on Friday nights. More details will be made available at Mass next weekend and in the parish bulletins. Please pray for all the young people of our parish and for the youth leaders, and seminarian-intern, Alvin Joys, who will be helping to coordinate the new program.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE GENERAL MEETING

All women of the parish are invited to the CWL General Meeting on Tuesday January 17th, beginning with Mass at 7:00 pm followed by the meeting in the hall. Refreshments will be available. Come join us and feel free to bring a friend!

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service 2023

Join His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for the Church at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church (73 Simcoe St. at King St. W. in Toronto) on **Sunday January 22, 2023, at 4 p.m**. This event is jointly organized by the Office for Promoting Christian Unity and the Greater Toronto Area Council of Christian Churches.

Ukrainian Christmas Concert

Sunday January 22 – 2:15 p.m. EST St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, 65 Bond St., Toronto

Vesnivka Choir dedicates this Christmas concert to Ukrainian refugees who will be celebrating their first Christmas in Toronto and the GTA. Featuring Ukrainian Bandurist Chorus of North America. Special guest St. Michael's Choir School. Admission is free, but donations are welcome.

REGISTER: UkrainianChristmasConcert.eventbrite.ca **WEBSITE:** http://www.vesnivka.com/

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CATHOLIC NURSES CANADA (NACN-CANADA)

Our goal is to align professional practice with faith through prayer, fellowship, mentoring, access to resources regarding ethical issues and participation in public discourse. On first Fridays at 3 p.m., pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy with us using the link on our website. Join us for announcements regarding other events, both virtual and in-person.

CONTACT: NACN-Canada PO Box 19525, Manulife PO, 55 Bloor St. W., Toronto, ON M4W 3T9.

EMAIL: nacncanada.boardcontact@gmail.com **WEB:** https://catholicnurses.ca/

VOCATIONS

"On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary His mother; and they knelt down and paid Him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ's name? If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister contact **Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.**

Email vocations@archtoronto.org



