



# 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*

## **Parish Ministries**

**55+ CLUB** - 416-222-5139

**CATECHISM COURSE(S)** - Msgr. Pat O’Dea

**CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE** - Marie Barry  
askmarieb@yahoo.ca 647-351-3788

**GOOD SHEPHERD** - Margaret Hawkins

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** - Mike Mastromatteo  
mikejmastro@gmail.com

**SOCIAL COMMITTEE** - Monica Figueredo & Marie Barry

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL** - 437-388-4960

**YOUTH MINISTRY** - Keith Villanueva  
stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com

## **Liturgical Ministries**

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**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

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**LECTORS**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTRY TO THE SICK**

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## **Parish Schools**

St. Edward

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## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



### Monday, February 27, 2023

8:30 a.m. + Enrico & Pina Napoli

### Tuesday, February 28, 2023 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Edward's

### Wednesday, March 1, 2023

8:30 a.m. For Our Holy Father Pope Francis

### Thursday, March 2, 2023 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. Special Intention of Andrew Kim  
Birthday Wishes for Sonny & Winnie Lo

### Friday, March 3, 2023

8:30 a.m. + Adolf Rygiel

### Saturday, March 4, 2023 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. Special Intention of Elisa Rubio Rujano

4:30 p.m. + Kathleen & Benny McNamee

### Sunday, March 5, 2023

8:00 a.m. Deceased Members of Grech & Catania Families

9:30 a.m. + Onorio Carlesimo

11:00 a.m. + Maria Anna Forcellese

## YOUTH MINISTRY

The St. Edward Youth Ministry for youth grades 6 to 8 – the **EDGE** Program – started on **Friday, February 10, 2023**, and 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 every Friday from 7 pm to 9 pm. Please see one of the youth volunteers at the end of mass for more information about how to register. If you have any questions, feel free to email us at [stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com](mailto:stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com). We look forward to seeing you there!

### **Annual Mass of St. Patrick Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup> – 10:00 a.m.**

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

The annual Mass of St. Patrick at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica in Toronto will take place on **Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.** Cardinal Thomas Collins will preside.

You may also participate in the celebration via livestream at: [www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live](http://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live).

## **Bible Course – The Catholic Epistles**

Most of the letters in the New Testament are addressed to particular communities, but some of them are addressed to the Church universal. For that reason, these letters are known as the "Catholic Epistles."

Father David Warren is offering a six-part series on the Catholic Epistles. The series will begin on Monday, February 27. We will meet on *Zoom* from 9:45 to 11:00 a.m.

If you haven't already signed up for Father Dave's Bible Study Group, you can sign up on the parish website. Just look under the heading *Latest News* → *All News*.

## **Pope Francis Appoints New Archbishop for Toronto**

Pope Francis has appointed Bishop Francis (Frank) Leo, currently Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Montreal, as the 14<sup>th</sup> Archbishop of Toronto. The Archbishop-designate succeeds Cardinal Thomas Collins, who has served the Archdiocese since 2007. The new Archbishop will be installed at a ceremony at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica on the Solemnity of the Annunciation, Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. Due to space restrictions, it is anticipated that this will be an invitation-only event. Additional information will be shared in the coming days. Please continue to keep Archbishop Leo and Cardinal Collins in your prayers.

## **Building Committee**

We would like to establish a Building committee here at St. Edward the Confessor Parish. The Building committee is an advisory committee whose members have professional backgrounds such as architects, structural engineers, real estate agents, interior designers, property managers, etc. Those of you who have a background in engineering or general building construction concepts are especially encouraged to apply. If you have interest in this opportunity to serve your parish community, please email your contact details to the parish office at: [stedwardtheconfessorno@archtoronto.org](mailto:stedwardtheconfessorno@archtoronto.org)

## **Totus Tuus – Summer Camp**

Totus Tuus is a summer camp for youth entering any grade 1-12. This year St. Edward's parish is hosting it from **Sunday, July 16 - Friday, July 21**. The summer camp is led by four young-adult missionaries and allows the youth to learn about the Catholic faith in a fun, fresh, and creative environment! Announcements and registration for the camp will be released soon.

FRIDAYS IN LENT

8:30 a.m. – Morning Mass

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. – Holy Hour

7:00 p.m. – Stations of the Cross

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 themselves to one full meal and two smaller meals 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.

World Day of Prayer

Friday, March 3rd is World Day of Prayer. The World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement which brings Christians of many traditions together to observe a common day of prayer each year.

You are invited to attend the World Day of Prayer service being held at Agricola Lutheran Church, 25 Old York Mills Road, on Friday, March 3rd. Lunch will be provided at 12:00 noon, followed by the prayer service at 1:00 pm. Members of St. Edward's CWL have committed to attending and assisting in the service. We look forward to seeing you there!

EDGE

The EDGE program for **grades 6, 7, and 8** students is a weekly program where youth get to grow in faith and fellowship. It is held every Friday from 7-9 PM in the parish hall. Join us as we learn more about Catholic teachings, pray, have discussions, and play fun games! If you have any questions about the ministry, please feel free to email us at [stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com](mailto:stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com). Hope to see you there!

Turkey & Syria Earthquake – Humanitarian Relief  
**Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:**

Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website – <https://www.archtoronto.org/en/contact-us/donations/donate-pages/donate-to-turkiye-and-syria-relief/>

- By phone through the Development Office – 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to:

Name of Parish – Turkey and Syria Earthquake – Humanitarian Relief

Canadian Bishops Release Pastoral Letters to Advance the Healing Journey with Indigenous Peoples of this land

On February 8, 2023, the Bishops of Canada released a series of pastoral letters to advance the journey of healing, reconciliation and hope with Indigenous Peoples of this land. Individual letters have been prepared for First Nations, Inuit and Métis communities. In addition, the bishops have released a letter to Catholics throughout the country.

Copies of the letters can be accessed by visiting: [www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation](http://www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation)

Catholics throughout the Archdiocese are invited to reflect, learn and join in efforts to nurture and deepen our relationship with Indigenous Peoples. We pray that the letters may serve as an additional tool to guide the journey of healing, reconciliation and hope

Vocations

Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the life-commitment God has prepared for you? If God is calling you to serve Him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact **Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.**

email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

55+ Club

All men and women, 55+ and up, are welcome to join our meetings, every Wednesday, from 1 – 3 p.m. in the parish hall. New members always welcome.



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