

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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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

IN TODAY'S GOSPEL, we see grace operating in Peter's heart as he realizes Jesus is the Son of God. When we reflect on our own lives, we can certainly pinpoint such moments. Moments where God makes clear to us deep truths that we were once unable to grasp. "For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven." We must never forget that our faith is a gift; it is infused into our souls by Christ himself. It is not something we figured out on our own.

We all have loved ones who just don't seem to get it, who either don't believe or don't practice their faith, and we often ask, why? It is tempting to become frustrated with loved ones who have fallen away – to turn away from them – but see how Jesus never cuts off the disciples as they work through their difficulties and thoughts. He lovingly guides and questions them. His accompaniment opens up their hearts, allowing Peter to receive the gift of faith, proclaim Jesus as Lord, and become the foundation upon which the future Church will be built.

Never cease to pray for your loved ones; put them into the hands of our heavenly Father, so that one day Christ's true identity will be revealed to them and the faith made clear.

Reflection of Lorelei Aucherie of Living with Christ.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY 2023

We intend to commence Children's Liturgy at the 9:30am mass starting on September 17, 2023.

Children's Liturgy is focused on children between the ages of 4 to 7 who have not received their First Communion to experience the readings and Gospel using easy to understand words and facilitated discussion.

Are you interested in helping children understand the Liturgy of the Word? Children's Liturgy is looking for volunteers for teaching and youth assistants to help our Ministry. Interested parishioners can contact Martin Yeung at <u>martin.c.yeung@gmail.com</u>. Please note all volunteers will require screening.

LITTLE LAMBS MINISTRY

The Little Lambs Ministry will resume on Sunday September 17. Children ages 4 and under are welcome to join their parent/caregiver in the Little Lambs room located in the church basement during Sunday mass at 9:30 a.m. Details can be found on the church's website.

The Little Lambs Ministry is also looking for teachers! If you are age 19+ and love working with children this ministry needs you. We teach the youngest members of our community. For more information please contact Julie Tai at littlelambs.stedward@gmail.com

Mass Intentions		Aass	Intentions	R
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Monday, Augus	st 28, 2023			
8:30 a.m.	+ May Jin-Mui Xu			
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Tuesday, August 29, 2023 Multi-intention				
8:30 a.m.	+ Antonio Sabucco			
	Special intentions for Frank Leaver			
	+ Clarence Kan			
	Special intentions for Percy Bantang Antang			
Wednesday, August 30, 2023				
8:30 a.m.	Special intentions for Yong Jin Kang's			
	family			
Thursday, August 31, 2023 Multi-intention				
8:30 a.m.	+ Ramon S. Monzon			
8:50 a.m.	+ Ramon S. Monzon			
Friday, September 1, 2023				
8:30 a.m.	+ Christopher Pereira			
Saturday, September 2, 2023 Multi-intention				
9:00 a.m.	Deceased members of the Soares family			
	+ Joo Young I'll (Veronica)			
4:30 p.m.	+ Vincenzo & Anna Saracino			
Sunday, September 3, 2023				
8:00 a.m.	100 th birthday wishes for Sr. A.T. Sheehan			
9:30 a.m.	+ Siu Wah Tam			
11.00				

11:00 a.m. Good health for Ana Davild



A FOR THOSE WISHING TO BECOME CATHOLIC

The course for those who may be thinking of becoming a member of the Roman Catholic Church will begin in late September.

If you are interested in possibly joining this course, which is Called R.C.I.A. (the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults), please contact Msgr. Pat, at the parish office (pastor.stedward@rogers.com), for an interview, or if you simply have questions about the process.

GOOD SHEPHERD MINISTRIES



A reminder that the casseroles for Good Shepherd Ministries are due the second weekend of the month. Thank you for

providing a hot nourishing meal for the homeless people at Good Shepherd Centre.

NORTH YORK FOOD BANK

We collect non-perishable food items for the North York Food Bank the second weekend of the month.

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HOLY HOUR ON FIRST FRIDAYS

Every first Friday of the month, after the 8:30 a.m. daily Mass, we have Holy Hour from 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

2023 Youth Ministry "ELEVATE" Training Weekend

Our 2023 Youth Ministry "ELEVATE" Training Weekend will be held on September 16 and 17 at Nativity of Our Lord Parish (480 Rathburn Rd, Etobicoke, Ont., M9C 3S8).

Training for adults working or volunteering in parish youth ministry will be on Saturday, September 16 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at a cost of \$50 per participant, which includes refreshments and lunch.

The training on Sunday, September 17 will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. for high school students assisting in working with younger youth in the parish at a cost of \$15 per participant for the day and includes lunch.

Those interested in getting further details, promotional content or registration information can contact the Office of Catholic Youth at youth@ocytoronto.org or call 416-599-7676.

CONTACT: Office of Catholic Youth EMAIL: youth@ocytoronto.org

<u>The 109th World Day of Migrants and Refugees –</u> Sunday, September 24

The theme announced by His Holiness Pope Francis for the 109th World Day of Migrants and Refugees is "Free to Choose Whether to Migrate or to Stay." In his message, Pope Francis acknowledges that while the decision to migrate should always be free, in many cases it is not. This point was reflected by St. John Paul II in his message for the 90th World Day of Migrants & Refugees, in which he wrote, "building conditions of peace means in practice being seriously committed to safeguarding first of all the right not to emigrate, that is, the right to live in peace and dignity in one's own country." As he concluded his message, Pope Francis referenced the words of the Lord when He said "... I was a stranger, and you welcomed me" reminding us that the Lord's words are a "constant admonition to see in the migrant not simply a brother or sister in difficulty, but Christ himself, who knocks at our door."

SENIOR RESIDENCE MASSES – SEPTEMBER

Friday 8^{th} – Canterbury Place – 10:30 a.m. Wednesday 20^{th} – Del Manor – 10:30 a.m. Monday 18^{th} – AMICA – 10:30 a.m.

The Joy of the Gospel

"Gospel" comes from two Old English words "god" meaning "good" and "spell" meaning "news." The Gospel is Good News, but we often fail to hear the Gospel as good news.

Father David Warren is offering a six-part series on Pope Francis' letter *The Joy of the Gospel*. His series will begin on Monday, September 11. 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* and follow the link to Father Dave's Bible Study Group.

The Good News is ours to re-discover.

<u>Celebration of the Solemnity of St. Michael &</u> <u>Conferral of the Pallium upon the</u> Most Rev. Francis Leo

Friday, September 29, 2023 – 5:30 p.m. St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica

The Archdiocese of Toronto celebrates the feast day of our archdiocesan patron, St. Michael, on Friday, September 29, 2023. All are welcome to join in a special celebration on that day at 5:30 p.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St.). Archbishop Francis Leo will celebrate Mass, with music from the world-renowned St. Michael's Choir School. As part of the celebration, the Apostolic Nuncio to Canada, the Most Rev. Ivan Jurkovič will confer the pallium on our archbishop, a symbol of his role as Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto and shepherd to the faithful.

Following Mass, there will be an informal reception with light refreshments in the St. Michael's Cathedral atrium and courtyard. Seating will be first come, first served. All are welcome to join in this special celebration for our Archdiocese and Archbishop!





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