



# 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.

**Confessions:** Saturdays 3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
or 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. Teresa Morrison, CPS – *R.C.I.A.*

Matthew Tulio – *Seminarian*

Josie Paladino - *Secretary*

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## Parish Ministries

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

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

**CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE** - Marie Barry

[askmarieb@yahoo.ca](mailto:askmarieb@yahoo.ca) 647-351-3788

**GOOD SHEPHERD** - Margaret Hawkins

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** - Mike Mastromatteo

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

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

**YOUTH MINISTRY** - Keith Villanueva

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## Liturgical Ministries

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

**HOSPITALITY MINISTERS (USHERS)**

**LECTORS**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTRY TO THE SICK**

**MUSIC MINISTRY**

**CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**LITTLE LAMBS MINISTRY**

## Parish Schools

St. Edward

St. Cyril

St. Antoine Daniel

Cardinal Carter Academy for the Arts

## Address

1 Botham Rd., North York, ON M2N 2J6

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24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

THERE'S AN OLD adage, "If you don't know where you are going, any road will take you there." In today's Gospel, Jesus gives Peter (and us) clear directions and terms that He requires of us. We must forgive with our hearts.

When we have been hurt deeply, forgiveness can be daunting. Acknowledging all the emotions that come from being wounded often makes forgiveness humanly unbearable. When we realize we lack the strength to do what God is asking, we turn to Jesus.

Step 8 of the 12-Step program is "Make a list of all persons we have harmed and become willing to make amends." There is an abundance of evidence that this approach really works. Hundreds of thousands of alcoholics have recovered from a hopeless state of mind and body and found freedom from resentments by doing this step. It has a healing effect and can lead us from the seat of judgment to the throne of mercy.

God calls us to Himself through many situations. Our struggle to forgive is in our human nature. Surrender leads us to the abundant transforming grace that He offers us through the Holy Spirit. We receive this powerful gift in the Eucharist, His Body and Blood. The rocky and narrow road to Good Friday leads us on to Easter Sunday!

*(Reflection of Denis Grady 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 [martin.c.yeung@gmail.com](mailto:martin.c.yeung@gmail.com). 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.steward@gmail.com](mailto:littlelambs.steward@gmail.com)



**Monday, September 18, 2023**

8:30 a.m. + Ramona Avancena

**Tuesday, September 19, 2023 Multi-intention**

8:30 a.m. + Patsy Zamrykut  
Good Health for John Edward Francis Abenina

**Wednesday, September 20, 2023**

8:30 a.m. Birthday Wishes for Renato Fallico

**Thursday, September 21, 2023 Multi-intention**

8:30 a.m. + Denzil Sequeira  
Wellbeing of Chan Mee Chin & Family  
+ Paul Kim  
Special Intention for Winiarczyk Family

**Friday, September 22, 2023**

8:30 a.m. + Giovanni Fossella

**Saturday, September 23, 2023 Multi-intention**

9:00 a.m. Special intentions for Mullany Family  
To Give Thanks for Elisa Rubio  
+ Roberto & Herenia Navarro  
+ Maria Elena & Maria Teresa Navarro

4:30 p.m. + Allan & Sonia Bailey

**Sunday, September 24, 2023**

8:00 a.m. Protection of the Unborn Children  
9:30 a.m. + Members of Ororio Carlesimo  
11:00 a.m. + Nelia Soare

**Banns for Ordination**

**Mr. Jeremy Ling Hong Zou** is to be ordained to the Diaconate for the **Archdiocese of Toronto** on **October 14, 2023** at **St. Agnes Kouying Tsao Parish, Markham ON**. Please remember him in your prayers. Canon Law obliges Catholics to reveal any impediment to sacred orders to the bishop or pastor.

**A MESSAGE FROM MSGR. PAT**

I wish to thank you all for your thoughts and prayers. Last week, I had not felt well and went to the hospital and it was discovered I had two blood clots in the lungs. Thankfully, I was treated immediately with blood thinners and went through a battery of other tests for two days before being discharged (I was in Niagara Hospital; as I was visiting my sister). I continue to be on medication and will have further meetings with the doctor but I am feeling much better although advised to take it a bit easier the days following. I am grateful to the wonderful care of the doctors and nurses and my family and friends who were with me, and to all of you for your prayers, best wishes and Mass intentions. I am grateful to God and to Mary, our Blessed Mother, for their divine guidance, comfort and inspiration. God bless you all!

Msgr. Pat

SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

### 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.

### Welcome

Hello, my name is Matthew Tulio and I’m the new seminarian-intern! I was born and raised in Toronto near Don Mills and Eglinton. My home parish is St. John XIII. Before entering seminary, I finished my undergraduate studies at the University of Toronto with a double major in Neuroscience and Environmental Biology and a minor in Classics. My interests include music, chess, and eating pastries. My favourite composer (as of now) is Tchaikovsky. I’m excited to journey with you all this year.

Kind regards,  
Tulio

### DISCERNING THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

If you are discerning becoming a Roman Catholic, Msgr. Pat invites you to consider attending the R.C.I.A. classes, which will start on Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> and consecutive Wednesdays. It is important, as part of the registration, to first meet with Msgr. Pat so he can explain the process and answer any questions you may have. A registration form will then be filled in. Simply contact the parish office at [pastor.stedward@rogers.com](mailto:pastor.stedward@rogers.com) or 416-221-9131.

### CWL

All women of the parish are invited to a General Meeting on Tuesday September 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in the church hall. We will have our annual potluck dinner and paper bag auction. For more information please contact Marie Barry at [askmarieb@yahoo.ca](mailto:askmarieb@yahoo.ca) or at 647-351-3788. New faces welcome, we are looking forward to seeing you! Feel free to bring a friend.

### Archbishop Leo invites you to join ShareLife’s fight against hunger

"It is heart-wrenching and unacceptable that anyone today lacks access to food which is a most basic human right," shares Archbishop Francis Leo. "Our parishioners are taking action in response to the Lord's call to feed the hungry. Since the earliest days of the Catholic community in the Archdiocese of Toronto, the faithful have cared for those in need, on the margins of society and we continue this life-giving legacy."

Please support the fight against hunger at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate) or by giving at our parish using a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for reaching out with the hands of Christ to feed the hungry.

### THE 109<sup>TH</sup> WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS & REFUGEES 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. 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.”

### CELEBRATION OF THE SOLEMNITY OF ST. MICHAEL & CONFERRAL OF THE PALLIUM UPON THE MOST REV. FRANCIS LEO

The Archdiocese of Toronto celebrates the feast day of our Archdiocesan patron, St. Michael, on Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023 - 5:30 p.m. at St. Michael’s Cathedral Basilica.

All are welcome to join in the special celebration. Archbishop Francis Leo will celebrate Mass. 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.

### 55+ Seniors

The 55+ seniors group have resumed activities on Wednesdays 1 – 3 pm. Knitters and crocheters meet 11:30 – 12:00 Noon. Join us on Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> for Sister Frances Bisland, Precious Blood Missionary Sister and on Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> for Anna Conti Hodgson – The Importance of Pre-Planning End of Life Service. All are Welcome!



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