

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.

Confessions: Saturdays 3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. or by Appointment.

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 Jeswyn Devas - Secretary

Weekday Masses

Saturday 9:00 a.m.

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m.

First Friday of the Month

Following 8:30 a.m. Mass

Adoration/Benediction

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

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - 437-388-4960

YOUTH MINISTRY -Keith Villanueva

stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com

Liturgical Ministries

ALTAR SERVERS

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

HOSPITALITY MINISTERS (USHERS)

LECTORS

EUCHARISTIC MINISTRY TO THE SICK

MUSIC MINISTRY

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

LITTLE LAMBS MINISTRY

Parish Schools	<u>Address</u>	<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

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

DO YOU REJOICE in the coming banquet that is heaven? Are you clothing your heart in a way that is pleasing to God? The parable in today's Gospel appears to offer a grim picture of our final salvation – God calls everyone, but only a few are chosen. It isn't, however, all doom and gloom. God has not abandoned us; He sent His Son to show us the way.

God reminds us that we have a choice in the matter. We can choose to reject Jesus, like the wedding guests in the parable who reject the slaves sent to gather them to the feast. We can also leave everything to chance, hoping we are good enough to make it to heaven. Or we can accept that God, who loves us more than anyone, asks us to trust in His providence and actively prepare ourselves. We can do this by following Jesus and inviting Him to transform our hearts, minds and actions.

By comparing heaven to a wedding banquet, Jesus is reminding us that the afterlife with God is a place of joy and celebration. It is a vision that should give us hope in difficult times. Despite the hardships of our daily lives, let us choose to clothe ourselves in gratitude rather than fear, knowing that God is preparing a place for us at His table. (Reflection of Garolyn Savoic of Living with Christ.)

CHILDREN'S LITURGY 2023

Held each Sunday during the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Children should attend the beginning of Mass, and then they will be called forward for a blessing and join their teachers and parents for a Liturgy of the Word in the parish hall. They will be escorted back to the church following the Gospel for the Liturgy of the Eucharist. This program is for those 4 to 7 who have not yet received their First Communion in order to experience the readings and Gospel using easy to understand words and facilitated discussion.

Children's Liturgy is looking for volunteers for teaching and youth assistants to help. Interested parishioners can contact Martin Yeung at martin.c.yeung@gmail.com. Please note all volunteers will require screening.

LITTLE LAMBS MINISTRY

The Little Lambs Ministry is for children ages 4 and under. They should attend the beginning of mass, and then they will be called forward for a blessing with the teachers, and their parents/guardians, and then proceed to the Little Lambs room located in the church basement. Parents/Guardian must accompany their children to this class. This Ministry is also looking for teachers, aged 19+. Contact Julie Tai at littlelambs.stedward@gmail.com All persons working with children will need a police screening.



Monday, October 16, 2023

8:30 a.m. Special Intention for Sr. Theresina

Tuesday, October 17, 2023 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. Deceased Members of San Yuan Family
Birthday Wishes for Rosario De Guzman

Wednesday, October 18, 2023

8:30 a.m. Deceased Members of Ruggiero Family

Thursday, October 19, 2023 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. Special Intention for Fannie Lee

+ Julia Hung

+ Pet & Aping Lanuza

Friday, October 20, 2023

8:30 a.m. + Domenico Castelli

Saturday, October 21, 2023 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. + Mo Yok Chang

In Thanksgiving – Kurian Mathew

4:30 p.m. Birthday Wishes for Andrew Wong

Sunday, October 22, 2023

8:00 a.m. + David Curtis 9:30 a.m. + Ennio Carlesimo 11:00 a.m. + Derek Abranches

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our former seminarian-intern, Jeremy Zou, ordained a deacon this weekend, Saturday, October 14, at St. Agnes Kouying Tsao Church (his home parish). He was ordained by Archbishop Francis Leo, the Archbishop of Toronto.

Deacon Jeremy has arranged to be present this Sunday, October 15th, to assist at Mass, and to greet people following each of the Sunday Masses. While he had previously planned to come another time, his schedule was freed up for him to be present with us this weekend, even if short notice. We are most delighted he wished to come back the day after his ordination, a sign of his love and support for his intern parish!

Please pray for Deacon Jeremy in the months to come as he prepares for his Ordination to the Priesthood in May 2024.

SPECIAL 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF ST. EDWARD'S SCHOOL

(and the early establishment of St. Edward's Mission Church)

St. Edward's School is celebrating its 100th Birthday. St. Edward's Church is also celebrating the 100th anniversary of the establishment of its early "mission church", established same year. We invite all parishioners to celebrate the Mass on **Saturday**, **October 21st**, at 10:30 a.m. We are honoured to have Archbishop Emeritus Cardinal Thomas Collins as our presider for this important milestone.

Kindly note: St. Edward's School will be hosting light refreshments back at the school following the Mass. Address: 1 Botham Road. If attending, and due to space limitations, kindly

RSVP https://forms.office.com/r/k4YXH6LA05

Parishioner Attendance Count

This weekend, Oct. $14^{th}/15^{th}$ and next weekend Oct. $21^{st}/22^{nd}$, we again ask for your cooperation as we conduct a Parishioner Attendance Count to help provide an accurate profile of Mass attendance in the Archdiocese. The ushers will assist in this, and it should not disrupt the Mass. Thank you

Registrations for the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation

First Communion Parent Registration Night: Tuesday, October 24th, 7:00 p.m. at Church

(Parents need to bring a copy of the child's Baptismal Certificate)

Confirmation Parent Registration Night: Thursday, October 26th, 7:00 p.m. at Church

(Parents need to bring a copy of the child's Baptismal Certificate)

Registration Forms will be provided at the meeting, following a brief talk by Msgr. Pat.

Registration Forms will NOT be provided online, as the Parent Meeting is necessary in order to review the process, discuss the materials, and assign dates.

Dates for First Communion and Confirmation will be announced at the Registration night.

Catholic Women's League

All women of the parish are invited to attend the General Meeting on Tuesday, October 17th, beginning with Mass in the church at 7:00 pm, followed by the meeting in the hall. Guest Speaker Kate O'Quinn of the Toronto Diocesan Council will speak with us about the Unity Outreach Program. Refreshments will be provided. Looking forward to seeing you there!

ALTAR SERVER AWARDS - RECIPIENTS

We are pleased to announce that six (6) servers from St. Edward's Parish have been nominated to receive the 2023 Altar Server Award medals to be presented at a special mass presided over by Bishop Robert Kasun, at St. Paul's Basilica, Toronto, on Saturday, October 28, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. Altar servers nominated from various parishes throughout the Archdiocese will also be in attendance to receive their medals.

We wish to congratulate Lucas Brunetti, Nathan Benoy, Andrew Lee, Emma Pillai, Sofia Salazar, and Sophia Travella, on their nomination and we look forward to them receiving their awards in honour of their distinguished service here at the parish. We also thank their parents and families for their support as they faithfully serve the church as altar servers.

Lay Pastoral Visitors Training

The next Lay Pastoral Visitors Training will be offered online on Thursdays, October 26, November 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. This program will prepare you to provide pastoral visits and bring Holy Communion to the sick, elderly, and homebound of our parish communities who are unable to attend Mass. New and seasoned volunteers are welcome to attend. Those who take communion to your family member are also invited to attend this online course as it will greatly enhance our understanding of our role to be a Extraordinary Minister to the sick or when we take communion to either your family member or friend.

Registrants are required to participate in all online sessions and complete pre-homework to receive full training. There is no cost to attend but register early as capacity is limited. This program is offered by the Office of Formation for Discipleship and Saint Monica Institute.

Register: https://bit.ly/LPVT-RegisterOctNov2023 **Download poster**: https://bit.ly/LPVT-PosterOctNov2023



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