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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*

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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 647-351-3788

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - 437-388-4960

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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



Monday, February 19, 2024

8:30 a.m. + Alexander Amoroso-Leacock

Tuesday, February 20, 2024 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. Birthday Wishes for Mary Leung
+ Vincenzo & Anna Saracino
Blessings for Angela Jeung
Blessings for Rosita Jean Kan

Wednesday, February 21, 2024

8:30 a.m. 102th Birthday Wishes for Maria Corso

Thursday, February 22, 2024 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Patrick Siu Hung Lo
+ Carlos Figueredo
Protection of Unborn Children

Friday, February 23, 2024

8:30 a.m. Special Intention for Peter Carvalho
9:00 a.m. Holy Hour
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, February 24, 2024 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. 80th Birthday Wishes for Bernardita Monzon
Blessings for Theresa Lee

4:30 p.m. + Bia Da Silva

Sunday, February 25, 2024

8:00 a.m. + Regina Um
9:30 a.m. + G. D'Angela
11:00 a.m. Birthday Wishes for Claire Oh

Three Week Series on Archbishop Francis Leo's Pastoral Letter

We have passed the mid-point of winter. Spring is on its way!

Spring is the season of new life and so is Lent. God calls us to life in Lent. He calls us to life in His Kingdom.

Three Wednesdays in Lent – **February 21st, February 28th, and March 6th** – Father David Warren will lead us in a reflection on life in the Kingdom. We will meet from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. in the parish hall. Our reflection will be based on the letter of Archbishop Francis Leo, *Seeking the Kingdom of God Above and Beyond All Other Things*.

You can access this letter at

<https://www.archtoronto.org/siteassets/media/archdiocese-of-toronto-main-site/files/archbishop-leo/pastoral-letter.pdf>

Welcome to all!

Notice

Parish Office closed, Monday, February 19th – Family Day

Three Contests for Youth

The Catholic Women's League is offering three contest for the youth of the parish.

The **first** is the Mary Matthews Public Speaking contest for students in **Grade 7 and 8**. You will present a short speech (3 – 5mins.) on the topic of your choice, and an impromptu speech (1min). The Public Speaking contest will be held in the parish hall on **Sunday, February 25, at 1:00 p.m.**

The **second** is The Mary Dobell Pro-Life Essay and Poetry Contest for students in **Grade 7 – 12**. Your writing will focus on the sanctity and dignity of life. Essay and poetry submissions are due on **Sunday, February 25th**.

The **third** is the Jean McCann Service Award for students which recognizes and affirms the role played in our Parishes by our confirmed Catholic youth ages 15-18. Submissions are due on **Sunday, February 25, 2024**. For more information, please visit our website under the Catholic Women's League.

NEW YOUTH MINISTRY – LIFE TEEN

The Life Teen Ministry for all high school students is officially starting this Sunday, February 18th, and to be held every Sunday, at 12:30 p.m. (following the 11:00 a.m. Mass). Join us for some games, discussions about our faith, and get to meet other teenagers.

Registration is required. Please contact our Youth Director, Keith, at stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com to register or for more details.

Come & See Discernment Weekend Retreat

The Office of Vocations will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Discernment Retreat for men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary on **Friday, March 15 at 6:30 p.m. until Sunday, March 17 at 2 p.m.** This Retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary. We encourage you to promote this event in your parishes, during your announcements as well as including this event in your respective parish bulletins, it would be greatly appreciated. Click here to download our poster that we kindly ask you to display on your respective bulletin boards. Thank you in advance for your assistance as we work together to build a culture of vocations. **Please note that registration must be done online at www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee.** For more information, please contact us at: vocations@archtoronto.org.

**COME TO CELEBRATE ST. PATRICK'S DAY &
ST. JOSEPH'S FESTIVE MEAL AND SOCIAL**

**Sunday, March 17, 2024
St. Edward's Parish Hall
3 p.m. – 6 p.m.**

Tickets: \$40 per person for Dinner
50/50 Draw – Cash Bar – Photo Booth

Tickets will be sold ONLY after the weekend Masses
Be sure to get your tickets early

Coins for Life 2024

Would you, your family and friends put aside your toonies, loonies, quarters, nickels, dimes during the next 4-6 weeks, and contribute these savings to help in the struggle to end abortion and to create a **Culture of Life in Canada**? If so coins for life boxes will be out at the back of the church this weekend. This project helps us to continue to run the National March for Life in Ottawa **on May 9, 2024**. Be sure that your small change can lead to a BIG change in our land and does help to save countless innocent lives now and in the future. God's preborn children in the womb have no voice but ours. You may even wish to make this a family, school, office project? Thank you personally for your kindness. For more information call Jenny at 416-267-7126. Volunteers are always needed!

**FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING
WEBINAR**

Saturday, February 24, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

Learn:

- **How to avoid problems:** in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- **How to create your own legacy**
- **About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals**

3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

1. scan this QR code:

2. follow this QR link:

<https://QRCO.de/WebFeb24>

3. send an email to: Development@ArchToronto.org and write "webinar February 24" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.



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 ShareLife or the St. Vincent de Paul Society who serve the poor and needy.

Lent Retreat at St. Augustine's Seminary
2661 Kingston Rd., Scarborough

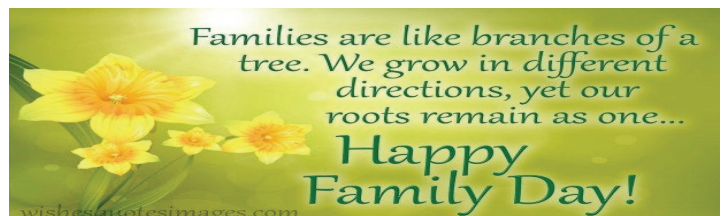
"Plan for a retreat at St. Augustine's Seminary!"

You are invited to join us on February 24th, 9 am – 4 pm for our **Spirit & Life Series Lenten Retreat** with Fr. Eric Rodrigues. The theme of the retreat will be **'The Holy of Holies,'** in which Fr. Eric will explain the various rituals and prayers of the Mass.

Please register early. Space is limited for in-person events: <https://staugustines.on.ca/events-listing/st-augustines-spirit-life-series-lenten-retreat>."

ShareLife – Parish Results

St. Edward's Parish had a record year in their ShareLife Campaign results. The parish goal was set at \$110,000, yet \$118,000 was raised. Thank you to all for your generous support of the Archdiocesan campaign and congratulations!



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