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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. Andrew Taylor – *Associate Pastor*
 Rev. Mr. David Quail – *Permanent Deacon*
 Sr. Teresa Morrison, CPS – *R.C.I.A.*
 Francesco Rampino – *Seminarian*

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Parish Ministries

55+ CLUB - 416-222-5139
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MUSIC MINISTRY
CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD
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Parish Schools

<u>Parish Schools</u>	<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

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

2nd Sunday of Advent

JOHN THE BAPTIST is a perennially challenging and important figure in salvation history. Luke's opening verse situates John's call in a context that includes some of the very men who are threatened by and opposed to both John and Jesus. In this time marked by Roman occupation and socio-economic injustice, the word of God comes to John: a prophet who prepares the way for God's impending intervention in human history.

The renewal that John proclaims has broad-ranging personal and social implications. His baptism of repentance is meant to be an outward sign of *metanoia* or conversion, a radical transformation – grounded in the experience of God's love and forgiveness – that finds expression in commitment to the common good.

As Christians, we naturally associate the new liberation from sin and suffering that John proclaims with the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. John's message - his call to repentance in the face of immanent judgment – would have been disturbing back then, but perhaps we need to hear it even more today. His ministry challenges us this Advent season to embrace the radical nature of our baptismal calling to repent and believe in the Good News – to witness to and prepare the way for the renewal of all creation that we associate with Christ's return.

(Reflection of Nick Olkovichof Living with Christ)

EDGE and Life Teen

The EDGE ministry for grades 6-8 runs every 1st and 3rd Friday of the month, from 7 – 9 pm, and Life Teen ministry for high school students runs every 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month from 7-9 PM. Join us for some fun, catechesis, and prayer! (stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com)

SHARELIFE – DOUBLE YOUR GIFT

Your love is helping put food on the table... Your gift will double in value! From November 1 until year end, your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched by an anonymous donor up to a total of \$500,000. Through your support for ShareLife and the Food Security Grants, you are ensuring that food finds its way to the tables of those who need it most.



OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE DECEMBER 12, 20024

Besides the regular 8:30 a.m. morning Mass, we shall have an evening Mass at 7 p.m., followed by a reception in the parish hall. There will be music and food. Come and celebrate this annual feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.



Monday, December 9, 2024

8:30 a.m. Special Intention for Leung & Szeto Family
7:00 p.m. Parishioners of St. Edward's

Tuesday, December 10, 2024 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Shui-Lin Wang
Special Intentions for Justin Kim
Blessings & Good Health for Dominic Gazaneo

Wednesday, December 11, 2024

8:30 a.m. + Vincenza Marrazzo

Thursday, December 12, 2024 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Juan Isidro & Hipolito Chin
+ Ching-Yock & Ho-Leung Lo
Blessings for Sr. Theresina
Thanksgiving for Geraldine Oray
7:00 p.m. Parishioners of St. Edward's

Friday, December 13, 2024

8:30 a.m. Blessings for Msgr. Pat

Saturday, December 14, 2024 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. + Shui-Lin Wang
Birthday Wishes for Irene Maranan
4:30 p.m. + Birthday Wishes for Therese Leung

Sunday, December 15, 2024

8:00 a.m. + Lefru Desamero
9:30 a.m. + Vincenzo & Anna Saracino
11:00 a.m. + Stefania Piatek & Parents



Thank you to all who helped in any way with the annual Senior's Christmas Lunch. The event was sold out. A special thanks to the members of the social committee, and volunteers from the various other organization in the parish. Msgr. Pat is particularly grateful to the students from Cardinal Carter Academy for the Arts for providing the musical and artistic entertainment, as well as Laura Lee, who performed a cultural performance on drums.

Senior Residence Masses – December 2024

Wednesday, December 18th – Del Manor – 10:30 a.m.

Monday, December 30th – AMICA – 10:30 a.m.

Parishioners are welcome to attend; check in at the Residence Reception Desk.



ST. VINCENT de PAUL ANGEL TREE

This weekend is the last chance to participate in our annual parish St. Vincent de Paul Angel Tree! The gifts you provide assist needy families in our community at Christmas. There are still a few tags left on the Angel Tree in the foyer and we request that **all gifts be brought to the church this weekend, December 7th/8th**. This will allow us the time to distribute the gifts before Christmas. Thank you for your generous support!

PARISH ADVENT MISSION

St. Edward's Parish will have an Advent Mission commencing with the Masses this weekend, December 7th and 8th. The Advent Mission will continue Monday, December 9th, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary, with an additional Mass at 7 p.m. The Advent Mission will conclude on Tuesday evening, 7 p.m., December 10th, followed by Confessions. We are pleased to inform that our Retreat Director will be Archbishop Terrence Prendergast, Bishop Emeritus of Ottawa-Cornwall. We invite all parishioners to keep these dates in mind as we plan to celebrate the Advent Mission.

**SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY
December 9, 2024**

In addition to the morning Mass, at 8:30 a.m., there will be an evening Mass at 7:00 p.m., which falls within the parish Advent Mission. His Grace, Archbishop Terrence Prendergast, retired Archbishop of Ottawa-Cornwall, will celebrate the Mass, followed by a reflection. All are welcome.

**DAY OF CONFESSIONS FOR ADVENT
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10th**

7:00 am. - 8:15 a.m.
Mass at 8:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.



**Archbishop Prendergast to offer Reflection
at: 7:00 p.m. Confessions to follow.**

Vocations

Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother, or sister to help our world of today to truly “prepare the way of the Lord”? Contact **Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.**

Email vocations@archtoronto.org



Christmas & New Year's Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve – Tuesday, December 24th

*4:30 p.m. (with Children's Christmas Pageant)
7:00 p.m. and 12:00 Midnight*

Christmas Day – Wednesday, December 25th

8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Feast of the Holy Family
Saturday, December 28th – 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 29th

8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

New Year's Eve Vigil Mass
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Tuesday, December 31st – 4:30 p.m.

New Year's Day

8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY



The Children's Christmas party will be held on Sunday, December 15, following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Doors to the hall will open at 12:00 p.m. This is open to all children and their families. No cost for the event.

55+ Club

The 55+ Seniors Group meets weekly on Wednesdays from 1 – 3 pm. and the knitters & crocheters from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm. For more information, contact Lorena Chioran at 416-398-0973.



Offertory envelopes for 2025 are available in the lobby. The boxes are in alphabetical order. Please check your name and address on the box. If there is a change of address, please contact the Parish office.

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