



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

Josie Paladino - *Secretary*  
 Jeswyn Devas - *Secretary*  
 Gerry Robin - *Accountant*  
 Clare Koo - *Custodian*

## Parish Ministries

**55+ CLUB** - 416-222-5139  
**CATECHISM COURSE(S)** - Msgr. Pat O’Dea  
**CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE** - Monica Figueredo  
 stedwardcwl@gmail.com  
**GOOD SHEPHERD** - Margaret Hawkins  
**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** - Mike Mastromatteo  
 mikejmastro@gmail.com  
**SOCIAL COMMITTEE** - Monica Figueredo  
**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL** - 437-388-4960  
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 stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com

## 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

<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
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## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



### BAPTISM OF THE LORD

GOD IS EVER-PRESENT to His people. After the Fall, He sent a line of prophets with instructions and encouragement. Every prophet was a sign pointing to the Messiah to come, preparing the people for this day. John the Baptist was the last and greatest of the prophets. Going ahead of Jesus, he preached a baptism of repentance. When people mistook John for the Messiah, in his humility he immediately corrected them. He knew the strength and ability to perform his work came from God. John sought no worldly glory and redirected any attention to God. May all Christians follow John's example of saying yes to the Holy Spirit, witnessing to Jesus and performing charitable works in His name. Let us also seek no worldly glory and direct all attention to God.

Although John recognized his own unworthiness, he obeyed Jesus in baptizing Him. In today's Gospel we see that baptism is both a gift and a special encounter with God. If you have been baptized, treasure and reflect upon this gift. If you are thinking about being baptized, do not wait! You will receive Jesus' forgiveness and the Holy Spirit, taking the place Jesus has prepared for you in the Body of Christ. Remember the way the Father looks at Jesus today. He looks at you the same way and sees His beloved child.

*(Reflection of Connor Brownrigg of Living with Christ)*

### EDGE and Life Teen

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

### LITTLE LAMBS & CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Little Lambs or Children's Liturgy classes resumed last Sunday January 5, 2025.

### Senior Residence Masses – January 2025

Wednesday, January 15<sup>th</sup> – Del Manor – 10:30 a.m.  
Monday, January 27<sup>th</sup> – AMICA – 10:30 a.m.

## Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

### Monday, January 13, 2025

8:30 a.m. + Cyril Cutinha

### Tuesday, January 14, 2025 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. Blessings & Good Health for Sr. Theresina Kim  
Blessings for Gloria & Cecilia Kan  
Blessings for Jeong-Hee Kim

### Wednesday, January 15, 2025

8:30 a.m. + Dominic Castelli

### Thursday, January 16, 2025 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. In Thanksgiving – Gloria Kang  
Blessings for Magdalen Yam  
Birthday Wishes for Dominic Braimah

### Friday, January 17, 2025

8:30 a.m. + Chin Fook, Takshin & Andrew Ip

### Saturday, January 18, 2025 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. + Shui-Lin Wang

4:30 p.m. + James Hutchinson

### Sunday, January 19, 2025

8:00 a.m. + Ann Gallen

9:30 a.m. The Callaghan Family

11:00 a.m. + Thomas Donaghy

### 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.

Good Shepherd Ministry is looking for volunteers to serve meals to the needy at the Good Shepherd Refuge on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday and/or 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday each month from 2 – 4 PM. If you are interested, please contact Margaret at 416-226-1449 for more details.

### PASSION PLAY

This year, St. Edward's will be putting on a "Passion Play" during Holy Week. A "Passion Play" is a sacred drama-representation of Jesus' Passion and Death. We are looking for volunteers, especially young people, who would be interested in acting, singing, playing musical instruments, or helping behind-the-scenes. High school students will be able to claim volunteer hours. Weekly rehearsals will take place on Sundays from 3:00 - 6:00 pm in the church, starting January 26<sup>th</sup>. Refreshments will be available in the hall afterwards. More information to follow. Volunteers are in the lobby after all Masses this weekend, January 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> and next weekend, January 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup>, to take names and provide more information.

- Francesco

**REMINDER**

***First Communion Classes***

First Communion Classes for those registered from the Public/Private Schools begin this weekend, Sunday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:45 a.m. in the parish hall. Parents have already received the Schedule of Classes.

***Confirmation Program***

The Confirmation Classes for those registered from the Public/Private Schools begin Thursday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. and run every Thursday night as per Schedule provided to all students and parents.

**ORDINARY JUBILEE OF THE YEAR 2025**

This year our Christmas celebrations was informed by the Jubilee Year in which Pope Francis launched and invites us to share, inspired by the theme “*Pilgrims of Hope*”. Jubilee Years ordinarily happen every twenty-five years and are meant to be a time of great spiritual renewal and reconciliation. Our Holy Father announced the Jubilee expressing his desire that “the Jubilee be a moment of genuine, personal encounter with the Lord Jesus, the “door” (cf. Jn 10:7-9) of our salvation, whom the Church is charged to proclaim always everywhere and to all as “our hope” (1 Tim 1:1).

On Christmas Eve, Pope Francis inaugurated the Jubilee Year with the official opening of the Holy Door of Saint Peter’s Basilica, continuing until January 6, 2026, with the closing of the Holy Door.

As in the past, the Archdiocese has identified holy places of worship in each of the major regions of the archdiocese to serve as pilgrimage destinations during the Jubilee Year. For the Central Region, St. Edward the Confessor Parish, North York is one of the parishes that has been selected.

To help parishes bring the Jubilee to life more concretely, you can find many of resources by visiting [www.archtoronto.org/jubilee](http://www.archtoronto.org/jubilee).

**ANGEL TREE SUPPORT**

The St. Vincent de Paul Society and Angel Tree Program will offer a report in next week’s bulletin on the progress of the financial Support at Christmas.

**St. Edward the Confessor  
Catholic Girls League**

Dear St. Edward’s Parishioners,

We are excited to announce the formation of the Catholic Girls League (CGL), for girls age 10 to 16, under the sponsorship of St. Edward’s Catholic Women’s League (CWL). The CGL is built on the Motto of: **Faith, Friendship, Fun and Formation.**

The CGL will offer young girls spiritual and social guidance, fostering an environment of active interaction, family centered activities, and skill building. Our goal is to help CGL members develop moral, spiritual and social skills they need to navigate life, enriching both their personal growth and their contributions to the community and beyond.

Parents and girls, (age 10 to 16), are invited to attend an informative meeting about the CGL on **Sunday, January 19, 2025 – 12:15 pm to 1:15 pm** in the church hall.

We look forward to this exciting journey together and ask for your prayers, support and blessings as we work to nurture the faith and formation of our young girls. For more information or questions, please email *Gene* at: [stedward75cgl@gmail.com](mailto:stedward75cgl@gmail.com)

**Three Exciting Contests for Youth in 2025**

**1. Mary Matthews Public Speaking Contest**

Eligibility: Students in Grades 7 and Grade 8  
Event Date: **Sunday, February 2, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.**  
Location: Parish Hall  
Registration Deadline: **Saturday, January 11, 2025**

**2. Mary Dobell Pro-Life Essay and Poetry Contest**

Eligibility: Students in Grades 7 – 12  
Submission Deadline: **Saturday, January 25, 2025**  
Registration Deadline: **Saturday, January 11, 2025**

**3. Jean McCann Service Award**

Eligibility: Confirmed Catholic youth ages 15–18  
Submission Deadline: **Sunday, February 22, 2025**  
Registration Deadline: **Saturday, January 11, 2025**

Sign-Up Sheet: Available on the St. Edward’s CWL Website.

Questions? Email us at [stedwardcwl@gmail.com](mailto:stedwardcwl@gmail.com)

For full details on each contest, please visit the Catholic Women’s League section on our Parish Website. We look forward to seeing the amazing contributions from our parish youth!

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