

**2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

I LOVE the exchange between Mary and Jesus at the wedding at Cana. When the wedding hosts risk the dishonour of running out of wine, Mary recognizes a human need and gently pushes her son into His calling. Jesus resists direct instruction, as most of us do when we don't feel ready.

And yet, Mary sees what Jesus needs to do before He does. Something passes between them that isn't written down in the space between Jesus saying His time has not yet come and Mary turning to the servants, saying, "Do whatever He tells you." Miracles happen when we follow Jesus.

These words are our instruction, too. Whatever we are facing, we are called to do what Jesus asks of us, according to the gifts the Spirit has given us. Our respective calls will be distinct from one another; the unity of the Church and our collective faithfulness to Jesus depends on each of us responding to our unique call.

In this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we can turn Mary's words into a prayer for the whole Christian family. Each of us – according to the gifts and charisms we have been given, in our faithful communities and our personal lives – contributes to God's ongoing work in the world. May we do what He tells us, trusting Jesus and each other.

*(Reflection of Leah Perrault of Living with Christ)*



**Monday, January 20, 2025**

8:30 a.m. + Patricia Ann Ambio

**Tuesday, January 21, 2025 Multi-intention**

8:30 a.m. Special intentions for Cecilia Kang  
Birthday wishes for Agnes Gil

**Wednesday, January 22, 2025**

8:30 a.m. + Stanley & Panzy Miranda

**Thursday, January 23, 2025 Multi-intention**

8:30 a.m. Special intentions for Joseph Callaghan

**Friday, January 24, 2025**

8:30 a.m. + Anna Tsang & Anita Ho

**Saturday, January 25, 2025 Multi-intention**

9:00 a.m. + Ilario Sestito  
+ Luisa Matamoros  
+ Anna Hanhle  
+ Fr. Herve Morrisette  
Birthday wishes for Clara Lavilla

4:30 p.m. + Amelia & Felipe Santos

**Sunday, January 26, 2025**

8:00 a.m. + Nam Chui Kim  
9:30 a.m. + Giovanni Palazzolo  
11:00 a.m. Deceased members of the Raymondo Pensiero family

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE GENERAL MEETING**

The CWL invites all women of the parish to a General Meeting on Tuesday, January 21st, beginning with Mass at 7 pm followed by the meeting in the hall. Refreshments will be available. Come learn about our good works, and join in fun and fellowship!

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE INFORMATION WEEKEND**

Members of the CWL will be available after all Masses on the weekend of January 25th-26th to greet women of the parish, sharing information about the League and answering questions. Come see how the League's pillars of Faith, Service, and Social Justice are put into action, and learn about the good works of the League at St. Edward's and beyond! Light refreshments will be available. We look forward to meeting you!

**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))

**YOUNG ADULTS SKATING EXCURSION**



The first Young Adults event of 2025 will take place on January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Young adults are invited to join the 11:00 Sunday Mass at St. Edward's, after which carpool rides will be arranged to *Hanger Skate* at 34 Hanover Rd. Skating is free, and skate rentals are available for \$5.

**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 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup>, to take names and provide more information.

- Francesco

**Senior Residence Masses – January 2025**

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



## ORDINARY JUBILEE OF THE YEAR 2025

In the Archdiocese of Toronto, the Jubilee year will be observed from December 29, 2024 – December 28, 2025. His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo has chosen St. Edward the Confessor Parish to serve as a Jubilee Pilgrimage Church to which the faithful throughout the Archdiocese can travel to pray and receive a special plenary indulgence. Ten other churches in the Archdiocese will also serve as Pilgrimage Churches, including St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, St. Paul's Basilica, and St. Mary's Church in downtown Toronto. Cardinal Leo will visit St. Edward the Confessor Church to offer a Jubilee Mass on February 25, 2025.

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).

### JUBILEE CHOIR BEING FORMED FOR THE JUBILEE MASS ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2025

His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo, Archbishop of Toronto, will be celebrating a regional Jubilee Mass at St. Edward the Confessor Church on Tuesday, February 25, at 7 p.m. This Mass is not simply a mass for our own parishioners, but priests and laity from other parishes in our pastoral region may also attend. In order to assemble a choir, Msgr. Pat has invited Daniele Colla (Maestro, Coro San Marco Choir) to conduct a special Jubilee Choir, and hold rehearsals for this special Mass. While Daniele has members of his own choir, he and Msgr. Pat would like to open it to interested singers from St. Edward's parish who might wish to join. However, all singers have to commit to attending all practices, due to a short time-frame for rehearsals. Daniele wishes to hold rehearsals on Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. at the Columbus Centre, 901 Lawrence Ave., West (at Lawrence and Dufferin St.), on the first floor Gallery Room (Parking is free after 6 pm). The final rehearsal will be held at St. Edward's Church on Monday, February 24th. For those interested, contact Daniele Colla at: [colladaniel@hotmail.com](mailto:colladaniel@hotmail.com) and indicate, if possible if you are an alto, baritone, mezzo-soprano, etc.

### 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)

## WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

January 18 to 25, 2025, marks the annual celebration of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (WPCU). This year, we commemorate the 1,700th anniversary of the first Christian Ecumenical Council in Nicaea, offering a unique opportunity to reflect on and celebrate our shared faith as expressed in the Creed established during that council. This year's theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is based on a passage from the Gospel of John: "Do you believe this?" (John 11:26).

Join Bishop John A. Boissonneau (Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto) and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for His Church on Sunday, Jan. 19, 2025, 4 p.m. at North City Church (Toronto District Christian High School, Highway 7/Kipling Ave.) 377 Woodbridge Ave., Woodbridge, L4L 2V7.

### ORDINANDI DINNER

St. Augustine's Seminary and the Serra Clubs in the Archdiocese of Toronto invite you to attend the 35th Annual Ordinandi Dinner, to be held on Tuesday, March 18, 2025, at the Pearson Convention Center, 2638 Steeles Avenue East, in Brampton (Steeles & Airport Road). Tickets are \$100 per person. Doors Open at 5:00 p.m. and the program and dinner commence at 6:15 p.m. Come and meet those to be ordained to the priesthood this coming Spring; they will speak at the Dinner, and one of the speakers is our former seminarian-intern, Alvin Joys. Tickets are limited but St. Edward's has reserved two tables. If interested in attending, please contact Msgr. Pat as soon as possible through the parish office or by email. For those unable to attend, but who may wish to donate a ticket for a student to attend, this would be most appreciated.

### HEALING AFTER ABORTION: THE SISTERS OF LIFE

Do you know someone who is carrying the grief of a past abortion? There is always hope. The pain and sorrow of abortion does not need to endure for a lifetime. We offer accompaniment and retreats to women seeking healing after abortion. A "Day of Prayer and Healing" offers the opportunity to experience the love and mercy of God and to respond to His invitation to begin the journey of healing the wound of abortion. Upcoming dates are: February 8 and April 5, 2025. For more details, locations, and confidential registration, or to talk to a Sister, please call the Sisters of Life at (416) 463-2722 or reach us by email at [toronto@sistersoflife.org](mailto:toronto@sistersoflife.org)

### MARRIAGE SUNDAY – FEBRUARY 8/9, 2025

On the second Sunday of February each year, the Archdiocese of Toronto celebrates Marriage Sunday. As part of Marriage Sunday 2025 celebrations, Bishop Ivan Camilleri will preside at a special Mass at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, February 9, 2025 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto), to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2025. All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment. Registration and other important information can be found at [www.archtoronto.org/marriage](http://www.archtoronto.org/marriage)