



# 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*

Josie Paladino - *Secretary*

Rev. Andrew Taylor – *Associate Pastor*

Jeswyn Devas - *Secretary*

Rev. Mr. David Quail – *Permanent Deacon*

Gerry Robin - *Accountant*

Sr. Teresa Morrison, CPS – *R.C.I.A.*

Clare Koo - *Custodian*

John Xerri – *Seminarian*

## Parish Ministries

**55+ CLUB** - 416-222-5139

## Liturgical Ministries

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**CATECHISM COURSE(S)** - Msgr. Pat O'Dea

**EUCARISTIC MINISTERS**

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE** - Monica Figueredo  
stedwardcwl@gmail.com

**HOSPITALITY MINISTERS (USHERS)**

**GOOD SHEPHERD** - Margaret Hawkins

**LECTORS**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** - Grand Knight, Kim Pacis  
Kim.pacis@kofc.org

**EUCARISTIC MINISTRY TO THE SICK**

**SOCIAL COMMITTEE** - Monica Figueredo

**MUSIC MINISTRY**

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL** - 437-388-4960

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**YOUTH MINISTRY** - Maribeth Go

**LITTLE LAMBS MINISTRY**

stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com

## Parish Schools

St. Edward

## Address

## Phone

St. Cyril

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416-393-5255

St. Antoine Daniel

18 Kempford Blvd., Willowdale, ON M2N 2B9

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Cardinal Carter Academy for the Arts

160 Finch Ave. W., Willowdale, ON M2N 2J2

416-393-5339

36 Greenfield Ave., Toronto, ON M2N 3C8

416-393-5556

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

IN THE FELLOWSHIP of Alcoholics Anonymous there is a declaration that states the only way to keep your sobriety is by giving it away. This is echoed in the prayer attributed to St. Francis: "It is in giving that we receive." In today's Gospel we witness the instant impact of the apostles' encounter with Jesus. Something in their hearts recognized the voice of the living God, and they left their nets immediately. Our "yes" to the Master's call releases a similar grace that floods our souls and then flows outward.

This is our casting call into the communion of saints. Pope Benedict once said the saints are our constellations. With our "yes" we are empowered to forgive, love our enemies and do good to those who hate us, following the example of our Lord and the saints. Our decision to stay the course and be fed sacramentally sustains us in tandem with the saints and the power of the Holy Spirit who intercedes for us.

There is an old adage that states, "If you don't know where you are going, any road will take you there." We know where we are going; it is by following the voice of Jesus who calls us to holiness that we will reach our final destination. Thank God we know where this road takes us: it is to eternal life.

*(Reflection of Denis Grady, OFS of Living with Christ)*

**COR PROGRAM**  
**A NEW SPIRITUAL PROGRAM FOR**  
**THE MEN OF THE PARISH**

The men of the parish are invited to attend a new spiritual program designed to assist men to grow in faith and fellowship. The program is called "COR" (from the Latin, meaning "Heart"). The meeting time is early on a Saturday morning, to allow less disruption of family life.

There is no need to sign up or to feel obligated to attend all the meetings. The program will run in the parish hall on the first and third Saturdays of the month. The next meeting is **Saturday, February 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Schedule as follows:**

- 7:00 a.m.** - Hall Doors Open;  
Gathering time for social/coffee/refreshments
- 7:30 a.m.** - Themed Talk and Spiritual Discussion
- 8:30 a.m.** - Concludes with Prayer

**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.

**Mass Intentions**  
FOR THE WEEK

**Monday, January 26, 2026**

8:30 a.m. + Ricky Chan

**Tuesday, January 27, 2026 Multi-intention**

8:30 a.m. + Ilario Sestito  
Blessings & Good Health for  
Andrew Kim  
Blessings for Jasmine Carvalho

**Wednesday, January 28, 2026**

8:30 a.m. Elizabeth Tan & Family

**Thursday, January 29, 2026 Multi-intention**

8:30 a.m. For Our Holy Father Pope Leo XIV

**Friday, January 30, 2026**

8:30 a.m. Birthday Wishes for Martina Lo

**Saturday, January 31, 2026 Multi-intention**

9:00 a.m. + Paulino & Rowena Cantos  
+Anthony Charles Peters  
Blessings for Teresa & Robert Corso  
Blessings for Charles & Eileen Yeung  
Well Being of Chan Mee Chin & Family

4:30 p.m. Living & Deceased Members of the  
Morales Family

**Sunday, February 1, 2026**

8:00 a.m. + Cesar Augusto Buenaventura  
9:30 a.m. + Mr. & Mrs. G. D'Angela  
11:00 a.m. Artur Vilhena

**MARRIAGE SUNDAY – FEBRUARY 8, 2026**

As part of Marriage Sunday 2026 celebrations, **Bishop John A. Boissonneau** will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2026. The Mass will take place at **2:30 p.m. on Sunday, February 8, 2026** at **St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto)**. All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment. All are welcome to attend.

Couples celebrating a 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or 60+ anniversary in 2026 may register for reserved seating. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via **livestream Mass**.

Registration and other important information can be found at [www.archtoronto.org/marriage](http://www.archtoronto.org/marriage)

## Come & See Weekend Discernment 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, February 27 (6:30 p.m.) until Sunday, March 1 (2 p.m.)**. This Retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary. Registration must be done online at [www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee)

For more information, email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org).

 Those who have not yet picked up the offertory envelopes for 2026 and wish to pick them up, please call the office to reserve a time to come. If you don't plan on using them, please advise the office and we can re-assign them to other parishioners. Thank you. **Note:** If you are donating through PAG (Pre-Authorized Giving) a box is still assigned to you and we ask that you pick it up.

### Coins for Life 2025

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 the weekend, February 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>. This project helps us to continue to run the National March for Life in Ottawa on **May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026**. 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, or 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 EBINAR**

**Saturday, February 7, 2026, 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 registration link:**  
<https://qrco.de/WedFeb7>
3. **send an email to:**

[Development@ArchToronto.org](mailto:Development@ArchToronto.org) and write "webinar February 7" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.



### **LENTEN SCHEDULE**

**ASH WEDNESDAY - Wednesday, February 18, 2026**

**Mass with Distribution of Ashes:**  
**8:30 a.m. 12:00 Noon 7:00 p.m.**

(Following the 12:00 Noon Mass, people are welcome into the parish hall for a cup of warm soup, courtesy of the 55+ Club.).

### **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**  
**7:30 p.m. – Mass**

### 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.

### **Catholic Girls League (CGL) Circle**

Faith, Friendship, Fun & Formation

**Thursday, January 29, 2026 | 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM**

**Speaker:** Linda Pletzer – **Public Speaking Workshop**

Girls ages 10–16 are invited to an evening of fun, faith, and reflection!

Please visit the link below for more details of the meeting and to read highlights of the previous meetings.

**Register online.**

<https://stedwardtheconfessorno.archtoronto.org/en/parish-groups/catholic-girls-league/>

**For questions, email Gene:**  
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