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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*
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Parish Ministries

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4th Sunday of Lent



“HOW DO YOU know your parents love you?” I often posed this question to families in Baptism preparation. Answers varied, including affection, words of care, material support and giving of time. Yet, all shared one characteristic – they were outward acts. In truth, we cannot “see” love, for it is a spiritual reality: it is realized by outward signs. Likewise, in the Sacraments, God uses outward signs to convey divine graces we cannot see. Among other aspects of today’s Gospel, we see that Jesus uses outward signs to display God’s presence to the blind man and surrounding witnesses.

First, Jesus mixes saliva and mud, rubs it over the man’s eyes and directs him to wash in the pool of Siloam. Afterwards, he’s healed! Similarly, in today’s first reading, God instructs Samuel to anoint David with oil; this bestows “the spirit of the Lord” upon him.

Scriptural passages like these foreshadow the gift of the Sacraments, made possible by Jesus’ saving work; and of these, the greatest is the Eucharist, Jesus’ gift of His very self. During Mass, the outward signs of bread and wine change in substance – Jesus becomes truly present! Unlike the “spiritually blind” Pharisees in today’s Gospel, let us approach Our Lord in the Eucharist with the spiritual sight of faith and allow ourselves to be transformed by His offer of grace. *(Reflection of Lee Miller of living with Christ)*

Monday, March 16, 2026

8:30 a.m. Healing for Mrs. Lam
7:00 p.m. Mission Mass

Tuesday, March 17, 2026 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Francis King
+ Patrick Jeganathan
Birthday Wishes for Hermie Marquez
Healing for Samantha Koon
7:00 p.m. Mission Mass

Wednesday, March 18, 2026

8:30 a.m. + Edwin Alvarado
7:00 p.m. Mission Mass -

Thursday, March 19, 2026 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Antonio Major
Special Intention of Barnaba Kang

Friday, March 20, 2026

8:30 a.m. + Eustice Pereira
7:30 p.m. + Aurelia Labuson

Saturday, March 21, 2026 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. Birthday wishes for Christopher Kim
+ Orlando Dela Cruz
+ Roger Schueller
Birthday Wishes for Agnes Karst
Thanksgiving Wishes
4:30 p.m. + Vincenza Ruggiero

Sunday, March 22, 2026

8:00 a.m. Special Intentions of Breda Murphy
9:30 a.m. + Onorio D’Andrea
11:00 a.m. + Tekla & Frank Ramski

**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, March 21st**

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

FRIDAYS IN LENT

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. – Holy Hour (after Morning Mass)
7:00 p.m. – Stations of the Cross
7:30 p.m. – Mass

**ANNUAL MASS OF ST. PATRICK
Tuesday, March 17th – 10:00 a.m.**

St. Michael’s Cathedral Basilica 65 Bond Street, Toronto
The annual Mass of St. Patrick from St. Michael’s Cathedral Basilica in Toronto will take place on **Tuesday, March 17th at 10:00 a.m.** **Cardinal Thomas Collins, Archbishop Emeritus of Toronto**, will be the presider and homilist. All are welcome.
Livestream available at: www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live.

Lenten weekend Retreat

Young adults are invited to register for our upcoming Lenten Weekend Retreat, which will include talks by Fr. Neil Pereira and Fr. Andrew Taylor on the subjects of forgiveness, neighbourhood, and the good Samaritan. The retreat will take place at Invermara Renewal Centre in Orillia. Carpools will be arranged. Register at <https://linktr.ee/stedward.ya>

ST. EDWARD'S PARISH PASSION PLAY

Our parish community is blessed to once again present the Passion Play, a prayerful and moving retelling of the suffering, death, and love of Our Lord. After last year's debut, this year's production has grown even more — with many dedicated volunteers working tirelessly to bring this retelling to life. We warmly invite our parish and community to come experience it!

Performance Dates:

March 29 at 2:00 PM and 7:00 PM

April 3 at 7:00 PM

There will also be opportunities for donations to support the Passion Play and future parish productions. All are welcome, please bring your friends and family!

Bible Study

“Through Death to Life”

Father Dave Warren is inviting you to accompany the Israelites on their journey as it is described in the *Book of Exodus*. We will meet on Monday mornings, continuing until March 23. We will meet from 9:15 to 10:15 in the parish hall. All are welcome!

ST. EDWARD'S LENTEN RETREAT

With Fr. Errol Fernandes SJ

March 14 – March 20

March 14 – 4:30 pm Mass

March 15 – Mass @ 8:00 am, 9:30 am, & 11:00 am

March 16 – 7 pm Mass – 1st Session –

“The Seven Last Words of Jesus”

March 17 – 7 pm Mass – 2nd Session –

“The Seven Sorrows of Mary”

March 18 – 7 pm Mass – 3rd Session –

“The Christian Ethos”

March 19 - 8:30 am Mass & Day of Reconciliation

March 20 - 7 pm Mass

7:30 pm Reflection on the Stations of the Cross

A Lenten Journey Through Music

Coro San Marco Choir & Solists

Saturday, March 21, at 6 p.m.

St. Edward the Confessor parish

75 Churchill Ave., North York

Free Will offering will be appreciated in support of the choir. There will be a half hour break between the conclusion of the 4:30 p.m. Mass and the beginning of the concert.

ShareLife Sunday

March 22, 2026

You can help men answer God's call to priesthood by supporting ShareLife. God planted the seed of a priestly vocation in Rev. Mr. Moonjun Alphonse Choi's heart as a child. He later entered St. Augustine's Seminary, where God led him through moments of joy, deep reflection, and a faith that continues to grow. His path has been one of both grace and challenge, yet he has walked forward without fear—because of you.

Your generous heart lifted the burden of financial worry, allowing Rev. Mr. Moonjun Alphonse Choi to embrace his calling fully and prepare for a life of service to the Church. God-willing, he will be ordained into priesthood this May. Because generosity to ShareLife, many more young men will have the opportunity to answer God's call.

The first ShareLife Sunday collection is next weekend, **March 22nd**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Day of Confessions



On **Thursday, March 19th**, we will celebrate the Archdiocesan Day of Confession in preparation for Easter. Msgr. Pat has set the following schedule for confession times at St. Edward's Parish (extra priests will be here to assist).

7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

**Parishioners - Sign Up
for Weekly Email Updates/Messages**

St. Edward's Parish sends out each Friday a weekly update on Mass times, coming events, and a copy of the parish bulletin, as well as any letters or reflections from the Archdiocese. This is done through a FLOCK NOTE. If you are not on our email listing, and would like to, simply leave your name and email at the parish office, in person, or by contacting the parish secretary, and we will sign you up. This is a wonderful way of ensuring you keep connected to current activities and to learn more about events to come.

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