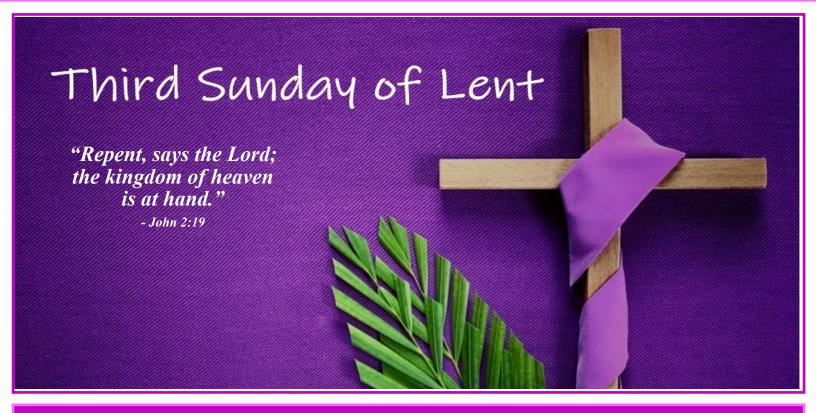
# St. Edward the Confessor

205 Jackson Avenue, Syosset, New York 11791

Growing in Faith, Love, and Christ



## Third Sunday of Lent March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025



#### THE PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. Michael T. Maffeo, Pastor Rev. Hyacinth Jemigbola, Associate Pastor Rev. Jude Mensah, in Residence Rev. Msgr. Donald McE. Beckmann, Sunday Priest Deacon James F. Murphy Deacon Barry P. Croce



#### **Parish Staff**

St. Edward the Confessor School Mrs. AnnMarie LoManto, Principal Ms. Fabiola Cormican, Secretary Ms. Luisa Ondocin, Business Manager Mr. Miguel DeLeon, Finance Director Mr. John O'Connor, Facilities Manager Mrs. Donna Zaino, Outreach Coordinator Mrs. Maryann Waite, Parish Secretary Mrs. Marjory Vital, Weekend Secretary

## Youth Council Ms. Melanie Sena, Coordinator

#### **Religious Education**

Mrs. Rosemary Pettei, Director Mrs. Maureen Carroll, Director of Confirmation Mrs. Ann Braun, Administrative Assistant

#### **Music Ministry**

Mr. Jeffrey Fox, Music Director Ms. Francesca Lunghi, Cantor Mrs. Marilyn Fox, Choir Director Mrs. Cecilia Hayden, Family Mass Choir

## Quick Guide to St. Edward's Parish

## **Telephone Numbers**

| Rectory                        | 516-921-8030 ext. 150 |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Rectory Fax                    |                       |
| St. Edward Confessor School    |                       |
| Religious Education Office     | 516-921-8543          |
| Finance Director               | 516-921-8030 ext. 132 |
| Facilities Scheduler           | 516-921-8030 ext. 135 |
| Parish Business Manager        | 516-921-8030 ext. 136 |
| Facilities Manager             |                       |
| Bereavement Ministry           | 516-921-8030 ext. 137 |
| Bulletin Editor                | 516-921-8030 ext. 137 |
| PSM/Pantry                     | 516-921-8030 ext. 140 |
| Music Ministry                 | 516-921-8030 ext. 150 |
| OCIA                           | 516-921-8030 ext. 150 |
| Society of St. Vincent de Paul |                       |

## **Rectory Hours**

The rectory will be open during the following times:

Mondays - Thursdays: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Fridays: 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Closed for Lunch M-F: 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM
Saturdays - Sundays: 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Outside of these hours, please call: 516-921-8030

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturdays - 12:30 to 1:30 PM in the Church

You may also make an appointment by calling the rectory at: 516-921-8030.

## **Protect Our Children Hotline**

If you or someone you know has experienced an incident of sexual abuse by clergy, an employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Rockville Centre, please contact law enforcement and the diocesan's Office for the Protection of Children and Young People.

The Diocese maintains a special phone number to report these situations:

Tel.: 516-594-9063

## **Next Week's Presider Schedule**

Sat., Mar. 29 5:00 PM Fr. Hyacinth

Sun., Mar. 30 7:30 AM Fr. Mike
9:30 AM Fr. Jude / Fr. Mike
11:30 AM Msgr. B. / Fr. Mike
6:00 PM Fr. Hyacinth

## **Weekly Offerings**

| Dates                  | <u>3/15 - 3/16</u> |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| Collections            | \$ 13,776.00       |
| # of Envelopes         | 224                |
| Automatic Transactions | \$ 5,210.00        |
| # of Transactions      | 58                 |
| Weekly Total           | \$ 18,986.00       |

We thank all who support our Parish!

Fr. Mike

### Websites / Social Media

Parish: www.st-edwards.org School: www.stedwardconfessor.org Religious Ed: www.saintedwardre.com Facebook: stedwardsyosset

Instagram: stedwardsyosset Formed: formed.org

#### St. Edward's Mass is Online -

The St. Edward's 7:30 AM and 11:30 AM Sunday Masses are recorded and posted online, both on YouTube and Facebook, and are available for viewing at any time.

YouTube - St. Edward the Confessor Church - Syosset

Facebook Page - St. Edward the Confessor Church

To watch the Sunday Masses on your smartphone, just scan this QR code.



## "Have mercy on me, God, in accord with your merciful love..."

#### **Mass Intentions**

3/24 - Monday of the Third Week of Lent

9:00 am Joseph Miceli

3/25 - Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord

9:00 am Patricio Baluyot

3/26 - Wednesday of the Third Week of Lent

9:00 am Rayleen Ann Nunez

3/27 - Thursday of the Third Week of Lent

9:00 am Robert C. Rodonski

3/28 - Friday of the Third Week of Lent

9:00 am Fred Miers

3/29 - Saturday of the Third Week of Lent

9:00 am People of the Parish 5:00 pm Antoinette Rizzo

Maria Minucci Mary Ellen Hickey

3/30 - Fourth Sunday of Lent

7:30 am Catherine Frake 9:30 am Robert Rodonski 11:30 am Margaret Murphy

Raymound Zabielski 6:00 pm Louise Tuscano

The church will be open daily for your own private devotions, which may include: An Act of Spiritual Communion, Praying the Rosary, or writing down your own intentions in the book found at the rear of the church.

## **Pray for the Sick**

Kathy Rooney Mary Simon Renata Sorace
Ron Gagliardi Kevin J. Frobey Ashley Benkin
Paul Cannizzaro Mary Pieper Angela Trivits

## The Altar Bread & Wine

For the week of March 23 - March 29, 2025 Is Given in Loving Memory of

> Patricia Catalano By: Fr. Mike and Staff

## The Sanctuary Candle

For the week of March 23 - March 29, 2025
Is Lit in Memory of
Catherine Frake

By: KofC Council #5091

## **Military List**

"Lord, hold our troops in your loving hand. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen"

Lt. Cmdr. Jameson Adler, U.S. Navy Cpl. Matthew V. Balestrieri, U.S. Marine Corps SPC. Ryan D. Donadio, U.S. Army National Guard Ens. Ryan Dunleavy, U.S. Navy Lt. Lauren Ehrhard, U.S. Air Force Sgt. Noah C. Estey, U.S. Marine Corps Cpl. Spencer Gliner, U.S. Marine Corps SSgt. Michael Gregory, U.S. Army Lt. Amanda Hine, U.S. Navy Sgt. Christopher Hofer, U.S. Air Force Maj. Christian Kapey, U.S. Marine Corps Sr. Airman Michael LiBretto, U.S. Air Force Pvt. Jonathan Maldonado, U.S. Army 2nd Lt. Richard Martin Prestegaard, U.S. Army Sgt. Brian H. McCabe, U.S. Army National Guard Petty Officer Sean T. Sattler, U.S. Coast Guard Lt. Brian Shields, U.S. Coast Guard SSgt. Paul Smith, U.S. Army Maj. James Tom, U.S. Army CPT. Michelle Turcios, U.S. Army

"If you know of any military personnel listed above who are no longer in the service, please call the Rectory at: 516-921-8030 to have their name removed.

Lt. Cmdr. Andrew Vann, U.S. Navy

## **Pastoral Council**

Fr. Michael T. Maffeo, Pastor Deacon James Murphy

JoAnn Bonasera John J. Cleary

Mary Fay Sr. Theresa Kelly

June DeMarco

John O'Connor Brianna Zaino

Donna Zaino

Chris Coschignano

Please feel free to contact any council member, at any time, regarding your "needs, feelings, hopes and reactions." All council members can be reached through the Rectory Office at: 516-921-8030

## From Fr. Mike's Desk

In Cecil B. DeMille's classic epic, "The Ten Commandments" one of the most memorable scenes is the one that depicts today's first reading. Now by today's standards the scene looks cheap and cartoonish, however, it is not in the depiction of the Burning Bush that captures the imagination. No, it is how Moses looks after he has his encounter with God. As we see in the film, Moses returns to his wife and Joshua with a strange look in his eyes, as if he saw something wonderful. His hair is different, and his fear is totally gone. Moses heard the voice of God who told him how he would free his people. As the film and Exodus account continues, Moses leaves for Egypt where he demands of Pharaoh that he release God's people; the rest you know!

This weekend is also the feast day of Saint Oscar Romero, who was martyred while saying Mass in 1980. When Bishop Romero was appointed the head bishop of El Salvador in 1977, many priests were disappointed. The members of oppressive government were happy because they believed Romero to be very conservative. That is why many of the priests of the country, who had taken on the plight of the poor and powerless were disappointed. St. Oscar was not one who accepted Liberation Theology, which many of the priests and people of Latin America had endorsed. The archbishop did not approve of it because at times it called for the use of violence and other methods contrary to the Gospel. Instead, Romero sided with the teaching of St. Pope Paul VI who was deeply concerned with the poor, but not to use methods, which go against the Gospel. In fact, Romero did not pressure the government to stop the violence but went against it with prayer. However, on March 12, 1977, a close friend of Romero, Fr. Rutilio Grande Garcia, SJ, who was setting up self-reliance groups among the people, was assassinated. His death had a powerful effect on Romero who then believed he had to do more and follow his friend's example. He began to defend the poor, powerless, and preached out against the violence happening on both sides, but he spoke out the loudest against the government and the death squads. He made regular radio speeches and at times, his speeches were the only true reports of what was happening in the country. Like Moses, his eyes were open, his life was transformed, and he realized that he too had to do God's will and follow Christ and the Church's option for the poor. He moves to stop the fighting and change society, and it cost him his life. However, the Gospel presented him with its light and truth, and he was more fully converted. He became more like Christ.

There is no turning back once we have heard the voice of God and have seen Christ in our brothers and sisters in need. This is what Jesus is getting at with the Parable of the Fig Tree at the end of today's Gospel. The gardener tells the landowner to be patient and hold off one more season, and he will treat the tree with loving care. If the tree does not produce fruit after that, he will remove it. We are the fig tree

and Christ is the gardener. He has called each of us to bear good fruit, to stay totally connected to the Gospel and live it out in our everyday life. He keeps feeding us with the Good News and with His Body and Blood, but if we do not respond we will have to face the consequences. However, while we are still here on this side of God's Kingdom there is always time to repent and amend our lives. Today we are given the same call that Our Lord gave the people who were listening to Him that day, repent, turn your life around, but it must be more than a desire, it must come over us like Moses and Romero. We too must have an encounter with Christ, the Father, and the Spirit. This is what this Season of Lent is all about; this is why we go through these 40 days every year. Lent reminds us of our strengths in faith and it shows us our weaknesses that we need help in overcoming.

Happy Third Week of Lent!

Fig. Mike.

## **Next Week's Readings**

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 30, 2025

First Reading - Joshua 5:9a, 10-12 Psalms - 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 Second Reading - 2 Corinthians 5:17-21 Gospel - Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

## **Next Week's Gospel Question**

In Luke's Gospel we hear how tax collectors and sinners gathered to listen to Jesus. Seeing this, the Pharisees complained saying "this man welcomes sinners and eats with them." Jesus then directs a parable to the Pharisees about a man with two sons, one of whom squanders his inheritance. With nothing left to his name, he returns to his father and is welcomed back. In a similar fashion, God will always welcome us back, even when we have strayed from our faith or sinned.

How often do you repent and ask for forgiveness?

## **Lent 2025**

## You are invited to pray with fellow parishioners on Friday evenings during Lent

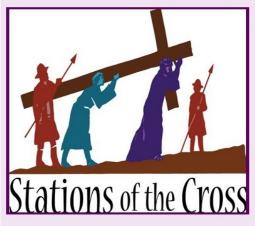
Commencing March 7<sup>th</sup> to April 13<sup>th</sup> a three-part service will be offered. You are welcome to attend from 6:30 to 8:00 pm or for any one segment.

6:30 to 7:00 - The Passion of Christ 7:00 to 7:30 - Stations of the Cross 7:30 to 8:00 - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction

## The Passion of Christ

Jesus Washing the Disciples' Feet - March 14th
The Eucharist and the Last Supper - March 21st
The Agony in the Garden - March 28th
The Scourging - April 4th
The Crucifixion - April 11th
Palm Sunday - April 13th

## **Family Stations of the Cross**



All are invited to join with us for this family friendly prayer service on Monday, April 7th at 6:30pm in the Church.

Fr. Mike will lead us as we sing and pray the Stations of the Cross. This is a wonderful Lenten prayer opportunity for all. This service will help us come to a better understanding and appreciation of the sacrifice that our Lord, Jesus made for each of us.

So, do something special with your family this Lent and come join with us for this "family friendly" Stations of the Cross.

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A Parish Family Pasta Supper will follow the Stations of the Cross in the school cafeteria.

Baked Ziti, Macaroni and Broccoli, Penne ala Vodka, Baked Macaroni and Cheese, Buttered Pasta, Italian Bread, beverages, desserts will be served.



This dinner is free of charge but donations will gratefully be accepted.

## **Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)**







- \* Do you know someone who is looking to become a Catholic?
- \* Do you know a baptized adult Catholic who has never been catechized that is, never participated in the Church or received First Holy Communion?
- \* Do you know someone who was never confirmed baptized and made First Holy Communion, but never continued learning about their faith?
- \* Do you know someone who is aching to belong to a loving church community?

Perhaps they belong in the St. Edward's RCIA process!

Contact the St. Edward's parish office and ask for an RCIA team member: 516-921-8030.

## Did You Know....?

How did the Lenten season come about?

Lent, in the Christian Church, a period of penitential preparation for Easter. In Western churches it begins on Ash Wednesday, six and a half weeks before Easter, and provides a 40-day period for fasting and abstinence (Sundays are excluded), in imitation of Jesus Christ's fasting in the wilderness before he began his public ministry. Almsgiving, the practice of giving money or food to the poor and performing other acts of charity, is also encouraged. In Eastern churches lent begins on the Monday of the seventh week before Easter and ends on the Friday that is days before Easter. This 40 day "Great Lent" includes Saturdays and Sundays as relaxed fast days. A period of preparation and fasting likely has been observed before the Easter festival since apostolic times, though the practice was not formalized until the First Council of Nicaea in 325 Ce. It was a time of preparation of candidates for baptism and a time of penance for grievous sinners who were excluded from receiving Holy Communion and were preparing for their restoration. As a sign of their penitence, they wore sackcloth and were sprinkled with ashes. This form of public penance began to die out in the 9th century. It became customary for all the faithful to be reminded of the need for penitence and of their own mortality by receiving a memento mori in the form of ashes, either sprinkled on top of worshipper's heads or marked in the shape of a cross on their foreheads, on the first day of Lent – hence the name Ash Wednesday.

## **Journey to the Foot of the Cross**

Bishop David L. Ricken of Green Bay, Wisconsin, former chairman of the Committee on Evangelization and Catechesis, offers "10 Things to Remember for Lent". The first 2 things were in last week's bulletin, and next week, 2 more.

- **3.** It's a time to fast. With the fasts of Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, meatless Fridays, and our personal disciplines interspersed, Lent is the only time many Catholics these days actually fast. And maybe that's why it gets all the attention. "What are you giving up for Lent? Hotdogs? Beer? Jelly beans?" It's almost a game for some of us, but fasting is actually a form of penance, which helps us turn away from sin and toward Christ.
- **4.** It's a time to work on discipline. The 40 days of Lent are also a good, set time to work on personal discipline in general. Instead of giving something up, it can be doing something positive. "I'm going to exercise more. I'm going to pray more. I'm going to be nicer to my family, friends and coworkers."

## From Death to New Life



## Gaspar L. Gregory Catherine T. Frake Patricia Catalano

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

## **Anointing of the Sick**

On Sunday, April 6th at 3 pm, a special Sunday Mass will be held to receive the **Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick**. If you or a loved one is sick, going in for surgery, or advanced in age and would like to receive this Sacrament please come to the Mass. The proper effects of the sacrament include a special grace of healing and comfort to the person who is suffering. Handmade prayer shawls will be blessed and are available after the Mass.

### **Bulletin Submissions**

All submissions are due to be received by the Bulletin Editor no later than noon on each Monday preceding the bulletin date. See the dates as listed below. Submissions are to be sent by e-mail to:

#### BulletinEditor@ST-EDWARDS.ORG

Submitted materials are to be in MS Word or Google Doc file format, and must be limited in size. Please do not submit material which will require a full page. If you have materials which you cannot edit or reduce in size such as PDF or image files then contact the Bulletin Editor prior to the submittal date to discuss the situation.

Please note that submitted materials do not require pre-approval by the Pastor. Materials received after the cutoff time as shown below **will not** be published in the next bulletin. **There will be no exceptions** to this procedure, so please be mindful of the submittal dates.

| <b>Bulletin Date</b>           | Submittal Date                 |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Sunday, March 30 <sup>th</sup> | Monday, March 24 <sup>th</sup> |
| Sunday, April 6 <sup>th</sup>  | Monday, March 31 <sup>at</sup> |
| Sunday, April 13 <sup>th</sup> | Monday, April 7 <sup>th</sup>  |
| Sunday, April 20 <sup>th</sup> | Monday, April 14 <sup>th</sup> |

## You Are Not Alone - Reach Out

If you are having thoughts of **suicide**, survived an attempt, know someone who did or are worried about someone who might, need a support group, or are in crisis, alone with nowhere to go, reach out.

#### Call or text 988, or text TALK to 741741.

Someone will be there for you, to listen, connect, support and guide you in a better direction.

## The Saint Joseph Prayer Group



The St. Joseph's Prayer Group meets every Thursday night at 7:30 pm in the Church. Prayer pamphlets for how to pray the Rosary and Divine Chaplet will be made available to everyone. These

powerful prayers are gifts from Heaven, and we should believe in their great promises.

## Adult Bible Study at St. Edward's

Adult Bible Study is now offered at St. Edward's every Wednesday from 7:30 PM to 8:30 PM in the Holy Family Room.

Now is the time to bring your Bible and your questions to a place where we can have meaningful discussions and where Father Hyacinth will officiate. Doors will open at 6:45 PM.

## **Prayer for Vocations**

God our Father,

We thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen



A vocation is all about love...that comes from God.

## **Parish Social Ministry**



Tel: 516-921-8030 Pantry Hours: 9:30-12:00 noon Monday-Thursday and 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month

## Our Next is our Monthly Food Collection is April 5th and 6th

#### Items Needed -

**Food:** Chef Boyardee, Rice (white, brown and flavored), Refried Beans, Canned Chicken and Parmalat Shelf Milk, Coffee, Hot Chocolate, Baked Beans, Lentils, Tea, Egg Noodles, Salad dressing, Jar Tomato Sauce, Pasta, Ketchup and Mustard

Personal Grooming: Deodorant, Baby Wipes, Razors, Toilet Paper

Cleaning Supplies: Paper Towels, Dish Soap Any kind of Cleaning Supplies

Donations can be dropped off during pantry hours or left in the vestibule inside the brown box on the left hand side.

#### Thank you for your Support!

**Note:** The Department of Social Services places individuals in our local motels (Days Inn, Comfort Inn). They provide them with limited SNAP benefits to purchase food. Often they do not have a car and will contact the pantry for food. Weekly we drop off food which includes items such as canned pasta, canned stew, canned chili, tuna and canned chicken. We provide microwaveable food and fresh produce if available. Currently we are assisting 7 adults and 2 children. I appreciate your support with such items as Chef Boyardee.



# SPECIAL INVITATION TO 5-12 GRADERS St. Edwards Youth Ministry & VISION Choir Needs YOU! GOOD FRIDAY – 2025 LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS PROGRAM

We are in need of greeters, readers, singers & actors in Grades 5-12. Join with other teens & earn **10** community service hours as we relive Jesus's journey to the cross on Good Friday!

## **Commitment:**

Wednesday, April 16th 5pm-9pm (Meet in Church)
Good Friday, April 18th 4pm-9pm (Meet in School/Performance 8:00pm Church)
Dinner & Dessert will be provided both nights!

Use the Link to Sign Up:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1x4CTcwLd8YEd9Mm8t2s-bl88eoWrzUhXA133Eh7AvVO/edit?pli=1

Please contact <a href="mailto:youth@st-edwards.org">youth@st-edwards.org</a> with any questions.

## Knights of Columbus



#### Men with a Mission

A Catholic Brotherhood Changing the World



Pope John Paul II referred to the Knights of Columbus as the "strong right arm of the Church". Our mission is simple. Whether it is the pastor, a bishop or the pope who needs our help, the Knights respond. We do this because we are first and foremost men who love our church.

Show up. Set your own schedule. Be an example of what a Catholic man is supposed to be!

Contact: Russell Kendall, Grand Knight

Email: RussellDD12@gmail.com

The KofC Council #5091 has faithfully served the St. Edward's Parish since March 14, 1961

## The St. Edward's Women's Guild

We meet on the 3rd Tuesday of the month in the Holy Family Room at 6:30 pm, and we have many things planned for 2025. Anyone that is interested in joining please just show up or call for more information.

Mary Fay - 516-364-2601 or Ciel Hayden - 516-457-4697

## The 2025 Lucky Leprechaun was a Great Success

#### Our Lucky Winners (in no particular order):

Diane Strong \* Diana Cusa \* Claire Crossley

Dilena Family \* Jack & Mary Young \* Bruce Weston

Hajok Family \* Volpe Family \* Dan Hanwacker

Sue Schwartz \* Evans Family

Luisa Ondocin \* John O'Connor \* Fr. Mike \* Pam Sanders

Eileen Murray \* Greg Heinemann



Fr. Mike called the numbers in the presence of a few Leprechauns:

Deacon Jim, Christina Tymann, Susan & Glenn Tyranski, Fran & Leo Scally, Donna & Brian Zaino, Allison Morris, Pam Sanders, Laura Krieg, Miguel DeLeon, Maryann Waite, John O'Connor & Luisa Ondocin

We thank you, the St. Edward School and Parish Community, for your overwhelming support for this important fundraiser.



# Our Journey Home

March 24, 2025

7:30 pm

A time of meditation, song, readings, and prayer Please join us

## St. Vincent de Paul

In today's Gospel the prodigal son repents and finds mercy in the heart of his father. Know that your penance during Lent can give the poor the grace of finding the merciful heart of God the Father.

Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; far greater than you think. Know that your nickel, dime or quarter is multiplied by the coins place by others in the Poor Box.

If you would like to help us help our neighbors in need, please send a check made out to "St. Vincent de Paul St. Edward's Conference" to the rectory office. Thank you!

St. Vincent de Paul provides services on a confidential basis. We can help with:

- ♦ Food Assistance
- Clothing
- Furniture Referrals to SVdP Furniture Store
- Limited Emergency Financial Assistance/past due bills
- ♦ Social Services Referrals
- Referrals for Informal Counseling
- Home Visitation to better understand the people we serve

"Help should be given in such a way that the recipients may gradually be freed from dependence on others and become self-sufficient"

If you are in need of any of the above, please contact us at (516) 218-7837, or By email at svdpsteds@gmail.com

## St. Edward the Confessor - Youth Ministry



YOUTH in GRADES 5-12 are invited to share their time, GIFTS & TALENTS as part of the SEC Youth Ministry by participating at the 6:00PM Sunday Mass and at our monthly meetings/community service events. Meet new FRIENDS and earn COMMUNITY SERVICE CREDITS for participation while helping the community.

## YOUTH GROUP APRIL 2025 EVENTS:

Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup> -FELLOWSHIP - COOKIES/TREATS provided at end of 6PM Mass by YG
LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS/GOOD FRIDAY PROGRAM 4/18 8:00PM

TEENS GRADES 5-12 ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MOVING REENACTMENT OF JESUS'S JOURNEY TO THE CROSS ON GOOD FRIDAY. 10 COMMUNITY SERVICE CREDITS WILL BE EARNED FOR FULL PARTICIPATION ON THE FOLLOWING DATES & DINNER SERVED:

- WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16TH 5:00PM-9:00PM –MEET IN CHURCH VESTIBULE
- GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18TH, 4:00PM-9:00PM MEET IN SEC SCHOOL CAFETERIA

\*\*\*SEE SEPARATE BULLETIN PAGE WITH MORE INFORMATION & THE LINK TO JOIN\*\*\*

ALL ARE WELCOME TO EXPERIENCE THE LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS PRESENTED BY OUR YOUTH ON GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18TH at 8:00PM IN THE CHURCH-PLEASE JOIN US

<u>VISION TEEN CHOIR NEWS – SINGERS NEEDED</u> Contact: msena@st-edwards.org

TEENS GRADES 5-12 WE NEED YOUR **VOICES** FOR THE **VISION TEEN CHOIR** AT SUNDAY 6PM MASS/PRACTICE 5PM) & GOOD FRIDAY PROGRAM 4/18 AT 8PM.

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## 2025 REGISTRATION & PARTICIPATION:

| There are many ways to get involved at the Sunday 6PM Mass-Indicate your INTERESTS:    |
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| SING:VISION TEEN CHOIR_LECTOR _ GREET_ COLLECT OFFERING_                               |
| BRING UP GIFTSALTAR SERVE ADULT VOLUNTEERYG/ COMMUNITY SERVICE                         |
| YOUTH NAME & GRADE:  |
| PARENT NAME & EMAIL & PHONE #:   |
| Return the completed form by email to: youth@st-edwards.org or register before or afte |

the 6PM Mass on Sundays at the Youth Group Table in the Vestibule of the Church.



## Vacation Bible Camp 2025

Summer Fun Camp for children entering Nursery through Gr.6 in September.

4 mornings of Bible stories, playtime, music, snacks, gym time, arts and crafts and fun!

Mon., June 30th through Thursday., July 3rd 4 Mornings from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm Tuition for 4 mornings is \$100/child. Three children or more is \$250/family

All Campers will receive Camp T- Shirt, daily snack & music CD.

Camp Shirt sizes are Youth S, M, L, XL& Adult S, M, L XL.

If interested in registering for VBC Camp, you now have the option to register and pay online on our website. The link is: www.saintedwardre.com/vacation-bible-camp-2025/

<u>OR</u> you can complete the form and return it to the Religious Education Office, School Office or Rectory with fee.

Make check payable to St. Edward Church. If you want to pay by credit card or need additional info, call 516-921-8543.

516-921-8543 or email abraun@st-edwards.org.

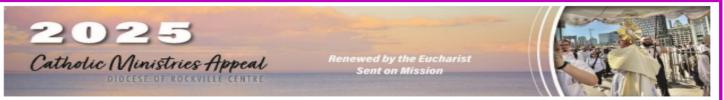


Students entering Gr. 7 and up in Sept. can volunteer as assistant counselors. 7th and 8th graders can get Confirmation service hours. Please call the Office at

| ><<br>Name (Parent)   |                 |            |
|-----------------------|-----------------|------------|
| Address               |                 |            |
| Home Phone Cell Phone | e               |            |
| Email Address         |                 |            |
| Emergency ContactCe   |                 |            |
| Name of Child         | _ Grade in Sept | Shirt Size |
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## The St. Edward's Women's Guild - FUNdraiser





#### Dear Friends:

In announcing the Jubilee Year, Pope Francis asked us to celebrate, "with deep faith, lively hope and active charity." During this most holy season of Lent, let us be reminded that we are called to discover hope in current times and to be the instruments of hope for others.

One tangible way to accomplish this is by giving to the Catholic Ministries Appeal. Through our shared support of our pastoral, educational and charitable ministries, we are assisting those most in need and spreading the message of hope in the Lord.

Your gifts to the Appeal support the education of our seminarians and priests who are dedicating their lives to serving Christ and His Church; assist college students and our young people to grow in their faith and relationship with the Lord; and ensure that vital resources are made available for children and families through Catholic Charities, Respect Life, and our Parish Outreach programs.

During this time of Jubilee in the life of our Church, I ask you to consider contributing to the 2025 Catholic Ministries Appeal so that we can enrich the lives of others and that the hope of Christ may abound more fruitfully throughout our diocese.

Thank you for your support and prayers.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend John O. Barres Bishop of Rockville Centre

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