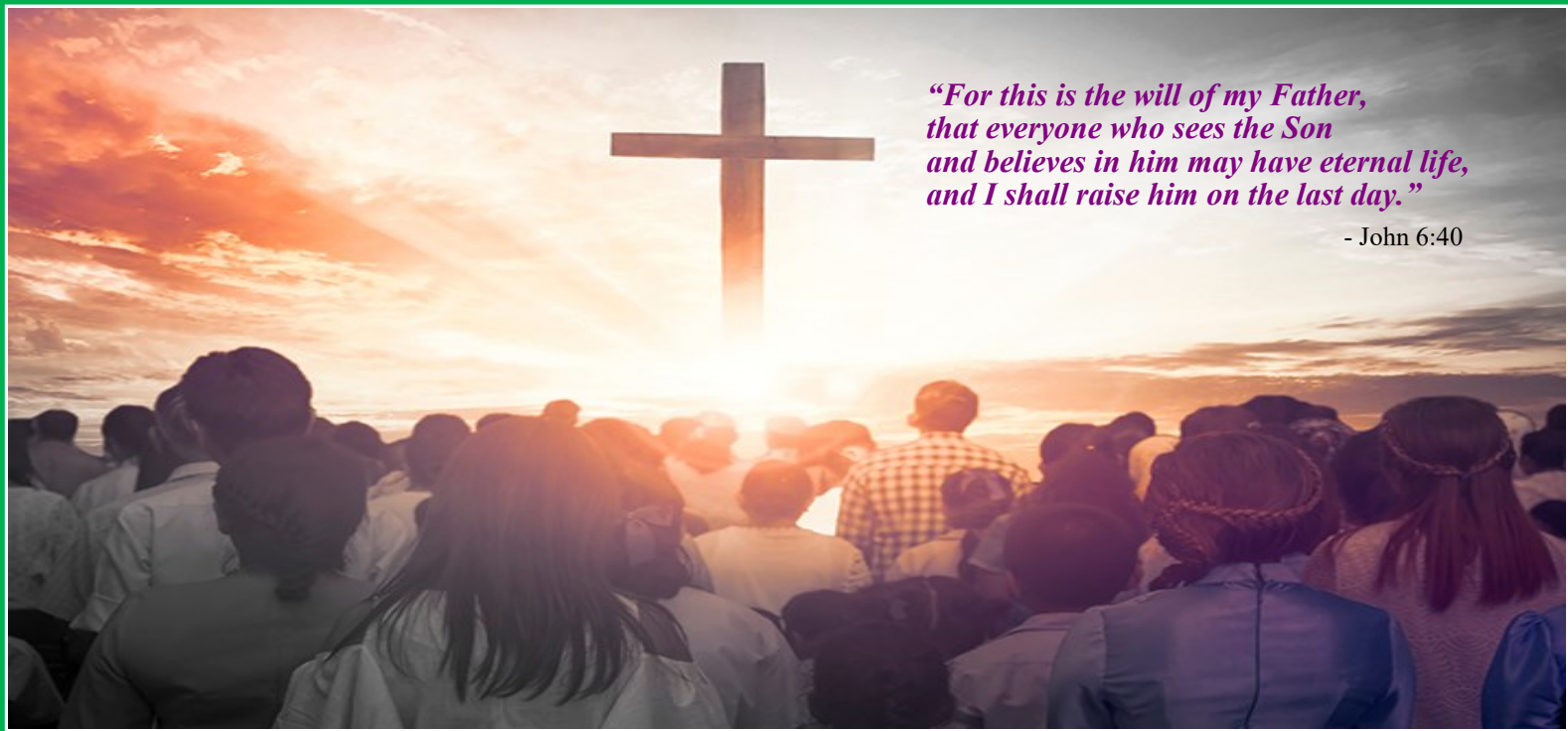


# *St. Edward the Confessor*

205 Jackson Avenue, Syosset, New York 11791

*Growing in Faith, Love, and Christ*



*“For this is the will of my Father,  
that everyone who sees the Son  
and believes in him may have eternal life,  
and I shall raise him on the last day.”*

- John 6:40

## *The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed*

*November 2<sup>nd</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**

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

### **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

### **Youth Council**

Ms. Melanie Sena, Coordinator

### **St. Edward the Confessor School**

Mrs. AnnMarie LoManto, Principal  
Ms. Fabiola Cormican, Secretary

## From Fr. Mike's Desk

As we come to the end of October and proceed to November, we enter a time known as Allhallows Tide (October 31-November 2). Of course, we know that October 31<sup>st</sup> is Halloween or the Eve of All Hallows (those who are holy). At first, people would use the 31<sup>st</sup> as a day to tidy up graves and pray for those who had passed on. It was not a day or night to be afraid, but it evolved into this as time went on. It also was not a night for candy and costumes as we know them today! This day was, of course, followed by All Saints Day, which is a day of great celebration as we remember all our brothers and sisters who are with God in Heaven. As the opening prayer of All Saints Day states, those in Heaven are praying for us still here on earth. As we read, *"Almighty and ever-living God, by whose gift we venerate in one celebration the merits of the Saints, bestow on us we pray, through the prayers of so many intercessors, an abundance of reconciliation with You for the Church ..."*

We are honoring all the Saints, those whom we know, and asking them to pray for us. We are also honoring the Saints who we know, that is, those known to ourselves but not to the public. And we are asking the Saints whom we do not know to pray for us. In our prayers we are asking the Saints to guide us and help us, and we are also asking departed friends and relatives to pray for us. This day is usually a Holy Day of Obligation (except when it falls on a Saturday or a Monday).

Equally important is the day that follows, and that is today, All Souls' Day, also known as The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed. On this day, the roles are reversed, for on this day we are praying for those whom we love, and we are acknowledging that we miss them, and we hope they are in Heaven. When we have loved ones prayed for at Mass, we pray for the repose of their soul and for the forgiveness of any sins they left this world with. We are praying for them that they will be set free from these effects and join with the Saints in Heaven. We pray especially for the Souls in Purgatory, who have been set free from sin, but must totally cleanse their souls of anything that stands in the way. In Purgatory, we cannot pray

for ourselves, but we who are here can pray for them and set them free by our prayers. They can also move from Purgatory by the prayers they offer for others. As they rely on us, we can rely on them to pray for us. One's time in Purgatory is not the same, and there is one good thought: there is no sin in Purgatory, in the sense that the souls there are free from new sins and only must work on what they took with them from life here.

We close with the prayer from today's Mass, ***O God, glory of the faithful, and life of the just, by the Death and Resurrection of your Son we have been redeemed, look mercifully on your departed servants, that just as they professed the mystery of our resurrection, so they may merit to receive the joys of eternal happiness. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.***

Happy All Saints and Souls' Day

*Fr. Mike*

## Next Week's Readings

***Feast of the Dedication of the  
Lateran Basilica in Rome***

**November 2, 2025**

**First Reading - Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12**

**Psalm 46: 2-3, 5-6, 8-9**

**Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 3: 9c-11, 16-17**

**Gospel - John 2:13-22**

## Next Week's Gospel Question

In John's Gospel we hear how Jesus drove out of the temple those who were selling livestock, and the money-changers also, because His Father's house should not be a marketplace. When the people questioned His actions and asked for a sign, He replied ***"Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up."*** Jesus was foretelling His own death and resurrection, so that those who remembered His words would believe.

**He is Risen! Do you believe?**

***“Have mercy on me, God, in accord with your merciful love...”***

## Mass Intentions

### **11/3 - Monday of the Thirty-first Week in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am Bernard Anca

### **11/4 - Memorial of Saint Charles Borromeo**

9:00 am Gladys & William Vogel

### **11/5 - Wednesday of the Thirty-first Week in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am Philip Hauck

### **11/6 - Thursday of the Thirty-first Week in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am Joan Bertelli

### **11/7 - Friday of the Thirty-first Week in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am Kitty McKenna

### **11/8 - Saturday of the Thirty-first Week in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am Godofredo & Fancisco Benedicto

5:00 pm Anthony Naccarato

### **11/9 - Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome**

7:30 am Joseph Incantalupo

9:30 am Shirley Catalano

11:30 am Carmen Estrada

Robert K. Walters

Donna Locascio

Salvatore Restivo

Carmela Ariola-Saggi

6:00 pm Matthew & Jacob Thottam

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 Kevin J. Frobey Renata Sorace

Ron Gagliardi Mary Pieper Ashley Benkin

Paul Cannizzaro Angela Trivits

## The Altar Bread & Wine

*For the week of November 2 - November 8, 2025*

**Is Given in Loving Memory of**

***John J. O'Connor***

**By: Sons John, Christopher, Robert, Brian**

## The Sanctuary Candle

*For the week of November 2 - November 8, 2025*

**Is Lit in Memory of**

***Kristin Halecky***

**By: Mom & Dad Halecky**

## 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**

**Lt. Ryan Dunleavy, U.S. Navy**

**2Lt. Patrick Dunleavy, U.S. Army**

**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**

**2Lt. Richard Martin Prestegaard, U.S. Army**

**2Lt. Aidan McCabe, U.S. Army**

**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**

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

*“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.”*

## Pastoral Council

**Fr. Michael T. Maffeo, Pastor**

**Deacon James Murphy**

Patricia Beckerle

JoAnn Bonasera

John J. Cleary

Chris Coschignano

June DeMarco

Mary Fay

Sr. Theresa Kelly

John O'Connor

Brianna Zaino

Donna Zaino

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

# Quick Guide to St. Edward's Parish

## Telephone Numbers

Rectory.....	516-921-8030 ext. 150
St. Edward Confessor School.....	516-921-7767
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.....	516-921-8030 ext. 137
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 .....	516-218-7837

## Rectory Hours

The rectory will be open during the following times:

Mondays - Thursdays: 9:00 AM to 4:30 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., Nov. 8 5:00 PM Msgr. Beckmann

Sun., Nov. 9 7:30 AM Fr. Hyacinth  
9:30 AM Fr. Mike  
11:30 AM Msgr. Beckmann  
6:00 PM Fr. Jude

## Weekly Offerings

The collection totals for the weekend Masses of:

10/25 - 10/26

11/1 - 11/2

11/8 - 11/9

will be reported in the bulletin of 11/16/25.

Thank you for your patience and all who support our Parish!

*Fr. Mike*

## Websites / Social Media

**Parish:** [www.st-edwards.org](http://www.st-edwards.org)

**School:** [www.stedwardconfessor.org](http://www.stedwardconfessor.org)

**Religious Ed:** [www.saintedwardre.com](http://www.saintedwardre.com)

**Facebook:** [stedwardsyosset](https://www.facebook.com/stedwardsyosset)

**Instagram:** [stedwardsyosset](https://www.instagram.com/stedwardsyosset)

**Formed:** [formed.org](http://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.





## From Death to New Life



*Virginia Signoriello*

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

“Jesus loves hidden souls. A hidden flower is the most fragrant. I must strive to make the interior of my soul a resting place for the Heart of Jesus.”

**Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska**

## 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.

Bulletin Date	Submittal Date
Sunday, November 9 <sup>th</sup>	Monday, November 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Sunday, November 16 <sup>th</sup>	Monday, November 10 <sup>th</sup>
Sunday, November 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Monday, November 17 <sup>th</sup>
Sunday, November 30 <sup>th</sup>	Monday, November 24 <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

The **Adult Bible Study Group** meets each Wednesday from 7:00 to 8:30 PM in the Cenacle Room. Fr. Hyacinth lead's this group.

**All are welcome to attend.**

## Care for Our Common Home

This responsibility for God's earth means that human beings, endowed with intelligence, must respect the laws of nature and the delicate equilibria existing between the creatures of this world, for "he commanded and they were created; and he established them for ever and ever; he fixed their bounds and he set a law which cannot pass away". The laws found in the Bible dwell on relationships, not only among individuals but also with other living beings. "You shall not see your brother's donkey or his ox fallen down by the way and withhold your help... If you chance to come upon a bird's nest in any tree or on the ground, with young ones or eggs and the mother sitting upon the young or upon the eggs; you shall not take the mother with the young". Along these same lines, rest on the seventh day is meant not only for human beings, but also so "that your ox and your donkey may have rest".

Pope Francis, Encyclical Letter Laudato Si' - Care For Our Common Home (2015) Sec. 68

## Society of St. Vincent de Paul

**As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box, please say a special prayer for the poor who have no one to pray for them.**

*If you would like to join us as we help our neighbors in need, please come to our next meeting on Monday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the Cenacle room.*

*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 email at [svdpsteds@gmail.com](mailto:svdpsteds@gmail.com)*

## Did You Know...

This coming Tuesday, November 4th, we venerate Saint Charles Borromeo. He was an Italian Catholic prelate who served as Archbishop of Milan from 1564 to 1584. He was made a cardinal in 1560, and was canonized in 1610.

Borromeo made efforts to restore the dignity to divine service. He urged churches to be designed in conformity with the decrees of the Council of Trent, which stated that sacred art and architecture lacking adequate scriptural foundation was in effect prohibited, as was any inclusion of classical pagan elements in religious art. He divided the nave of the church into two compartments to separate the sexes at worship. He extended his reforms to the collegiate churches, monasteries and even to the Confraternities of Penitents, particularly that of St. John the Baptist. This group was to attend to prisoners and those condemned to death, to give them help and support.

Borromeo believed that abuses in the church arose from ignorant clergy. Among his most important actions, he established seminaries, colleges, and communities for the education of candidates for holy orders. His emphasis on Catholic learning greatly increased the preparation of men for the priesthood and benefited their congregations.

## Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

On Sunday, November 9th at 3:00 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.

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# St. Edward the Confessor School

SYOSSET, NEW YORK

*Where Learning  
Meets Faith!*



## Early Childhood:

- Art, Music, Gym & Spanish
- Nurturing environment to spark curiosity and creativity

## Elementary & Middle School:

- Rigorous academic programs with strong core curriculum
- Enrichment programs, clubs, and STEM activities
- Competitive athletics & fun sports programs

## Why Choose Us?

- Faith-centered community rooted in Catholic values
- Individualized learning environment & dedicated teachers
- Students grow spiritually, socially, and academically



**Come See for Yourself –  
Schedule a Tour Today!**



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2 Teibrook Avenue  
Syosset, NY 11791



# 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

## Items Needed

**Food:** Canned Vegetables, Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Yams, Muffin Mix Mayonnaise, Canned Chicken, Tuna, Coffee, Tea, Mustard, Soup, Jar of Tomato Sauce, Macaroni & Cheese, Jello, Pudding, Chips/Snack bags, Brownie Mix, Chicken Broth, Ramen Noodles, Egg Noodles and Rice

**Personal Grooming:** Shampoo, Soap, Razors, Deodorant, Tooth Paste

**Cleaning Supplies:** Paper Towels, Laundry Detergent, Toilet Paper

**We are collecting new socks for men and women living in the homeless shelters as well as any travel size toiletries. I have a parishioner who makes up bags of these items and delivers them to the shelter. She is very appreciative of your support.**

Donations can be dropped off during pantry hours or left in the vestibule inside the brown box on the left hand side. We appreciate any and all donations.

**Upcoming November Events:** Winter Coat Collection November 22nd and November 23rd, Thanksgiving Food Drive month of November, and Mass Anointing of the Sick on 11/9/25 at 3:00 PM.

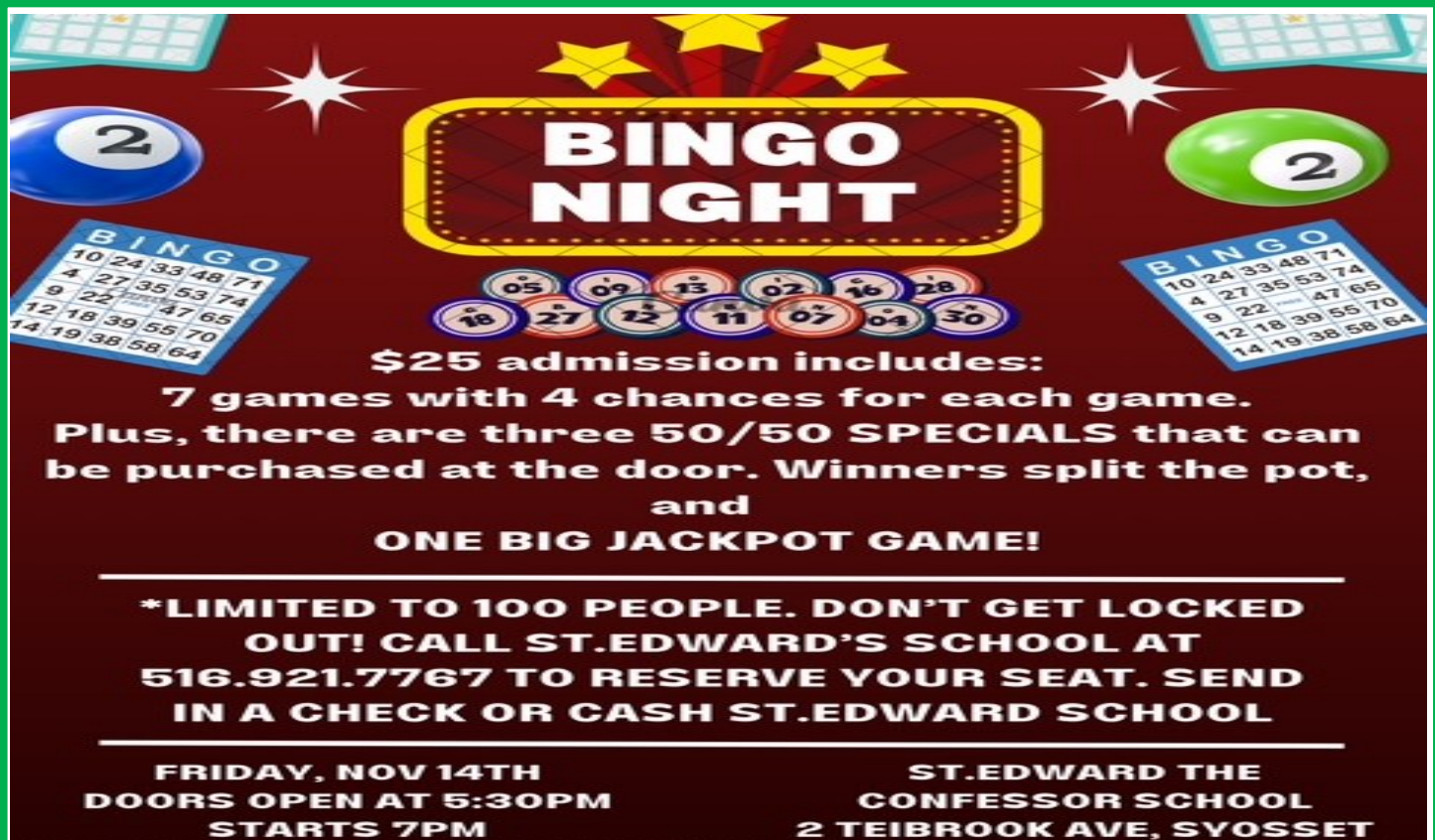
**Thank you for your Support!**

## Volunteer Opportunities: Drivers with SUV, Van or Truck:

Volunteers to help with our pick up schedule local store; Stop and Shop Oyster Bay, Lidl Syosset, Trader Joe Plainview and Fox Hollow Woodbury, Redefine Meals Syosset. Pick ups are scheduled for Monday and Thursday Mornings.

If you are interested in any of the above volunteer opportunities please call me at the pantry, 516-921-8030 ext.140

Thank you,  
Donna Zaino  
Outreach Coordinator



**BINGO NIGHT**

**\$25 admission includes:**

- 7 games with 4 chances for each game.
- Plus, there are three 50/50 SPECIALS that can be purchased at the door. Winners split the pot, and
- ONE BIG JACKPOT GAME!**

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**\*LIMITED TO 100 PEOPLE. DON'T GET LOCKED OUT! CALL ST.EDWARD'S SCHOOL AT 516.921.7767 TO RESERVE YOUR SEAT. SEND IN A CHECK OR CASH ST.EDWARD SCHOOL**

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**FRIDAY, NOV 14TH**  
**DOORS OPEN AT 5:30PM**  
**STARTS 7PM**

**ST.EDWARD THE CONFESSOR SCHOOL**  
**2 TEIBROOK AVE, SYOSSET**



## Mass on All Souls' Day

*Please know that the Parish of St. Edward the Confessor continues to pray for the repose of the soul of your loved one and for your consolation.*

*On Sunday, November 2 at 3:00 pm we will observe All Souls' Day with a Mass for all those who died and were buried from St. Edward's Church since November of 2024.*

*We invite you, your family and friends, to join our faith community as we remember your loved one(s) at this Mass. We do hope you will be able to attend and pray with us.*

*Sincerely,*

*Fr. Michael T. Maffeo*

*Fr. Michael T. Maffeo  
Pastor*

## St. Edwards Blood Drive



The Knights of Columbus are organizing a Blood Drive run by the New York Blood Center right here at St. Edwards.

The Blood Drive will be held on:

**Sunday - November 9, 2025**

**Times: 8:15 AM to 12:30 PM**

No appointment necessary. But if you wish, there are still 50 appointment time slots open, and you can make an appointment anytime by visiting the New York Blood Center's website, or scanning the QR code below.

Go to: [www.nybc.org](http://www.nybc.org)

or

Scan this QR code



## Welcome to the Parish



***The Parisi Family***

***Christopher & Elizabeth  
with***

***Charlotte  
Christopher John  
Catherine***

We hope you will find a home here. Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions or are interested in learning more about what goes on around the Parish.

*You've been asking to  
bring it back!*

## **St. Edward's Crown Club**



***November 2025 to April 2026  
\$2,000 Awarded Each Month***

Buy **one** ticket for **\$75.00** or **two** (same name) for only **\$100.00**  
or **three** tickets (same name) for only **\$150.00**

Even if you win, you're back in again for  
all remaining monthly drawings

***Your participation in St. Edward's Crown Club is a wonderful way to help  
St. Edward's continue with our many ministries assisting  
the people of the parish and community.***

***We greatly appreciate your kindness and generosity!***

*Please complete and return the entry form along with your check by mail or drop off at the rectory*

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### **ST. EDWARD'S CROWN CLUB**

Enclosed is my check # \_\_\_\_\_ for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ ticket(s) in St. Edward's Crown Club.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Town: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (       ) \_\_\_\_\_

*Good Luck and Thanks for Playing!*

**ST. EDWARD THE CONFESSOR CHURCH  
PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY**

# **WINTER COATS, BOOTS & ACCESSORIES COLLECTION**

**- Children & Adult Sizes -**



**November 22 - 23, 2025**

**Parish Social Ministry is collecting new and gently used  
clean winter coats, boots, mittens, gloves, hats, and scarves.**

**Children's sizes are especially needed.**

**Please bring items to weekend Masses.**

**St. Edward the Confessor Church - 205 Jackson Avenue, Syosset, NY**

**Thank you for your support!**



## Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

### Want to Become Catholic?



Do you know someone who wants to become Catholic?

Were you baptized Catholic, but never made your First Holy Communion?

Do you know someone who made their First Holy Communion but never received their Confirmation ?

Do you know someone who wants to learn more about his/her Catholic Faith and wants to belong to a loving Church Community?

### If this Person is You, then Come and See!

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults will begin this Fall on Tuesday, October 15th. We will meet on Tuesday evenings at 7:00pm in the Third Floor Living Room of the School. For further information, please call Mrs. Waite at the Rectory 516-921-8030 at ext. 150 and ask to leave a message for a member of the OCIA Team. You can also email Mrs. Pettei from the Religious Education Office using [rpettei@st-edwards.org](mailto:rpettei@st-edwards.org).



## Virtus Training for Volunteers

### Attention: All volunteers

*If you have not yet taken the Virtus course,  
here is an opportunity to do so!*

***Virtus Training***  
*A Child Protection Program*



***Wednesday, Wednesday, November 19th at 7:00 pm***  
***Class will be held in the Holy Family Room.***

*If you are interested in signing up for the above Virtus training session, kindly register online at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) or for further info, please call Rosemary Pettei at 921-8543.*

# St. Edward's Christmas Lights of Peace, Hope & Remembrance 2025

Dear Parishioners, School Families, and Friends,

We are excited to announce the continuation of a cherished tradition: *The St. Edward's Lights of Peace, Hope & Remembrance Christmas Tree Field*. Sponsored by our Knights of Columbus – Council #5091, this initiative offers you a heartfelt opportunity to embrace the Christmas spirit while helping us raise funds to support those in need within our community.

By sponsoring a tree, you can honor a loved one or symbolize peace, hope, and remembrance during this festive season. Picture the joy you will feel as you visit your beautifully lit display of lights. In December, over 100 illuminated Christmas trees will grace the church lawn surrounding the crèche, wishing a Merry Christmas filled with love, joy, hope, and peace to all. Each tree will be a fresh-cut 5 to 6-foot Balsam tree, adorned with lights and a personalized placard.

**Sponsorship Details:** Your generous donation of **\$150.00** per tree includes the tree, lights, setup, and placard. With your support, we can ensure that *St. Edward's Christmas Lights of Peace, Hope & Remembrance* is a successful fundraiser, benefiting both our parishioners and our neighbors.

**Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony:** Join us for our Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony on **December 6, 2025** following the **5PM** Mass.

**Order Your 2025 Tree:** To participate, please return this form no later than **December 1, 2025**.

- ☐ Our Family \_\_\_\_\_  
(Family Name Only to Appear on Plaque - Please Print Clearly)
- ☐ My Business \_\_\_\_\_  
(Business Name to Appear on Plaque - Please Print Clearly or submit Business card)
- ☐ In Memory \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name to Appear on Plaque - Single Name, Husband & Wife, or Family Name Only)

Enclosed is \$ \_\_\_\_ (Donation of \$150 per tree. Please make checks payable to **Joseph J. Gorman Council #5091**.)

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Please note that all the trees will be lit in white by the council. No additional lights or modifications may be added by the donors.*

Please return this form with payment to the: **St. Edward's Rectory Office, or mail to Knights of Columbus Syosset P.O. Box 26, Syosset NY 11791**

Thank you for your continued support and generosity. Together, we can light up this holiday season with peace, hope, and remembrance.

Warm regards,

**Joseph J. Gorman Council #5091**



## St. Edward the Confessor - Youth Ministry





**YOUTH in GRADES 6-12** 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/VISION OCTOBER & NOVEMBER EVENTS:


COME FIND OUT ABOUT THE YOUTH MINISTRY 25-26 PROGRAM— See the **REGISTRATION FORM** below, Visit the **YOUTH GROUP TABLE** Before or After **SUNDAY 6PM MASS**, EMAIL US @ [youth@st-edwards.org](mailto:youth@st-edwards.org) and **FOLLOW** us on **INSTAGRAM** @stedwardsyouth

**Sunday, Oct. 12, 19 & 26 & Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 6:00PM MASS:** Teen Volunteers needed at 6PM Mass—please arrive by 5:45PM in Church Vestibule & earn community service credits.

**Sunday, Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> 4:30-5:45PM: YG MEETING— SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS DRIVE PLANNING FUN—** in Youth Office -LL of School- Snacks will be served

  **Sunday, Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> FELLOWSHIP – COOKIES/TREATS** provided at end of 6PM Mass in the Church Vestibule Courtesy of the Youth Group

**Sunday, Nov. 23 & 30 5:30PM: CHURCH VESTIBULE— SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS DRIVE**  
Sorting & Organizing Donations Collected

 **VISION TEEN CHOIR: JOIN US-PRACTICE (5PM) & SINGING EVERY SUNDAY 6PM MASS -TEENS WE NEED YOUR VOICES** Contact: [msena@st-edwards.org](mailto:msena@st-edwards.org)

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### 2025-2026 REGISTRATION & PARTICIPATION:

There are many ways to get involved at the Sunday 6PM Mass— Indicate your **INTERESTS:**

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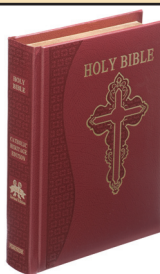
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