

# *St. Edward the Confessor*

205 Jackson Avenue, Syosset, New York 11791

*Growing in Faith, Love, and Christ*

## LAETARE SUNDAY

“REJOICE!”

*Fourth Sunday of Lent*

*March 30<sup>th</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

# Quick Guide to St. Edward's Parish

## Telephone Numbers

Rectory.....	516-921-8030 ext. 150
Rectory Fax.....	516-921-4549
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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 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., Apr. 5	5:00 PM	Fr. Mike*
Sun., Apr 6	7:30 AM	Fr. Hyacinth*
	9:30 AM	Msgr. Beckmann
	11:30 AM	Msgr. Beckmann
	6:00 PM	Fr. Jude*

\* - Deacons to Preach

## Weekly Offerings

<b>Dates</b>	<b><u>3/22 - 3/23</u></b>
Collections	\$ 15,436.00
# of Envelopes	230
Automatic Transactions	\$ 2,750.00
# of Transactions	38
<b>Weekly Total</b>	<b>\$ 18,186.00</b>

We thank 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.



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

## Mass Intentions

### **3/31 - Monday of the Fourth Week of Lent**

9:00 am Catherine Elizabeth Guidone

### **4/1 - Tuesday of the Fourth Week of Lent**

9:00 am Robert Warnock

### **4/2 - Wednesday of the Fourth Week of Lent**

9:00 am Rosa Barreca

### **4/3 - Thursday of the Fourth Week of Lent**

9:00 am Sabrina Navaretta

### **4/4 - Friday of the Fourth Week of Lent**

9:00 am Walter Cantoni

### **4/5 - Saturday of the Fourth Week of Lent**

9:00 am Ann Marie Mastino

5:00 pm Otto G. Busch

Julian Matlak

Margis Dumont

Gaspar Gregory

Charlotte Petillo

### **4/6 - Fifth Sunday of Lent**

7:30 am Rosemary Haigh

9:30 am Paul Montagni

11:30 am Joseph Wallace

Paul M. Montagni

Dennis O'Brien

Felicia Tulumello

Peggy Murphy

6:00 pm John Broderick

## 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**

**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.

## 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 30 - April 5, 2025*

**Is Given in Loving Memory of**

***All Deceased Parishioners of St. Edwards***

**By: Fr. Mike and Staff**

## The Sanctuary Candle

*For the week of March 30 - April 5, 2025*

**Is Lit with Prayers for**

***Pope Francis' Return to Health***

**By: Fr. Mike and People of the Parish**

## Pastoral Council

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

Deacon James Murphy

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

## From Fr. Mike's Desk

During the Season of Lent, one of the areas of our faith community that we focus on a great deal is the OCIA (the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults). This wonderful ministry helps prepare people to become full members of the Catholic Church. The people who come to the OCIA can come from a non-Christian Faith, called by the Holy Spirit to join the Body of Christ, or they can come from other Christian Communities who wish to come into full communion with the Church. This is a great blessing for us as they remind us of the wonderful gift our faith is to us. God also blessed us with a talented OCIA Team who volunteer to share their faith and guide those called to the Easter Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. Lent is the time for final preparations, so those seeking to enter the Church will be ready at the Easter Vigil. Part of the preparation process is to have a separate set of readings during some of the Sundays of Lent. The readings for OCIA alternatives come from the Lectionary Cycle A.

This year our Gospel comes from Luke's Gospel, The Parable of the Prodigal Son, but in Cycle A the reading comes from John's Gospel, and it is the account of the Man Born Blind. In this account, Jesus restores sight to the man as a sign that He came into the world to bring light. As you will recall, this started a controversy between Jesus and the priests of the Temple, because He cured the man on the Sabbath. Jesus then hinted that the High Priest and the Religious Leaders of Israel were the ones who were blind, because they could not see who He was. This did not go over well with them, nor did it go over well with the elder son in Luke's Gospel when his father was hinting that he too was blind as to what was happening with the return of his wayward brother.

Now, many of us may side with the older brother in this story. After all, he was always loyal to his father; he did all the work and did not hurt his father the way the younger brother did. The younger brother demanded that his father give him his share of the inheritance so he could move away and be free. This son did not even wait for his father to die to collect his share. What a nice kid! No doubt, he sinned against his father and God, yet his father did not give up on him, as we are told, that he would go out and look for him every day. Moreover, when the son came back after spending all his money, the loving father was filled with compassion. He forgave his son and

welcomed him home. As he tells the older son; *"My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours. But now we must rejoice, because your brother was dead, and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found."* As the father dealt with his younger son. So does God deal with us! As the Father sent His Son into the world to help us achieve reconciliation (as we see in Paul's Letter), so He sent us to help forgive each other. As hard as that is to do, we must, for how can we ask God for forgiveness if we will not forgive others? To not forgive makes us like the High Priest and the Pharisees from both Gospels, for today we are blind if we are trying to judge. Remember, the one thing God did not give us was the right to judge one another. Leave that to God, for when we judge, we judge too harshly and in a way that God never does. If you do not believe me, look at the father in the parable. He is really God the Father; remember, there are times when we play both sons. Now, who would you want to judge you, the older brother, or God, the loving Father? I will take God any day.

*Happy Fourth Week of Lent!*

*Fr. Mike*

## Next Week's Readings

### *Fifth Sunday of Lent*

**April 6, 2025**

**First Reading - Isaiah 43:16-21**

**Psalms - 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6**

**Second Reading - Philippians 3:8-14**

**Gospel - John 8:1-11**

## Next Week's Gospel Question

In John's Gospel we hear the story of a woman who had been caught in adultery. Under the law, the woman should be stoned, but the Pharisees asked Jesus what He thought should be done. Jesus turned their question on them saying ***"Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."*** ***All of her accusers went away and left the woman alone.*** Each of us sins repeatedly, yet we condemn and withhold forgiveness to those who trespass against us.

**What would it take for you to find forgiveness in your heart and reconcile with the person who offended you?**



## 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**

**The Scourging - April 4th**

**The Crucifixion - April 11th**

**Palm Sunday - April 13th**

## 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 4 things were in the last two bulletin, and next week, 2 more things.

**5. It's about dying to yourself.** The more serious side of Lenten discipline is that it's about more than self-control – it's about finding aspects of yourself that are less than Christ-like and letting them die. The suffering and death of Christ are foremost on our minds during Lent, and we join in these mysteries by suffering, dying with Christ and being resurrected in a purified form.

**6. Don't do too much.** It's tempting to make Lent some ambitious period of personal reinvention, but it's best to keep it simple and focused. There's a reason the Church works on these mysteries year after year. We spend our entire lives growing closer to God. Don't try to cram it all in one Lent. That's a recipe for failure.

## 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.**

## From Death to New Life



*For all the deceased  
of our Parish.*

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

## 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.

## 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.

## 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.

## 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.

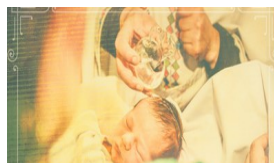
Please note that submitted materials do not require pre-approval by the Pastor. Materials received after the cutoff time as shown below **will not** be published in the next bulletin. **There will be no exceptions** to this procedure, so please be mindful of the submittal dates.

Bulletin Date	Submittal Date
Sunday, April 6 <sup>th</sup>	Monday, March 31 <sup>st</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>
Sunday, April 27 <sup>th</sup>	Monday, April 21 <sup>st</sup>

## 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.**

## Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)



At a recent Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (O.C.I.A.) meeting Deacon Jim Murphy anointed JULIA AUGELLO, SAMANTHA AUGELLO and RACHEL CICIO with the oil of the Catechumen. The anointing with the Oil of Catechumens is intended to signify the need for divine strength, so that the one to be baptized, may steadfastly take the step of professing their faith and hold it unfailingly throughout his or her life. This oil is blessed by the Bishop at the Chrism Mass during Holy Week and is kept in the AMBRY – the little cabinet on the wall by the Baptismal font.

## Did You Know....?

What do we really know about Judas Iscariot, “The Betrayer...” (part 1 of 2 part series)

Judas Iscariot was an only son of wealthy Jewish parents living in Jericho. He had become attached to John the Baptist, and his Sadducee parents had disowned him. He was looking for employment in these regions when Jesus’ apostles found him, and chiefly because of his experience with finances, Nathaniel invited him to join their ranks. Judas was the only Judean among the twelve apostles. Judas was born in Kerioth, small town in southern Judea. When he was a lad, his parents moved to Jericho, where he lived and had been employed in his father’s various businesses until he became interested in the preaching and work of John the Baptist.

When Nathaniel met Judas at Tarichea, he was seeking employment with a fish-drying enterprise at the lower end of the Sea of Galilee. He was thirty years of age and unmarried when he joined the apostles. Hew was probably the best educated man among the twelve and the only Judean in the Master’s apostolic family. Judas had no outstanding trait of personal strength, though he had many outwardly appearing traits of culture and habits of training. He was a good thinker but not always a truly honest thinker.

Judas Iscariot has long been one of the most fascinating characters in the New Testament. As Jesus’ betrayer, he has an unequaled notoriety – and rightly so.

Scripture is clear in naming him as the turncoat, but his motivation has been the subject of speculation. How could anyone knowingly commit such a horrible act against the innocent Lamb of God, the Savior of the world? Some explanations seem designed to mitigate Judas’ guilt by portraying him as one who was not so much sinister as weak, confused or simply trying to be helpful.

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In part 2, next week we will examine the main theories all derived from Scripture.

## Laetare Sunday

Laetare Sunday is the fourth Sunday in the season of Lent in the Western Christian liturgical calendar. Traditionally, this Sunday has been a day of celebration within the austere period of Lent. This Sunday gets its name from the first few words of the traditional Latin entrance verse for the Mass of the day. "Laetare Jerusalem" ("Rejoice, O Jerusalem") is Latin from Isaiah 66:10.

## 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

## Pope Francis - Catechesis for the weekly General Audience

As Pope Francis recovers in his residence after being discharged from the hospital, he has called on the faithful to never lose hope, for God always grants us the possibility of starting over. In his catechesis, focusing on encounters in Jesus' life, the Pope focused on the biblical episode of the Samaritan Woman recounted in the Gospel of St. John.

**At our 'crossroads'** - The Samaritan woman meets Jesus at a well, where He asks her for water and reveals that He is the Messiah. Through their conversation, He exposes her past and offers her "living water," symbolizing eternal life. Transformed by this encounter, she leaves her water jar, runs to her village, and brings others to Jesus. After contemplating the encounter between Jesus and Nicodemus, who went in search of Jesus, and the Samaritan woman, the Pope observed that we are reflecting on moments where Jesus shows that He is waiting "right there," at that "crossroads" in our life. He recognized how this could have been somewhat shocking for the Samaritan woman, who likely felt ashamed of her life. "Perhaps she felt judged, condemned, and not understood," said the Pope, recalling that she had had five husbands and now was with a sixth who was not her husband. To go to Galilee from Judea, he observed, Jesus would have had to choose another road and not pass through Samaria. Yet, Pope Francis marveled, "He wants to pass through there, and stops at that very well, right at that time!"

**Jesus waiting when we've lost hope** - This, the Pope underscored, shows how "Jesus waits for us" and "lets Himself be found precisely when we think that there is no hope left for us." "He helps her to reread her history, which is complicated and painful," the Pope said, recalling how she discovers that the Messiah loves her. The Pope asked, "What proclamation could she have brought, if not her experience of being understood, welcomed, forgiven?" He added that this "should make us reflect on our search for new ways to evangelize."

**Leaves behind her troubled life** - Just like a person in love, the Samaritan forgets her water jar, leaving it at Jesus' feet. "The weight of that jar on her head, every time she returned home," the Pope recognized, "reminded her of her condition, her troubled life. But now the jar is left at Jesus' feet." At this point, he noted, "the past is no longer a burden; she is reconciled," noting, "it is like this for us too." "To go and proclaim the Gospel," the Holy Father said, "we first need to set down the burden of our history at the feet of the Lord, to consign to Him the weight of our past." "Dear brothers and dear sisters," the Holy Father underscored, "let us not lose hope! Even if our history appears burdensome, complicated, perhaps even ruined to us, we always have the possibility of consigning it to God and setting out anew on our journey."



## 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/e/1FAIpQLSe677sgyDy\\_bFdfx0POSe9pPk19SGhYDv95CTxh2303diHbPg/viewform?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe677sgyDy_bFdfx0POSe9pPk19SGhYDv95CTxh2303diHbPg/viewform?usp=sharing)

Please contact [youth@st-edwards.org](mailto:youth@st-edwards.org) with any questions.

**St. Edward the Confessor Drama Club Presents:**  
**Annie Jr. | May 16-17, 2025 | 7:00 PM**

**Shout Outs & Advertisements for CAST & CREW!**  
Send a personal message to your favorite thespian, crew member, or director! Please also consider *advertising your business in this year's Playbill!*

**NEW THIS YEAR!!** \*\*Pre-Orders of red floral bouquets and/or mylar balloons are available for pick-up and to give to your favorite STAR on Opening Night!\*\*

Scan the QR Code to place your order, then simply send your payment to St. Edward the Confessor School  
**ATTN: ANNIE PLAYBILL**

**All submissions are due by April 30. Thank you!**



All proceeds go towards offsetting the cost of the show!  
**THANK YOU** for supporting our students.

Please contact Dana Basile: [dmscafe18@gmail.com](mailto:dmscafe18@gmail.com)  
with any questions or to help out the nights of the show.

## Middle School Honor Roll

*Trimester 2 - Winter 2025*

### Principal's List

Adriana Barletta  
Danielle Ciacco  
Anthony Covino  
Nicholas Covino  
Sebastian DeLuca  
Isabella Epperhart  
Annika Gutierrez  
Angelica Joseph  
Ella Jungkunst  
Zayed Khan  
Noah Lopez  
Natalia Parag  
Madeline Pascullo  
Michael Pettei  
Grace Ribaudo  
Stephen Ribaudo  
Nathan Rodriguez

### First Honors

Anthony Deninno  
Hailey DeTullio  
Dominic Epperhart  
Gianluca Fornino  
William Forrer  
Noelle Karahalís  
Rory McKenna  
Latoya Michel  
Frank Monteleone  
Thomas Ondocin  
Dominick Pusinelli  
Emma Robinson  
Emma Rodriguez  
Mia Scavetta  
Sylvanna Scavetta  
Edmund Shehadeh  
Francis Schmeltzer  
Gerard Wright

### Second Honors

Anthony Borish

## 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 placed 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
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- ◆ Limited Emergency Financial Assistance/past due bills
- ◆ Social Services Referrals
- ◆ Referrals for Informal Counseling
- ◆ Home Visitation to better understand the people we serve

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**If you are in need of any of the above, please contact us at (516) 218-7837, or  
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## 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/](http://www.saintedwardre.com/vacation-bible-camp-2025/)

OR 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.



**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 516-921-8543 or email [abraun@st-edwards.org](mailto:abraun@st-edwards.org).



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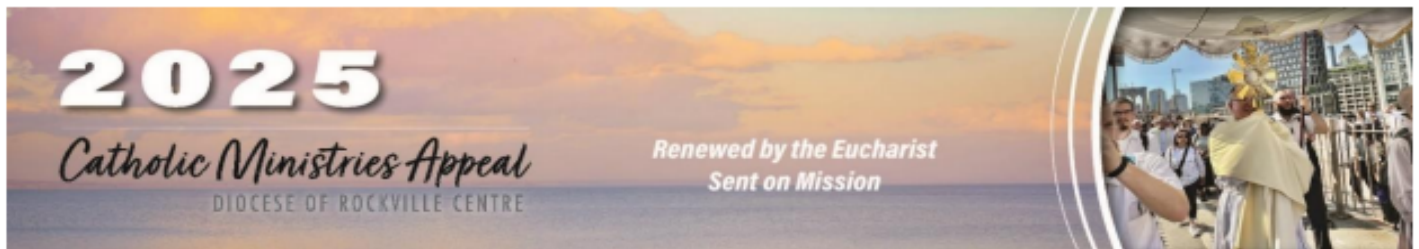
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## The St. Edward's Women's Guild - FUNdraiser

Please note that, for reasons beyond their control, the St. Edward's Women's Guild has **postponed the FUNdraiser** which was to be held on Saturday, 30th, 2025. They are in the process of rescheduling and finding a new location. Once the details have been finalized, the new information will be announced. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

## Catholic Ministries Appeal for 2025



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



Here is an easy way to make your charitable donation to our church. Either by credit card or automatic deduction from your checking account. Download the form and send the completed form to the rectory. No more weekly envelopes, you will still receive the special collection envelopes in the mail to use at your discretion. Thank you for your generosity to our parish.

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## 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

**VISION TEEN CHOIR NEWS – SINGERS NEEDED** **Contact:** [msena@st-edwards.org](mailto: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:**

SING:VISION TEEN CHOIR\_\_LECTOR\_\_ GREET\_\_ COLLECT OFFERING\_\_

BRING UP GIFTS\_\_ALTAR SERVE\_\_ ADULT VOLUNTEER\_\_YG/ COMMUNITY SERVICE\_\_

YOUTH NAME & GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT NAME & EMAIL & PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

Return the completed form by email to: [youth@st-edwards.org](mailto:youth@st-edwards.org) or register before or after the 6PM Mass on Sundays at the Youth Group Table in the Vestibule of the Church.

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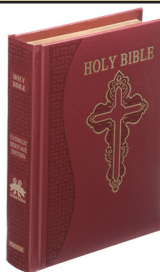


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