

St. Edward the Confessor

205 Jackson Avenue, Syosset, New York 11791

Growing in Faith, Love, and Christ



Pray always without becoming weary.

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 19th, 2025



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From Fr. Mike's Desk

"Jesus told his disciples a parable about the necessity for them to pray always without becoming weary." See, even two thousand years ago, the Disciples of Christ were questioning prayer and asking if it does any good. Sometimes we have all asked that question or have something like, "Pray, that's all I do is pray, and it seems like no one is listening." Or "God answers other people's prayers, but He never seems to answer mine!" Today's readings are given to us to see that both statements are false. Oh, sure, I would agree that God does not answer our prayers the way we want them answered, but He will and does answer every prayer we offer. How can we believe that? Well, just look at the story from the Old Testament. As long as Moses held his arms up in prayer, Israel was able to defeat Amalek. However, when he got tired or lowered his arms, Amalek got the better of the fight. While Moses did not utter any words, he knew that God was undeniably with the people if he kept faith in God's promises. So, on that day, the prayers of Israel were answered.

Jesus, in the parable, tells of the unjust judge who decides to rule in the widow's favor. As we are told, he does so, not because he fears God or man, but because he is afraid of the widow. A little background will be helpful. This judge is not a Jewish Judge; he does not follow the traditions and laws of Israel. In fact, if he did, he would be one of three judges who would hear this case. If this were the case (no pun intended), the widow could even choose one of the judges. No, he is a judge who sits on the bench according to Herod's rule, or he might even be one who was appointed by Rome. That is why he has absolute power. We are made to understand (according to biblical scholars) that the original Greek words of the text translate to tell us that the widow has indeed threatened to use actual physical violence toward the judge. She was not a lady to mess with. So, Jesus tells us that the judge, being a wise man, gives the widow what she wants. Our Lord then goes on to say, if this unjust person would give in to the widow, how much more will a Loving God, gladly seek to answer our prayers and supplications. So do not give up on prayer, Jesus tells us!

But why must we pray so hard sometimes, and why does it seem God is not listening? Again, God does listen, and He always answers our prayers, but remember He listens and answers them according to what He knows is right and best for us or for those for whom we are praying. God knows that sometimes getting what we ask for or what we want will be harmful in the future days or years ahead. God is not selfish, nor does He seek to harm us. We can only fully understand this when we see things using the eyes of faith. **As William Barclay** writes in his commentary on today's Gospel, *"Only God sees the*

whole, and therefore, only God knows what is good for us overall. That is why Jesus said we must never be discouraged in prayer. That is why He wondered if men's faith would stand the prolonged delays before the Son of Man shall come [return]. We will never grow weary in prayer, and our faith will never falter if, after we have offered to God our prayers and requests, we add the perfect prayer: Thy will be done."

***We now close with the words Our Savior taught us:
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by thy name.
Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive
us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass
against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver
us from evil (For thine is the Kingdom, the Power, and
the Glory, forever) Amen.***

Aside from the Sacrifice of the Mass, this is the most perfect prayer as it comes directly from the Son of God's mouth.

Keep up your prayers!

Fr. Mike

Next Week's Readings

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 26, 2025

First Reading - Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18

Psalm 34: 2-3, 17-18, 19, 23

Second Reading - 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Gospel - Luke 18:9-14

Next Week's Gospel Question

In Luke's Gospel, Jesus directs a parable at those people who believed that they were better than anyone else. These superior people prayed to God saying *"...I thank you that I am not like the rest of humanity, greedy, dishonest..."* etc. Nearby, a tax collector bowed his head in prayer saying *"O God, be merciful to me a sinner"*. By this parable, Jesus calls everyone to be humble, like the tax collector.

How often do you feel 'superior' to others, judging and condemning their faith, actions and words as compared to your own?

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

Mass Intentions

10/20 - Monday of the Twenty-ninth Week in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Margaret Rogalli

10/21 - Tuesday of the Twenty-ninth Week in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Peace in the Middle East

10/22 - Wednesday of the Twenty-ninth Week in Ordinary Time

9:00 am For Those in our Nursing Homes

10/23 - Thursday of the Twenty-ninth Week in Ordinary Time

9:00 am For an Increase in Vocations

10/24 - Friday of the Twenty-ninth Week in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Kenneth & Grace Kempton

10/25 - Saturday of the Twenty-ninth Week in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Barbara Buscaglia

5:00 pm Marie Bruno

Shirley Catalano

Donald Duvernoy

Intention of Dom & Debbie Licausi

10/26 - Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am Carmelo & Antoinetta Sessa & Gina DeMarco

9:30 am Ronald Rogalski

11:30 am Edward R. Higgins

Donna Popik

Mario Reale

Cosmo Starrantino

Janet Tesoriero

Thomas Fierro

6:00 pm John & Anna John

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.

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 October 19 - October 25, 2025

Is Given in Loving Memory of

Frances Farrell DeCarlo

By: Terry O'Brien

The Sanctuary Candle

For the week of October 19 - October 25, 2025

Is Lit in Memory of

Konstantin & Barbara Halecky

By: Myro & Irene Halecky

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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
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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., Oct. 25	5:00 PM	Msgr. Beckmann
Sun., Oct. 26	7:30 AM	Fr. Mike
	9:30 AM	Msgr. Beckmann
	11:30 AM	Fr. Jude
	6:00 PM	Fr. Hyacinth

Weekly Offerings

Dates	<u>10/11 - 10/12</u>
Collections	\$ 11,277.00
# of Envelopes	183
Auto. Transactions	\$ 2,380.00
# of Transactions	41
Weekly Total	\$ 13,657.00

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](https://www.facebook.com/stedwardsyosset)

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



From Death to New Life



Barbara Ann Buscaglia

Gary Charles Lomdardi

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

“One life is all we have and we live it as we believe in living it. But to sacrifice what you are and to live without belief, that is a fate more terrible than dying”.

Saint Joan of Arc

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, October 26 th	Monday, October 20 th
Sunday, November 2 nd	Monday, October 27 th
Sunday, November 9 th	Monday, November 3 rd
Sunday, November 16 th	Monday, November 10 th

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

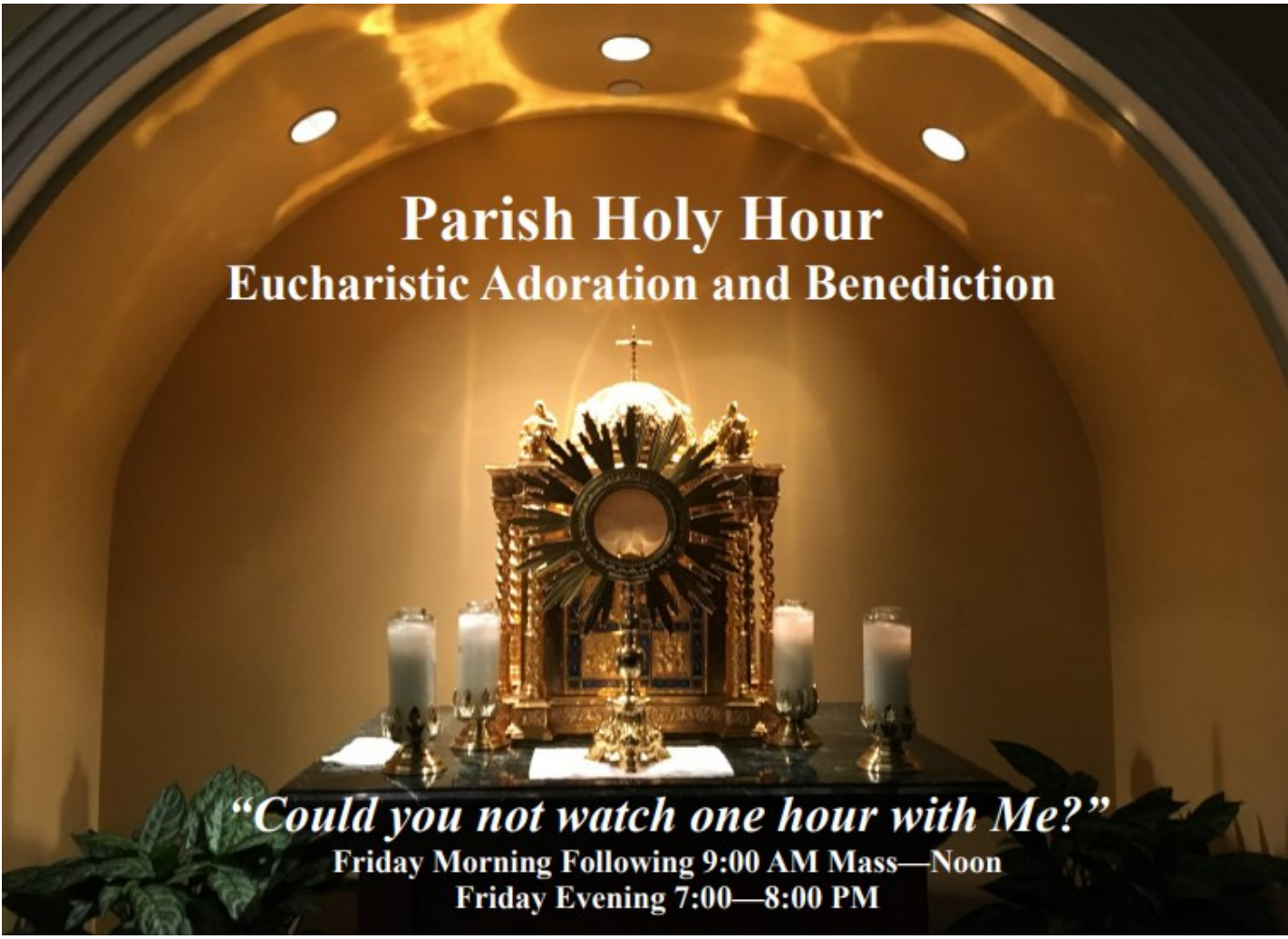
The **Adult Bible Study Group** meets each Wednesday from 7:00 to 8:30 PM in the Cenacle Room. Fr. Hyacinth lead's this group.

All are welcome to attend.

Care for Our Common Home

Given the complexity of the ecological crisis and its multiple causes, we need to realize that the solutions will not emerge from just one way of interpreting and transforming reality. Respect must also be shown for the various cultural riches of different peoples, their art and poetry, their interior life and spirituality. If we are truly concerned to develop an ecology capable of remedying the damage we have done, no branch of the sciences and no form of wisdom can be left out, and that includes religion and the language particular to it. The Catholic Church is open to dialogue with philosophical thought; this has enabled her to produce various syntheses between faith and reason. The development of the Church's social teaching represents such a synthesis with regard to social issues; this teaching is called to be enriched by taking up new challenges.

Pope Francis, Encyclical Letter Laudato Si' - Care For Our Common Home (2015) Sec. 63



Parish Holy Hour

Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction

“Could you not watch one hour with Me?”

Friday Morning Following 9:00 AM Mass—Noon
Friday Evening 7:00—8:00 PM

Saint Theresa of Lisieux: I will offer you the simplest way I know to adopt a spirituality that is accessible to people of all ages, “The Little Way”: Be mindful of God's presence in each moment of each day. How at every moment, of every day, for the rest of your life, know where the nearest Tabernacle is.” [33 Days of Eucharistic Glory, p. 57]

Dear Jesus, You are the healer of my soul; take the blindness from my eyes, the deafness from my ears, the darkness from my mind, and the hardness from my heart. Fill me with the grace, wisdom, and courage to do your will in all things, Amen.

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.

“When Jesus had called the Twelve together, he gave them power and authority to drive out all demons and to cure diseases, and he sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God and to heal the sick.” - Luke 9:1-2



October is the month dedicated to

Our Lady's Rosary.

Parish Rosary Celebration

All are welcome!

Mon., Oct. 27th

6:30 pm in the Church

Fr. Mike will lead us in prayer.

We especially invite the children in our Parish School as well as the children in our Religious Education Program (in particular, our 1st and 2nd graders) to lead us a decade of the Rosary. Both the young and "not so young" are welcome to gather with us as we rededicate ourselves, our children and our families to Mary by praying this most beloved prayer. For further info, please call Mrs. Rosemary Pettei at 921-8543.



Family Pasta Supper

will follow the Family Rosary in the School Cafeteria.

All are welcome to "Mangia" with us!

Baked Ziti, Penne Ala Vodka, Baked Mac and Cheese, Pasta with Broccoli, Pasta Bolognese, Buttered Pasta along with bread, dessert and cold beverages.

**So, come pray with us on the 27th!
And then take a break from cooking
and enjoy dinner on us!**



Calling All Young Singers



The Family Mass Choir is looking for children from 2nd Grade and up to join our choir in September.

We sing at the 9:30 Family Mass - come share your talents and become a part of the celebration each week.

Contact Cecilia Hayden after the Mass to sign up, or call the Rectory (516-921-8030) to leave your information for her.

"Singing is praying twice"...we hope to see you!

Parish Social Ministry



Tel: 516-921-8030

Pantry Hours: 9:30-12:00 noon Monday-Thursday and
2nd Saturday of the month

Items Needed

Food: Rice (white, brown and flavored), Refried Beans, Canned Chicken, Tuna, Coffee, Tea, Salad dressing, Jar Tomato Sauce, Mayonnaise, Ketchup, Mustard, Pancake Mix, Canned Stew, Chili, Granola Bars, Cookies, Chips, Jelly, Cereal

Personal Grooming: Deodorant, Baby Wipes, Baby Diapers 5 & 6, Toilet Paper, Shampoo, Soap

Cleaning Supplies: Paper Towels, Dish Soap, Laundry Detergent

We could also use grocery bags.

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. We are seeing an increase in families needing food and having a difficult time keeping the shelves stocked.

Thank you for your Support! We really appreciate your help in keeping our pantry stocked!

Volunteer Opportunities

Mobile Pantry: On Thursdays, we bring food from the pantry over to the community room at Town of Oyster Bay Housing on East Woods-Muttontown Road to distribute to the residents. Volunteers come to the pantry at 11:15 am to load up the cars to bring the food over and set it up. Residents come at 12 noon to pick up food.

Drivers with an SUV, Van or Truck: Volunteers to help pick up at local stores and bring back to the pantry: Stop and Shop Oyster Bay, Lidl Syosset, Trader Joe Plainview, and Fox Hollow Woodbury. Pick-ups are scheduled for Monday and Thursday mornings.

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

Thank you, Donna

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!**

***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**

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

ST.EDWARD THE CONFESSOR SCHOOL
2 TEIBROOK AVE, SYOSSET

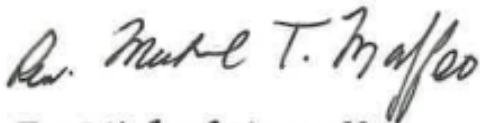
Mass on All Souls' Day

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,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Rev. Michael T. Maffeo". The script is cursive and fluid.

Fr. Michael T. Maffeo
Pastor

Did You Know...

In the Catholic Church, "the faithful" refers essentially to baptized Catholics; **"all souls"** commemorates the church penitent of souls in purgatory, whereas "all saints" commemorates the church triumphant of saints in heaven. In the liturgical books of the Latin Church it is called the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed. The Catholic Church teaches that the purification of the souls in purgatory can be assisted by the actions of the faithful on earth. Its teaching is based also on the practice of prayer for the dead mentioned as far back as 2 Maccabees 12:42-46.[13] The theological basis for the feast is the doctrine that the souls which, on departing from the body, are not perfectly cleansed from venial sins, or have not fully atoned for past transgressions, are debarred from the Beatific vision, and that the faithful on earth can help them by prayers, alms, deeds, **and especially by the sacrifice of the Holy Mass.**

On **All Souls' Day**, Christians of various denominational backgrounds, including Catholics, Lutherans, Anglicans and Methodists, among others, often help one another clean the graves of cemeteries, along with adorning them with flowers.

All Souls' Day emphasizes the Christian belief in bodily resurrection and eternal life". Some **All Souls' Day** traditions are associated with the doctrine of the poor souls of purgatory (in Roman Catholicism) or the intermediate state (in Protestantism and Orthodoxy). Bell tolling is done in honor of the dead as well as lighting candles which serves to kindle a light for the poor souls.

*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

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!

Veterans Day Field of Honor - 2025

Flag Sponsorship Form



This Veteran's Day, in honor of our Military Veterans and those men and women actively serving our country, the Joseph J. Gorman Council #5091 of the Knights of Columbus will display a **Field of Honor** in front of St. Edward's Church on Jackson Avenue. The **Field of Honor** will display 3' x 5' American flags which will be posted from November 1st until November 28th.

Show your support for our Military Veterans and the men and women of the Armed Forces by sponsoring a flag in their honor to display as part of the annual **Field of Honor**.

DONATION: **\$35 for each American Flag**

Please print clearly the name of each honoree:

Name of Serviceman/Servicewoman:

Military Branch:

Name of Serviceman/Servicewoman:

Military Branch:

Sponsor Name: _____

Sponsor Address: _____

Sponsor Phone: _____

Sponsor Email: _____

Number of American Flags _____ @ \$35 each. Total Amount _____

For questions, please contact Leo Scally at leoscallly@gmail.com

For payment, please attach a check made payable to:

JOSEPH J GORMAN COUNCIL 5091, KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Mailing Address:

Knights of Columbus

Attention -Veterans Day

205 Jackson Ave, Syosset NY 11791

Please support your beloved Service member.

We ask that you make your donation by 2025-10-31. Thank you.

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 14th. 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.



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

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.

Please see the order form in next week's bulletin. Your tree will be placed on the front lawn of St. Edward's Church right after Thanksgiving Day. Please note that the Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony will take place on Saturday, December 6, 2025 following the 5:00 PM Mass.

FREE Flu Shot with Most Insurance*

Date Wednesday 10/22/25

Hours 8AM-11AM

Location St. Edwards Church - All Vaccines Available

St. Edwards Church - All Vaccines Available

*Select vaccines are no cost with most insurance. Eligibility varies by patient and insurance plan. Eligible patients will not pay any copayments unless otherwise required by their plan, including Medicare Part B. Visit [CVS.com/Vaccines](https://www.cvs.com/Vaccines) for details.



Liturgical Minister Training - Fall 2025

The Diocese of Rockville Center will offer training for those who wish to serve as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors. No walk-ins permitted, all participants must be registered in advance with a letter from their pastor.

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Part A - This training is required for **all** those who are beginning as Ministers. This "BASIC" training is required for **all** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Those who wish to minister in hospitals, nursing homes and to the homebound are required to attend Part B training in addition to BASIC training. One **must** attend Part A training prior to Part B training.

A **Lector Workshop** is available for both new and experienced lectors. You may not take EMHC Part A and the Lector Workshop on the same day.

Dates and Locations for Liturgical Minister Training

Tuesday, Oct. 21 - St. Elizabeth / Melville - Msgr. Kane Hall; 7 pm - 10 pm

- Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Part A
- Lector Workshop

Tuesday, Nov. 18 - St. Elizabeth / Melville - Msgr. Kane Hall; 7 pm - 9 pm

- Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Part B

Tuesday, Oct. 28 - St. Agnes Cathedral/RVC - Msgr. Kelly Parish Center; 7 pm - 10 pm

- Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Part A
- Lector Workshop

Wednesday, Nov. 5 - St. Agnes Cathedral/RVC - Msgr. Kelly Parish Center; 7 pm - 9 pm

- Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Part B

Saturday, Nov. 15 - Immaculate Conception/Westhampton Beach - Parish Hall

- Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Part A - 1 pm – 4 pm
- (there will be NO Lector Workshop or EMHC Part B offered on this date)*

A letter from your pastor will be required to reserve your space at any of these trainings and must be received at least five days prior to the session you wish to attend. Walk-ins, on the day of training, without prior registration are NOT permitted. To request registration for any of these sessions, please contact your rectory. Please do not call the host parishes with questions. For questions, please call Suzanne at 516-744-6850. Thank you for your interest.

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 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. 9th 4:30-5:45PM: YG MEETING— SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS DRIVE PLANNING FUN— in Youth Office -LL of School- Snacks will be served

  **Sunday, Nov. 9th 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

2025-2026 REGISTRATION & PARTICIPATION:

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

SING: VISION TEEN CHOIR__LECTOR/READ __ GREET__ COLLECT OFFERING__

BRING UP GIFTS__ALTAR SERVE__ ADULT VOLUNTEER__ YG/ COMMUNITY SERVICE__

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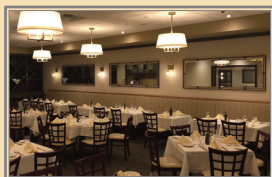
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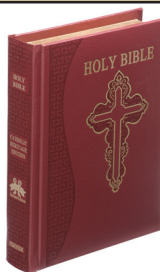


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