

# *St. Edward the Confessor*

205 Jackson Avenue, Syosset, New York 11791

*Growing in Faith, Love, and Christ*



*The Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024*



## **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

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

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

## **Youth Council**

Ms. Melanie Sena, Coordinator

## **Religious Education**

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

## **Music Ministry**

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

# Quick Guide to St. Edward's Parish

## Telephone Numbers

Rectory.....	921-8030 ext. 150
Rectory Fax.....	921-4549
St. Edward Confessor School.....	921-7767
Religious Education Office.....	921-8543
Finance Director.....	921-8030 ext. 132
Facilities Scheduler .....	921-8030 ext. 135
Parish Business Manager .....	921-8030 ext. 136
Facilities Manager.....	921-8030 ext. 137
Bereavement Ministry.....	921-8030 ext. 137
Bulletin Editor.....	921-8030 ext. 137
PSM/Pantry.....	921-8030 ext. 140
Music Ministry.....	921-8030 ext. 150
RCIA.....	921-8030 ext. 150
Society of St. Vincent de Paul .....	516-218-7837

## Next Week's Presider Schedule

Saturday, Sep. 28	5:00 PM	Fr. Hyacinth *
Sunday, Sep. 29	7:30 AM	Fr. Mike *
	9:30 AM	Msgr. Beckmann
	11:30 AM	Msgr. Beckmann
	6:00 PM	Fr. Jude *

\* - Deacons to Preach

## 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**

## 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

## Last Week's Offerings

<b>Dates</b>	<b>9/21 - 9/22</b>
Collections	\$ 10,643.00
# of Envelopes	211
Automatic Transactions	\$ 4,850.00
# of Transactions	35
<b>Weekly Total</b>	<b>\$ 15,493.00</b>
Religious Education	\$ 1,543.00

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

### **09/30 – Memorial of Saint Jerome**

9:00 am John Patrick Madigan

### **10/01 - Memorial of Saint Therese of the Child Jesus**

9:00 am Michael Albano

### **10/02 - Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels**

9:00 am Anne Labriola

### **10/03 - Thursday of the Twenty-sixth Week in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am Grace Alexander

### **10/04 - Memorial of Saint Francis of Assisi**

9:00 am Intention of Robert Gladstone

### **10/05 – Saturday of the Twenty-sixth Week in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am Socorro Benedicto

5:00 pm Aurora Gatti

Fiona Lorraine Keogh

Christopher Carrozzo

Gerald Michael Griffin

Jose E. Jasmin

### **10/06 - Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 am John Savin

9:30 am Nancy Klinger Petzold

11:30 am Sally McLaughlin

Diane Cooney

Cicily John

Marie Sansone

Courtney Barbella

Luigi Graceffa

6:00 pm Michael Rampanelli

## 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
Chelsea Frobey	Kevin J. Frobey	Ashley Benkin
Claire Tinnelly	Paul Cannizzaro	Estelle Carnesi

## The Altar Bread & Wine

***For the week of September 29 - October 5, 2024  
Is Given in Loving Memory of***

***Peter DeCarlo***

**By: Terry & Dennis O'Brien**

## The Sanctuary Candle

***For the week of September 29 - October 5, 2024  
Is Lit in Memory of***

***Michael Rampanelli***

**By: Fr. Mike and Staff**

## Pastoral Council

**Fr. Michael T. Maffeo, Pastor**  
Deacon James Murphy

JoAnn Bonasera	John J. Cleary
Chris Coschignano	June DeMarco
Mary Fay	Sr. Theresa Kelly
Kevin Moran	John O'Connor
Bianna Zaino	Donna Zaino

**“The Council serves as a forum of consultation for the pastor and members, primarily by engaging them in ongoing dialogue about the needs, feelings, hopes and reactions of parishioners.”**

**- Guidelines for Pastoral Councils, Sec. B.2**

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

Today we see jealousy and fear at work in the readings from Numbers and Mark's Gospel. In Numbers, Joshua is jealous of Moses because Eldad and Medad, who missed the call to go to God's gathering, also began to prophesize when God sent the spirit upon the seventy elders who attended the gathering. Joshua felt that they should not have been allowed to do so because they were absent from the gathering and in a sense defied Moses. Yet, Moses tells Joshua not to be upset on his account, after all, they were on the list of those chosen by God to share Moses' burden of leading and ministering to the people. Moses tells Joshua that he is thinking wrongly, and not to be jealous because it would be a wonderful occurrence if all the people would cry out to the Lord! Moses is telling Joshua to think outside of the box.

Jesus tells John and the others also to think differently and not to be jealous or fearful for His sake. The fear comes from a common belief during the time of Jesus that people could drive out demons by using the name of someone more powerful (whether it is a more powerful demon's name or the name of one that came from God). Keep in mind they believed that demonic possession caused illness, and so what John noticed was that the two were using Jesus' name because they knew it was so powerful. They were correct, but not for the right reasons. Yes, His name is powerful but that is because He is the Son of God, and that they did not know. Therefore, John is upset, but Jesus told John not to be because whatever is done in His name is doing Jesus' work even if they do not totally understand who Jesus is.

Now we must ask the question, was John worried for Jesus' sake or his own? Many Scripture commentators believe that John was upset because he, like the others, believed that the use of Jesus' name should only be limited to them. However, Jesus does tell them that anyone who does a good act and is a person of goodwill, he or she is doing the will of God. God is the creator of us all, and we are made in God's image and likeness, therefore any person can act in His will even those who are not Christians. Remember you cannot spell Good without God.

The same goes for us, we must understand what and why we are doing things in Jesus' name, and we must not be jealous of others who are using His name. While we may not try to drive out demons, we should be trying to drive out sin and darkness from our lives and the lives of those who Jesus places into our lives, no matter who!

Please keep in your prayers our young people who are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in November. Pray for them, their families, and their sponsors that they will move closer to God and learn how to use the gifts of the Holy Spirit in concert with Jesus' name.

***God bless you always!***

***Fr. Mike***

## Next Week's Readings

***Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time***

**October 6, 2024**

**First Reading - Genesis:18-24**

**Psalms - 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6**

**Second Reading - Hebrews 2:9-11**

**Gospel - Mark 10:2-16**

## Next Week's Gospel Question

In Mark's Gospel we hear Jesus tell his disciples  
***"whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it."***

**How does a child's state of being make it easy for them to accept the kingdom of God, where it may not be so easy for an adult?**



# St. Edwardfest!

(Oktoberfest at St. Edward's)

Sunday, October 13, 2024

1:00 PM to 4:00 PM



BBQ lunch with German food (and some other goodies),

Hot Pretzels, Dessert, Children Activities, Music, 50/50, Beer & Wine

**Proceeds to benefit our Parish and support its many programs.**

Adults: \$25

Children: \$10

Please submit the form below in an envelope marked "St. Edwardfest" with check payable to "St. Edward the Confessor" to the Rectory Office, School Office, drop it in the collection basket, or mail it to St. Edward Church, 205 Jackson Ave., Syosset, NY 11791

Yes, (Name:) \_\_\_\_\_ would love to attend!

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel.: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Adults @ \$25 per person \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Children (ages 2-11) @ \$10 per person \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## **Be a Sponsor of St. Edwardfest 2024!**

Platinum Sponsor \$5,000 \* Gold Sponsor \$2,000

Silver Sponsor \$1,000 \* Bronze Sponsor \$500

Music: \$250 \* Food: \$250 \* Drinks: \$250 \* Family Sponsor: \$100

Sponsor Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Donation amount: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor Contact Info (for thank you/tax letter): \_\_\_\_\_

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DIocese OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE  
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

September 23, 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

At this year's general election, New York voters will decide whether to approve a proposed amendment to the State Constitution. Officially known as "Proposal One", the amendment would add new language to the State's version of the "Bill of Rights" that, if approved, could insert gender ideology into child and adult sports, schools, hospitals, and even our churches.

The proponents of Proposal One refer to it as the "Equal Rights Amendment" and claim that the amendment is intended to protect the right to access an abortion. Proposal One, however, does nothing to ensure "equal rights" nor does it have anything to do with the legality of abortion in New York.

Since 1938, the State Constitution has guaranteed the right to the equal protection of the laws and has barred discrimination against any individual by a public or private institution based upon "race, color, creed or religion." Now, eighty-five years after the adoption of the Constitution's prohibition on discrimination, the State Legislature has discovered that we need an "Equal Rights Amendment" that ensures a "right" to an abortion in New York.

New York's abortion laws are already among the most permissive in the nation. Proposal One does nothing to alter the abortion laws or to further liberalize them. In fact, the word "abortion" does not appear anywhere in the proposed amendment. New Yorkers who vote in favor of Proposal One because they believe it will provide additional legal guarantees related to abortion are victims of a misleading campaign that masks the true purpose of the amendment.

Voters need only to read the language set forth in Proposal One to learn its actual purpose and to discern its potential for harm. While they will find no mention of abortion, voters will discover that, if adopted, Proposal One would prohibit discrimination based upon "gender identity" or "gender expression." This language would transform the laudable and longstanding anti-discrimination article in the State Constitution into a legal weapon that would force institutions across the state—public and private, religious, and secular—to accommodate the most radical forms of gender ideology.

Under this language, for example, a CYO girls' basketball team, or a local girls' soccer club, could be forced to allow a biological male to participate on the team if he wishes to do so because of his "gender expression." To bar such a person from the team would constitute an act of illegal discrimination.

The same language can be employed against health clubs, public and private schools, restaurants, and other public places to mandate that these institutions open their bathrooms and locker rooms to anyone, regardless of biological sex, based upon an individual's "gender identity." To restrict access to a bathroom or locker room according to biological sex would be another form of unconstitutional discrimination.

Furthermore, Proposal One would undermine the bedrock religious liberty protections that the State Constitution is supposed provide for Catholic parishes, schools, and hospitals, as well as for the religious institutions administered by other faiths. The amendment would expose a church or school to a lawsuit if, for example, it refused to hire a "transgender" catechist or dismissed an employee for the promotion of notions about gender that are antithetical to Church teaching. A teacher could demand to be called by a "preferred pronoun", as could any student, regardless of age. A refusal to adopt this sort of language regime would violate the Constitution.

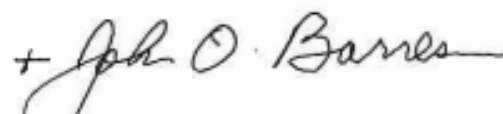
Catholic hospitals that do not perform gender-related surgeries could be sued for illegal discrimination against people who wish to express their gender identity through a medical procedure.

Supporters of Proposal One dismiss these concerns as far-fetched fearmongering. Yet they cannot offer any other plausible application of the language in the amendment. Unlike proposals in other states that were designed to limit the power of a state legislature to regulate access to abortion, Proposal One never mentions abortion, nor does it expressly restrict the power of the State Legislature to pass laws related to abortion. Instead, the amendment adds a "word salad" of terms to the State Constitution that would turn the shield of anti-discrimination protection into a sword that can be used to pierce religious and secular institutions in order to impose, by force of law, a gender ideology that voters have never endorsed.

New York's Constitution has, for nearly a century, expressly prohibited discriminatory practices. Proposal One does nothing to enhance the universally accepted principle of equality before the law. Proposal One is, instead, a deceptive effort to impose an ideological agenda upon the State disguised by popular and inoffensive rhetoric about "equal rights" and by appealing to voters who believe the state's abortion laws are at risk of change. But, to paraphrase the Gospel, by its language you shall know it. The words of Proposal One reveal its true intent and the effects it would have if adopted.

New Yorkers who do not wish to see the State Constitution used to implement a harmful gender ideology that would reach into nearly every facet of ever day life, from sports to schools, from bathrooms to gyms to hospitals—even into churches, synagogues and mosques—must vote "NO" on Proposal One.

Sincerely in Christ,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "John O. Barres". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a cross at the beginning.

Most Reverend John O. Barres  
Bishop of Rockville Centre



## Parish Updates to Your Phone

Mass times, ministry updates and more,  
delivered to your phone -

TO SIGN UP, TEXT **EDWARDCC** TO 84576

Or sign up online at:

[Stedwardtheconfessor4.flocknote.com](http://Stedwardtheconfessor4.flocknote.com)

## 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.

## Don't Despair - 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.

## Newly Baptized



*Julia Freiss*

*Nicolina Rose Capezza*

*Charlotte Dellacroce Bush*

*Gavin James Gutman*

*Avery Rose Aquilina*



JOIN US FOR ST EDWARD THE CONFESSOR'S

## FALL FESTIVAL Fundraiser

October 5 | 10AM - 2PM

*Kids Bracelet - \$25*

*Includes: access to bouncy fun, 1  
pumpkin craft, and 1 cotton candy*

ALL ARE WELCOME! HELP SPREAD THE WORD AND  
COME SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL!





## St. Edward's Women's Guild



An invitation is extended to all the women of the parish that have an interest in actively supporting our parish and a desire to meet and work with an extraordinary group of women. Come and bring your talents, gifts and ideas about how to serve our Church and Parish. Please call to find out more and to get on our distribution list.

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

## Knights of Columbus



Join other Catholic Men of the parish in doing good works for your Church, and for your community. Set your own pace and devote as much or as little time as you have. God gave you unique skills and strengths, so put them to work. **Show up. Be an example.**

**The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 10/8/24 at 7:30 pm in the Holy Family Room.**

**Contact:** Russell Kendall, Grand Knight - **Email:** RussellDD12@gmail.com

## Catholic Ministries Appeal

As of September 24<sup>th</sup> the Parishioners of St. Edward's Parish have pledged over **\$99,000, placing us at 88% of our goal for 2024!** Please consider making a pledge. 100% of every dollar raised is restricted to fund the objectives, programs, and mission supported by the Catholic Ministries Appeal, which would include Priests', Deacons' and lay leaders' education and formation, affordable and safe housing for seniors, veterans and adults with mental and physical disabilities, Respect Life Initiatives and religious education for hundreds of thousands of students. You can make a pledge of any amount by visiting:

**[www.CatholicMinistriesAppeal.org](http://www.CatholicMinistriesAppeal.org)**

## Calling All Young Singers



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

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

Contact Cecilia Hayden after Mass to sign up, or call the rectory to leave your information for her

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

## World Communications Day - Sunday, June 1, 2025

The Church will be celebrating its' 59<sup>th</sup> World Communications Day next year, and Pope Francis has chosen the theme of ***"share with gentleness the hope that is in your heart"***. World Communications Day is usually celebrated on the Sunday before Pentecost. Pope Paul VI established the Day in 1967 in the wake of the Second Vatican Council as an annual celebration that encourages reflecting on the opportunities and challenges that the media offer and how the Church can better communicate the Gospel message. The Pope stated ***"hope is a person, and He is Christ"***. Let us spread the message.

## 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

### Pantry Items Needed:

**Food:** Cereal, Pancake Mix & Maple Syrup, Ketchup, Mustard, Salad Dressing, Chili, Chef Boyardee, Canned Stew, Lentils, Baked Beans, Crackers, Jelly, Tuna, Canned Vegetables, Cookies, Juice, Coffee, Tea, Hot Chocolate

**Personal Grooming:** Bar Soap, Deodorant, Shampoo, Conditioner, Toothpaste, Baby Wipes, Diapers size 5 & 6, Razors

**Cleaning Supplies:** Laundry Detergent, Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, 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. We are in need of grocery bags.

Thank you for your support!

## Feast of St. Francis - Blessing of the Animals



The Feast of St. Francis of Assisi is Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>.

In remembrance of his love for all creatures,

Please bring your pets to the

**“Blessing of the Animals”**

**Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 PM**

(following the 11:30 AM Sunday Mass)

in front of St. Edward's Church.

Faith Lutheran Church will be joining us.

## Care & Repair of Our Church

During the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of September, many of you took notice of the scaffolding in the church. This scaffolding was needed to replace a broken 1-ton winch in the church's ceiling that is used to change out the statues that hang behind the altar. With the help of John Ricciuto, owner of *Preferred Landscaping & Design* (who keeps our property looking great), our Facilities Manager, John O'Connor replaced the winch, took down the Risen Christ, and put up the Crucified Christ. This was a costly endeavor, and we are asking our parishioners if they can donate any amount to help offset this unexpected repair.

If you can, please place your donation in an envelope marked **'Repair of Our Church'** and leave it at the rectory along with your name and address. Thanks for your generosity, Fr. Mike.



## St. Edward's 2024 Golf Classic on Monday, September 30, 2024

We are looking forward to a fun filled day that will include a day of golf for those who wish to partake or you can join us for the dinner only option that will be held after the day of golf.

If you can not attend the golf and/or dinner portion of the Golf Classic, there are many ways that you can participate in this great event. There are sponsorships, journal ads, tee signs and good will offerings available. Also, you can donate towards the raffles, silent auction or live auction. Looking for donations of the following: golf foursomes at country clubs, sports tickets, gift cards, or items that can be utilized for raffle baskets. Any size donation is greatly appreciated.

Please reference the registration form in the bulletin for more details and we look forward to a successful 2024 Golf Classic.

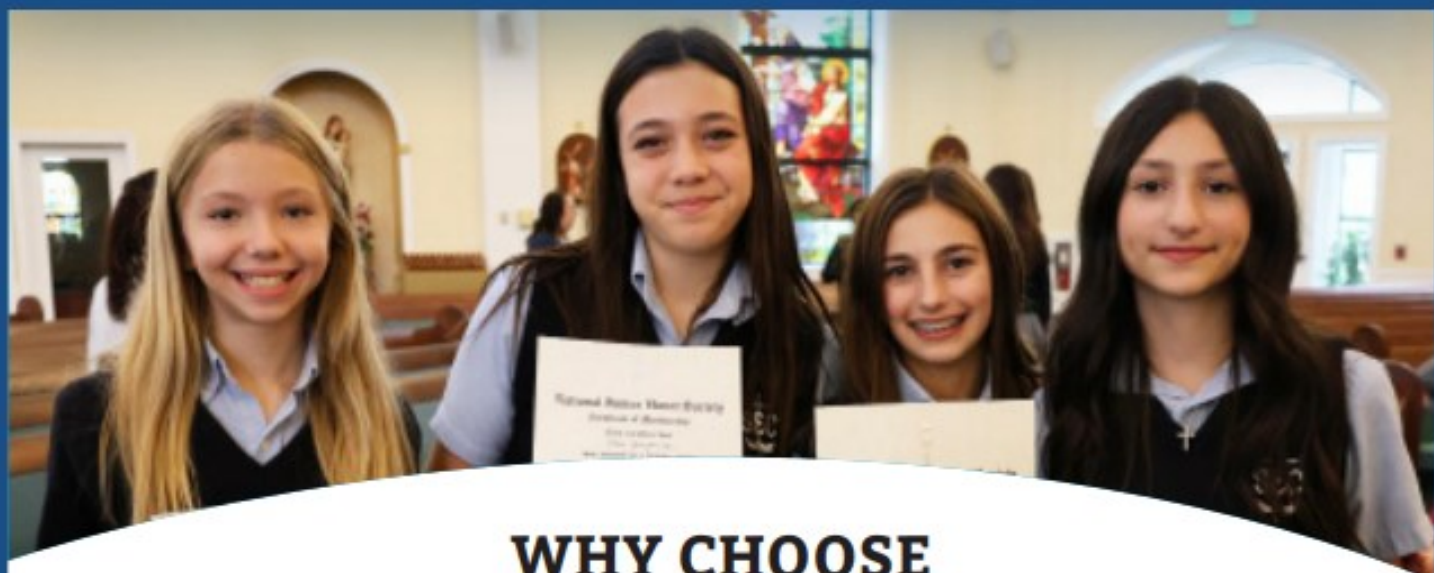
**Thank you, 2024 Golf Committee**





# St. Edward the Confessor Catholic School

SYOSSET, NY



## WHY CHOOSE ST. EDWARD THE CONFESSOR SCHOOL?

*We help our students to grow in...*

- Academic Excellence
- Student Confidence
- Cooperation
- Responsibility and Respect
- Strong Faith Basis
- Personal Development

***Stop by for a Tour Today!***

The Community of St. Edward the Confessor School lives and proclaims the gospel of Jesus Christ. We strive to create a safe and nurturing Catholic environment, which recognizes all learners as unique individuals to be treated with dignity and respect. As an educational community we encourage our students to achieve their personal and academic potential while we prepare them to be responsible lifelong learners.



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## 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. Please join us at the 6:00 PM Sunday Mass to greet, sing, lecture, collect the offering, bring up the gifts and altar serve. Community Service Credits are earned for participation.

**Join the YOUTH CHOIR**

**Come SING with Us at the 6PM SUNDAY MASS**

**TRANSFORM LIVES WITH PRAISE THROUGH SONG**

**Please Contact [msena@st-edwards.org](mailto:msena@st-edwards.org)**

Share your talents, let us know what you would like to do at the 6pm Youth Mass

☐ I would like to SING with Vision at Mass (Practices begin at 5pm, before Mass)

☐ I would like to READ /lector at Mass

☐ I would like to GREET parishioners and COLLECT the offertory at Mass

☐ I would like to bring up the GIFTS at Mass

☐ I would like to be a part of a Youth Group that performs community service (Meeting Dates TBA)

☐ I am parent and / or an adult volunteer who would like to get involved and help.

\*\*\*Participation in any of these activities will count towards Confirmation Service Hours. \*\*\*

Youth Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Return to : [msena@st-edwards.org](mailto:msena@st-edwards.org) OR to the rectory Attn: Youth Group

## Order of Christian Initiation for Adults



*Come, Follow Me*

**Want to become Catholic?  
Ask about St. Edward's OCIA process!**

St. Edwards is beginning a new session of Initiations into the Sacraments in the coming weeks.

If you or someone you love is interested in becoming Catholic or would like to receive the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist, please call the St. Edward's parish office and ask for an OCIA team member to contact you.

Parish Office: 516-921-8030





## Registration Info for the 2024-2025 School Year

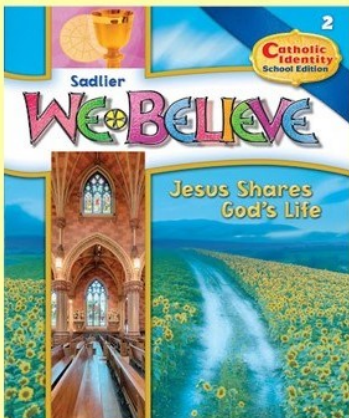


St. Edward's Religious Education Program is an 8 year faith formation program for children attending public schools or non Catholic private schools. Religious Education Students are required to begin their religious studies in grade 1 and complete their formal religious education classes in grade 8.

Preparation for their reception of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion takes place in grades 1 and 2.

Students will receive their First Reconciliation in March of grade 2 and their First Holy Communion in May of same year. Grades 3 through 6 are required continuation years for their religious education studies. Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation occurs in grades 7 and 8. Upon completion of their Confirmation studies and service hours, candidates will receive their Confirmation in the early Fall of grade 9.

**In Person Religion Classes will begin the week of September 29th.**



**Families whose children were enrolled in Religious Education Classes last year** should have received a Registration Email on June 5th. The re-registration emails will be sent out again on August 3rd to all those who have not yet registered. If you have not yet registered and still have not received any re-registration email, please contact Mrs. Braun at 516-921-8543 or by emailing her at [abraun@st-edwards.org](mailto:abraun@st-edwards.org)

**Families who are new to the Program** may register online by going to the Religious Education Website: [saintedwardre.com](http://saintedwardre.com). Select the link: **On-Line Registration for NEW Families** and complete the online form. All new families to our program will later be contacted by a member of our Staff.

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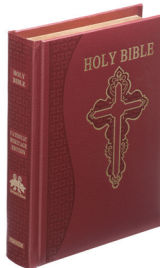


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