St. Edward the Confessor

205 Jackson Avenue, Syosset, New York 11791

Growing in Faith, Love, and Christ



The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time January 31st, 2021



THE PASTORAL TEAM

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Ms. Mary Calabrese, Director of Confirmation
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Quick Guide to St. Edward's Parish

Not registered? Please stop by our Rectory during office hours to be included in our parish family!

Telephone Numbers

Rectory	921-8030 ext. 150
Rectory Fax	
St. Edward Confessor School	921-7767
Religious Education Office	921-8543
RCIA	921-8030 ext. 135
Administration	921-8030 ext. 136
Bulletin Editor	921-8030 ext. 137
Facilities Scheduler	921-8030 ext. 137
St. Vincent De Paul Society	516-218-7837
PSM/Pantry	921-8030 ext. 140
Music Ministry	921-8030 ext. 150
Youth Ministry	921-8030 ext. 127
Pastoral Center Offices	921-8030 ext. 132

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday:	9:00 AM	In the Church
Saturday:	5:00 PM	In the Church
Sunday:	7:30 AM	In the Church
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	11:30 AM	In the Church

Next Week's Presider Schedule

Saturday, Feb. 6	5:00 PM	Fr. Hyacinth*
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Sunday, Feb. 7 7:30 AM Fr. Mike*

9:30 AM Msgr. Beckmann

Deacons to Preach 11:30 AM Fr. Mike

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 for 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

When Attending Mass

While attending Mass during the coming weeks please remember to wear your face mask at all times and to maintain social distancing. After Mass has ended you are requested to depart from church immediately afterwards, and not congregate in the gathering area. Thank You.

Our Weekly Offering

January 24, 2021	\$ 11,283.00
# of Envelopes	169
Automatic Trans.	\$ 1,646.00
# of Envelopes	33
Total	\$ 12,929.00
Christmas	\$ 96,979.00

We thank all who contributed to the support of our Parish! Fr. Mike

Websites / Social Media

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

Facebook: stedwardsyosset
Twitter: stedwardsyosset
Instagram: stedwardsyosset
Formed: formed.org

St. Edward's Mass is Online -

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

YouTube - St. Edward the Confessor Church - Syosset Facebook Page - St. Edward the Confessor Church

"Lord God, be my refuge and my strength."

Mass Intentions

Mon. - 2/1 - Monday of the Fourth Week in Ordinary Time 9:00 am James Tymann

Tues. - 2/2 - Feast of the Presentation of the Lord 9:00 am Sr. Patrice Ward

Wed. - 2/3 - Wednesday of the Fourth Week in Ordinary Time 9:00 am Josita Mirija Alic

Thurs. - 2/4 - Thursday of the Fourth Week in Ordinary Time

Fri. - 2/5 - Memorial of St. Agatha

9:00 am

9:00 Eugenie & Raffaele Scarola

Walter Henry

Sat. - 2/6 - Memorial of Saint Paul Miki and Companions

9:00 am Intention of Donna Lopresti

5:00 pm Ida Scaduto

Liam Francis McAvoy James Tymann Alfonso Paez

Penagos & Sabogal-Paez Families (L & D)

Claire Kapey

Sun. - 2/7 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am
9:30 am
9:30 am
11:30 am

Gina Hoda
Ann C. Beyer
Joseph Popik, Sr.
Frances Regruto
Jonell DePoto
Peter J. Ranaldo III
Joseph Hendrickson, Jr.

7:00 pm No Mass

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

The Altar Bread & Wine

For the week of January 31 - February 6, 2021
Is Given in Loving Memory of

Catherine and Joachim Borowik

By: Mr. & Mrs. Michael Walsh

The Sanctuary Candle

For the week of January 31 - February 6, 2021
Is Lit in Loving Memory of

Eugenie and Raffaele Scarola

By: Porzia and Maria

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 SEAL
Cpl. Matthew V. Balestrieri, U.S. Marine Corps
Maj. Joel Bernazzani, U.S. Air Force
Pvt. John J. D'Amico, U.S. Army Airborne
Ens. Ryan Dunleavy, U.S. Navy
Sgt. Noah C. Estey, U.S. Marine Corps
Pvt. Joseph Evola, Jr., U.S. Army
SSgt. Michael Gregory, U.S. Army Special Forces
Petty Officer 3rd Class David Griffin, U.S. Navy
Lt. John Hagerman, U.S. Navy
Pvt. Gary Harris, 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
Cpl. Erik Liebergall, U.S. Marine Corps
Pvt. Jonathan Maldonado, U.S. Army
Seaman Liam Pieper, U.S. Navy
2nd Lt. Richard Martin Prestegaard, 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
2nd Lt. John P. Trainor, U.S. Marine Corps
1st Lt. Michelle Turcios, U.S. Army
Lt. Cmdr. Andrew Vann, U.S. Navy

Pray For The Sick

Joseph Kempton John Lamb, Sr. Christiana Cheng Kathy Rooney Robert Philipps Julianna Key Michele Wesch Renata Sorace Susan Giambalvo Katy Monte John Hynson Alexandra Reuter

Frances Genovese Wangberg

Death to New Life



Gino Moratti John George Spicijaric Valerie Ann Ciccio

Welcome to the Parish



The Werner Family

Mark and Gail

The Readings for The Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Reading 1 - Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Moses spoke to all the people, saying: "A prophet like me will the LORD, your God, raise up for you from among your own kin; to him you shall listen. This is exactly what you requested of the LORD, your God, at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, 'Let us not again hear the voice of the LORD, our God, nor see this great fire any more, lest we die.' And the LORD said to me, 'This was well said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their kin, and will put my words into his mouth: he shall tell them all that I command him. Whoever will not listen to my words which he speaks in my name, I myself will make him answer for it. But if a prophet presumes to speak in my name an oracle that I have not commanded him to speak, or speaks in the name of other gods, he shall die."

Reading 2 – 1 Corinthians 7:32-35

Brothers and sisters:

I should like you to be free of anxieties. An unmarried man is anxious about the things of the Lord, how he may please the Lord. But a married man is anxious about the things of the world, how he may please his wife, and he is divided. An unmarried woman or a virgin is anxious about the things of the Lord, so that she may be holy in both body and spirit. A married woman, on the other hand, is anxious about the things of the world, how she may please her husband. I am telling you this for your own benefit, not to impose a restraint upon you, but for the sake of propriety and adherence to the Lord without distraction.

Responsorial Psalm – Psalms 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, let us sing joyfully to the LORD; let us acclaim the rock of our salvation. Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us joyfully sing psalms to him.

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the LORD who made us. For he is our God, and we are the people he shepherds, the flock he

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Oh, that today you would hear his voice:
"Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as in the day of Massah in the desert,
Where your fathers tempted me;
they tested me though they had seen my works."

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Gospel – Mark 1:21-28

Then they came to Capernaum, and on the sabbath Jesus entered the synagogue and taught. The people were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes. In their synagogue was a man with an unclean spirit; he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are - the Holy One of God!" Jesus rebuked him and said, "Quiet! Come out of him!" The unclean spirit convulsed him and with a loud cry came out of him. All were amazed and asked one another, "What is this? A new teaching with authority. He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him." His fame spread everywhere throughout the whole region of Galilee.

Prayer to St. Michael

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

From Fr. Mike's Desk

In Exodus Chapter 20 we read the account of God giving the Israelites the Ten Commandments, and we are told that while God was giving them to Moses there was thunder, the sound of trumpets, and the entire mountain was surrounded by smoke. At this sight, the people trembled and kept their distance from the mountain. They begged God and Moses to have only Moses speak to God, and subsequently Moses could share God's message with them. They cried out, "But, do not have God speak to us or we will die."

Today's reading from *Deuteronomy* continues the story from Exodus. Again, Moses was the Lord's spokesman along the journey, but now the journey was coming to an end, and so was Moses. So, in today's reading, Moses tells the people, "'A prophet like me will the Lord, your God, raise up for you from among your own kin; to him you shall listen. This is exactly what you requested of the Lord, your God, at Horeb.'" And as God continues, "'I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their kin, and will put my words into his mouth; he shall tell them all that I command him. Whoever will not listen to my words which he speaks in my name, I myself will make him answer for it."

This promised prophet is understood in later times to be none other than the Messiah; the one who will come and speak in God's name. The prophet then is Our Lord, Jesus Christ, and this is what Mark is getting at in today's Gospel reading, when he notes that Jesus speaks as one having His own authority, and not like the scribes. What does this mean?

Jesus speaks like Moses in the sense that what He says comes directly from God. The scribes, Pharisees, and Rabbis of old, and of great fame, (even to this very day) spoke about the things that they studied from the *Torah* and what was spoken by the great prophets. They taught what was passed down to them, and there was nothing wrong with this because they were passing on good, holy teachings that were inspired by the However, Jesus, like Moses, is Holy Spirit. speaking directly what was being said by God, but unlike Moses, Jesus is much more than a prophet, for Jesus is God. Therefore, what Jesus spoke is not like Moses repeating what he heard from God, when Jesus spoke it was (and is) God directly speaking to humanity.

As it is pointed out by Scripture scholars and by Mark, it seems the one who knows Jesus best at His first preaching in the synagogue is the demon who is driven out of the man. It is the demon who says, "I know who you are - the Holy One of God!'" In fact, at every occurrence where Jesus drives out an unclean spirit, the demon or demons always know who He is and always reacts with fear, because He has power over them. notice that Jesus will not allow them to speak or testify to who He truly is. This is because it is not their testimony He wants. Jesus wants the testimony of those who have been saved. Mark wants us to know that Jesus' fame spread all over Galilee not only because He drove out demons, but because He teaches with divine authority. Mark wants us to know that His message is just as important as His deeds.

For the past 2,021 years, the Church has been spreading the Good News about Jesus, and He has given her the ability to speak in His name, and to invoke His authority in spreading the Gospel. At times, the Church has done this very well, and at times she has not. When she has not, it seems that the Church was listening to itself, and not her founder. Or, she was more concerned with how she looked than what Jesus wanted her to do. But keep in mind, that we are the Church, and in order for the Church to stay on the right path all of us must listen to the voice of the Messiah, and yield to his wonderful, loving, and merciful authority. All of us must carry out His work and do what Jesus would do. The saying What Would Jesus Do (WWJD) is more than just something found on a bracelet, it should be our motto and how we live our lives everyday.

God bless you always!

Fr. Mike

Next Week's Readings

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 7, 2021

First Reading - Job 7:1-4, 6-7 Psalms - 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23 Gospel - Mark 1:29-39

Fr. Mike's Letter for Week 45 of the Corona Virus Crisis

The following letter was posted last week, prior to the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, on the St. Edward's website as well as on Flocknote.

I just opened a Christmas card from one of my cousins who lives in New Jersey. I just received it because it was sent to my former parish in Ronkonkoma. In the card, my cousin, Elizabeth, writes that one of the highlights of 2020 was the Zoom meeting we as 1st cousins had. When my cousin Jimmy sent out the invitation, I was not so sure what I should do to hook up with the meeting. I was a little cautious, but everything worked out that day. That was then, this is now, and I have been on so many Zoom meetings (and similar services) since that weekend that I do not even think about it anymore.

Many times, the Diocese has us meeting on Zoom, and many times groups like the Knight of Columbus, Saint Vincent de Paul, and the School Board meet this way. It is a good sign that COVID-19 did not totally win and we are using our technology to keep things going. One good thing about a Zoom meeting is that you do not have to totally dress up, and do not have to leave the comfort and safety of our own home. Also, when your mic is muted you can say out loud what you could only think at an in-person meeting. This, of course, can backfire if you forget your mic is not muted, or your camera moves showing that you are wearing your pajama bottoms (or the like).

Yes, the Zoom meeting has been a great advantage to us, and I am sure that it will continue to be used from now on even when COVID-19 is not as big of a problem as it is now. But I do have one major concern with the Zoom meeting. I wonder if meeting always on the internet is changing how we eventually relate to each other? Sure, it is understandable when people are separated by many miles or even oceans, but when we are only minutes away can it not become a liability? Could it possibly be that we will lose touch with each other and possibly forget how to be civil, understanding, and accepting of each other? For some of us this will not be a problem, we can adapt to any set of circumstances and going back to in-person meetings will not be a concern. However, for some of us this may create a difficult situation, and it will change how we act with others. Also, some of us may be too frightened to attend social gatherings all together. We must pray that we can be open to being more accommodating to each other when it is safe again. We must pray that this time next year we are back to a better sense of normal or the new normal.

One good thing did come about from the Zoom meeting with my cousins. We were able to speak with and see each other, which we probably would not have done because of the distances we all live from each other. Hopefully, in these cases we can use Zoom more often and effectively.

Happy Zooming!

Fr. Mike



Attend a virtual Open House, and see the Catholic School difference from the comfort and safety of home.



Find a school near you at www.LICatholicElementarySchools.org

2020 Catholic Ministries Appeal



Congratulations! As a result of the generosity of our parishioners, St. Edward the Confessor Church raised 109.3% of our 2020 quota of \$107,600.00.

As a result of this achievement the parishes share will be \$29,520.00. We are so grateful - this rebate was so important to us to keep things going in this time of uncertainty.

God bless you and thanks!

St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel today we read that because Jesus spoke with authority his reputation spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee. As his disciples, we can also speak with authority when we put our faith into actions by helping the poor and suffering.

Have you considered answering the call to serve the poor by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul?

We are in need of a member who can speak Spanish to assist us with our Spanish speaking neighbors. If you speak Spanish and would like to volunteer, please call our conference number (516) 218-7837. If you know of someone who might benefit from a virtual home visit, please call our conference at (516) 218-7837.

Sound System for the Church

Thanks to the giving spirit of our Parishioners, and especially the generosity of one in particular, the funds were raised to purchase and install a new sound system for the Church.

Automatic Giving

Make your weekly contribution to St. Edward's Church automatic! Fill out the sections below.

Name:	Tel:		
Address:	Town:	State:	Zip:
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Upcoming Blood Drive



Make this the year that you start giving!



The Knights of Columbus will be hosting the parish's first **Blood Drive** for 2021!

The KofC have partnered with the **New York Blood Center** and the drive will be held:

Date: February 14, 2021 / Location: Holy Family Room / Times: 8:15 AM to 12:45 PM

Don't wait as space may be limited. Schedule your appointment today by going to:

www.nybloodcenter.org

On the home page look at the very top and click "Schedule an Appointment". You may also use this shortened link to make your appointment:

https://tinyurl.com/y56hsgxw

Be generous this new year - give with your heart, and donate!

Lucky Leprechaun Triple and a Half Century

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Questions? luisaondocin@		#1	\$100
If 350 tickets are	not sold, prizes may be prorated.	#50	\$50
Tickets may be purchased individually or shared with family, friends, colleagues, etc. Winners need not be present. Your support to this event is greatly needed to meet our fundraising goals for this year. We hope we can get together again in 2022 to celebrate, but in the meantime, a prepackaged dinner for 2 will have to do! Pick up your box of corned beef, cabbage & carrots, and roasted potatoes between 6 & 6:30 pm at the Holy Family Room. Additional meals (for 2) may be ordered at \$30. All dinners must be pre-ordered with your ticket purchase. Representatives of the clergy, parish and school will be present to distribute dinner and witness the raffle. Please include your contact info.			\$50
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	s a reverse raffle: the winner of the FIRST PRIZE	#346	\$250
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at, March 13 th , 2021	SEC Holy Family Room - 6pm	#349	\$1,500
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Please return with your check (payable to PASE) to	and payment is enclosed chool or to:

St. Edward Church Rectory. Attn: Triple Century

205 Jackson Ave Syosset, NY 11791

If you have a "lucky number" we may be able to give it to you. If you don't have one, we'll assign you any number.

Mass Intentions for 2022

FILL OUT THIS FORM FOR YOUR MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2022 PLEASE BE SURE YOUR NAME & PHONE # ARE FILLED IN PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION: THE DATE OF THE OPENING IS THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4

REQU	UESTED BY:	PHONE #	
1.	Name of Deceased:		
	Date Requested:	Mass Time	
	-	Circle: Weekday Mass	Weekend Mass
2.	Name of Deceased:		
	Date Requested:	Mass Time	
		Circle: Weekday Mass	Weekend Mass
3.	Name of Deceased:		
	Date Requested:	Mass Time	
		Circle: Weekday Mass	
4.	Name of Deceased		
	Date Requested	Mass Time	
		Circle: Weekday Mass	Weekend Mass
5.	Name of Deceased		
	Date Requested	Mass Time	
		Circle: Weekday Mass	
6.	Name of Deceased		
	Date Requested	Mass Time	
		Circle: Weekday Mass	Weekend Mass

This form is being used in lieu of having many people come into the Office at this time of Covid-19.

Mass Intention donations remains at \$20.00 per mass – please drop off check and FORM in the collection basket or in the slot in the Rectory Office door. MAKE SURE YOU PUT THE DATE OF DROP OFF AND THE TIME ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE ENVELOPE. This will help in fairly serving all parishioners based on the date/time received in the Rectory. The Staff will enter your masses as they come in and call you if changes need to be made. As stated above, the Rectory Staff will not start putting intentions in the Book until Thursday, February 4 and will be based on date and time of receipt. Thank you for understanding this change of procedure.

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