

# *St. Edward the Confessor*

205 Jackson Avenue, Syosset, New York 11791

*Growing in Faith, Love, and Christ*

The leper asked to be healed,  
and Jesus replied "I do will it".  
What will you ask Him for?



*The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021*



## THE PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. Michael T. Maffeo, Pastor  
Rev. Hyacinth Jemigbola, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Celestine Nwosu, Associate Pastor  
Msgr. Donald McE. Beckmann, Sunday Priest  
Deacon James F. Murphy  
Deacon Barry P. Croce



## Administration

Deacon Thomas Wm. Connolly, Director

## Pastoral Center Offices

Mr. Miguel DeLeon, Finance Director

## RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Sister Sheila Browne, RSM, Director

## St. Edward the Confessor School

Mr. Vincent Albrecht, Principal  
Ms. Taylor Moran

## Parish Social Ministry

Mrs. Donna Zaino, Coordinator

## Office Staff

Mrs. Maryann Waite  
Mrs. Luisa Ondocin

## Music Ministry

Mr. Jeffrey Fox  
Mrs. Marilyn Fox  
Mrs. Cecilia Hayden

## Youth Ministry

Ms. Michelle Sena - Vision

## Religious Education

Mrs. Rosemary Pettei, Director  
Ms. Mary Calabrese, Director of Confirmation  
Mrs. Ann Braun, Secretary

# 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.....	921-4549
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

## 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.

## 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
	9:30 AM	In the Church
	11:30 AM	In the Church

## Our Weekly Offering

February 7, 2021	\$ 10,833.00
# of Envelopes	151
Automatic Trans.	\$ 2,106.00
# of Envelopes	41
Total	\$ 12,939.00

## Next Week's Presider Schedule

Saturday, Feb. 20	5:00 PM	Msgr. Beckmann
Sunday, Feb. 21	7:30 AM	Fr. Mike*
	9:30 AM	Fr. Mike*
*Deacons to Preach	11:30 AM	Fr. Hyacinth*

We thank all who contributed to the support of our Parish!  
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**

## 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)  
**Twitter:** [stedwardsyosset](https://twitter.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 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. - 2/15 - Monday of the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time**  
9:00 am Anthony Lembo

**Tues. - 2/16 - Tuesday of the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time**  
9:00 am For Those Who Have Died from Covid

**Wed. - 2/17 - Ash Wednesday**  
9:00 am Josef Hasler  
12:30 pm Allen & Patricia Murray

**Thurs. - 2/18 - Thursday after Ash Wednesday**  
9:00 am Lillian Tommasello

**Fri. - 2/19 - Friday after Ash Wednesday**  
9:00 Grace & Kenneth Kempton

**Sat. - 2/20 - Saturday after Ash Wednesday**  
9:00 am For Our St. Edward's Parishioners  
5:00 pm Edward Essig  
Patrick, Rita, Paddy & Justine Cullinan  
Alf, Irma, Henrietta & Marie Berentsen  
Margo & Tony Lipari  
Claire Kapey  
Anthony Lembo

**Sun. - 2/21 - First Sunday of Lent**  
7:30 am John Spicijaric  
9:30 am Jean Clemens  
11:30 am George Bartlett  
George McGann  
Mary DeGregoris  
  
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 Altar Bread & Wine

*For the week of February 14 - February 20, 2021*  
Is Given in Loving Memory of

*John & Theresa O'Connor*

By: Their devoted sons, John, Chris, Rob, Brian

## The Sanctuary Candle

*For the week of February 14 - February 20, 2021*  
Is Lit in Loving Memory of

*Edward Essig*

By: Roselle Lauth

## 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





## The Readings for The Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

### Reading 1 - Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron,  
“If someone has on his skin a scab or pustule or blotch  
which appears to be the sore of leprosy,  
he shall be brought to Aaron, the priest,  
or to one of the priests among his descendants.

If the man is leprous and unclean,  
the priest shall declare him unclean  
by reason of the sore on his head.

“The one who bears the sore of leprosy  
shall keep his garments rent and his head bare,  
and shall muffle his beard;  
he shall cry out, ‘Unclean, unclean!’

As long as the sore is on him he shall declare himself  
unclean, since he is in fact unclean. He shall dwell  
apart, making his abode outside the camp.”

### Responsorial Psalm – Psalms 32:1-2, 5,11

**R. I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and  
you fill me with the joy of salvation.**

Blessed is he whose fault is taken away,  
whose sin is covered.

Blessed the man to whom the LORD imputes not guilt,  
in whose spirit there is no guile.

**R. I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and  
you fill me with the joy of salvation.**

Then I acknowledged my sin to you,  
my guilt I covered not.

I said, “I confess my faults to the LORD,”  
and you took away the guilt of my sin.

**R. I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and  
you fill me with the joy of salvation.**

Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, you just;  
exult, all you upright of heart.

**R. I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and  
you fill me with the joy of salvation.**

### Reading 2 – 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1

Brothers and sisters,  
Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do,  
do everything for the glory of God.  
Avoid giving offense, whether to the Jews or  
Greeks or the church of God,  
just as I try to please everyone in every way,  
not seeking my own benefit but that of the many,  
that they may be saved.  
Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

### Gospel – Mark 1:40-45

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down  
begged him and said,

“If you wish, you can make me clean.”

Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand,  
touched him, and said to him,

“I do will it. Be made clean.”

The leprosy left him immediately, and he  
was made clean. Then, warning him sternly,  
he dismissed him at once.

He said to him, “See that you tell no one anything,  
but go, show yourself to the priest  
and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed;  
that will be proof for them.”

The man went away and began to publicize the  
whole matter. He spread the report abroad  
so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town  
openly. He remained outside in deserted places,  
and people kept coming to him from everywhere.



### 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 Heav-  
enly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Sa-  
tan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the  
world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

## From Fr. Mike's Desk

On the day I was putting this letter together, I was reading the paper and came across the advice column of *Carolyn Hax*. In this column a woman wrote Carolyn a letter about a problem that occurred in her 22-unit building. The homeowner's association posted signs which stated the rules for the inhabitants to follow to keep safe and stop the spread of the Corona Virus. Putting up the signs was not the problem in and of itself. It appears that the woman's husband was upset because the association went overboard with the signs. To him, the signs were everywhere, and so he wrote a nasty letter to the association, and that did not go over very well. To make matters worse, the woman's friend was on the board and she took great offence to the letter. Now the woman is complaining that she feels caught in the middle. This is just one of the problems we have endured for almost a year, because of our favorite virus. While we try to navigate the rules we are to follow to stop the spread, and wait for a vaccine or perhaps a cure, we are also losing our patience. This is certainly a terrible situation not only for us, but for the whole world, but as I have said several times, hopefully we have learned a great deal more about ourselves and can be better for it.

While COVID19 is not Leprosy, which in its true form can endure for years, and without proper treatment can be disfiguring, debilitating, and lead to death, it is just as devastating to those who have underlying problems. And it is everywhere, and many may not know they have it, but they can spread it, and perhaps have problems later in life. Yet if you were to get leprosy in the ancient world, and the priest confirmed it, you would be separated from the community. Those who had it, had to rend their garments, bare their heads, and go about unkempt. These were signs they had to display to show their illness, and they also had to cry out 'unclean', so people would not come near them.

After reading this, 14 days of quarantine does not seem too bad. However, in some way we can imagine what the people who were suffering with the disease were and are going through. And this brings us to today's Gospel. The man with leprosy decides he will go and ask Jesus to cure him. He approached Jesus with the words, "If you wish, you can make me clean." If Jesus did this for him, not only would he be healed, he could get his life back. He could return to his family, he

could once again earn a living, and most importantly he could return to the Faith Community. Remember it was thought that if one were not physically whole, they were considered to be impure both physically and spiritually, and they could not approach God (for wholeness was associated with holiness). Jesus, of course, knows this and He knows the man is asking for much more than a cure. And so, Our Lord gave the man this reply, "***I do will it. Be made clean.***" At that moment, the man was healed, and Jesus tells him to go show himself to the priest and follow the prescriptions of the Law.

Jesus returns this man to a full life, and while He tells the man to be silent, he cannot help but tell everybody he sees. Jesus knows that he will spread the good news of the cure, in fact, He wants the whole world to know right up to this very day. He wants us to know that God is always present to us, that God heals us no matter what. Just as Jesus made this man whole, so He will do for us who ask. He will respond to us just as He responded to the man, "***I do will it.***"

In case you thought I forgot, ***Happy Valentine's Day***, may this be a great day for you and your valentine. At least it is not on Ash Wednesday like it was a few years ago. ***Oh, by the way, this Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, and it is the beginning of Lent, it is a day of fast and abstaining from meat.*** Please see the bulletin for the schedule of Masses and Prayer Services on this important day.

*Happy Valentine's Day, Happy Fat Tuesday, and  
May God Bless you always!*

*Fr. Mike*

## Next Week's Readings

***First Sunday of Lent***

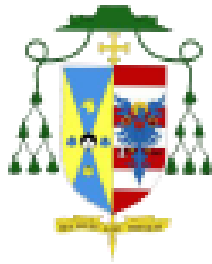
**February 21, 2021**

**First Reading - Genesis 9:8-15**

**Psalms - 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9**

**Second Reading - 1 Peter 3:18-22**

**Gospel - Mark 1:12-15**



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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

## Lent 2021

Dear Friends:

"The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan...After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the Gospel of God."(Mark 1:12 – 14) Each year on the First Sunday of Lent, the Church presents for our reflection and prayer the experience of Jesus in the desert. Jesus's experience in the desert follows immediately upon His baptism by Saint John the Baptist and immediately precedes His public ministry and proclamation of the Kingdom of God, in word and in deed. Saint Mark points out to us that the Spirit, who had just descended upon Jesus in the form of a dove, drove Jesus into the desert.

The desert was a barren place, a place of lifelessness, the home of the devil and evil. The Spirit sends Jesus into the desert to prepare himself for the years of His public ministry, ultimately leading to His Death and Resurrection. Jesus spends time away from the world to prepare himself. But He also goes forth into the desert to begin His battle against evil, sin and death. Jesus goes into the very dwelling of evil to begin the confrontation. This battle will continue throughout the rest of Jesus's life. The ultimate victory will come on Good Friday through His ultimate act of love on the Cross.

Our yearly experience of Lent, our forty day "desert experience," can be viewed in the same way. We are inspired and sent by the Spirit to spend some time apart from the world of noise and recover the beauty of silence. But, we are also sent to do battle. Our experience of true silence should allow us the opportunity to both listen to the voice and promptings of God as well as to better know ourselves. This personal battle against sin and evil can be painful, because we come to realize that we are all in need of constant conversion. There are real changes each and every one of us need to make in our lives and our hearts this Lent. But like Jesus, we are not alone. The Lord was ministered to by angels during His forty days in the desert. We are constantly aided by our guardian angels, by the angels and saints in heaven, by the community of the baptized, and by the grace of the sacraments of the Church. Like Jesus, we need to emerge from the desert ready to take on the evils of the world and work to spread the Gospel.

It was only a few short weeks into Lent 2020 that the experience of Covid-19 made radical changes to our society, our Church, and our families. The experience of desert isolation was no longer a metaphor but a lived reality. The experience of having our parishes locked down for months was painful for all of us. Many of us still experience this isolation in many ways. But as Christians we always remain men and women of hope. We know that the Cross of Good Friday leads to the empty tomb of Easter Sunday.

Pope Francis has declared this year as a special Year of Saint Joseph. In Saint Joseph we find a man of profound hope and strength as well as prayerful silence. Scripture does not record one word spoken by Saint Joseph. But Scripture does tell us of his unwavering faith and trust, which go beyond words. Following Jesus, and like Saint Joseph, men and women in the first centuries of the Church began to leave the towns and villages and settle in the isolation of the desert. Like the Lord, they sought to rid themselves of the distractions of everyday life so they too could do battle with evil, and through their quiet example proclaim the Kingdom of God.

This continued throughout the history of the Church, even to our present moment. Saint Antony, Saint Benedict, Saint Bruno, and so many others show us the lived experience of the desert is not an escape from the reality of life but a privileged encounter with the Lord and a revelation of our true selves. While most of us are not called to the monastic or solitary life, the last twelve months have given each of us an experience of solitude. We are encouraged to remain "socially distant." In the midst of the real suffering and hardships this has caused, perhaps the hidden grace is that it has led us to be "temporary monastics."

Our typical Lenten "desert experience" of forty days has lasted a bit longer. But we will come out of it! And like the Lord, when we emerge our goal is to proclaim the Gospel of God according to our vocation and the graces given to us. In addition to our personal sins and the evils present in our own hearts, we live in a world that is right now suffering from real physical illness as well as real division and hurt of every kind. Jesus emerged from the desert bringing the healing presence of God to all he encountered. As the baptized, the Church, the continuing presence of Jesus in the world, we need to do the same. The same Holy Spirit that drove Jesus into the desert is driving us on.

Sincerely in Christ,



Most Reverend John O. Barres  
Bishop of Rockville Centre

## Fr. Mike's Letter for Week 47 of the Corona Virus Crisis

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

I stated last week in this space that February is usually the month that we have the most snow, but in no way was that a prayer for snow, so don't blame me! Mother nature really hit us hard with a lot of snow this past weekend from Sunday to Tuesday, more than we have seen in the past two years. So, I guess we were overdue, but did we have to get so much? However, it could be worse, we could be in New Jersey where there were places that had 3 feet of snow!

As I write this, they are calling for another storm on Friday the 5<sup>th</sup>, but God willing that will mostly be rain, and to top that off we are still up in the air when it comes to Sunday into Monday. We could have another major storm or maybe it will pass us by. As you are reading this, we will know the answer. But I think I know the answer most of us want, after all, enough is enough!

We must, however, keep in mind that nature is following not our rules but the rules of natural law. The laws that God established to maintain order in the physical, material world. There are times we think we can control everything, but something like two feet of snow comes around and we realize that we are not calling the shots, no nature is! However, God has given us the gifts of knowledge and understanding, so we can see what the weather is dealing us, and we can be prepared. But even with this knowledge we are still caught off guard, and the forecast is totally wrong.

This is not only true for the weather, but it is also true about what we have all been going through this past year, as we are dealing with COVID 19. However, we are learning more every day and in time with our research and the guidance of the Holy Spirit we will have a better handle on the virus, and hopefully stop its spread. As we enter the season of Lent, one of our goals should be to turn away from sin and follow the Gospel more. We should also use this time to get closer to God, to allow God into our lives and to share our lives with Him. The more we let God in, the more we gain knowledge and understanding; not of the world, but of the one who made the world and the entire universe. With God in our lives, we can get through all that nature and others must throw at us, even two feet of snow.

God bless you!

*Fr. Mike*





Dear Friends:

As we journey together through this Lenten season, let us call to mind all our brothers and sisters on Long Island who are in need. One of the ways we can assist our neighbors and the Church is through giving to the Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA). For all of you who have given to the CMA in the past, I would like to say thank you. Your gifts have helped bring the loving face of Jesus to hundreds of thousands of Long Islanders.

Each year, the CMA creates pathways of faith that guide all people to our loving Father. This year, the CMA needs your help, more now than ever before, in our efforts to spread the Good News throughout Long Island. Last year was a challenge for everyone. As the pandemic surged through our Long Island community, pastoral care was expanded to those in need.

Catholic Charities programs expanded its food programs to seniors and our parish outreach programs remained open; the Education Department was able to provide internet service to families that did not have it so that children could continue their studies and parents could continue to work; Faith Formation, Young Adult Ministry and Youth Ministry programs were able to remotely bring the faith to God's people. All of this was accomplished because of your support and prayers.

We humbly ask you to please consider giving to the CMA so that we can make this year's Appeal grow substantially in gifts, so that everyone who comes to the Church for help may receive it.

Additionally, the CMA helps raise funds that help feed the poor, clothe the naked, and assist our veterans and people with disabilities. The CMA also assists women with untimely pregnancies who need assistance and seminarians who are following God's call to the priesthood.

Our parish will also receive a share of the funds if we reach at least 80% of our parish goal; the more money our parish raises, the more we will receive in rebates. These rebates are so essential to our parish, so we ask that you also think of your parish when you give the CMA.

During these 40 days, as we are called by our Lord to grow closer to Him through prayer, fasting and almsgiving, the CMA allows us to practice the virtuous act of almsgiving and to spread the Good News within and beyond our parish.

Whatever you give, thank you for helping to create pathways of faith on Long Island. May God bless you, your family and this year's CMA.

Blessings,

*Fr Mike*

Pastor

## The Saint Joseph's Prayer Group

**Beginning Thursday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 PM in the Church**



The Holy Father in December had announced that 2021 is **The Year of Saint Joseph**. St. Joseph was a worker, devoted husband to Mary, a father figure to Jesus, and provides us with a **great example of what a man should strive to be**. Like Joseph, Sons and Fathers in Christ must always strive to deepen their faith in the Lord. Let us answer the call to prayer by coming together with total trust and faith in Our Father in Heaven; *"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."* In these uncertain times, let us follow the example of Saint Joseph, sharing in the love of his Blessed Spouse and Divine Son, by praying the **Rosary** and the **Chaplet of the Divine Mercy**. With Lent on the horizon, this is a great way to spend some time in prayer with the Blessed Mother and our Lord, surrendering our crosses and trust to Jesus who is "Love and Mercy Himself." If you feel the pull of the Holy Spirit to sacrifice some more time in prayer, answer that call and become part of **The St. Joseph's Prayer Group, meeting every Thursday night, starting on February 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 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. "Those who sincerely say 'Jesus, I trust in You' will find comfort in all their anxieties and fears" Looking forward to seeing you there and God Bless!

## Automatic Giving

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

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

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

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Envelope #: \_\_\_\_\_

Contribution amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Frequency: Weekly – Monthly – Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Start date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill out one of the two sections below:

### CREDIT/DEBIT CARD AUTHORIZATION FORM

Card Type (circle one): Debit Card - Amex – Visa – Master Card – Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Or

### AUTOMATIC DEDUCTION AUTHORIZATION

(Please fill out the information below -or enclose a VOIDED check, and sign below)

Financial Institution Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City & State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

9-digit Routing Number (ABA): \_\_\_\_\_

Account Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Account Type (please circle one): Checking Savings

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Lucky Leprechaun Triple and a Half Century

St. Edward the Confessor Parents' Association

## Annual TRIPLE AND A HALF CENTURY RAFFLE

Sat, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021                      SEC Holy Family Room - 6pm

Tickets: \$100

Dinner for 2 To Go!



**17 Cash Prizes!**

Triple and a Half Century is a reverse raffle: the winner of the FIRST PRIZE is the last ticket pulled. Only 350 raffle tickets will be sold.

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.

If 350 tickets are not sold, prizes may be prorated.

Questions? [luisaondocin@gmail.com](mailto:luisaondocin@gmail.com)

# 350	\$6,500
#349	\$1,500
#348	\$1,000
#347	\$500
#346	\$250
#345	\$200
#344	\$175
#343	\$150
#342	\$125
#341	\$100
#300	\$100
#250	\$100
#200	\$50
#150	\$50
#100	\$50
#50	\$50
#1	\$100

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

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

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

No. tickets (\$100 each): \_\_\_\_\_ Lucky numbers requests, if any\*: \_\_\_\_\_

No. "Dinner for 2" requested (max. 1 per ticket) \_\_\_\_\_ (pick up 6-6:30pm on 3/13 in HFR)

I would like \_\_\_\_\_ additional "Dinner for 2" at \$30, and payment is enclosed

Please return with your check (payable to PASE) to school or to:

**St. Edward Church Rectory, Attn: Triple Century**  
205 Jackson Ave  
Syosset, NY 11791

*Not selling 350 tickets will affect the success of the event. If 350 tickets are not sold, prizes may be prorated.*

\* 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.



## Ash Wednesday - Distribution of Ashes



This year, Ash Wednesday, falls on February 17<sup>th</sup>. It is the beginning of the most solemn period in the Church calendar leading up to the joyous celebration of the Resurrection of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Because of the Pandemic the diocese will not permit us to distribute of the ashes in the usual way. In an effort to avoid close physical contact we will not be marking individual foreheads with ash. Rather, we will be distributing the ashes in small individual bags at each of our liturgies during the day. These will be:

**Morning Prayer** at 7:00 am

**Mass** at 9:00 am

**Mass** at 12:30 pm

**Mass** at 7:00 pm

Since school will not be in session **there will be no 4:30 prayer service**. Bags of ashes will be available throughout the day and left in baskets in the vestibule of the church. We ask you to please limit the number of bags you take to what you actually need. Left over ashes should be spread in garden beds or lawns.

## A Prayer for Our Country

*O Most Blessed Virgin Mary*, Mother of Mercy, at this most critical time, we entrust the United States of America to your loving care.

*Most Holy Mother*, we beg you to reclaim this land for the glory of your Son. Overwhelmed with the burden of the sins of our nation, we cry to you from the depths of our hearts and seek refuge in your motherly protection. Look down with mercy upon us and touch the hearts of our people. Open our minds to the great worth of human life and to the responsibilities that accompany human freedom.

Free us from the falsehoods that lead to the evil of abortion and threaten the sanctity of family life. Grant our country the wisdom to proclaim that God's law is the foundation on which this nation was founded, and that He alone is the True Source of our cherished rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

*O Merciful Mother*, give us the courage to reject the culture of death and the strength to build a new Culture of Life.

## St. Vincent de Paul Society

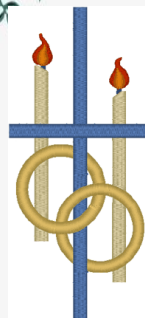
In the Gospel today Jesus moved with pity touched the leper and healed him. Let us pray today for the grace to be generous with our gifts to help those who are suffering.

**By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you indeed put your faith into action as you bring healing to the poor, hungry and weeping.**

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.

## Wedding Banns



*Michael Videtto*  
St. Martin of Tours, Bethpage

To

*Jacqueline Napolitano*  
St. Edward the Confessor





*St. Edward's Crown Club*

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*The pandemic has substantially restricted many of our usual fundraising opportunities and **Crown Club** is an excellent way to help St. Edward's continue with the many ministries we have to help the people of the parish and community.*

*We greatly appreciate your kindness and generosity!*

*Complete and return the entry form below along with your check by mail or at the rectory!*

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ST. EDWARD'S CROWN CLUB  
(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

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

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

*Good Luck and Thanks for Playing!*



## Saint Valentine



Officially known as Saint Valentine of Rome, he is a third-century Roman saint widely celebrated on February 14 and commonly associated with "courtly love." The romantic nature of Valentine's Day may have derived during the Middle Ages, when it was believed that birds began pairing in mid-February. St. Valentine is the Patron Saint of engaged couples, happy marriages, and young people.

This Valentine's day, let each of us pledge our love to our loved ones, praying for their intentions, promising fidelity to them, and thanking them for their love in return. It was Jesus who said, *"This is my commandment: love one another as I have loved you. There is no greater love than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends."*

## Rectory to be Closed

### President's Day



Please be aware that the St. Edwards' Rectory **will be closed** on Monday, February 15th in observance of President's Day.

The Rectory will reopen on Tuesday, February 15th at 9:00 AM.



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