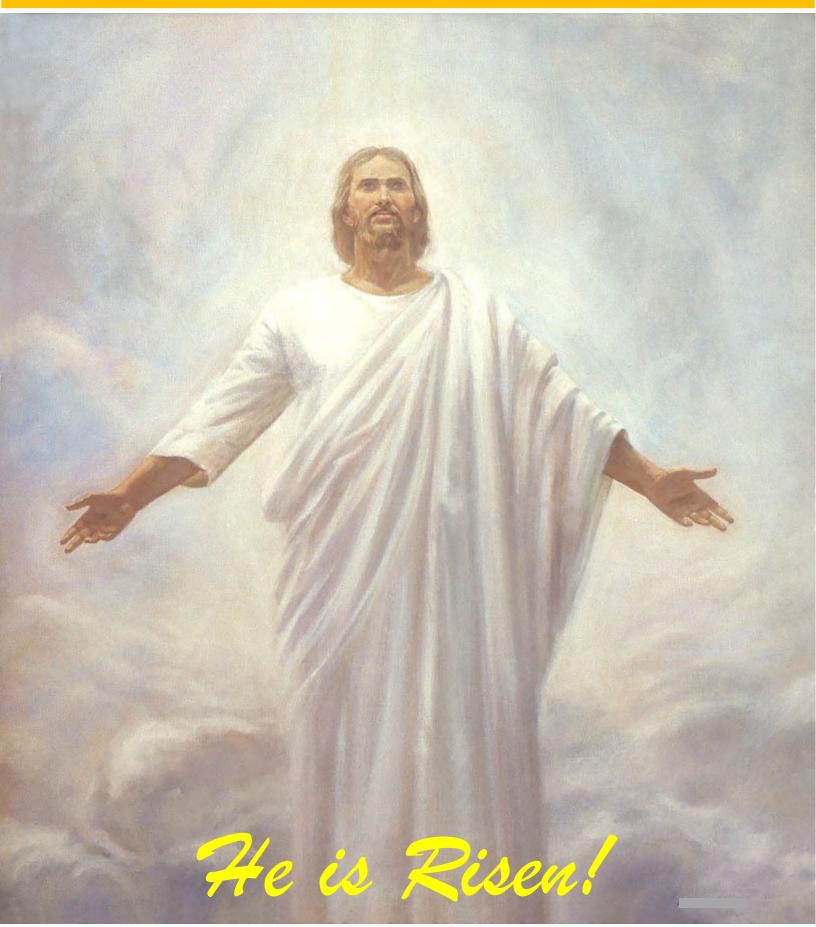
# St. Edward the Confessor Growing in Faith, Love, and Christ



## **Quick Guide to St. Edward's Parish**

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

#### **Rectory Office Hours**

Monday - Thursday	9 AM - 8 PM
Friday	9 AM - 3 PM
Saturday & Sunday	
Telephone Numbers	
Rectory	921-8030 ext. 150
Rectory Fax	
St. Edward Confessor School	
Religious Education Office	
RCIĂ	
Administration	
Bulletin Editor	921-8030 ext. 137
Facilities Scheduler	921-8030 ext. 137
St. Vincent De Paul Society	516-218-7837
PSM/Pantry	
Music Ministry	
Youth Ministry	
Pastoral Center Offices	

## **Our Weekly Offering**

April 5, 2020	\$ 17,247.00
Automatic Transactions:	\$ 3,090.00
Total:	\$ 20,337.00

Thank you all for your continued support!

#### **Parish Social Ministry**

#### Tel: 516-921-8030

Due to recent events our pantry will be closed until April 1st. We still need your donations of food and gift cards. We will be serving those in need on an emergency basis. Any non-perishable item that you can donate is appreciated. Please leave items in the dropoff box in the vestibule of the church.

## **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:

#### 516-594-9063

#### This Coming Week: 4/13/20 - 4/19/20

Day	Date	Time	Location
Mon	4/13		No Meetings or Activities
Tues	4/14		No Meetings or Activities
Wed	4/15		No Meetings or Activities
Thur	4/16		No Meetings or Activities
Fri	4/17		No Meetings or Activities
Sat	4/18		No Meetings or Activities
Sun	4/19		No Meetings or Activities



# **Newly Baptized**

Arya Leia Liu Nicholas Gabriel

## 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

#### **Televised Mass Information -**

The Catholic Faith Network (CFN) will provide televised and online daily Masses, including Holy Week and Easter Liturgies, as well as other devotional and spiritual programs. (Optimum channel 29/137, Verizon FiOS TV channel 296, and Spectrum channel 162/471.) CFN is also available on selected cable and satellite systems and through **24/7 live stream** at CFNtv.org. You can also watch CFN on Roku, Apple TV, Amazon Fire TV, Android, or by downloading the CFN iOS mobile app at the app store by searching "Catholic Faith Network" or "CFN".

# From Fr. Mike's Desk

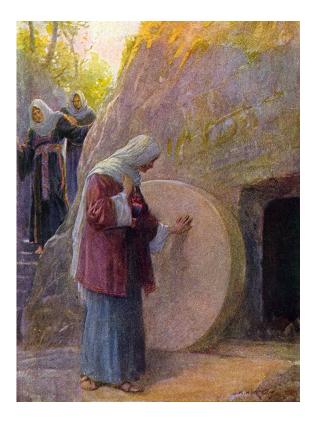
Two weeks ago, we read the account of the Resurrection of Lazarus. As you may recall, Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days (a sure sign that he was truly dead) and he died before Jesus could arrive at Bethany. As we see in the Gospel, Jesus purposely delayed going to see his dying friend. He did this so He could show the gathered crowd, and all of Israel that God was doing great things through His Messiah! Jesus called Lazarus out of the tomb and brought him back to this life. All were amazed, after all, how could you not? In fact, as John tells us, word spread of this event all over Israel, and it certainly reached the ears of the leadership (who now sought to do harm not only to Jesus, but also to Lazarus).

Last week, we read how shortly after Lazarus was raised from the dead, Jesus entered into Jerusalem on what we call Palm Sunday. He entered the city to cheers and great joy on the part of the people, only to have them replaced with shouts of hatred and calls for His death on Good Friday. Today we have three wonderful accounts of His Resurrection, and each one tells us that event was, and is different from anything that came before it, or would come after it. The Resurrection was more powerful than the crossing of the Red Sea, greater than the establishment of the Kingdoms of David and Solomon, and more wonderful than any of Our Lord's previous miracles. Why, because all things that Jesus did. were pointing to this great moment, which transforms and saves humanity from sin, spiritual death and darkness.

As a sign of our new life, and our ability to worship the Father fully, we will renew our baptismal promises. We will be celebrating Easter for the next eight days as we observe its Octave, and the Easter Season will carry one right up to Pentecost Sunday on May 31, This is the most important time of the Church's Year, so make the most of it, even in these times of doubt and fear.

Also, during the Easter Season, our level two students will be receiving Jesus for the first time in the Blessed Sacrament. Hopefully that will be able to happen as it is scheduled. Please keep them and their families in your prayers as they celebrate their First Communion and hopefully will attend and participate at Mass every Sunday. On behalf of Father Hyacinth and Deacons Jim and Barry, Deacon Tom Connolly our Director of Administration, Miquel DeLeon our Finance Director, our Director of Religious Education Rosemary Pettei, Mary Calabrese our Confirmation Director, our School Principal Vincent Albrecht, Sr. Sheila Browne our RCIA Director, our Music Directors Jeff and Marilyn Fox, Cecilia Hayden our Children's Choir, Michelle Sena director of our Youth Choir and the entire Staff of Saint Edward's we wish you and vour family a very Holy and Happy Easter.

# Fr. Mike



## **This Week's Readings**

#### April 12, 2020 -EASTER SUNDAY

First Reading - Act 10:34A, 37-43 Psalms 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 Second Reading - Colossians 3:1-4 Gospel - John 20:1-9

# "Be Merciful, O Lord, For We Have Sinned"

## **Mass Intentions**

All Intentions will be honored and remembered at private masses celebrated on the respective day by Fr. Mike or Fr. Hyacinth

Mon Apr. 13 - Monday in the Octave of Easter Martin Gabris
<b>Tues Apr. 14 - Tuesday in the Octave of Easter</b> Michael Aratingi
Wed Apr. 15 - Wednesday in the Octave of Easter Anne Labriola
Thurs. Apr. 16 – Thursday in the Octave of Easter Honora O'Toole
Fri Apr. 17 – Friday in the Octave of Easter Ann Beyer
Sat Apr. 18 - Saturday in the Octave of Easter Augus Pieper Maria Rossi Jerry Owens John & Julia McCarthy Ann C. Beyer People of the Parish
Sun Apr. 19 - Sunday of Divine Mercy Intentions of Noreen & Sal, Bonnie and Heidi Conquegrana Elizabeth A. Cosen Louis Nelson LaMarche Emma La Marca William Draper Agatha Bonglino

Heather Murray Ann M. Reid People of the Parish

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 April 12 - April 18, 2020 Is Given in Loving Memory of Juan Maria

By: The Vicaria & Patti Families

#### **The Sanctuary Candle**

For the week of April 12 - April 18, 2020 Is Lit in Memory Of

#### **Olinto Parenti**

By: Michael, Mary, Anthony, and Alipe Albano

## **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 1st. Lt. Connor J. Dunleavy, U.S. Army 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 1st. Lt. Arriane Mari Reyes, U.S. Air Force 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 2nd Lt. Michelle Turcios, U.S. Army Lt. Cmdr. Andrew Vann, U.S. Navy Maj. Michael F. Wendelken, U.S. Air Force

## **Pray For The Sick**

Cathleen English	John Lamb, Sr.	Christiana Cheng
Kathy Rooney	Rosalie Schiovone	Julianna Key
Michele Wesch	Frank Meyers	Susan Giambalvo
Katy Monte	Alvaro Banchon	Alexandra Reuter

Renata Sorace

## **Diocesan Directives Re: Mass**

In accordance with the directives issued by the Office of the Vicar General of the Diocese of Rockville Centre all weekday and weekend Masses are suspended beginning at 3:00 PM on March 16, 2020. This will include Holy Week and Easter Liturgies, although these will be televised and available online. See this bulletin for further details on how to watch.

## Fr. Mike's Letter for Week 3 of the Corona Virus Crisis

Welcome to April, usually one of my favorite months of the year. The days are certainly getting longer, and warmer (give or take a weather front). April used to be the first month of the year. In fact, the Latin root of April means to open, so hence the name April because it opens the year. This was the case for the longest time, until the calendar was changed, and January became the first month. When this occurred, many people who did not keep up with the change still believed that April first was New Years Day. These people came to be known as April Fools. Today, for many, April first means a day of pranks, and practical jokes.

This year we have no time for jokes or April Fools. This is a time for April Heroes, as we see all of those who work in health care not just the medical professional who are working without end, but those who maintain the health care facilities. Those who make sure the beds, linens, equipment is where it belongs. The Heroes who work in the Supermarkets and Food Stores, the Banks, Drug Stores, Post Offices and Letter Carriers, Auto Techs, and so many more who are working on the front lines, Heroes like our Teachers who, who are conducting lessons on the internet. Students who are getting accustomed to this new way of learning and forced to do schoolwork when they are home and rather sleep or play. Parents and Care Givers who must supervise their children while many of them are working from home in the new normal.

As it has been said many times by many people, we are all in this together, and we are. However, we have always known this as Americans, and we have more importantly known this as we are all members of the Living Body of Christ, the Church. We are now about to enter the holiest week of the entire year. During this week, we will retrace the last days and moments of Jesus' earthly life, and we will enter into the great mysteries of our salvation. While this year, we are observing Holy Week and Easter so radically different, we still are going to observe them. We should do everything to celebrate, pray and remember the events of these days at home. We are attempting to record the Mass of the Lord's Supper (Holy Thursday evening), Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday. We will then broadcast them on You Tube and our Face Book Page. The times will be listed when to view them on Flock Notes and Face Book. Please pray that we can accomplish this, and hopefully we will then do Sunday Masses from April 19<sup>th</sup> till we are back in the Church.

As I continue to look out my window, I see so many people coming to the church to pray, and this is a sure sign that our faith is growing stronger, not weaker in these trying times. I also want to thank everyone for your kind thoughts and wishes you have sent in cards and messages. Fr. Hyacinth, Deacons Jim and Barry, and I are extremely grateful for these and your prayers. So far, we are doing fine and know I pray for you every single day and I feel your pain about not being able to attend Mass. Hopefully this will be over soon, from our lips to God's ears.

I want to thank the people who work and volunteer at our Parish Social Ministry. They are coming in to help give food to those in need, some of those in need are coming because they have lost their jobs to the Corona Virus, and this number is growing. We are in desperate need of food to help so many so if you can donate food, you can drop it off into the wooden box in the church lobby. Thank you for all who can respond to this urgent call.

Thank you also for your constant financial support to our beautiful parish. Your continued support is over whelming, but I must admit I am not totally surprised your generosity is something I know I can count on, because this is Saint Edward's. Let us continue to pray and support each other and let us pray that the end of April and the beginning of May will see an end to very unpleasant April fool.

God bless you always!

Fr. Mike

# **FORMED**

During this period of time while we are all practicing social distancing you can access FORMED and avail yourselves of a multitude of spiritual resource material in various formats, in both English and Spanish, including: video files, audio files, printable files, etc. Here is a sample of what you can find on www.FORMED.org:

- Lenten Reflections / Reflexiones de Cuaresma short daily audios
- Mass at Home
- Learn more about the Mystery of the Eucharist in Presence / Presencia
- Pray at Home / Fe en casa
- Scripture audio of The Augustine Bible
- Rosary / El Rezo del Rosario
- Praying the Rosary Like Never Before audio by Dr. Edward Sri
- Divine Mercy Chaplet /Divina Misericordia 101 pray at 3pm daily
- Way of the Cross pray especially on Fridays
- Children's Cartoons
- Movie Night
- Pick of the Week

## Visit the Church

During this Holy Week take some time and come into the church for private prayer and contemplation. This might be an opportune time to show your children how to make an Act of Spiritual Communion, as shown below. Maintenance personnel having been cleaning the church at regular intervals, so as long as you adhere to proper social distancing requirements you should be safe.

# **Prayer for Healthcare Workers**

O Holy Spirit, we thank you for the advancements that have led to improving the health of so many. We beg you to inspire new breakthroughs in overcoming the coronavirus and all serious flu viruses. Protect, we pray, health care professionals from the illnesses they are treating, and make them instruments of your healing.

Amen.

# **An Act of Spiritual Communion**

#### My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.



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