St. Edward the Confessor

205 Jackson Avenue, Syosset, New York 11791

Growing in Faith, Love, and Christ



Third Sunday of Easter April 18th, 2021



THE PASTORAL TEAM

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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	
Religious Education Office	
RCIA	921-8030 ext. 135
Administration	921-8030 ext. 136
Bulletin Editor	921-8030 ext. 137
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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

Next Week's Presider Schedule

Saturday, Apr. 24	5:00 PM	Msgr. Beckmann
Sunday, Apr. 25		Fr. Mike Fr. Celestine Msgr. Beckmann

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

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

April 11, 2021	\$ 9,885.00
# of Envelopes	147
Automatic Trans.	\$ 2,103.00
# of Envelopes	43
Total	\$ 11,988.00
Easter as of 4/11	\$ 65,429.00

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. - 4/19- Monday of the Third Week of Easter 9:00 am Stanley Zabieleski

Tues. - 4/20 - Tuesday of the Third Week of Easter 9:00 am Ralph De Bari

Wed. - 4/21 - Wednesday of the Third Week of Easter 9:00 am Alan (Bud) MacKenzie

Thurs. - 4/22 - Thursday of the Third Week of Easter 9:00 am Janusz Zagaja

Fri. - 4/23 - Friday of the Third Week of Easter 9:00 Anne Labriola

Sat. - 4/24 - Saturday of the Third Week of Easter

9:00 am 5:00 pm People of the Parish Claire Kapey Eileen D. McKenna Livio Smolizza John Fennel Eric P. Sehlmeyer Michael Cruise

Sun. - 4/25 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

7:30 am 9:30 am 11:30 am Rosita Liuzzo Kenneth Whitney Dominick Gallo Mary Aversano Vincent De Vuono Brendan Quinn Mary & Joseph Pap Michael Fricano

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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 18 - April 24, 2021 Is Given in Loving Memory of

Claire Kapey

By: Judy Healy & Laura Higgins

The Sanctuary Candle

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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 t. 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 Ist Lt. Michelle Turcios, U.S. Army

Pray For The Sick

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

Death to New Life



Paula E. Lembo

Welcome to the Parish



The Kessler Family

Arthur, Erin & John

The Readings for the Third Sunday of Easter

Reading 1 - Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

Peter said to the people:

"The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and denied in Pilate's presence when he had decided to release him. You denied the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead; of this we are witnesses. Now I know, brothers, that you acted out of ignorance, just as your leaders did; but God has thus brought to fulfillment what he had announced beforehand through the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer. Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away."

Responsorial Psalm – Psalms 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9

R. Lord, let your face shine on us.

or:

R. Alleluia.

When I call, answer me, O my just God, you who relieve me when I am in distress; have pity on me, and hear my prayer!

R. Lord, let your face shine on us.

or:

R. Alleluia.

Know that the LORD does wonders for his faithful one; the LORD will hear me when I call upon him.

R. Lord, let your face shine on us.

or: **R. Alleluia.**

O LORD, let the light of your countenance shine upon us!

You put gladness into my heart.

R. Lord, let your face shine on us.

or:

R. Alleluia.

As soon as I lie down, I fall peacefully asleep, for you alone, O LORD,

bring security to my dwelling.

R. Lord, let your face shine on us.

R. Alleluia.

Reading 2 – 1 John 2:1-5a

My children, I am writing this to you so that you may not commit sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous one. He is explation for our sins, and not for our sins only but for those of the whole world. The way we may be sure that we know him is to keep his commandments. Those who say, "I know him," but do not keep his commandments are liars, and the truth is not in them. But whoever keeps his word, the love of God is truly perfected in him.

Gospel – Luke 24:35-48

The two disciples recounted what had taken place on the way, and how Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of bread.

While they were still speaking about this, he stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." But they were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost. Then he said to them, "Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have." And as he said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While they were still incredulous for joy and were amazed, he asked them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of baked fish; he took it and ate it in front of them.

He said to them,

"These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. And he said to them, "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

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

"Then he said to them, 'Why are you troubled? Look at my hands and feet, that it is I myself. Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as vou can see that I have." Today's Gospel reading takes place also on that first Easter Sunday, after the two disciples had an encounter with the Risen Jesus on the road to Emmaus. Recall how Jesus came upon them yet they did not recognize Him, because He had changed. Recall how Jesus explained everything in the Scriptures that dealt with the Messiah and how the Messiah had to suffer and die Remember how their hearts were burning inside them as He told them how this would save the whole world. (This is also brought out in our second reading, from John's First Letter, in which he writes, "He is the explation for our sins, and not for our sins only, but for those of the whole world.") As the Gospel account continues, the two disciples, when they sat at table with this stranger, had their eyes opened when He took the bread, broke it, and with that vanished before their eyes. The two rushed back to Jerusalem where they found the others, and suddenly Christ appeared, and they all were very much afraid. And who could blame them?

They did not know what to make of these events, after all this has never happened before that a man dies and comes back from the dead. But what about Lazarus or the dead son of the widow of Nain or Jarius' daughter, they were brought back from the dead by Jesus, shouldn't that have been proof for the disciples? Yes, you might think so, but they were returned to this life, and they would die again. Also, they had the same limits all humans have; they could not appear out of nothing or vanish from sight like the Risen Lord did. We may also think that we read these

accounts every year and we know that Jesus is not a ghost, why couldn't they? Well, we have one thing that they did not have, we have the Holy Spirit. This is very important because it is the Holy Spirit who constantly communicates to us, who Jesus truly is, the Son of God made one of us. They did not receive the Holy Spirit for some fifty days after Easter, and so they are afraid, and they do not lose this fear until they realize that He is not a ghost, but their saving Lord. When fear disappears all that is left is joy. As we mentioned last week, we must not be like Thomas who did not trust, and we must not allow any lack of trust to allow us to give into fear.

Happy Easter!

Fr. Mike



Next Week's Readings

Fourth Sunday of Easter April 25, 2021 First Reading - Acts 4:8-12 Psalms - 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29

Second Reading - 1 John 3:1-2 Gospel - John 10:11-18

Fr. Mike's Letter for Week 56 of the Corona Virus Crisis

The following letter was posted last week, prior to the Second Sunday of Easter, on the St. Edward's website as well as on Flocknote.

What a difference a year makes! Last Sunday we celebrated Easter with Masses that were almost full, full, and in two cases overfilled. While the number of people attending was less than 2 or 3 years ago, it was a fantastic number for this year; especially compared to last year. This year the count of faithful attending Easter Masses was over 1009, last year it was about 10 (those who were the priests, deacons and liturgical ministers who were needed). Of course, we were grateful that we could record the Mass and send it over the internet, but this year was much better. Hopefully, it is a sign of things to come, and for some who have been afraid to come, or have fallen out of the habit of coming, will change their minds and join us again. However, if you still have reservations, or major health issues, you are correct in staying home and joining us through the internet.

This weekend, we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, and this year at 3PM we will have a special prayer service as we pray the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy. As was mentioned last year in this space, Our Lord commanded that the words, "JESUS I TRUST IN YOU" be featured on the Icon. I suggested last year when we were going through so much uncertainty, different medical opinions, and so many other aspects of COVID 19 that we focus on these words. Again, we should give all that we are going through to Jesus, allow Him to handle our fears and problems and He will get us through them. Even for those who have died, their trust in Jesus was not in vain, as Jesus led them from death to eternal life and happiness.

Remember the Gospel reading for this weekend is the story of Doubting Thomas. We know that Thomas refused to believe that the Risen Jesus appeared to the 12 and the Blessed Mother on that first Easter Sunday night. Thomas had his doubts and thought that this news was just too good to be true, so he chose not to believe. As time went on, Jesus appeared in the upper room again and this time Thomas was present. As he saw the Risen Lord, he came to not only believe but to truly believe, and out of him came the greatest expression of faith found in both testaments; "My Lord and My God." Let us not allow our doubts, fears, and confusion get in our way from truly trusting and believing that Christ is here with us always. Let us never forget that Jesus' love and mercy is always here for us.

Happy Easter and let us trust that God will allow more good things to happen!

Fr. Mike

St. Francis Hospital - Patient Care Associates Needed



April 7, 2021

St. Francis Hospital and Heart Center, located in Roslyn New York, has open positions within the Nursing Department for Patient Care Associates. I would like to ask if you could please post the attached notice in the weekly bulletins or post to your website to give your parishioners an opportunity for possible employment.

High School Diploma or equivalent is required and job training will be provided.

Thank you for posting and I will be hopeful that these employment opportunities will benefit some of your parishioners.

Karen Allen RN

Administrative Director of Patient Experience

516-562-6112

karen.allen@chsli.org

The Saint Joseph's Prayer Group - Broadcast Live

Every Thursday at 8:00 PM in the Church Everyone is welcome. Bring your rosaries!

This prayer group, centered on praying the Rosary and The Chaplet of Divine Mercy began with the start of Lent, and will continue throughout the year. As 2021 is **The Year of Saint Joseph**, let us deepen our faith while being visible examples of what Catholics should strive to be. Prayer pamphlets on how to pray the Rosary and the Divine Chaplet will be made available to everyone. For those of you who cannot come to the church, please pray with us online by using the **'Watch Mass Live'** link located on the home page of the St. Edward Church's website (www.st-edwards.org), or scan this QR code with your smartphone \rightarrow







ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST DIOCESAN HIGH SCHOOL'S Showers of Kindness IN HONOR OF MOTHER'S DAY

KINDNESS

RULES

Please join our "Showers of Kindness" in bonor of Mother's Day. A collection of new baby items to be donated to the families served by The Brentwood Health Center. This center is one of 42 Health Centers run by Sun River Health on Long Island, NYC, and the Hudson Valley

Beginning the week of April 19th St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School, In partnership with Student Council, will kick off the "Showers of Kindness." Suggested items are on the tist below. All items must be new and in original packaging. No formula please.

- Baby Hair Conditioner
- Baby Laundry Detergent
- Baby Lotion
- Baby Shampoo
- Baby Body Wash for bath time
- Baby wipes
- Bath toys
- Bibs
- Bottles (no glass please)
- Bottle brushes

- Burp cloths
 Diaper Cream
 - · Diapers all sizes
- Hats 3 6 months
- Hooded Towels,
- Bodysuits (3-6 months)
- Pacifiers
- Receiving blankets
- Socks (3–6 months)
- Teething toys
- Wash Cloths

Please don't forget the Moms: Fuzzy Socks (all sizes,) Lip Moisturizer, Hand lotion

SJB student donations should be dropped off at South Lobby Entrance in the morning.

For all other donations or for further information/questions please contact: Office of Advancement P: 631-587-8000 x176

E: jones@sjbdhs.org

First Presbyterian Church of Port Jefferson presents

Spring Concert Music on the Sound

"Songs of Healing and Renewal"

featuring Francesca Lunghi, Mezzo-Soprano



Artistic Director: Daniel Ragone at the Piano



Sunday, May 2, 2021at 3 pm 107 Main and South Sts., Port Jefferson, NY

Suggested Donation: \$20 COVID Protocols will be in effect Non-perishable food donations are welcome

For more information call the church office at (631) 473-0147



St. Edward's Crown Club

Time is Running Out! If you haven't bought your tickets yet Now is the time to do it! \$2,000 Awarded Each Month

Buy one ticket for \$75.00 or two tickets (same name) for only \$100.00

Gets you in for all of our monthly drawings from

April 2021 through September 2021

Over \$132,000 in prize money already paid out!

Now more than every we need and appreciation your participation! The pandemic has substantially restricted many of our usual fundraising opportunities and Crown Club is an excellent way to help St. Edward's with the many ministries we have that help the people of the parish and community.

We greatly appreciate your kindness and generosity!

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

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)			
Enclosed is my check for \$	fortic	ket(s) in St. Edward's Crown Club.	
Name:			
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Phone: ()	Cell: ()		
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We are celebrating Harvest Houses 35th Birthday!

Over 35 years ago we, the Sisters of St. Dominic, recognized the need for a completely new kind of living forindependent elders. Today, we reflect on what we have learned about life from the more than 100 seniors who have lived in a Harvest House. And as we mark nearly one year since the Pandemic abruptly changed our lives, we've experienced a new mality. COVID-19, the "great revealer" threw us a new learning curve — how do we respond to bju in the oxidit of great odversity and challenges?

Recidents and staff came together during the 'lock-down', planning active days that would bring us enrichment, laughter and peace (we did have a few tumultuous days!) We became so involved in our daily activities that the months and weeks passed calmly and in comfort. Holiday and birthday celebrations with family (via Zoom or our front window) became a "happening" for everyone. We managed together to successfully plan our Easter dinner—now that was a challengel

During the early days and months, we frequently heard from or called Senior friends whom we knew lived alone, to check on them. These calls saddened our hearts: "I am so lonely."..."I am frightened...."What If I get sici?" However, as our residents adjusted to their 'new normal, we heard the following comments: "We are not afraid."..."We are together." And most importantly...."We find asfa and accure."

HEREIN LIES THE VALUE OF HARVEST HOUSES

"Research shows it is the face-to-face human interactions that are fundamental to our averall well-being. It is the dayto-day, real, in-the-flesh encounters, the **direct human contact** that matters...from birth to death we are hardwired to connect. We are happler, healthier and more resistant to despair and disease if we satisfy the need for human contact!"

- from The Village Effect by Susan Pinke



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- Stimulating independence
- Mutual daily support
- Security & safety

This is what Harvest House offers to independent seniors - not only in times of a pandemic crisis, but every single day! This is the very reason Harvest House Residences were created 35 years ago: to offer independent seniors a new opportunity of living in later life.

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Sister Jeanne A. Brendel, OP, CSW Sister Mary E. Butler, OP, CSW (516) 496-9796

COLUMBIETTES



A UNIFIED BODY OF CATHOLIC WOMEN WORKING TOGETHER TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE BY TOUCHING HEARTS AND CHANGING LIVES.

In April of 2015, the *Joseph J. Gorman #5091 Columbiettes* began their work with a small body of just twenty-one Catholic women. With the coopertive efforts of this extraordinary group, we began our journey by reaching out to our parish, our community, the dioceses and to each other...and then broadened our scope by supporting young seminarians overseas. Wherever there is need, we offer help. Since our inception we have accomplished so much, and continue to do so. The causes and activities we support are based upon the Mission of the Columbiettes, guided by the precepts of faith, hope and charity.

The Columbiettes are an ordinary group of Catholic women doing extraordinary things.

For detailed information on our ministry, go to **www.st-edwards.org/columbiettes** If you are interested in joining, please contact **Mary Fay (President)** at **516-364-2601.**



Pope Francis calls each of us to be instruments of Jesus' love and compassion to those in need. Journeying together with Long Island's faithful, we have the opportunity to act on this call through our support of the Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA). When we support the CMA, we are working together to create pathways of love and compassion by providing programs that serve disadvantaged families, our senior citizens, those struggling with substance abuse and those in need of housing. Additionally, the Catholic Ministries Appeal helps lay paths of evangelization through the formation of our priests, deacons and lay leaders. It assists in training our religious education catechists and adult faith formation leaders who educate our youth and parish families, and programs that promote the sanctity of life at all stages. Working together, we are all enriching the lives of all Long Island.

As of April 12, 2021 the Parishioners of St. Edwards have pledged over \$75,000, and we are now at 71.4% of our annual goal. Please consider making a pledge to support the various ministries of the Diocese.



Sign up by May 1st on EventBrite

https://www.eventbrite.com/ e/eagle-scout-project-fundraiser-5k-tickets-144779359963

Contact via: grantdellanno64@gmail.com

All proceeds go to Eagle Scout Project Building a Crèche and Benches for the Statue of Mary at St. Edward the Confessor Church

Camps 'R' Us - This Summer



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