

## **Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time** June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021



#### THE PASTORAL TEAM

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



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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	921-8543
RCIA	921-8030 ext. 135
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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, June 19	5:00 PM	Fr. Celestine*
Sunday, June 20 *Deacons to Preach		Fr. Hyacinth* Fr. Mike* Msgr. Beckmann
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## **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:

**Rectory Hours** 

The rectory will be open during the following times:

Mondays - Thursdays:9:00 AM to 5:00 PMFridays:9:00 AM to 3:00 PMClosed for Lunch M-F:1:00 PM to 2:00 PMSaturdays - Sundays:9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Outside of these hours, please call: 516-921-8030

#### **Our Weekly Offering**

June 6, 2021	\$ 11,089.00
# of Envelopes	201
Automatic Trans.	\$ 2,155.00
# of Transactions	42
Total	\$ 13,244.00

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

### Websites / Social Media

#### Websites

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 and 11:30 AM Sunday Masses are 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

To watch the Sunday Masses on your smartphone, just scan this QR code.



Tel.: 516-594-9063

"Have mercy on me, God, in accordance with your merciful love."

#### **Mass Intentions**

Mon. - 6/14 - Mon. of the Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time 9:00 am Eric Del'Rosario

- Tues. 6/15 Tues. of the Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time 9:00 am Amelia Tommasello
- Wed. 6/16 Wed. of the Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time 9:00 am Anne Labriola

Thurs. - 6/17 - Thurs. of the Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time 9:00 am Emily and Doreen Barrett

6/18 - Fri. of the Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time Fri. -Margherita Vittorino 9:00

6/19 - Sat. of the Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time Sat. -9:00 am Kenneth Ready 5:00 pm Palma DiDonna Cheryl Moore John Sheridan Theresa Ciavarella Maryann McNulty Charles Barry

Sun. - 6/20 - Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30 am Isaac Sevchett 9:30 am Marion and Henry Schwerdtfeger 11:30 am Alfredo J. Uy John V. Cotona, Sr. Gerardo Colucci Andrew Friscia Mario Suriano Allen and Patricia Murray

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 June 13 - June 19, 2021 Is Given in Loving Memory of

#### Susan Caputo

**By:** Angela Caputo and Family

#### **The Sanctuary Candle**

For the week of June 13 - June 19, 2021 Is Lit in Loving Memory of

### **Robert Guder**

**By: Your Loving Family** 

#### **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. 1/C, Anthony M. Biz, U.S. Marine Corps Pvt. John J. D'Ămico, 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, Ú.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 Mai Lamos Tom 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

"If you know of any military personnel listed above who are no longer in the service, please call the Rectory at: 516-921-8030 to have their name removed. In this way we can accommodate new names".

#### **Pray For The Sick**

Joseph Kempton **Catherine Frake** Kathy Rooney

Nancy Klingler-Petzold

Edward Morea

Michele Wesch

James Mc Glone

Malda Casagrande

#### From Death to New Life



James Dougherty Edward J. Keenan, Sr. Yolanda Cosentino

## The Readings for The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

#### Ezekiel 17:22-24

Thus says the Lord GOD:

I, too, will take from the crest of the cedar, from its topmost branches tear off a tender shoot, and plant it on a high and lofty mountain; on the mountain heights of Israel I will plant it.
It shall put forth branches and bear fruit, and become a majestic cedar.
Birds of every kind shall dwell beneath it, every winged thing in the shade of its boughs.
And all the trees of the field shall know that I, the LORD,
bring low the high tree, lift high the lowly tree,
wither up the green tree, and make the withered tree bloom.

As I, the LORD, have spoken, so will I do.

#### **Responsorial Psalm – 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16**

#### R. Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praise to your name, Most High, To proclaim your kindness at dawn and your faithfulness throughout the night.

#### R. Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

The just one shall flourish like the palm tree, like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow.

They that are planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our God.

#### R. Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

They shall bear fruit even in old age; vigorous and sturdy shall they be,

Declaring how just is the LORD, my rock, in whom there is no wrong.

R. Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

#### Reading 2 – 2 Corinthians 5:6-10

Brothers and sisters:

We are always courageous, although we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, for we walk by faith, not by sight.

Yet we are courageous, and we would rather leave the body and go home to the Lord. Therefore, we aspire to please him, whether we are at home or away. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense, according to what he did in the body, whether good or evil.

#### Gospel – Mark 4:26-34

#### Jesus said to the crowds:

"This is how it is with the kingdom of God; it is as if a man were to scatter seed on the land and would sleep and rise night and day and through it all the seed would sprout and grow, he knows not how. Of its own accord the land yields fruit, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the grain is ripe, he wields the sickle at once, for the harvest has come."

#### He said,

"To what shall we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable can we use for it? It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the sky can dwell in its shade." With many such parables he spoke the word to them as they were able to understand it. Without parables he did not speak to them, but to his own disciples he

"And when the grain is ripe, he wields the sickle at once, for the harvest has come."



## **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

We have come to the end of our Lenten Journey, the Easter Season, and celebrating two of the great mysteries of our faith. The Blessed Trinity and The Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ. We have now returned to Ordinary Time with the 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday. In today's Gospel reading we see Jesus offering two parables involving seeds. Jesus is using the parables to make a comparison between the seeds and the Kingdom of God. For Mark, the Kingdom of God is not a specific place, and he does not want us to confuse it with Many scholars believe that the Heaven. phrase should be the Reign of God instead. This implies that there will be a time when God's power for good is fully manifested in the world and evil is defeated.

As Jesus tells us in the first parable, "if a man were to scatter seed on the land and would sleep and rise night and day and through it all the seed would sprout and grow, he knows not how." Jesus is telling us that the farmer does not know how the seed grows and sprouts, yet it happens when the seed is scattered on the ground. Some have pointed out that this tells us about the helplessness of mankind, and it tells us that we are not the creators of the Kingdom. The Kingdom belongs to God, and at times we may be able to hinder its growth by our actions or lack of cooperation with God, but nevertheless the Kingdom will come, and we are being encouraged by Jesus to participate. We are being encouraged to let it grow within us. This is what makes every baptized person a co -creator of the Kingdom, with and under the grace and direction of God, the Holy Spirit.

Our second parable speaks of the mustard seed, which is probably very familiar to us. The mustard seed is the smallest of seeds, but it grows into one of the largest of bushes, it gets so big the birds of the air can make their nests in its branches. Jesus is telling us that the Kingdom is like that, once it is planted it grows and it can support many hearts and souls. In Jesus's time, a tree could also represent an empire that becomes vast. For some commentators, the empire of the Kingdom is the Church. The Church, the Living Body of Christ, is not the Kingdom, but the instrument of the Kingdom, and through the actions, sacraments, and teachings she shows us the path to establishing the Kingdom. The Church is planted in us like a little seed, and by our actions and acceptance it grows in us and allows us to carryout our mission to spread the faith and be of service to others.

Both parables are used by Jesus to show us the true nature of the Kingdom and the true working of the Church in our time and in the future until Christ comes again.

Let us pray: O God, from whom all good things come, grant that we, who call on You in our need, may at Your prompting discern what is right, and by Your guidance do it. May Your healing work, O Lord, free us, we pray, from doing evil and lead us to what is right. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

God bless you always!

Fr. Mike

#### **Next Week's Readings**

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 20, 2021

First Reading - Job 38:1, 8-11 Psalms - 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-21 Second Reading - 2 Corinthian 5:14-17 Gospel - Mark 4:35-41

## Fr. Mike's Letter for Week 64 of the Corona Virus Crisis

The following letter was posted last week, prior to The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, on the St. Edward's website as well as on Flocknote.

Last weekend we celebrated the Solemnity of the Blessed Trinity, and in the small space we explained a little bit of this great mystery of our Faith. This weekend we focus on the next great mystery of how Jesus is truly present in the Blessed Sacrament, the Holy Eucharist. As we have written in past years, the Blessed Sacrament is not a symbol for Jesus, no, it truly is Jesus. When we receive the Blessed Sacrament, we are receiving the Body and Blood, Soul, Humanity and Divinity of Christ. We are receiving Jesus in this most unique way so He can become a part of us, and we can become one with Him and each other.

During these past few weeks, we have been celebrating First Communions, and we increased the number of ceremonies so more family members could be present. During the homily, I have been stressing how important it is for us to receive Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, because it helps conform us to be more like Jesus and it helps us to know that He is always with us. Please keep our First Communicants in your prayers. Pray that they will continue to come to Mass on a regular basis and that they are always ready to receive Our Lord in this wonderful Sacrament.

As things seem to be less rigid, in relation to the COVID19 Virus, hopefully, we will be returning to a more normal observance and practice of celebrating the Mass and the other Sacraments. It will most likely be a long while before we will be able to receive from the cup at communion. But do not worry or feel that you are not receiving the fullness of Jesus. Remember, when we receive the Blessed Sacrament in the form of the Host, or solely in the Chalice, we are receiving the fullness of Jesus. So, if you only receive one species, you are really receiving both, because the Bread and the Wine both equally contain the Body and Blood, Soul, Humanity and Divinity of Jesus. If this is hard to understand, that is why we call this one of the Great Mysteries of our Faith.

Hopefully soon, at least by summer's end, most of us will be retuning to Mass, and we can all get back to normal. Well, the new normal, which hopefully will change some aspects of our lives for the better.

God bless you always!

Fr. Mike

#### The Saint Joseph's Prayer Group - Updated Time

Beginning on Thursday, June 17th, The Saint Joseph's Prayer Group will meet at 7:30 PM in the Church. The change in time is to accommodate older parishioners who wish to avoid driving in the dark. Considering that praying the Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy takes less than 30 minutes, this time change will allow people to leave the church no later than 8:00 PM and arrive home before sunset. Prayers work, and don't we all know someone who could use them. Pray!

#### **Rededication of our St. Edward the Confessor Shrine**



After the 5:00 PM Mass on Saturday, June 12th, Fr. Mike blessed and rededicated our newly refurbished St. Edward the Confessor Shrine located on the front lawn of the Church. If you have not done so already, please take some time and visit the shine. Spend some time in prayer, and contemplating the life of our parishes' namesake, St. Edward the Confessor.

## **Knights In Action**

After the 9:00 AM Mass this past Wednesday the Knights of Columbus took down the Risen Christ from the wall behind the Altar and raised the Crucified Christ in its place. A special thanks goes out to these dedicated men, who devote their time and efforts for the benefit of the Parish. Pictured below are: Ed Schantz, Russell Kendall, Lou Tanazzo, Neil Simmons, Jerry Migliore (always on the ladder), June DeMarco and of course, Fr. Mike.



## **Taxpayer Dollars and Abortion**



THE DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE



The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has started important initiative to oppose repeal of the Hyde Amendment. Catholics across the country are uniting to send a strong message to Congress that we oppose repealing the Hyde Amendment which;

- Has protected Americans from funding abortion through federal taxpayer dollars since 1976.
- Is estimated to have saved 2.4 million children to date.
- Has received bipartisan support through the years.
- Supporting the Hyde Amendment does not change access to abortion, but respects the views of those who do not want their taxpayer dollars to fund abortion.
- permanent repeal means billions of taxpayer dollars will go towards abortions.

Please sign the petition at www.notaxpayerabortion.com so that your voice is heard!

## Work on the Church Plaza

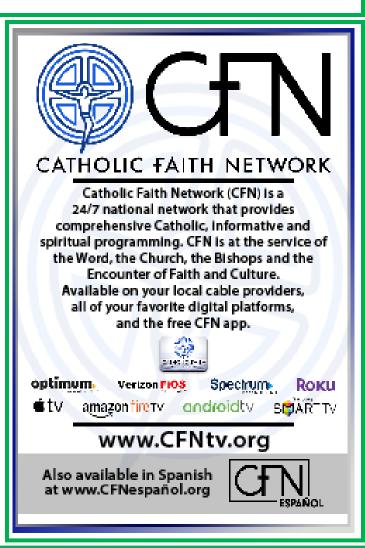
As announced previously, we have contracted with a firm to replace the existing cement plaza with a new one that will enhance the appearance and which will avoid any potential hazardous situations. Construction will begin during the week of June 21 and is expected to take approximately five days. During that time, access to the church will be through the side We expect to have it completed entrances. before the weekend Masses on June 26 & 27. The funds for this project will come from our Capital Campaign account, however, if you would like to make a donation it will be gratefully appreciated and can be dropped off at the rectory.

## Welcome to the Parish



**The Berger Family** 

Meredith & Matthew, **Ophelia and Tessa** 



#### **Knights of Columbus Sponsored Blood drive**







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# BLOOD DRIVE St. Edward the Confessor 205 Jackson Avenue, Syosset

# Sunday, July 25 8:15am- 12:45pm

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# MASS for PEOPLE

# with SPECIAL NEEDS

Will be held at St. Edward the Confessor in Syosset Saturday, July 24<sup>th.</sup> 2:00 PM

Reservations required due to limited space

BBQ to follow on ballfield next to Church

## Food

Raffles

Fun

Celebrant: Fr. Michael Maffeo

Music

Co-Celebrant: Msgr. Thomas Costa (who will sign the mass for the hearing impaired)







Sponsored by Knights of Columbus 12<sup>th</sup> District Hosted by the Joseph J Gorman Council #5091 See reverse side for reservation and raffle details

## MASS for PEOPLE with SPECIAL NEEDS

### RESERVATION FORM

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Sorry, we cannot attend, but wish to donate to this Special Day				
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Make Checks payable to Joseph Gorman Council #5091 and mail this form to Joseph Gorman Council #5091 P.O. Box 26 Syosset, NY 11791



## Registration Info for the 2021-2022 School Year



St. Edward's Religious Education is an 8 year faith formation program. Public School Students are required to begin their religious studies in grade 1 and finish their classes in grade 8.

Preparation for the reception of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion takes place in grades 1 and 2. Students will receive their First Reconciliation in March of grade 2 and their First Holy Communion in May of grade 2. Grades 3 through 6 are required continuation years for students in their religious education studies. Preparation for Confirmation occurs in grades 7 and 8. Students will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in the Fall of grade 9.

After a year of virtual learning due to the pandemic, we are planning to resume in school classes for religious studies come this fall. Our tentative opening date for Sunday classes is September 26th with weekday classes scheduled to begin the following week.



**Families whose children were enrolled in Religious Education Classes last year,** should have received a Registration Email on May 17th. These emails will be sent out again during the summer. If you did not receive this email on May 17th, please contact Mrs. Braun at abraun@st-edwards.org



**Families who are new to the Program** may register online by going to our website: *saintedwardre.com* and by selecting the link: **On-Line Registration for NEW Families**. These new families will later be contacted by one of the Directors so that additional information may be given about the program.

\*\*Please note that the Religious Education Office will be close on Wed., June 23rd and will reopen on August 30th. Any questions or concerns over the summer can be emailed to abraun@st-edwards.org and she will forward the emails to the appropriate staff person. \*\*



J.E.T.S. of America

## AT ST. EDWARD THE CONFESSOR 205 JACKSON AVENUE · SYOSSET, NY 11791

SATURDAY, JUNE 19, 2021 · 9:00 A.M - 2:00 P.M. RAINDATE: JUNE 26TH SAME TIME

PROCEEDS

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