

# *St. Edward the Confessor*

205 Jackson Avenue, Syosset, New York 11791

*Growing in Faith, Love, and Christ*



## *First Sunday of Lent* *March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020*



### **THE PASTORAL TEAM**

Rev. Michael T. Maffeo, Pastor  
Rev. Hyacinth Jemigbola, Associate Pastor  
Deacon James F. Murphy  
Deacon Barry P. Croce



### **Administration**

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### **Pastoral Center Offices**

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Sister Sheila Browne, RSM, Director

### **St. Edward the Confessor School**

Mr. Vincent Albrecht, Principal  
Mrs. Florence Cassidy, Secretary

### **Office Staff**

Mrs. Maryann Waite  
Mrs. Luisa Ondocin

### **Parish Social Ministry**

Mrs. Donna Zaino, Coordinator  
Mr. John Rooney, Coordinator

### **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!

### Rectory Office Hours

Monday - Thursday.....9 AM - 8 PM

Friday.....9 AM - 3 PM

Saturday & Sunday.....9 AM - 1 PM

### 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

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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

### Devotions

#### The Miraculous Medal Novena and Rosary

each Friday at 8:30 AM

#### Our Lady of Fatima Devotional Rosary

after the 5:00 PM Mass, First Saturday of the Month

#### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

each Friday at 9:30 AM

concluding with Benediction at 12:00 PM

#### Parish Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration

beginning at 7:00 PM each Friday evening

Benediction at 8:00 PM

followed immediately by night prayer and blessing

### Eucharist

Saturdays at 9:00 AM & 5:00 PM

Sundays at 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 AM & 7:00 PM

Weekdays 9:00 AM

### Baptism

Celebrated on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month at 1:00 PM.

Please call the rectory to arrange.

### Confessions

Saturdays from 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM and upon request

### Marriage

Please contact the rectory upon engagement.

### Anointing of the Sick

Available upon request

**Holy Communion** - for the Homebound & Hospital please

contact the Rectory.....921-8030 ext. 150

## This Coming Week: 3/2/20 - 3/8/20

Day	Date	Time	Location
Mon	3/2	9:30 am - 10:30 am	Parish Purls: Cenacle
		5:00 pm - 8:00 pm	CYO: GYM / AUD
		6:00 pm - 7:30 pm	Cub Scouts: Cenacle
		7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Parish Event: Church/Gathering
Tues	3/3	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	Missionary Disciples: Cenacle
		3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Girl Scouts Daisy: Cenacle
		4:15 pm - 5:30 pm	Rel. Ed.: School / CAF
		5:00 pm - 8:00 pm	CYO: GYM / AUD
		6:00 pm - 9:30 pm	RCIA: 3rd Floor Living Room
		7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Parish Event: Church/Gathering
Wed	3/4	11:30 am - 12:45 pm	SEC Dance Program: HFR
		4:15 pm - 5:30 pm	Rel. Ed.: School / CAF
		5:00 pm - 8:00 pm	CYO: GYM / AUD
		7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Parish Event: Church/Gathering
Thur	3/5	4:15 pm - 5:30 pm	Rel. Ed.: School / CAF
		5:00 pm - 8:00 pm	CYO: GYM / AUD
Fri	3/6	11:15 am - 1:30 pm	SEC Dance Program: HFR
		2:30 am - 3:30 pm	SEC Dance Program: HFR
		5:00 pm - 8:00 pm	CYO: GYM / AUD
		6:30 pm - 9:00 pm	Boy Scouts - Troop 205: HFR
Sat	3/7	8:00 am - 5:00 pm	DRVC: 3rd Floor - All Rooms
		5:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Cub Scouts - Troop 205: HFR
Sun	3/8	8:30 am - 11:30 am	Children's Choir: Music Room
		10:30 am - 11:45 am	Rel. Ed.: SEC School / CAF
		12:30 pm - 8:00 pm	CYO: GYM / AUD

## Parish Council

Fr. Michael T. Maffeo, Pastor

Deacon James Murphy

Please feel free to contact any council member at any time regarding your "needs, feelings, hopes, and reactions".

All members can be reached through the Rectory.

Jo Ann Bonasera

Claire Kapey

Chris Coschignano

David Krieg

Kathy DeNatale

Donna Zaino

## 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**

## 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:** [stedwardchurch1](https://twitter.com/stedwardchurch1)



## From Fr. Mike's Desk

Our readings for this First Sunday of Lent are very familiar to us; in fact, they may be so familiar we might not listen to the message they have to give us. We begin with the story from Genesis, which tells us of the fall of humanity. It relates how the serpent tricked Adam and Eve to eat of the fruit of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. In our second reading, Saint Paul tells us that through the action of Adam and Eve, sin and spiritual death entered the human family and it has reigned over us until Moses, when the Law was established. However, the Law was insufficient to change the situation, and sin still had its hold over humanity. All the Law could do is point out sin, and hopefully not allow us to fall deeper into sin. However, Paul in his letter tells that this was all about to change with the greatest gift of God, Jesus Christ! As Paul writes, *"But the gift is not like the transgression. For if by the transgression of the one, the many died how much more did the grace of God and the gracious gift of the one man Jesus Christ overflow for the many. And the gift is not like the result of the one who sinned. For after one sin there was judgment that brought condemnation; but the gift after many transgressions brought acquittal. For if, by the transgression of the one, death came to reign through the one, how much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the gift of justification."*

What does Paul and the Church mean by the word justification? The Council of Trent declared that Original Sin corrupted the children of Adam (our Orthodox brothers and Sisters call it the Ancestral Sin), and they could not arise from their fall, or shake off the effects of sin and death. Neither man's natural faculties nor the observance of the Mosaic Law could achieve redemption. Our only solution comes from God alone. Only He can free us from this terrible situation as He sends His only, begotten Son, and by His Life, Death and Resurrection redemption is ours. Justification therefore, denotes the change or transformation in the soul by which man is transferred from the state of Original Sin, to that of the State of Grace. In order for us to participate in this justification, one must be baptized into the Life, Death and Resurrection of Christ. Baptism is an ongoing process and even when we fall into (post baptismal) sins, there is still reconciliation. Reconciliation keeps our faith alive and helps us to express true sorrow for our failures and our recommitment to the salvation won for us.

Paul's letter appears today because it acts as a bridge between Genesis and the Gospel. It shows us the long-term effects of the actions of Adam and Eve, and it tells us how Jesus reversed them. It also shows us the difference between the First Adam and the Second Adam. Adam and Eve could not resist the temptation of the Devil, he lied to them and they gave in. Jesus not only resists the Devil's lies, He reverses every lie with Scriptural Truth, and He told the Devil where **he could go!** Temptation is part of our existence, and while at times we seem powerless, like Adam and Eve, we can, like Jesus, resist it. He showed us the way to fight the Devil, and notice He did, not as the Son of God, but in His capacity as one of us. He uses scripture and His devotion to the Father to rebuke the temptations. It is not until the end of the account, that Jesus invokes His Divine authority. Nevertheless, keep in mind, that all the baptized have the power to do the same. Therefore, when temptation comes your way, you are not powerless and you can do just as Jesus did.

*We close with the following prayer; Grant, almighty God, through the yearly observances of holy Lent, that we may grow in understanding of the riches hidden in Christ and by worthy conduct pursue their effects. May bountiful blessings come down upon your people, that hope may grow in tribulation, virtue be strengthened in temptation, and redemption be assured. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*Fr. Mike*



***"I call on thee, Lord Jesus Christ, I have none other help but thee".***

### **Our Weekly Offering**

**February 23, 2020**                      \$ 14,116.00  
**Envelopes:**                                      316  
**Automatic Transactions:**              \$ 677.00  
**Transactions:**                                13  
**Total:**    \$ 14,793.00

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

***God Bless You Always, Fr. Mike***

### **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**



Lent is a call to "give alms for the poor." Wherever you live in the parish, there are poor families within walking distance of your home. When in need, they ring the rectory bell. They are, in effect, ringing your doorbell.

**Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can help the suffering and poor.**

If you know of someone who might benefit from a home visit, please call (516) 218-7837. If you would like to volunteer, please join us at our next meeting on Monday, March 9 at 7:00pm in the meeting room on the third floor of the school.

### **Newly Baptized**



**Holy Baptism**

***Cillian Gerard Kane***

### **This Week's Readings**

**March 1, 2020 -**

**First Sunday of Lent**

**First Reading - Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7**

**Psalms 51: 3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17**

**Second Reading - Romans 5:12-19 or 5:17-19**

**Gospel - Matthew 4:1-11**

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

**March 8, 2020 -**

**Second Sunday of Lent**

**First Reading - Genesis 12:1-4A**

**Psalms 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22**

**Second Reading - 2 Timothy 1:8B-10**

**Gospel - Matthew 17:1-9**

### **From Death to New Life**



***Susan L. Cleary***

***Edward C. Essig***

### **BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP**

St. Edward's Bereavement Support Group is for anyone who has lost a loved one. Our next Group will start on Tuesday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Cenacle Room and will run for 8 weeks.

Please RSVP by April 14<sup>th</sup>

Contact: Mikki Graeber at: 516-921-4821

**In  
The  
Pope's  
Words**

Pope Francis celebrated Mass on Ash Wednesday and reminded us that we are dust that can become much more if we allow ourselves to be shaped by God. The Holy Father stated; "We are the dust of the earth, upon which God has poured out his heaven, the dust that contains his dreams," he said. "We are God's hope, his treasure and his glory."

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

### **Mass Intentions**

**Mon. - Mar. 2 - Monday of the First Week of Lent**

9:00 am Anne Labriola

**Tues. - Mar. 3 - Tuesday of the First Week of Lent**

9:00 am Audrey Heissenbuttel

**Wed. - Mar. 4 - Wednesday of the First Week of Lent**

9:00 am Patrick J. Driscoll, Jr.

**Thurs. Mar. 5 - Thursday of the First Week of Lent**

9:00 am Joan M. McIntosh

**Fri. - Mar. 6 - Friday of the First Week of Lent**

9:00 am Erich Pieper

**Sat. - Mar. 7 - Saturday of the First Week of Lent**

9:00 am Erich Pieper  
5:00 pm Lindolfo Casagrande  
Conrado S. Flores  
John V. Cirello  
John Stewart  
Ann Beyer  
Anna Patalano

**Sun. - Mar. 8 - Second Sunday of Lent**

7:30 am Patricia Murphy  
9:30 am Joseph Ruggiero  
11:30 am Joseph Lakis  
Carmela Colucci  
Wayne Watanabe  
Karl Gustafson  
Tito Jesus Prunell  
Vincenzo Arnone  
7:00 pm Diane Esposito Russo

***Whom We Remember With Love and Gratitude***

### **The Altar Bread & Wine**

***For the week of March 1 - March 7, 2020***

**Is Given in Honor of**

**Madelene Bitetto**

By: Silvana Serravillo

### **The Sanctuary Candle**

***For the week of March 1 - March 7, 2020***

**Is Lit in Loving Memory of**

**Debbie O'Connor**

By: Your Loving Husband

### **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**

All names on the sick list will remain for six weeks. If you would like a name to remain longer, please call the Rectory.

Cathleen English	John Lamb, Sr.	Christiana Cheng
Kathy Rooney	Rosalie Schiovone	Julianna Key
Michele Wesch	Christina Fischer	Susan Giambalvo
Katy Monte	Bob Backofen	Alexandra Reuter
Nick Corsello		Renata Sorace

### **Next Week's Presider Schedule**

**Sat., Mar. 7**      **5:00 pm**      **Fr. Mike**

**Sun., Mar. 8**

<b>7:30 am</b>	<b>Fr. Hyacinth</b>
<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Fr. Hyacinth</b>
<b>11:30 am</b>	<b>Fr. Mike</b>
<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Fr. Mike</b>

## LENTEN RULES - FASTING & ABSTINENCE

# LENT

Pray + Fast + Give

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. For members of the Roman Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Roman Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

## Parish Social Ministry



Tel: 516-921-8030  
Pantry Hours: 9:30-12:00 noon Monday-Thursday  
and 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month



Thank you for your generous donations for the March SEC Missioner's Food Collection. Our neighbors in need are grateful for your kindness and support.

### **Jesu calls us to serve others, are you looking for a way to serve others this Lent?**

Every ministry is in need more volunteers;

- \* Bring the Eucharist to the sick in the hospital, nursing home and homebound
- \* Volunteer at the food pantry
- \* Collect food for the poor
- \* Serve as an altar servers, ushers, or greeter at 9:30 a.m. Mass
- \* Iron altar linens
- \* Sing in the choir, children, youth or adult

**Teresa of Avila once wrote," Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours."** That means *you* are his hands and feet and eyes and ears. So this Lent try to think about where Jesus wants you to go and whom he wants to touch through you.

## Youth Ministry

### **Save the Date!**

**4/10/2020: Stations of the Cross  
on Good Friday at 8pm in the Gym!**

**Stations will run about 45 minutes to an hour!  
Come join us as we remember  
Jesus' Journey to the Cross!**

### **Stations of the Cross Rehearsals:**

**Wednesday 4/8/2020: 5pm-9pm in the Gym  
(Dinner Provided)**

**Friday 4/10/2020: 3pm-7pm in the Gym  
(Dinner Provided)**

**\*\*Earn 10 Community Service Hours**

**Interested in joining?! - The Youth Choir formally known as Vision is actively looking for middle school and high school students to come sing with us! The choir sings at the 7pm mass every Sunday and practices are held Sunday before mass from 6:00pm-6:45pm in the church. Anyone interested in joining the choir, please email Michelle for more information!**

**Interested in helping out with Stations of the Cross?  
Email Michelle at [msena@st-edwards.org](mailto:msena@st-edwards.org) for more Information!**

**Michelle Sena, Music Director**



## SOCIAL MEDIA ASSISTANCE

A long time parishioner of St. Edwards has published 3 children's books with a Christian theme, and seeks assistance with marketing on social media. If you have basic skills and some experience in this area, and have the time to help, please contact:

Larry Haynes at: [IWHSURVEYORS@AOL.COM](mailto:IWHSURVEYORS@AOL.COM)

## Baptism Photos

This Lent, the parish staff invites all parishioners, young and old, baptized here or at another church, to find a photo of their baptism. The photos will be displayed in the church gathering area during Lent and Easter as a visual reminder of the covenant made at our baptism. Please e-mail your photos to:

[SpecialProjects@st-edwards.org](mailto:SpecialProjects@st-edwards.org)

You can also drop your photos off at the Rectory. Please leave your pictures in an envelope with your name and address, so that they may be returned to you after Easter.

## Prayer of Blessing

Lord God, Your own Son was delivered into the hands of the wicked, Yet he prayed for his persecutors and overcame hatred with the blood of the cross. Relieve the suffering of those who have been harmed by clergy, grant them peace of mind and renewed faith in your protection and care. Protect us all from the violence of others, keep us safe from weapons of hate, and restore us to tranquility and peace. (USCCB)

## SEC Women's Group

Our next meeting will be held on:

**Thursday, March 19, 2020, at 10am**  
in the Holy Family Room.

Join us as we welcome representatives of the Syosset Home Depot who will demonstrate a variety of new items and techniques.

*Everyone is invited. Bring a friend!  
Refreshments will be served.*

For information, contact:

Ann DePrimo @ 516-558-7221

The item for March for the retired Sisters gift bags is tooth paste and tooth brush.

## Harvest House

IT'S "**BLOOMIN' HARVEST**" TIME  
**COME and CELEBRATE**



**St. Patrick  
&  
St. Joseph**



**WHEN: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2019**

**TIME: 1:00-3:00 P.M.**

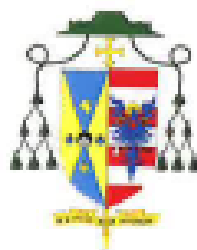
**WHERE: HARVEST HOUSE**

**235 Cold Spring Rd. Syosset, NY**

**RSVP: SISTER JEANNE A. BRENDDEL, O.P**

**TELEPHONE: 516-496-9796**

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**ST. EDWARD THE CONFESSOR**  
**ROARING 2020 FASHION SHOW**  
**04.29.2020**  
**HERITAGE CLUB AT BETHPAGE**



DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE  
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

## LENT 2020

Dear Friends:

The season of Lent offers us a sacred time for contemplating what it means to accompany Our Lord as he carries the Cross.

During his Passion, we see Christ laboring under the burden of our sufferings and of those whom we love. As the prophet Isaiah says, *"He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows"* (cf. Is 53:4), and he still carries them today. Perhaps this year we might pray for the grace to accompany more closely our neighbors and loved ones who are suffering, and so participate in Christ's own sacrificial love as he shoulders their burdens.

Throughout our Diocese there are many who are suffering. We know this. Every parish has its stories of families experiencing hardship and loss. Our hospitals and shelters have their stories. Our nursing homes and schools have theirs. Indeed, we find the Cross in our own homes. Our parents and grandparents know heartache, and our children have burdens as well. Our Lord carries them all.

Perhaps you know a person who is sick or grieving the loss of a loved one. Maybe you know someone who is suffering from addiction or depression and is tempted to despair. Perhaps you know of someone who is lonely or has been altogether abandoned. It is good to remember that Our Lord is carrying each of them already with great love, placing his sheep on his shoulders (cf. Lk 15:5). And this Good Shepherd invites us to accompany him in holiness that we might share more fully in his mission.

Consider the figure of Simon of Cyrene. We know him from the Fifth Station of the Cross and from the Synoptic Gospels. He was compelled to carry the Cross of Christ (cf. Mt 27:32; Mk 15:21; Lk 23:26). We recognize his initial fear; it is the same as our own. We do not fault Simon for his resistance. Helping Jesus could not have been easy. And yet with God's grace what began as servitude was transformed into a gesture of compassion, even a sublime privilege.

To be sure, we may have cause to be fearful of accompanying Christ under the Cross. Social stigmas associated with some sufferings may cause us to stay away. We might fear our own inadequacies; weaknesses and wounds can cause self-doubt. We may even feel some degree of responsibility for the person's suffering: *"I could have done more"*. Simon would have experienced these fears as Christ was passing by. Indeed, he needed to be driven by the Roman soldiers to accompany Jesus (cf. Mk 15:21). But the gaze of Christ prevailed on Simon and moved him beyond his fear.



Christ himself prayed in the garden before taking up the Cross, *"Father if it be possible, let this cup pass"*, but he saw the Father's love for humanity and was moved to pray, *"yet not as I will, but as you will"* (cf. Mt 26:39). Love bends the will to the other. It was Christ's love that changed Simon's servitude into sacrifice. And it is Christ's love that can transform our fear into accompaniment.

As your bishop, I have the privilege of seeing that so many of you are already living as Simon, already accompanying Christ who carries the burdens of your neighbors and loved ones. I visit your homes and pray with you in your parishes. I witness your dedication to the people of your ministries and organizations. And I see that many of you, like Simon, allow the gaze of Christ to draw you underneath the weight of the Cross, where your own servitude becomes a privileged encounter with Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and an encouragement to us all.

In light of this witness, I wish to bring particular attention to the newly formed Morning Star Initiative, designed to revitalize Catholic elementary school education on Long Island. I ask all of you to pray for our parishes and schools, our administrators and teachers, our students and their families, and all who are promoting a bold new era of Catholic education and evangelization on Long Island.

This way of sharing in the life of Christ moves us beyond imitation into a real participation with him in his relationship with the Father. The Cross is not a punishment to be endured; it is a decision to love. *"He was pierced for our transgressions. He was crushed for our iniquities"* (cf. Is 53:5). And when we move in this way toward others in their need, our experience of their suffering is transformed from a burden into an encounter with love. We find, with Simon, that our servitude becomes a mysterious privilege of accompaniment. Underneath the weight of a cross carried with love, we see Jesus.

Too often we feel regret for not drawing near to those who are suffering. Let us pray during this holy season, this season of conversion, for the grace to recognize the gaze of Christ in those who are suffering and to respond to his invitation to share in his Cross. In this way, the Church on Long Island will grow together with Our Lord in grace.

Sincerely in Christ,



Most Reverend John O. Barres  
Bishop of Rockville Centre

## LENT 2020 - ST. EDWARD THE CONFESSOR - LENT 2020



### ***Daily & Sunday Mass Schedule***

Monday thru Saturday 9:00 am  
Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am, 7:00 pm

### ***Stations of the Cross***

Friday Evenings @ 7:00 pm ~ Followed immediately by Exposition & Benediction

### ***Family Stations of the Cross***

Monday March 16<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 pm in the Church  
Pasta Supper to follow in the school cafeteria

### ***Lenten Wednesdays***

Taize Prayer  
March 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, March 25<sup>th</sup>, & April 1<sup>st</sup>  
7:30 pm in the Church

### ***Lenten Parish Mission ~ "Carrying our Lenten Cross"***

Monday March 2<sup>nd</sup> ~ Wednesday March 4<sup>th</sup>  
Monday March 2<sup>nd</sup> "The Sign of the Cross (Ash Wednesday) - Place of Prayer  
Tuesday March 3<sup>rd</sup> Place of Reconciliation Penance Service - 7:30 pm  
Wednesday March 4<sup>th</sup> Place of Community and Eucharist Evening Mass 7:30 pm  
Parish Retreat led by Fr. Patrick Griffin, CM. at 7:30 pm Monday - Wednesday in the Church

### ***Diocesan Day of Reconciliation***

Monday April 6<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 pm to 9:00 pm in St. Edward's Church  
Confessions available at ALL Parishes on Long Island

# **“Carrying our Lenten Cross”**

**Parish Lenten Mission**

**St. Edward the Confessor Church**

**March 2-4, 2020 at 7:30pm**

*The cross powerfully captures the depth of the Christian message. Jesus’ total surrender of self to the Father, and the Father’s acceptance of Jesus’ sacrifice centers on this symbol. Our Lenten journey invites us to recognize the importance of the cross in our faith and in our lives. As we carry it from the signing of Ash Wednesday to the crucifixion of Good Friday, we express and approach our hope in the Resurrection.*

## **Monday, March 2nd**

### **The Sign of the Cross (Ash Wednesday) —Place of Prayer**

*From our earliest days, we have marked ourselves with the sign of the cross as we begin and end prayer. What does this action mean and where does it lead?*

## **Tuesday, March 3rd**

### **The Stations of the Cross (Daily journeying)—Place of Reconciliation**

*The Stations of the Cross invite us to journey with Jesus to the place of final surrender. Along the way, there are foes and friends, suffering and support, falling and rising. Our life finds expression in the movement forward one step at a time.*

## **Wednesday, March 4th**

### **The Wood of the Cross (Good Friday)—Place of Community and Eucharist**

*The sacrifice of the cross involves the total gift of self for one’s friends. Around the cross, a community forms. From the cross, hope and life emerge. The cross becomes a holy place.*



Fr. Patrick J. Griffin, CM, a Brooklyn native, was ordained a Vincentian priest in 1979. Afterwards, he pursued a degree in Biblical Studies, taught at various universities and seminaries, and ministered in Rome and Paris for his community. In 2014, Fr. Griffin returned to St. John’s University in NY as the Executive Director for the Vincentian Center for Church and Society.





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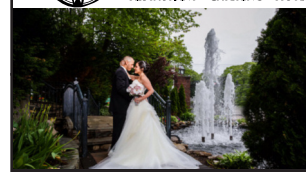


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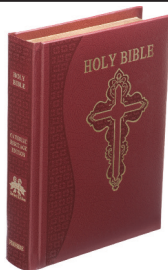
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