

St. Edward the Confessor

205 Jackson Avenue, Syosset, New York 11791

Growing in Faith, Love, and Christ



*“Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,
and I will give you rest.
Take my yoke upon you and learn from me,
for I am meek and humble of heart;
and you will find rest for yourselves.
For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.”*

Matthew 11:28-30

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 5th, 2020

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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!

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
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This Coming Week: 7/6/20 - 7/12/20

Day	Date	Time	Location
Mon	7/6	—	No Meetings or Activities
Tues	7/7	—	No Meetings or Activities
Wed	7/8	—	No Meetings or Activities
Thur	7/9	—	No Meetings or Activities
Fri	7/10	—	No Meetings or Activities
Sat	7/11	—	No Meetings or Activities
Sun	7/12	—	No Meetings or Activities

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: 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM

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

Our Weekly Offering

Sunday Collection: \$ 12,349.00
Automatic Collection: \$ 1,361.00
Second Collection: \$ 1,285.00
Poor Box: \$ 195.00
Votive Shrines: \$ 427.00

Thank you all for your continued support!

Parish Social Ministry

Tel: 516-921-8030

Our Parish Pantry is open from 9:30 AM until noon, Monday through Thursday. Just drive up to the Pantry to receive your needed items. If you can donate, please leave non-perishable items in the drop-off box in the vestibule of the church. **We currently need:** white/whole wheat bread, flour, cake mix & frosting, brownie mix, jello, pudding, ketchup, pinto beans, laundry detergent, diapers (sizes 5 & 6), and cleaning supplies.

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

When Attending Mass

While attending Mass during the coming weeks please remember to wear your face mask at all times and maintain social distancing. Holy Communion will be offered at the end of each Mass, and you are requested to depart from church immediately afterwards.

Websites / Social Media

Parish: www.st-edwards.org

School: www.stedwardconfessor.org

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Formed: [formed.org](https://www.formed.org)

St. Edward's Masses Online -

St. Edward's Sunday Mass is available online, both on YouTube and Facebook, and are available for viewing at any time.

YouTube Channel -

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St. Edward the Confessor Church

From Fr. Mike's Desk

By the year 1776 there had been several military engagements between British soldiers and American patriots. King George III had declared the colonies to be in rebellion, and more troops were on their way. On April 12th, North Carolina authorized its delegates to the *Second Continental Congress* to cooperate with other colonies who might advocate independence. On June 7th, Virginia's *Richard Henry Lee* proposed "*that these United Colonies are, and of right ought to be free and independent States.*" Despite opposition from conservatives, who did not agree with independence (at least at that time). June 11th saw the creation of a committee to draft a declaration of independence. On that committee were: *John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Jefferson, Roger Sherman and New York's' Robert Livingston.* The declaration was to explain to the world the legal reasons why America should be a free and independent nation (according to the politics of the 1700's) Thomas Jefferson's thoughts and style are seen in the completed document and he details all of the ways King George III violated the social contract with the people of the colonies, and as a result the colonies must separate from him and Great Britain.

The Declaration of Independence, concludes with the following announcement, "*We, therefore, the representatives of the United States of America, in General Congress, assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions do, in the Name and by the Authority of the good people of these colonies solemnly publish and decree, that these united colonies are and of right ought to be Free And Independent States; that they are Absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain is and ought to be totally dissolved...*" On July 2nd, Congress approved Lee's resolution and cleared the way for the adoption of the Declaration by 12 Colonies on July 4, 1776. New York abstained, but later by July 15th received instructions to sign it, and all 13 Colonies signed the document that birth gave to our beloved country.

Our Founding Fathers dealt with the hardships of their day, by rebelling against Great Britain and finding a new nation. However, part of what got them through their decisions and the fighting that followed, was a faith in God and Jesus. Today's Gospel gives us a clear sign of how to deal with

hardship and how to continue spreading the Gospel. We see it in Jesus' words, "***Come to me all of you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.***" Jesus is telling us that He is always here to help us, comfort us, and to give us the strength to carry out our calling. We can truly find rest for ourselves in Jesus if we try to accept all He wants to give us. This means we must be childlike, not childish. To be childlike means to be listening to everything and to be willing to take in everything just like a child (who wants to learn all about the world). It means to trust in Jesus and to follow wherever He wants to lead us, and not to be like those who are wise and learned. Now Jesus has nothing against wisdom and learning, but He is speaking about those who think they know it all; those who are so wise that they do not seek the Wisdom of God. Today, so many people believe that since they know the ways of the world, they know everything. But St. Paul reminds us, what is seen is transitory, but what is unseen lasts forever. Meaning to know only the things of the physical universe and think you know all that there is, is to know only half what there is to know. Again, Christ calls us to be open to all He wants to give us and to let go of our fears, preconceived ideas and smugness and truly rest in Him.

As we celebrate America's 244th birthday this weekend, we ask the Lord to bless our nation and all who live here, especially this year when we had to deal with the Corona Virus, the loss of so many loved ones, and the loss of jobs and savings. We need to turn to Jesus more than ever and allow Him to take away our burdens and hardships, He is truly there for us for His yoke is easy and His burden light.

Happy Independence Day Weekend!

Fr. Mike

Next Week's Readings

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 12, 2020

First Reading - Isaiah 55:10-11
Psalms 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14
Second Reading - Romans 8:18-23
Gospel - Matthew 13:1-23

“Lord God, be my refuge and my strength.”

Mass Intentions

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

Mon. - 7/6 - Monday of the 14th Week in Ordinary Time
9:00 am Deborah J. F. O'Connor

Tues. - 7/7 - Tuesday of the 14th Week in Ordinary Time
9:00 am Leonore Caferri

Wed. - 7/8 - Wednesday of the 14th Week in Ordinary Time
9:00 am Palma Di Donna

Thurs. 7/9 - Thursday of the 14th Week in Ordinary Time
9:00 am For the End of the Pandemic

Fri. - 7/10 - Friday of the 14th Week in Ordinary Time
9:00 am For Our St. Edward's Parishioners

Sat. - 7/11 - Memorial of St. Benedict, Abbot
9:00 am Betty Calderwood
5:00 pm Aloysius Tully,
Esteban Najarro,
Brett Passeroff,
John Frank Venturella,
Bud MacKenzie

Sun. - 7/12 - Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 am Walter Henry
9:30 am Paul Berner
11:30 am David Shapiro,
Helen Popik,
Colin Giustino,
Michael Sepe

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 July 5 - July 11, 2020

Is Given in Loving Memory of

Debbie O'Connor

By: Her Children, Kate and Stephen

The Sanctuary Candle

For the week of July 5 - July 11, 2020

Is Lit in 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”

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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

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

Almighty and Eternal God, You are the everlasting health of those who believe in You. Hear us for Your sick servants named above for whom we implore the aid of Your tender mercy, that being restored to bodily health, they may give thanks to You in Your Church. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Next Week's Presider Schedule

Saturday, July 11	5:00 PM	Fr. Mike
Sunday, July 12	7:30 AM	Fr. Mike
	9:30 AM	Msgr. Beckmann
	11:30 AM	Msgr. Beckmann

Fr. Mike's Letter for Week 15 of the Corona Virus Crisis

The following letter was posted last week, prior to The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, on the St. Edward's website as well as on Flocknote. The letter is reprinted here for those of you who do not have internet access.

As you know last Saturday, we entered summer. For many it is a great day and a great time of the year. Normally kids love it because school is out, and they now have a great deal of time to do nothing. Some kids love swimming or playing baseball, some like to play video games, and some might even read or work on some research projects. While there are those who just want to catch up on some missed sleep. Of course, when I refer to kids, I also mean adult kids. Summer is a great time to recharge our batteries and for some to earn some extra money. It is a time for us to go away or have a staycation. What ever summer means to you it is most likely to be a little different this year.

It is no surprise that Corona has made changes in how we observe summer, but we cannot allow it to get us totally upset. This year gives us opportunities to try new experiences, and it affords us the time to maybe appreciate what we have, and to thank God for what He has given us before the past three months, and how He helped us get through the past three months. As I write this today is Wednesday June 24th, which is the Feast of the Birth of St. John the Baptist. Tradition tells us that John was born six months before Jesus, which if you look at the calendar you will notice that Christmas is six months from today. On the old Julian Calendar Christmas Day was the first day of Winter, while June 24th was the first day of Summer. The Church marked these days with the two birthdays celebrations, because of the length of the days. Summer is the longest day of the year, in terms of hours of daylight, and conversely, the first day of Winter is the shortest day of the year regarding the hours of daylight. So, from the first day of summer to the first day of winter, we continue to lose hours of daylight until we see the Sun setting at 4PM. Likewise, from the first day of winter to the first day of summer, the hours of daylight start growing so that we will eventually see the Sun setting between 8 and 8:30 PM.

What this means in terms of John the Baptist and Jesus is clearly spelled out in the New Testament. When John is asked who he is, he tells the people he is not the Messiah. No, he is the voice crying out in the wilderness to prepare the way of the Lord. He then points out Jesus when He arrives on the scene and John remarks that he must decrease, while He (Jesus) must increase. As we celebrate John's Birthday, we can see the days get longer then shorter. As we celebrate Jesus' Birthday we see the days at first getting shorter, but then they increase and so should Jesus in our hearts and souls. While this time of pandemic is forcing us to change our summer habits, we are encouraged to find new things to do or find new ways to do what we love to do. Let us also find new ways to practice our faith. Let us find new ways to spread our faith (better and faster than the Corona Virus), and like John the Baptist help prepare the way of the Lord. One more point, we are now in Phase 3, let us see what that means for us!

God bless you always!

Fr. Mike

To find out more about how the Diocese of Rockville Centre is providing for their congregation during the COVID-19 crisis, including information about Recent Updates, News and Directives, Parish Livestreams and other resources, please visit the website for the Long Island Catholic Plus at;

WWW.LICPLUS.ORG/CORONAVIRUS



Registration Info for the 2020-2021 School Year

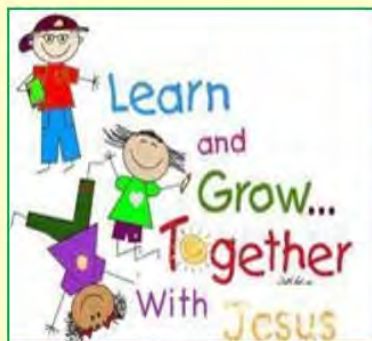


St. Edward's Religious Education is an 8 year faith formation program. Public School Students are required to begin their religious studies in grade 1 and finish their classes in grade 8.

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 in students' 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.

Due to the COVID Pandemic, classes in the fall will begin in October with weekly online Google Meet classes. We are planning, however, to resume "in school" weekly classes after the Christmas Break. This will give us the time to "open up" safely.

Families whose children were enrolled in Religious Education Classes last year will receive a Re-Registration Form with registration instructions via email. If you do not receive this email by July 6th, please contact Mrs. Braun at abraun@st-edwards.org



Families who are new to the Program may register online by going to our website: stedwardre.com and by selecting the link: On-Line Registration for NEW Families. We do ask, however, that all new families kindly email the Director, Mrs. Pettei at rpettei@st-edwards.org to arrange an online chat with her. Mrs. Pettei will speak to you about the program.

****Please note that the Religious Education Office will be closed till late August. Any questions or concerns can be emailed to abraun@st-edwards.org and she will forward the emails to the appropriate staff person. ****

Crown Club Winners



St. Edward's Crown Club



Following are the lucky **Crown Club Winners for June!**

Prize	Ticket #	Winner
\$1,000	360	Mrs. Sheron Abela
\$500	204	Mrs. Jeanette Beyer
\$350	269	Mr. & Mrs. James Kapey
\$150	137	Ms. Linda Hanan

Congratulations to all our winners!

Check upcoming bulletins for the entry form to participate in the next round of drawings for September 2019 through February 2020. Entry forms may also be obtained at the rectory.

St. Paul's Campus Outreach

College campuses are battlegrounds for the minds and souls of young people, and sadly many are leaving the Church. Only 10% of Catholic students attend Sunday Mass. Many are lonely, isolated from God and lacking authentic friendships. Students are hungry for truth, for meaning... for relationship.

The mission of St. Paul's Outreach is to build faith communities on college campuses. These communities reach out and invite other students into a transformative encounter with Christ and into deep relationship with Him and with His people... into a lifelong adventure of mission.

A recent College Graduate is seeking financial assistance as he begins his volunteer work with St. Paul's Outreach. For the next year he will be sent to work with students at Ohio Dominican University in Columbus, Ohio. Volunteers are expected to raise funds to cover their own travel and living expenses. If you would be interested in sponsoring this young man in his ministry, please contact Joseph Conroy at telephone: 1-732-841-1761

Saint Paul's Outreach. (spo.org) is a canonical organization in the Catholic Church with the status of a Private Association of the Faithful, under the ecclesiastical vigilance of the Archbishop of Saint Paul & Minneapolis. It is a nonprofit corporation, tax-exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Recognizing Jesus as the Living God

During his Angelus on the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Pope Francis explained that Simon's name was changed to "rock" when Jesus said: "You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church" (Mt. 16: 18). This was not because Peter was a "solid and trustworthy man" rather, because "Jesus is the rock on which Simon became stone." He added that "it is not important to know that Jesus was great in history" nor is it important "to appreciate what He said or did." Rather, what matters is "the place I give Him in my life." In this regard, the Pope invited us to ask ourselves: "How do I arrange my life? Do I think only of the needs of the moment or, do I believe that my real need is Jesus, who makes me a gift? And how do I build life, on my capacities or on the living God?"

Knights of Columbus

Blood Donations

Due to COVID-19 our last **Parish Blood Drive**, which was to have been held in May was cancelled, The New York Blood Center has also placed a hold on our upcoming Parish Blood Drive which was scheduled for July 26th. The pandemic has created a severe shortage of blood supply through out our area and the Country. **We urge you to donate by visiting the local Blood Center in Melville located at:**

905 Walt Whitman Road (Route 110) Melville, NY 11747 (this is just north of the Northern State Parkway)

You must schedule an appointment to donate blood. Call 1-800-933-2566 or visit: www.nybloodcenter.org

When scheduling your appointment, please use our **St. Edward the Confessor code: 6339**

Newly Elected Officers for 2020—2021



The local Knights of Columbus council, Joseph J. Gorman #5091 recently held their officer elections for the new Columbian year beginning on July 1, 2020 and ending on June 30, 2021. Below is a listing of the newly elected officers. The installation of these new officers will hopefully take place in St. Edward's church, sometime in the near future. For more information on our local council, please visit:

www.KnightsOfSyosset.com

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Rev. Michael T. Maffeo

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You can now join at any time, day or night, by visiting the website shown below. Plus, when you join we'll donate your first year-online membership fees to the **Leave No Neighbor Behind Fund and **we'll match your donation 100%**.**

Just go to: www.KofC.org/Join and use Promo Code: **GIVE2020**

Night of the Sacred Heart

*The month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. St. Edward the Confessor Parish cordially invites you to join us for **Night of the Sacred Heart**. It will be a beautiful candlelit evening, filled with adoration, worship, and contemplative music. Selected excerpts from the revelations and writings of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque will be read intermittently throughout the evening, and the sacrament of reconciliation will be available.*



Whether you are looking to deepen your faith, or even if you haven't been to church in years, you are invited to join us for an evening of quiet refuge and private prayer. Consider this evening as a mini-retreat for the weary pilgrim.

Night of the Sacred Heart will be held on Thursday, July 9th from 7:00pm - 9:30pm at -
St. Edward the Confessor Parish, 205 Jackson Avenue, Syosset, New York 11791
Phone #: (516) 921-8030 (ext. 150) Website: www.st-edwards.org

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In the Gospel today we hear Jesus say: "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest."

Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brings peace to those who are overwhelmed with life's burdens.

Local businesses are struggling and have supported the Parish and the work we do for people in need. If you can, please support them. Order take-out a couple times a week, get your oil changed at 2,000 miles rather than 3,000, get a bagel, get your hair cut every two or three weeks, etc. Please help local business so they can help us in future. Please do what you can if you have the means. Thank you.

If you know of someone who might benefit from a virtual home visit, please call
(516) 218-7837

Columbiettes



The Columbiettes are remaining active during these troubling times. We are an organization of Catholic women dedicated to our Patronesses, Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Theresa the Little Flower and St. Joan of Arc.

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- ◆ Promote the spiritual, social and charitable welfare of our members
- ◆ Instill a steadfast conviction relating to the proper place and function of Catholic women in safeguarding the religious, civil and economic rights of all Catholics
- ◆ Rely upon the intercession of Mary, our Mother and Model, for guidance in guarding the common good, and to work through her, on loving and aiding all members of the human family and to give assistance to the Knights of Columbus in all their activities upon request.

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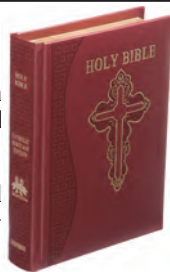
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