

# St. Edward the Confessor

205 Jackson Avenue, Syosset, New York 11791

*Growing in Faith, Love, and Christ*



*“Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle to me.  
You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do.”*  
Matthew 16:23

*Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
*August 30<sup>th</sup>, 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 - 5 PM  
Friday.....9 AM - 3 PM  
Closed for Lunch.....1 PM - 2 PM

### Telephone Numbers

Rectory.....921-8030 ext. 150  
Rectory Fax.....921-4549  
St. Edward Confessor School.....921-7767  
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Pastoral Center Offices.....921-8030 ext. 132

### This Coming Week: 8/24/20 - 8/30/20

Day	Date	Time	Location
Mon	8/24	—	No Meetings or Activities
Tues	8/25	—	No Meetings or Activities
Wed	8/26	—	No Meetings or Activities
Thur	8/27	—	No Meetings or Activities
Fri	8/28	—	No Meetings or Activities
Sat	8/29	—	No Meetings or Activities
Sun	8/30	8:00 AM to 2:00 PM	Blood Drive - Holy Family RM

### 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

*August 23, 2020* \$ 12,096.00  
*Envelopes:* 197  
*Automatic Transactions:* \$ 1,676.00  
*Transactions:* 34  
*Total:* \$ 13,772.00

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

### 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](http://www.st-edwards.org)  
**School:** [www.stedwardconfessor.org](http://www.stedwardconfessor.org)  
**Religious Ed:** [www.saintedwardre.com](http://www.saintedwardre.com)  
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**Instagram:** [stedwardsyosset](https://www.instagram.com/stedwardsyosset)  
**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 -

St. Edward the Confessor Church - Syosset

### Facebook Page -

St. Edward the Confessor Church

### 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.

### 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:

Tel.: 516-594-9063

## From Fr. Mike's Desk

**“You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church.”** These words from last week’s Gospel tell us that Peter is indeed the one to be the chief of the Apostles, and the head of the Church after Our Lord ascended into Heaven. Jesus says at the end of the passage, do not tell anyone that He is the Christ. As we continue with Matthew’s Gospel we read, *“Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly from the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised.”* Wait, you just told the Apostles that you are the Messiah and that you will be killed. How can this be, this is what Peter is asking himself. Peter cannot bear to hear these words, and since he has been appointed the Chief Apostle, he is going to use his new authority. And so, *“...Peter took Jesus aside and began to rebuke him, ‘God forbid, Lord! No such thing shall ever happen to you.’”* Now who would blame Peter, again this is not supposed to happen to the savior of the world.

However, Peter at this point forgot one key thing. He is the disciple, Jesus is the master, and of course as we know He is God. So, Jesus in a strong voice answers Peter with, **“Get behind me, Satan. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do.”** Peter and the others just did not understand what Jesus said and they did not understand Him telling them that we all must take up our cross and follow Him. We must seek to lose our lives to this world to gain our lives in the next. So now we see Peter who appeared to be standing above the others, still has his flaws. If you will recall, last week the Prophet Isaiah told us how God appointed Eliakim to be the Master of the Keys, because he would be like a loving father to the people. But as scholars report, in the time that followed, Eliakim falls out of favor because he too abused his power and favored his own household with the people’s funds. His flaws also got in the way of his service to God. There is a difference here, Peter though he is rebuked, is not fired. Instead he seeks to understand, and Our Lord gives him and the other Apostles the time they need. Jesus tells them that they must continue to listen to Him and try to understand.

We must not think as human beings do; we must try to think like God. And how do we do this since we are not God? We cannot cry out like Jeremiah does in the first reading, *“You duped me, O Lord, and I let myself be duped.”* We cannot

believe that God has forced us, with His call for us to follow Him and think like Him. God did not dupe Jeremiah, He did not dupe Peter and the others, and He does not dupe us. How then can we understand or even think like God? While it is true, we will never fully understand God, even when we see God face to face, it is also true that we know what God wants and how we are to live. How do we know? That is not so hard, all we have to do is see God working in the Old Testament and hear the word of God in the Gospel. **For Jesus, the Word of God,** is telling us directly how God thinks, as He tells us He and the Father are one.

Now we know we all have flaws, we all do things we know we should not do, and we know we do not always put our best foot forward. We are just like Peter, but just like Peter we cannot let our flaws get in the way of our serving God and making our way toward Heaven.

*God bless you always!*

*Fr. Mike*

## Next Week's Readings

**Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**September 6, 2020**

**First Reading - Ezekiel 33:7-9**

**Psalms 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9**

**Second Reading - Romans 13:8-10**

**Gospel - Matthew 18:15-20**

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

### Mass Intentions

**Mon. - 8/31 - Monday of the 22nd Week in Ordinary Time**  
9:00 am Amelita Manguba

**Tues. - 9/1 - Tuesday of the 22nd Week in Ordinary Time**  
9:00 am Deborah J. F. O'Connor

**Wed. - 9/2 - Wednesday of the 22nd Week in Ordinary Time**  
9:00 am Marge Conway

**Thurs. 9/3 - Memorial of Saint Gregory the Great**  
9:00 am Leonard Kaiser

**Fri. - 9/4 - Friday of the 22nd Week in Ordinary Time**  
9:00 am Claire & Gerald Rooney

**Sat. - 9/5 - Saturday of the 22nd Week in Ordinary Time**  
9:00 am Lina Angelini  
5:00 pm Tito Jesus Prunell  
Esteban Najarro  
Walter Henry  
Mary Scally

**Sun. - 9/6 - Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
7:30 am For All Those Affected by Corona Virus  
9:30 am Mary Murphy  
11:30 am Beatrice Pennetti  
Sr. Patrice Ward  
Mary Murphy  
John Lannig  
Barbara A. Kernahan  
For Our St. Edward Parishioners  
7:00 pm No Mass

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 August 30- September 5, 2020*  
Is Given in Loving Memory of

***Maria DiCenso***

By: Janet Hoda

### The Sanctuary Candle

*For the week of August 30 - September 5, 2020*  
Is Lit in Memory of

***Alexus Bonasera***

By: David and Laura Krieg

### 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  
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Maj. Joel Bernazzani, U.S. Air Force  
Pvt. John J. D'Amico, U.S. Army Airborne  
Cpt. Connor J. Dunleavy, U.S. Army  
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Cpl. Erik Liebergall, U.S. Marine Corps  
Pvt. Jonathan Maldonado, U.S. Army  
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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  
1st Lt. Michelle Turcios, U.S. Army  
Lt. Cmdr. Andrew Vann, U.S. Navy

### Pray For The Sick

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

### From Death to New Life



***James P. Moran, Jr.***

### Next Week's Presider Schedule

**Saturday, Sept. 5** 5:00 PM Fr. Hyacinth  
**Sunday, Sept. 6** 7:30 AM Fr. Mike  
9:30 AM Fr. Celestine  
11:30 AM Msgr. Beckmann

## Fr. Mike's Letter for Week 23 of the Corona Virus Crisis

The following letter was posted last week, prior to The 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, 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.

This weekend (August 22 and 23) is the next to last weekend of this month. In 15 days, we will celebrate Labor Day, the last "Official Day" of summer. It seems that right after this day, the days are shorter, the weather starts changing, and soon school will be starting. Yes, summer has ended, and fall has arrived.

To me, this summer has gone by too quickly, while this is true of every year as I get older, this year it was different. The different feelings about this year all began in the middle of March with the proclamation of the Lockdown. It seemed like in a minute everything changed. One minute we are carrying on as usual, and in the next everything stopped. The Lockdown seemed to drag on, but in time we entered the phases, it seemed great when phase 2, and then phase 3 and 4 arrived. Since then, time seemed to move faster, yet as we all know things did not return to normal. This summer was indeed strange as so many people who were planning vacations away had to change plans. For many the new plans meant enjoying their homes and families and discovering new things about their towns. Perhaps a new trend has developed, and people will enjoy home more, or perhaps the desire to get out of here will be greater and next summer (hopefully) this will be a ghost town.

Yes, the summer seemed to pass so quickly, but really it took just as many days as it has in passed years. Maybe we can learn from this past spring and summer to appreciate what we have and make the most out of every moment. We are not exactly sure what we will face in the coming fall and winter, hopefully, because all we have gone through, we will have a better COVID19 survival skill. Likewise, we know that we all must learn to pull together and help each other, something that we have been able to do quite well this past half year. We will not only survive, we will succeed, and provide a great example for others to follow. We have done so well because we have all worked together.

There is one more aspect we must not forget. We have been able to do this because of our faith in God and our knowing that God has been and will be with us throughout the whole ordeal. For those who had the virus, God helped them get through it, and for those who lost their lives, God led them to their Heavenly Home where there is no more, pain, fear, or sorrow. There is only happiness, light and peace.

So, come on fall and winter, we are ready for you and as the summer goes away, next year will be better.

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](http://WWW.LICPLUS.ORG/CORONAVIRUS)

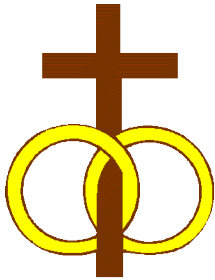
## Welcome to the Parish



### The Wallentin Family

Nathan & Melissa,  
Emma Ann, Logan James

## Wedding Announcement



Married on 8/22/20

**Robert D. Spina, Jr.**  
St. Edward the Confessor  
To  
**Madeline McIntosh Smith**  
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## Stay Safe



Please remember to stay safe by wearing your face mask at all times when entering and leaving the church. You are not only protecting yourself, but your fellow parishioners as well.

## Volunteers Needed

Since the early days of quarantining during the Covid-19 pandemic, St. Edward Church has relied on the talents and kindness of Mr. Vincent Albrecht - our school's principal - to film Sunday Masses for posting on the parish YouTube channel and Facebook page. His dedication has allowed all of us to visit our Church each week and participate in Liturgy from the comfort of our homes. We are especially grateful!

Although the Church has reopened, we want to continue offering these broadcasts. Mr. Albrecht is getting ready to open our school once again for the 2020-2021 school year, and thus, we are hoping to find a volunteer (or several volunteers) to record Mass for us each Sunday in his place. Mr. Albrecht is happy to offer training and answer questions along the way. (Masses are recorded at 7:30 AM on Sundays.)

If you want more information or are interested in helping, please email Mr. Albrecht using the subject line of "Masses" at:

**valbrecht5571@stedwardconfessor.org**

or call the school office at 516-921-7767. Please leave a message with your name and phone number, and mention you are calling about recording upcoming Masses.

Thank you in advance for your consideration. Please forward this to anyone you think might be willing to assist us.

### ST. EDWARD PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY BACK-TO-SCHOOL COLLECTION



Donations can be placed in the food collection box in the Gathering Area of the Church



We would like the children to have the best learning opportunities possible, beginning with having the tools to succeed in the classroom.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

**Items Needed:**  
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Loose Leaf Paper (wide rule)  
Markers  
Glue Sticks  
12" Ruler  
Scissors  
Crayons  
Colored pencils  
Highlighters  
Markers  
Earbuds/headphones

"Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoever receives one child such as this in my name receives me." Matthew 18:4-5

## St. Edward's Drive In Movie Night



On Friday, August 14th the Knights of Columbus hosted a **Drive In Movie Night** in the parking lot between the church and the school. The movie *Raiders of the Lost Ark* was shown. The event was well attended, and the weather turned out to be fine. Many people arrived early to partake of Frank-E-Boy's Smokin' BBQ or freshly prepared pretzels from our local Philly Pretzels Factory. The Mister Softy truck made an appearance, and the Boy Scouts sold water and soda all night. All of the families who attended commented on what a wonderful experience it was, and also asked about having another movie night. At present, the Knights are considering hosting another Movie Night in the fall. Once a date is set, we will make an announcement.



## CMA - We're Getting Closer

As of August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020 our parish is now at

**87.6% of our goal!**

Just a little bit more will help us meet our parish goal of \$107,600. Please consider making a pledge in whatever amount you can. We welcome and appreciate every donation. You may make a 10 month pledge, or a one-time gift in any amount.

Go to: [www.drvc.org/donate/cma](http://www.drvc.org/donate/cma)

## Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Today, we hear Jesus say to us, "For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." The challenge is to let go so God can lead us.

**This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul enabled the poor to experience Jesus' presence by helping families, and providing assistance with utility and rent bills, etc. Thank You!**

Some of our neighbors need assistance with home repairs. We are looking for roofers, electricians and landscapers to provide estimates and work for local parishioners. If you are interested in helping us, please call the St. Vincent de Paul telephone number:

516-218-7837 or email us at: [svdpsteds@gmail.com](mailto:svdpsteds@gmail.com)

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

**Please note that the SVdP donation bins in the church parking lot are now open. When you drop off your donation, please make sure that it goes into the bins. Do not leave your donation on the ground, as this will make it unsuitable for SVdP, and as a result, your donation will be thrown away.**

## Baptism Preparation Class

A **Baptism Preparation Class** will be held on: September 15, 2020 from 7:30 to 9:00 PM in the Church. Parents who wish to have their child baptized at St. Edward's are required to attend.

## Are You Being Called to Serve?

*Hello! My name is Deacon Art Candido!*

*As **DIRECTOR OF DIACONATE FORMATION**, my ministry is to **FORM CATHOLIC MEN INTO DEACONS** who serve in our Diocese of Rockville Centre.*

*If you have ever thought about **SERVING GOD AND THE CHURCH** as a deacon, I invite you and your wife to attend one of our **INFORMATION SESSIONS** so I can share about the diaconate with you.*

*There are three meeting dates to choose from—*



**7:00 PM Tuesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**4:00 PM Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup> OR 7:00 PM Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup>**

*at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception  
440 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY 11743.*

**To reserve a place at one of the meetings,**  
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*Good Luck and Thanks for Playing!*

**More than ever we hope you will participate in the Crown Club drawings. The pandemic has caused a great drain on our funds and your participation and support will help St. Edward's continue to be the Center of our Catholic Faith here in Syosset and the surrounding neighborhoods.**

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

 **New York** Blood Center

# URGENT NEED

# BLOOD DRIVE

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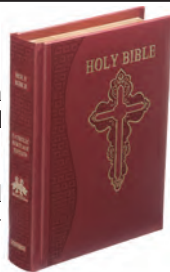
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