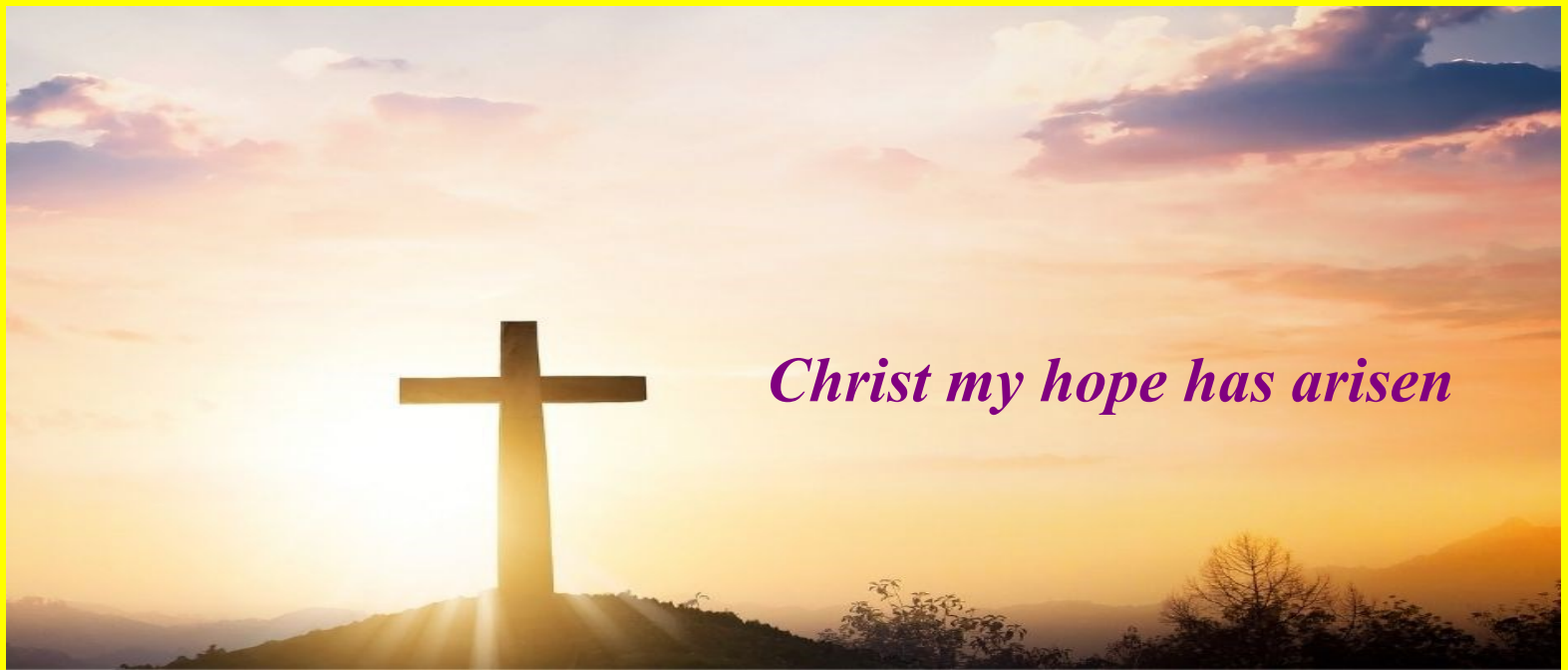


St. Edward the Confessor

205 Jackson Avenue, Syosset, New York 11791

Growing in Faith, Love, and Christ



Christ my hope has arisen

Easter Sunday
The Resurrection of the Lord
April 20th, 2025



THE PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. Michael T. Maffeo, Pastor
Rev. Hyacinth Jemigbola, Associate Pastor
Rev. Jude Mensah, in Residence
Rev. Msgr. Donald McE. Beckmann, Sunday Priest
Deacon James F. Murphy
Deacon Barry P. Croce



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Ms. Luisa Ondocin, Business Manager
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Mrs. Ann Braun, Administrative Assistant

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Mrs. Cecilia Hayden, Family Mass Choir

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St. Edward the Confessor School

Mrs. AnnMarie LoManto, Principal
Ms. Fabiola Cormican, Secretary

Quick Guide to St. Edward's Parish

Telephone Numbers

Rectory.....	516-921-8030 ext. 150
Rectory Fax.....	516-921-4549
St. Edward Confessor School.....	516-921-7767
Religious Education Office.....	516-921-8543
Finance Director.....	516-921-8030 ext. 132
Facilities Scheduler	516-921-8030 ext. 135
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Facilities Manager.....	516-921-8030 ext. 137
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Music Ministry.....	516-921-8030 ext. 150
OCIA.....	516-921-8030 ext. 150
Society of St. Vincent de Paul	516-218-7837

Rectory Hours

The rectory will be open during the following times:

Mondays - Thursdays: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Fridays: 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Closed for Lunch M-F: 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM

Saturdays - Sundays: 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays - 12:30 to 1:30 PM in the Church

You may also make an appointment by calling the rectory at: 516-921-8030.

Protect Our Children Hotline

If you or someone you know has experienced an incident of sexual abuse by clergy, an employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Rockville Centre, please **contact law enforcement and the diocesan's Office for the Protection of Children and Young People.**

The Diocese maintains a special phone number to report these situations:

Tel.: 516-594-9063

Next Week's Presider Schedule

Sat., Apr. 26 5:00 PM Fr. Jude

Sun., Apr. 27 7:30 AM Fr. Hyacinth
9:30 AM Msgr. Beckmann
11:30 AM Msgr. Beckmann
6:00 PM Fr. Mike

Weekly Offerings

Dates	4/12 - 4/13
Collections	\$ 16,792.00
# of Envelopes	273
Automatic Transactions	\$ 2,190.00
# of Transactions	38
Weekly Total	\$ 18,982.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 1,402.00

We thank all who support our Parish!

Fr. Mike

Websites / Social Media

Parish: www.st-edwards.org

School: www.stedwardconfessor.org

Religious Ed: www.saintedwardre.com

Facebook: [stedwardsyosset](https://www.facebook.com/stedwardsyosset)

Instagram: [stedwardsyosset](https://www.instagram.com/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 are 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.



“Have mercy on me, God, in accord with your merciful love...”

Mass Intentions

4/21 - Monday in the Octave of Easter

9:00 am Alan (Bud) MacKenzie

4/22 - Tuesday in the Octave of Easter

9:00 am Mary Coniglio

4/23 - Wednesday in the Octave of Easter

9:00 am Peter John Milaccio

4/24 - Thursday in the Octave of Easter

9:00 am Mary Coniglio

4/25 - Friday in the Octave of Easter

9:00 am Joseph Zak

4/26 - Saturday in the Octave of Easter

9:00 am Shirley Jane Patterson

5:00 pm Jay Rubin & Edward Maslowski

4/27 - Second Sunday of Easter

7:30 am Rev. James Scanlon

9:30 am Claudine Costa Soto

11:30 am Robert Boeggeman

Tony Vecchia

Linda McMurray

Florence Kerkovich

George Bordash, Jr.

Jose de Oliveira

6:00 pm Parishioners of St. Edward's

The church will be open daily for your own private devotions, which may include: An Act of Spiritual Communion, Praying the Rosary, or writing down your own intentions in the book found at the rear of the church.

Pray for the Sick

Kathy Rooney	Mary Simon	Renata Sorace
Ron Gagliardi	Kevin J. Frobey	Ashley Benkin
Paul Cannizzaro	Mary Pieper	Angela Trivits

The Altar Bread & Wine

For the week of April 20 - April 26, 2025

Is Given in Loving Memory of

Peggy Murphy

By: OCIA Team and Candidates

The Sanctuary Candle

For the week of April 20 - April 26, 2025

Is Lit in Memory of

Eleanor Wilson

By: Richard Mastino

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

Cpl. Matthew V. Balestrieri, U.S. Marine Corps

SPC. Ryan D. Donadio, U.S. Army National Guard

Ens. Ryan Dunleavy, U.S. Navy

Lt. Lauren Ehrhard, U.S. Air Force

Sgt. Noah C. Estey, U.S. Marine Corps

Cpl. Spencer Gliner, U.S. Marine Corps

SSgt. Michael Gregory, 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

Pvt. Jonathan Maldonado, U.S. Army

2nd Lt. Richard Martin Prestegaard, U.S. Army

Sgt. Brian H. McCabe, U.S. Army National Guard

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

CPT. 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.

Pastoral Council

Fr. Michael T. Maffeo, Pastor

Deacon James Murphy

JoAnn Bonasera

John J. Cleary

Chris Coschignano

June DeMarco

Mary Fay

Sr. Theresa Kelly

John O'Connor

Brianna Zaino

Donna Zaino

Please feel free to contact any council member, at any time, regarding your “needs, feelings, hopes and reactions.” All council members can be reached through the Rectory Office at: 516-921-8030

From Fr. Mike's Desk

"Why do you seek the living one among the dead? He is not here, but he has been raised." This is the question the angels asked the women who came to the tomb on that very first Easter Sunday. Imagine their surprise as they came to the tomb expecting to conduct the traditional respect for the dead, and His body was not there. Think of the thousands of questions going through their minds as they hear He has been raised. Where did He go? What does it mean that He was raised? How did all this happen? Many questions and no answers, except for the statements made by the angels! In another Gospel account for this day, we see that there are no direct answers to the questions, but those who came to the tomb begin to understand. They started to believe without seeing, as they remembered what Jesus said, as they remembered the events of the Transfiguration and the Last Supper. Peter and John saw the burial clothes, and they knew that it was a deliberate act, and not the work of grave robbers or of those who wished to disprove the whole Paschal Mystery. They began to understand (although not fully) that this was indeed a deliberate act, an act of The Son of God. This belief would soon be verified as Mary Magdalene saw and spoke to the Risen Jesus, and when the two disciples would walk and talk with Him on the Road to Emmaus (even though at first, they did not recognize Him).

This belief is verified every time we gather as the Living Body of Christ to pray, worship, and celebrate the Sacraments. We see the Risen Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, the Gospel, and in each other. Today we remember the events of the First Easter, not just in hearing the story, but also in the renewal of our Baptismal Promises, for the Sacrament of Baptism is the sacrament that contains everything about Easter. In the waters of Baptism, we die with Christ on the Cross, and we rise with Him to new life. The new life of the Resurrection sets us free from sin, darkness, and spiritual death. Through Baptism, we become one with Christ and each other, this is how we can see the Risen Lord in each other.

Rejoice today, tomorrow, and for the whole Fifty Days of Easter. Allow the Resurrection of Christ to change your life every day and share the joy of the Resurrection with everyone you meet.

We close with this prayer:

God our Father, by raising Christ your Son you conquered the power of death and opened for us the way to eternal life. Let our celebration today rise and renew our lives by the Spirit within us. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who lives, and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

On behalf of Father Hyacinth, Fr. Jude, and Msgr. Beckmann, Deacon Jim, Deacon Barry, Deacon Tom Connolly, our Business Manager Luisa Ondocin, our Finance Director Miguel DeLeon, our Buildings and Grounds Director John O'Connor, our Director of Religious Education Rosemary Pettei, our School Principal AnnMarie LoManto, Maureen Carroll our Confirmation Director, our Music Directors Jeff and Marilyn Fox, Cecilia Hayden our Family Mass Choir Director, Melanie Sena our Director of our Youth Choir, Vision, and the entire Staff of Saint Edward's we wish you and your family a very Happy Easter.

Fr. Mike

Next Week's Readings

Second Sunday of Easter

April 27, 2025

First Reading - Acts 5:12-16

Psalms - 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

Second Reading - Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19

Gospel - John 20:19-31

Next Week's Gospel Question

In John's Gospel we hear the story of 'Doubting Thomas', who would not believe that Jesus had risen from the dead unless he were to see and touch Jesus. Upon seeing Jesus, Thomas has a change of heart, and responds to Jesus by saying "My Lord and my God!". Jesus then says, ***"Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed"***.

Having not seen for yourself, are you a doubter or a believer?



DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Easter 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Happy Easter to you and your families in this Jubilee Year of Hope!

Our celebration of Easter rekindles our hope each year.

The Tomb is empty! Jesus is Risen!

A wealthy man and a member of the Sanhedrin, St. Joseph of Arimathea is one of those Gospel characters with a very brief but very important role.

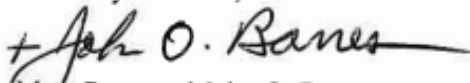
In John 19:38-42, we see that after Jesus' Crucifixion, Joseph of Arimathea asks Pilate for permission to take away Our Lord's Body. This was a bold and courageous act of faith from a man "seeking the Kingdom of God." (Mark 15:43)

Joseph and Nicodemus together place our Lord's Body reverently in linen cloths prepared with myrrh, aloes and spices: "Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden a new tomb where no one had ever been laid. So because of the Jewish day of Preparation, as the tomb was close at hand, they laid Jesus there."

In his commentary on the Gospel of Matthew, Fr. Simeon Leiva-Merikakis gives tribute to Joseph of Arimathea. He writes: "And how can we fail to do homage to Joseph of Arimathea? In performing a very humane corporal work of mercy by seeking out and burying the corpse of his beloved Teacher, Joseph becomes for all time a living icon of the eternal Father himself, stooping with compassion to enfold within his throbbing breast the mangled body of his beloved, Son, whom he himself handed over to sinners out of love for mankind. At long last, the Son of God on earth has fallen into the hands, not of a sinner, but of a just and compassionate man! Joseph of Arimathea enacts the justice and love of God himself."¹

As we celebrate Easter Sunday, the Easter Octave, Divine Mercy Sunday and the Easter Season, let us remember and ask the intercession of the great Joseph of Arimathea who prepared the Tomb of Christ and the Body of Christ with such sensitive care and compassion, such faith, courage and reverence. The Tomb is Empty! He is Risen!

Sincerely in Christ,


Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre

¹ Erasmo Leiva-Merikakis, 564. *Fire of Mercy, Heart of the Word: Meditations on the Gospel According to St. Matthew*.

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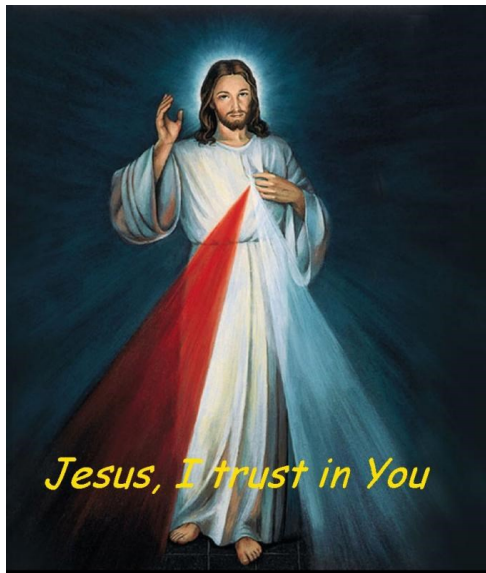
Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

As we enter into Holy Week, please hold our OCIA Elect, JULIA AUGELLO, SAMANTHA AUGELLO and RACHEL CICIO, in your prayers as they eagerly approach the Easter Vigil when they will be fully initiated into the Catholic Church.

We also ask that you please keep in your prayers our candidate for the Sacrament of Confirmation, NICOLE RAMPANELLI.

As we journey together to the Easter Vigil, our Elect and our Candidate will look to us for an example of Christian renewal. May they find in each and every one of us compelling signs of unity and God's generous love.

Divine Mercy Sunday



"The Feast of Mercy emerged from my very depths of tenderness. It is my desire that it solemnly be celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the fount of My Mercy."

These requests of the Lord given to Sr. Faustina between 1931 and 1938 can be considered the beginning of the Divine Mercy Message and Devotion in the new forms.

On Sunday, April 27th, Divine Mercy Sunday, we will gather in the church at 3 p.m. to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy following the request of our Lord Jesus Christ. Please join us as we pray for peace for our families, our country and our world.

St. Vincent de Paul

Today as we celebrate the feast of Easter, like Mary Magdalene and the Disciples we find the challenge of also seeing and believing the resurrection.

As you put your gift into the St. Vincent de Paul box you help those who are poor and hungry to "see and believe" in the Resurrection.

If you would like to join us as we help our neighbors in need, please come to our next meeting on May 5 at 7:00 pm in the Cenacle room.

St. Vincent de Paul provides services on a confidential basis. We can help with:

Food Assistance - Clothing - Furniture Referrals to SVdP Furniture Store - Limited Emergency Financial Assistance/past due bills - Social Services Referrals - Referrals for Informal Counseling - Home Visitation to better understand the people we serve

"Help should be given in such a way that the recipients may gradually be freed from dependence on others and become self-sufficient"

If you are in need of any of the above, please contact us at (516) 218-7837 or email at svdpsteds@gmail.com

From Death to New Life



Charles W. Castanza

*Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord, and let perpetual light
shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.*

You Are Not Alone - Reach Out

If you are having thoughts of **suicide**, survived an attempt, know someone who did or are worried about someone who might, need a support group, or are in crisis, alone with nowhere to go, reach out.

Call or text 988, or text TALK to 741741.

Someone will be there for you, to listen, connect, support and guide you in a better direction.

God's architect declared Venerable

Born in 1852, Antoni Gaudí i Cornet accepted the task of directing the project of the **Basilica of the Sagrada Familia** in Barcelona in 1883. His focus was making art a hymn of praise to the Lord and he considered it his mission to make God known and bring people closer to Him. On June 7, 1926, he was struck by a tram. Not recognized, he was taken to the Hospital de la Santa Creu, the city's hospital for the poor. After receiving the last sacraments, he died three days later, on June 10. Around 30,000 people attended his funeral.

The Saint Joseph Prayer Group



The St. Joseph's Prayer Group meets every Thursday night at 7:30 pm in the Church. Prayer pamphlets for how to pray the Rosary and Divine Chaplet will be made available to everyone. These powerful prayers are gifts from Heaven, and we should believe in their great promises.

Adult Bible Study at St. Edward's

Adult Bible Study is now offered at St. Edward's every **Wednesday** from **7:00 PM to 8:30 PM** in the Holy Family Room.

Now is the time to bring your Bible and your questions to a place where we can have meaningful discussions and where Father Hyacinth will officiate. Doors will open at 6:45 PM.

Bulletin Submissions

All submissions are due to be received by the Bulletin Editor no later than noon on each Monday preceding the bulletin date. See the dates as listed below. Submissions are to be sent by e-mail to:

BulletinEditor@ST-EDWARDS.ORG

Submitted materials are to be in MS Word or Google Doc file format, and must be limited in size. **Please do not submit material which will require a full page.** If you have materials which you cannot edit or reduce in size such as PDF or image files then contact the Bulletin Editor prior to the submittal date to discuss the situation.

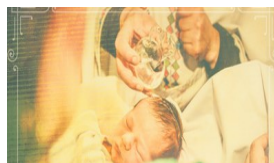
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Bulletin Date	Submittal Date
Sunday, April 27 th	Monday, April 21 st
Sunday, May 4 th	Monday, April 28 th
Sunday, May 11 th	Monday, May 5 th
Sunday, May 18 th	Monday, May 12 th

Prayer for Vocations

God our Father,

We thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen



**A vocation is all about
love...that comes from God.**

Knights of Columbus - Mission of the Family Video Series



Men with a Mission

*A Catholic Brotherhood
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Christ is Risen! Let us rejoice this Easter Season, and spread the good word, especially among our family members. To walk with you in this journey, the Knights of Columbus have produced 5 short videos making up the ***Mission of the Family*** series. The Knights encourage participation and educating everyone on the vital importance of our faith. The Lord's passion and death reminds families of the suffering Jesus endured through his passion and resurrection, thereby opening the gates of heaven for each of us. **Watch with your family members and spread the word!**

These short videos can be found at this link: <https://tinyurl.com/Mission-of-the-Family>

Or you can just scan this QR code and watch the videos on your phone ►



Pope John Paul II referred to the Knights of Columbus as the ***“strong right arm of the Church”***. Our mission is simple. Whether it is the pastor, a bishop or the pope who needs our help, the Knights respond. We do this because we are first and foremost ***men who love our church***. All Catholic men are welcome!

Show up. Set your own schedule. Be an example of what a CATHOLIC MAN is supposed to be!

Contact: Russell Kendall, Grand Knight / **Email:** RusselDD12@gmail.com

The KofC Council #5091 has faithfully served the St. Edward's Parish since March 14, 1961

The St. Edward's Women's Guild

This month the meeting will be held on **Wednesday, April 23rd** in the Holy Family Room at 6:30 pm, and we have many things planned for 2025. Anyone that is interested in joining please just show up or call: Mary Fay - 516-364-2601 or Ciel Hayden - 516-457-4697

Support St. Edward's Church

Like your home, St. Edward's Church is in need of ongoing maintenance, repairs, and improvements. Most of you don't have the time to spare (or energy) to swing a hammer or climb a ladder, but you could help by making a monetary donation, however small. As always, you can place your donation in the collection basket at Mass, or drop off a check at the Rectory. We now have the ability to receive your donation through our secure payment site. Just scan this QR code. It's simple and quick. Thank you in advance for your support!

Donate to St. Edwards



Parish Social Ministry



Tel: 516-921-8030

Pantry Hours: 9:30-12:00 noon Monday-Thursday and
2nd Saturday of the month

This Weekend Our our Monthly Food Collection - May 3rd and 4th

Items Needed -

Food: Rice (white, brown and flavored), Refried Beans, Canned Chicken and Parmalat Shelf Milk, Coffee, Baked Beans, Lentils, Tea, Egg Noodles, Salad dressing, Jar Tomato Sauce, Pasta, Ketchup and Mustard

Personal Grooming: Deodorant, Baby Wipes, Razors, Toilet Paper, Shampoo

Cleaning Supplies: Paper Towels, Dish Soap, Laundry Detergent Any kind of Cleaning Supplies

Donations can be dropped off during pantry hours or left in the vestibule inside the brown box on the left hand side.

Please consider making a financial donation, however small. You can scan this QR code with your phone, which will direct your donation to St. Edward's Pantry through the secure payment site.

Donate to
St. Edward Pantry



Thank you for your Support!

Teachers Needed



St. Edward the Confessor School is seeking teachers for the **2025-2026 school year** in the following areas:

- Kindergarten
- Grade 1
- Middle School ELA/Social Studies
- Middle School Science
- Part Time Spanish Teacher
- Part Time Italian Teacher

You must be certified or working toward your certification. If you are interested, please send your resume via email to the school's Principal -

AnnMarie LoManto

alomanto5571@stedwardconfessor.org

St. Edward the Confessor Drama Club Presents: Annie Jr. | May 16-17, 2025 | 7:00 PM

Shout Outs & Advertisements for CAST & CREW!

Send a personal message to your favorite thespian, crew member, or director! Please also consider *advertising your business in this year's Playbill!*

NEW THIS YEAR!! **Pre-Orders of red floral bouquets and/or mylar balloons are available for pick-up and to give to your favorite STAR on Opening Night!**

Scan the QR Code to place your order, then simply send your payment to St. Edward the Confessor School
ATTN: ANNIE PLAYBILL

All submissions are due by April 30. Thank you!



All proceeds go towards offsetting the cost of the show!
THANK YOU for supporting our students.

Please contact Dana Basile: dmscafe18@gmail.com
with any questions or to help out the nights of the show.



Join in the Fun!!

Vacation Bible Camp 2025

Summer Fun Camp for children entering Nursery through Gr.6 in September.

4 mornings of Bible stories, playtime, music, snacks, gym time, arts and crafts and fun!

Mon., June 30th through Thursday., July 3rd

4 Mornings from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm

Tuition for 4 mornings is \$100/child.

Three children or more is \$250/family

All Campers will receive Camp T- Shirt, daily snack & music CD.

Camp Shirt sizes are Youth S, M, L, XL & Adult S, M, L, XL.

If interested in registering for VBC Camp, you now have the option to register and pay online on our website. The link is:

www.saintedwardre.com/vacation-bible-camp-2025/

OR you can complete the form and return it to the Religious Education Office, School Office or Rectory with fee.

Make check payable to St. Edward Church. If you want to pay by credit card or need additional info, call 516-921-8543.



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Did You Know....?

Contemplation...

Have you ever wondered what you would have been like and what you would have believed if you had lived in the same town and grown up with Jesus in Nazareth? As a child, you may have played with him. As a teenager you may have shared thoughts and laughter with him. But as you both became adults and he entered into his three-year Ministry and proclaiming the kingdom of God, what would you have thought then? Would you have been able to believe that your playmate and your friend of previous years was truly the son of God? Would you have been one of his followers as he began his Crusade of performing miracles throughout all Judea? Or would you have been skeptical and a non-believer, possibly even a Critic and in total denial of his teachings? And as you saw him progress throughout the land preaching that he was the son of God performing numerous miracles that he was somehow able to do, what then would your thoughts be? As he gained more and more followers believing in him, trusting in Him, would you also be in that crowd? Or would you be frightened by the Roman soldiers who always seem to be threatening in the background, watching him, carefully, cautiously, almost ready to pounce? Would you have sided with the Pharisees and scribes who felt he was a blasphemer and threatened the very culture of their faith? And when he rode into Jerusalem on a donkey as people proudly put down Palms on the ground and waved them in the air, crying "Hosanna to the Messiah", would you have been crying it with them? Or would you be skeptically standing outside the crowd wondering how they could truly believe this man was the son of God? When he was brought before Pilate, would you be standing in the crowd yelling "Crucify Him!" or protesting the very thought of it? When Pilate threw up his hands and told the soldiers to take him away to be whipped and crucified, would you speak up on his behalf or remain mute and watching in helpless silence? And when you saw the whips tear in to his tender flesh and the thorns from his mock crown piercing into his head, would your heart be breaking on his behalf as was his mother's or would you continue in your cynicism? As he slowly strove on his way to Calvary underneath the burden of that heavy cross, would you have been a willing Simon, lifting some of the weight from his bruised and bloodied back, or would you have pushed back deeper into the crowd to remain unseen and therefore unavailable? And after he fell the second time, would you have reached out to comfort him as Veronica did with her veil, wiping the blood and spittle from his face, or would you simply stand there and watch helplessly as he struggled to get up and continue on to his crucifixion? And as he was nailed to his cross and hung there for three torturous hours with blood slowly seeping from his body and the very life seeping from his soul, would you have wept for him?

Ask yourself: Would I have been a mourner or a mocker? And finally when he cried out to his father and gave up his last breath, and the Earth began to tremble and the skies grew dark, would you then have believed that this man, your boyhood friend, the man who performed so many miracles, did so much good, and gathered so many believers in his short 3 years of preaching, would you then have believed that this man truly was the son of God? Or would you have needed the proof of the heavy stone being mysteriously rolled away from his tomb three days later and his body missing from within?

What would it have taken for you to finally come to the realization that this man truly was the Son of God, the Savior of the world, who had truly conquered death on Easter Sunday?

St. Edward the Confessor - Youth Ministry



YOUTH in GRADES 5-12 are invited to share their time, **GIFTS & TALENTS** as part of the **SEC Youth Ministry** by participating at the 6:00PM Sunday Mass and at our monthly meetings/community service events. Meet new **FRIENDS** and earn **COMMUNITY SERVICE CREDITS** for participation while helping the community.

YOUTH GROUP MAY 2025 EVENTS:

Sunday, May 4th, May 11th, May 18th & May 25th 6:00PM: Teen Volunteers needed at 6PM Mass—please join us.

Sunday, May 4th -FELLOWSHIP – **COOKIES/TREATS** provided at end of 6PM Mass by YG

Sunday, May 18th 1:00-4:00PM: **YG CAR WASH FUNDRAISER JOIN WITH OTHER TEENS TO WASH CARS & RAISE FUNDS FOR OUR COMMUNITY—CHURCH PARKING LOT**

SAVE THE DATE: SUNDAY, JUNE 8th 7:00PM BBQ: Teens & their families are invited to join together after the 6PM Mass with great games & food at this end of school year celebration.

VISION TEEN CHOIR NEWS – SINGERS NEEDED Contact: msena@st-edwards.org

TEENS GRADES 5-12 WE NEED YOUR **VOICES** FOR THE **VISION TEEN CHOIR** AT SUNDAY 6PM MASS & FOR PRACTICE BEFORE MASS AT 5PM



2025 REGISTRATION & PARTICIPATION:

There are many ways to get involved at the Sunday 6PM Mass– Indicate your **INTERESTS:**

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BRING UP GIFTS__ALTAR SERVE__ ADULT VOLUNTEER__YG/ COMMUNITY SERVICE__

YOUTH NAME & GRADE: _____

PARENT NAME & EMAIL & PHONE #: _____

Return the completed form by email to: youth@st-edwards.org or register before or after the 6PM Mass on Sundays at the Youth Group Table in the Vestibule of the Church.

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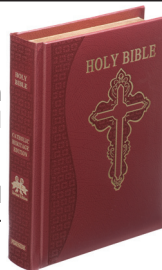


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