

St. Edward the Confessor

205 Jackson Avenue, Syosset, New York 11791

Growing in Faith, Love, and Christ



Third Sunday of Advent

December 14th, 2025



THE PASTORAL TEAM

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St. Edward the Confessor School

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From Fr. Mike's Desk

We have now come to the turning point of our Advent Journey. While we are still focusing on the Second Coming of Jesus and the end time, we now begin to look at Jesus' First Coming. We do this today by looking more at His Third Coming: Jesus at work in our present life and in the Church's life for the past 2,025 years. As I mentioned last week, John asks Jesus an important question. Herod imprisoned John because he preached against the King for marrying his wife, Herodias (who was originally the wife of Herod's brother Philip). This, of course, was an unlawful marriage, and John would not let up in his condemnation of it and his constant call for Herod and Herodias to repent.

John, upon hearing what Jesus was doing and what He was saying, sent his disciples to Jesus to ask, "*Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another?*" Why does John ask this question? As we see in other Gospel accounts, John is so sure that Jesus is the one; he points Him out to Andrew and John. **He tells them to behold the Lamb of God and that Jesus was their new Rabbi.** Is John going through a crisis of faith? Is it possible that John no longer believes that Jesus is the Messiah? But John's question comes from a different set of circumstances. John still has faith, but he needs understanding. Recall last week, John said that one who was to follow him would clear his threshing floor and gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn in unquenchable fire. John has the impression that the Messiah would be a no-nonsense person, and we had all better follow him, or we would be totally lost. This, of course, is true, yet John does not see this in Jesus. He sees Jesus forgiving sinners, preaching about love and forgiveness and mercy, and He speaks about a loving God and Father. Jesus is gentle, kind, compassionate, and He will go out of His way to find and rescue the lost sheep. He eats with sinners and tax collectors, and He breaks the Sabbath Laws by healing people on the Sabbath. John is not sure, so he asks the question.

Jesus answers John with, "*...what [do you] hear and see; the blind regain their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, and the poor have the good news proclaimed to them.*" All these acts fulfilled the Law and the Prophets, and Jesus is acting as the Messiah was supposed to; however, there was more to Jesus. Jesus was also acting as who He is, The Second Person of the Blessed Trinity. Jesus is both human and divine (as we will celebrate 10 days from now). Therefore, Christ has the power to forgive sins and to call people back to Himself. Jesus, who is our Lord and God, surpasses the ancient understandings of the Messiah. Afterward, Jesus praises John, yet in the same speech, He puts things in the proper order. John, who has one foot in the Old Testament, is wonderful, but those who are born again into the Kingdom are greater. Do not feel sorry for John, because he also has the other foot in the New Testament, so he too is a citizen of the Kingdom.

As we consider this week's readings, we are all faced with the question: have there been times when we doubted Jesus, especially when we see so much of what is happening in this world, and even in our lives? I am sure that the answer is yes, and it is true of most of us. When we ask this question, we remember His answer to John. That answer again reminds us of all He did and continues to do, even to this day, through the actions of the Saints and His Living Body, the Church. Take heart in the words from the Psalms -

"The God keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry...sight to the blind...the Lord protects strangers."

Please consult the bulletin for Advent Confessions and Mass times for Christmas Eve and Day Masses.

Happy Third Week of Advent!

Fr. Mike

Next Week's Readings

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 21, 2025

First Reading - Isaiah 7:10-14

Psalm 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6

Second Reading - Romans 1:1-7

Gospel - Matthew 1:18-24

Next Week's Gospel Question

In Matthew's Gospel we hear how Joseph, betrothed to Mary but not yet living together, learned that she was bearing a child. His initial plan was to quietly divorce Mary, but then the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, telling him to not be afraid, and to take Mary, as his wife, into his home. When Joseph awoke, he did as he was instructed.

We are told that Joseph was a good and righteous man, and that he was unwilling to expose Mary to shame. He had a plan, until he listened to the Lord's messenger. Joseph had faith and trust in the Lord. **Could you put aside your own plan to follow the path that the Lord has laid before you?**

St. Edward's Calendar of Advent Events



<i>Mass, followed by Rosary</i>	<i>Daily 9:00 am</i>
<i>St. Joseph Prayer Group</i>	<i>Thursdays 7:30 pm</i>
<i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	<i>Fridays following the 9:00 am Mass</i>
<i>Lunchtime with Jesus</i>	<i>Fridays 11:30 am -12:00 noon</i>
<i>Evening Holy Hour</i>	<i>Fridays 7:00 pm -8:00 pm</i>
<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>	<i>Saturdays 12:30-1:30pm</i>

<i>Mass for Deceased Children</i>	<i>Sun. Dec. 14th 3:00 pm</i>
<i>Youth Choir Christmas Concert</i>	<i>Sun. Dec. 14th 7:00 pm</i>
<i>Daytime Confessions</i>	<i>Mon. Dec. 22nd 2:00 pm -4:00 pm</i>
<i>Evening Confessions</i>	<i>Mon. Dec. 22nd 6:00 pm -9:00 pm</i>

*As you prepare your home for a joyous Christmas with family and friends,
allow yourself time to prepare your heart for Christ the Lord. Join fellow
parishioners in prayer, liturgy, meditation, reconciliation, scripture and music.*

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

Mass Intentions

12/15 - Monday of the Third Week of Advent

9:00 am Martha Crilly

12/16 - Tuesday of the Third Week of Advent

9:00 am Julie Carbone

12/17 - Wednesday of the Third Week of Advent

9:00 am Thomas O'Brien

12/18 - Thursday of the Third Week of Advent

9:00 am Eleanor Wilson

12/19 - Friday of the Third Week of Advent

9:00 am Marietta Benedicto

12/20 - Saturday of the Third Week of Advent

9:00 am Dennis O'Brien

5:00 pm Fred Varacchi

Esteban Najarro

Patricia Oborski

Peter Blasucci

12/21 - Fourth Sunday of Advent

7:30 am David Pellegrino

9:30 am Ronald Rogalski

11:30 am Anthony Alizzi

Richard Morris

Luisa Cedeno

Barbara Bonventre

Frances Pisciotto

6:00 pm William Peter Fleig

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 Kevin J. Frobey Renata Sorace

Ron Gagliardi Mary Pieper Ashley Benkin

Paul Cannizzaro Cary Briganti Angela Trivits

The Altar Bread & Wine

For the week of December 14 - December 20, 2025

Is Given in Loving Memory of

Dennis O'Brien

By: Christina Tymann

The Sanctuary Candle

For the week of December 14 - December 20, 2025

Is Lit in Memory of

Dennis O'Brien

By: Christina Tymann

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

Lt. Ryan Dunleavy, U.S. Navy

2Lt. Patrick Dunleavy, U.S. Army

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

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

2Lt. Aidan McCabe, U.S. Army

Petty Officer Sean T. Sattler, U.S. Coast Guard

Lt. Brian Shields, U.S. Coast Guard

SSgt. Paul Smith, U.S. Army

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

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John O'Connor

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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

Quick Guide to St. Edward's Parish

Telephone Numbers

Rectory.....	516-921-8030 ext. 150
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
Parish Business Manager	516-921-8030 ext. 136
Facilities Manager.....	516-921-8030 ext. 137
Bereavement Ministry.....	516-921-8030 ext. 137
Bulletin Editor.....	516-921-8030 ext. 137
PSM/Pantry.....	516-921-8030 ext. 140
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 4:30 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., Dec. 13	5:00 PM	Fr. Jude*
Sun., Dec. 14	7:30 AM	Fr. Mike*
	9:30 AM	Msgr. Beckmann
	11:30 AM	Msgr. Beckmann
	6:00 PM	Fr. Hyacinth*

* - Deacons to Preach

Weekly Offerings

Dates	<u>12/6 - 12/7</u>
Collections	\$ 17,037.00
# of Envelopes	232
Automatic Transactions	\$ 2,560.00
# of Transactions	41
Total	\$ 19,597.00

Thank you for your patience and 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.



Newly Baptized



Charlotte Rose Massey

Drew Spina

Taytum Kalikow

Miles Robert Hanan

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.

Welcome to the Parish



The Callahan Family

James & Arianna
and
Sienna

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

The **Adult Bible Study Group** meets each Wednesday from 7:00 to 8:30 PM in the Cenacle Room. Fr. Hyacinth leads this group.

All are welcome to attend.

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.

Please note that submitted materials do not require pre-approval by the Pastor. Materials received after the cutoff time as shown below **will not** be published in the next bulletin. **There will be no exceptions** to this procedure, so please be mindful of the submittal dates.

Bulletin Date	Submittal Date
Sunday, December 21 st	Monday, December 15 th
Sunday, December 28 th	Thursday, December 18 th
Sunday, January 4 th	Friday, December 26 th
Sunday, January 11 th	Friday, January 5 th

Care for Our Common Home

Christian spirituality proposes an alternative understanding of the quality of life, and encourages a prophetic and contemplative lifestyle, one capable of deep enjoyment free of the obsession with consumption. We need to take up an ancient lesson, found in different religious traditions and also in the Bible. It is the conviction that "less is more". A constant flood of new consumer goods can baffle the heart and prevent us from cherishing each thing and each moment. To be serenely present to each reality, however small it may be, opens us to much greater horizons of understanding and personal fulfilment. Christian spirituality proposes a growth marked by moderation and the capacity to be happy with little. It is a return to that simplicity which allows us to stop and appreciate the small things, to be grateful for the opportunities which life affords us, to be spiritually detached from what we possess, and not to succumb to sadness for what we lack. This implies avoiding the dynamic of dominion and the mere accumulation of pleasures.

Pope Francis, Encyclical Letter Laudato Si' -
Care For Our Common Home (2015) Sec. 222

Parish Holy Hour Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction



In relationships among fallen people constantly tempted to selfishness and pride, love and sacrifice go hand in hand. Married couples need to know this better than most, but every truly loving relationship in our lives is stitched together by an endless stream of sacrifices. The moment you stop sacrificing for the other person in a relationship is the moment that relationship begins to die. [33 Days to Eucharistic Glory, p.83]

Dear Jesus, You are the healer of my soul; take the blindness from my eyes, the deafness from my ears, the darkness from my mind, and the hardness from my heart. Fill me with the grace, wisdom, and courage to do your will in all things, Amen.

The Real Christmas Story



You and your family are invited to a presentation of the Real Christmas Story which will be given by Monsignor Beckmann in the church on:

Monday, December 15th at 7:00pm

This presentation, meaningful for all, but especially instructive for our youth, is to provide them with a better understanding of the real meaning and spirit of Christmas. Come, listen, reflect, and enjoy!

Celebrating the Lives of Our Deceased Children

On Sunday, December 14th, at 3:00 pm a Mass will be celebrated in memory of those children who have predeceased their parents and rest in happiness with Our Lord. There is no distinction between a young or adult child in a parent's heart. Family, friends and those who share this loss are invited and encouraged attend this special celebration. If you know anyone who has lost a child, please extend an invitation to them as your guest. It is a wonderful gift to help those who have suffered such a loss.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

In today's Gospel Jesus tells us that the good news can be seen, touched felt and heard through the lives of God's people. We are now charged to take up the ministry of Jesus's, but we can't just ask people to take our word for it; our actions must speak for us.

Since Christmas is a time of love and gift giving, please share in Jesus ministry by giving a gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that those who are poor can know the good news of Jesus.

If you would like to join us as we help our neighbors in need, please come to our next meeting on Monday, December 15th at 7:00pm 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

New Catechumens at St. Edwards



On the First Sunday of Advent at the 11:30 Mass, we joyfully welcomed David Bonnell, Alice Chiang, Amy Cicio, Ryan Sugarman and Tessa Castellana into the Order of Catechumens. In the months to come, they will prepare for initiation into the Christian faith by Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. We also greeted two other women, Kimberley Barbato and Luisa Mifsud who are already one with us in Baptism, and who wish to complete their Christian initiation by being received into the full communion of the Catholic Church. There is also Christopher Elia who is seeking Confirmation. In asking why they want to become Catholic, their answers varied, but all sought faith and support from the parish community. Please pray for them as they journey to the sacraments at Easter.

Ushers Needed

Church **ushers are the spiritual ambassadors and doorkeepers** who create a welcoming, orderly, and safe environment for worship by greeting people, helping with seating, managing offerings, distributing bulletins, and ensuring the service runs smoothly, acting as the first friendly face of the church and serving as a vital part of its hospitality ministry. They serve as a link between the congregation and the clergy, embodying Christ's love and a desire to maintain reverence.

All year long, and especially during the Christmas Season, ushers are needed. If you want to serve, please contact: Jim Asmus at: 516-661-7860 or call the rectory office at 516-921-8030 and leave your name and number.

Parish Social Ministry



Tel: 516-921-8030

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

Items Needed for Collection -

Food: Coffee, Tea, Mustard, Ketchup, Mayonnaise, Hot Chocolate, Oatmeal, Shelf Milk, Salad Dressing, Crackers, Chips

Personal Grooming: Shampoo, Soap, Razors, Deodorant, Toothpaste, Diapers sizes 5&6

Cleaning Supplies: Paper Towels, Laundry Detergent, Toilet Paper

Donations can be dropped off during pantry hours or left in the vestibule inside the brown box on the left hand side. Please don't leave a donation outside the pantry or office door. We appreciate any and all donations.

Thank you for your generous Thanksgiving food donations! 41 families received a turkey with all the trimmings and 24 families received a chicken with the trimmings. Thank you for all the coat donations. We were able to provide a coat for every family member.

Thank you for your Support!

With gratitude,
Donna Zaino
Outreach Coordinator

Upcoming Bereavement Support Group



The death of a loved one can be the most profound emotional experience you will ever endure. The grief which follows can be painful and challenging. The St. Edward's Bereavement Support Group provides an opportunity to be heard, understood, nurtured and loved, and will give you methods and tools to help guide you through the grieving process. A new Group for those bereaved 6 months or longer is now being formed. The Group will meet once per week, for eight weeks beginning on Thursday, January 22nd at 6:30 PM.

Begins on 1/22/26

Ends on 3/19/26

Registration is required. Please register early as the Group will be limited in size. The registration deadline is: Monday, 1/19/26.

To register, please send an email with your name and telephone number to:

Bereavement@st-edwards.org

If you prefer, you may call the Rectory at: 516-921-8030

Once your information has been received you will be contacted by John O'Connor, Bereavement Minister for The Diocese of Rockville Centre, who will confirm your registration and will provide you with additional information about the Support Group.

***"The LORD is close to the brokenhearted and
saves those who are crushed in spirit."***

Psalm 24:18

Knights of Columbus Volunteering Around the Parish

Veterans Day Field of Honor - 2025



THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR VETERANS

AIR FORCE:

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ELIZABETH KEMPTON

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ANGELO M. COSCHIGNANO
ANTHONY ARCURI
ANTHONY COCONATO
ANTHONY ORECCHIO
ARNOLD BOCKSEL
CAPT. GREG KIES SR.
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JOHN MIGLIORE
JOHN PRISTINA
CONNIE SIMMONS
CRISTINA SICARI
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WALTER WESCH
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PVT. EDGAR IRVING ROYCE
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JOHN AHEARN

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PETER AHEARN

COAST GUARD:

PATRICK F. CROWE
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Crèche and Christmas Lights of Peace, Hope and Remembrance



Following the 5:00 PM Mass on Dec. 6th, parishioners gathered at the crèche to sing carols and then stood by for the count down to the tree lighting. As mentioned in last Sunday's bulletin, the members of the KofC, with the assistance of the Squires from both St. Edward's and St. Paul's, set up 100 Christmas trees on the front lawn of the church surrounding the crèche. To support this fundraiser and dedicate a tree to a loved one, living or deceased, or advertise a business, please pick up a sponsorship form from the church vestibule or rectory office.

**You've been asking to
bring it back!**

St. Edward's Crown Club



***November 2025 to April 2026
\$2,000 Awarded Each Month***

Buy **one** ticket for **\$75.00** or **two** (same name) for only **\$100.00**
or **three** tickets (same name) for only **\$150.00**

Even if you win, you're back in again for
all remaining monthly drawings

***Your participation in [St. Edward's Crown Club](#) is a wonderful way to help
St. Edward's continue with our many ministries assisting
the people of the parish and community.***

We greatly appreciate your kindness and generosity!

Please complete and return the entry form along with your check by mail or drop off at the rectory

ST. EDWARD'S CROWN CLUB

Enclosed is my check # _____ for \$ _____ for _____ ticket(s) in St. Edward's Crown Club.

Name: _____

Address: _____ Town: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Phone: () _____

Good Luck and Thanks for Playing!

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KINDNESS STARTS

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🎁 St. Edward the Confessor Giving Day Tuesdays 🎁

This December, we're coming together as a school family
to make a BIG difference!

Every Tuesday this month, we invite our amazing
St. Edward community to support our Giving Day
initiative. ❤️

Any donation—big or small—will directly help us revamp
the heating system in our gym, creating a safer, warmer,
and more comfortable space for our community.

Let's kick off the season of giving by investing in our
children and their school! Thank you for your generosity
and support. 💙💛

<https://stedwardconfessor.org/donate-to-st-edward-confessor-school>

ST. EDWARD'S CHRISTMAS TREE SALE!

- **Wreaths:** \$35
- **Grave Blankets:** \$60
- **6-8 ft Trees:** \$100
- **9-10 ft Trees:** \$125
- **12 ft Trees:** \$200

Sale starts Nov.28th

Wed-Fri 5:30-8:30pm

Sat & Sun 9am-8:30pm






YOUTH in GRADES 6-12 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/VISION DECEMBER EVENTS:


COME FIND OUT ABOUT THE YOUTH MINISTRY 25-26 PROGRAM— See the **REGISTRATION INFO** below, Visit the **YOUTH GROUP TABLE** Before or After **SUNDAY 6PM MASS**, **EMAIL US @** youth@st-edwards.org and **FOLLOW** us on **INSTAGRAM @stedwardsyouth**

Sunday, Dec. 7, 14, 21 & 28 6:00PM MASS: Teen Volunteers appreciated at 6PM Mass— please arrive by 5:45PM in Church Vestibule & earn community service credits.

 **Sunday, Dec. 7th FELLOWSHIP – COOKIES/TREATS** provided at end of 6PM Mass in the Church Vestibule Courtesy of the Youth Group.

Sunday, Dec. 7th & 14th 5:30PM: CHURCH VESTIBULE– SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS DRIVE
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Sunday, Dec. 14th 4:30-5:30PM: YG MEETING/COMMUNITY SERVICE & CHRISTMAS PARTY in Youth Office -Lower Level of School– **FUN & GAMES & SNACKS** will be served.
RSVP TO: youth@st-edwards.org

 **Sunday, December 14th 7:00PM VISION CHRISTMAS CONCERT** (Immediately following 6PM Mass): Teens are invited to participate or listen with their friends and family to the Teen Vision Choir in their **Christmas Concert** (Approximately 30 minutes – **REFRESHMENTS** will be served after.)

Wednesday, Dec. 24th 6:30PM CHURCH– TEEN VISION CHOIR AT CHRISTMAS EVE MASS
VISION TEEN CHOIR: JOIN US-PRACTICE (5PM) & SINGING EVERY SUNDAY 6PM MASS -TEENS WE NEED YOUR VOICES Contact: msena@st-edwards.org

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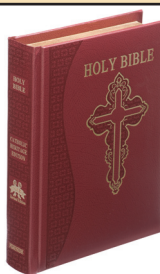


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