



February 14th 6:30 pm
Ash Wednesday Eucharist

Palm Sunday 24th March
Beginning of Holy Week
10:30 SUNG EUCHARIST

Maundy Thursday 28th March
Institution of the Lord's Supper
with washing of the feet 6:30 pm



Good Friday 29th March
Church will open for quiet reflection at 2:00 pm
Solemn Liturgy for the Commemoration of the
Lord's Passion 3:00 pm

Easter Sunday 31st March
SUNG EUCHARIST 10:30 am - ALLELUIA CHRIST IS RISEN!

Annual General Meeting Sunday 17th March in church after the morning Sung Eucharist

Every Electoral Roll member is encouraged to attend this year's AGM. Churchwardens and nominated council members, who are your representatives, will be elected.

Father Paul hopes to welcome a good representation from the whole church body, as we plan the way forward in seeking to accomplish God's Holy work at St. Edward's Church.

Reports will be circulated of what our worshipping community has achieved- through your generosity and commitment- in our Anglican witness.

Refreshments will be served after Mass, before the meeting starts.

The Electoral Roll annual revision will close on 1st March, according to the Church Representation Rules: the revision must be completed at least 15 days, but no more than 28 days before the AGM.

Please speak to the Chaplain or Churchwardens, if you need more information.



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Lent and Easter 2024 - Join us for worship, study and fellowship during the Season of Lent and for Holy Week 24th - 31st March. At the Family Eucharist on March 10th we celebrate Mothering Sunday (4th Lent) with handmade gifts from the Sunday School

Dear St. Edward's Church family,

As I write my first reflection for our church news bulletin, I would like to start off by saying that it has truly been a delightful experience serving as your chaplain over the past few months. I can feel a genuine spirit of fellowship within this community, where we all walk together on this journey as brothers and sisters in Christ who are committed to building up God's kingdom here in Lugano. The season of Lent is upon us. We will begin this sacred time on Ash Wednesday (February 14th) when we will receive ashes on our foreheads and be reminded of our own mortality and the call to repentance.

As we step into the solemn embrace of Lent, we embark on a sacred pilgrimage—a journey of introspection, repentance, and profound spiritual renewal. Over the 40 days, we are beckoned to walk alongside Christ, reflecting on His sacrifice and embracing the transformative power of His boundless love.

Lent is more than a liturgical tradition; it is an opportunity for inner exploration, a time to confront our shortcomings, and a humble quest for forgiveness. In this period of self-examination, we open our hearts to the abundant grace that flows uniquely during this season, allowing it to cleanse our spirits and renew our souls.

During Lent, we are called to embrace the practice of Fasting. Fasting during Lent extends beyond abstaining from worldly indulgences; it encompasses a deliberate detachment from the distractions that often cloud our connection with God. In this intentional quietude, we make room for prayer and contemplation, attuning our hearts to the gentle whispers of the Holy Spirit and deepening our understanding of faith.

Acts of charity and kindness during Lent become living expressions of Christ's sacrificial love. As we extend a helping hand to those in need, we mirror the compassion that the world so desperately craves.

As a faith community, let us approach this Lenten season with open hearts and a collective commitment to transformation. May our prayers be fervent, our reflections honest, and our actions guided by the radiant light of Christ.

In the spirit of this sacred season, I extend a heartfelt invitation to everyone: join us in the 5-part Lenten faith series at St. Edward's. This series is a unique opportunity to delve deeper into our faith, fostering growth, unity, and a more profound connection with God. Let our Lenten journey be a transformative experience, drawing us closer to the heart of God and strengthening the bonds of fellowship within our community.

Blessings, Fr. Paul Hrynczyszyn (Chaplain at St. Edward's)



St Edward's Nativity Play

with hip-hop chorus

St Francis, Brother Leo, Sister Clare
and all the Angels, Shepherds and
wisemen took us back to Bethlehem
to witness the wonder of Jesus
coming to dwell amongst us with
an enactment of "The First Crib"



On the feast of the Epiphany
we had the joy of celebrating the
baptism of Mia and welcoming her as
a member of the Body of Christ into our
faith community

Next Youth Group Gathering
Friday 23rd February (Church)



There are plans afoot to go bowling
again 😊 Everyone in our church
family is welcome to join in the fun.
Youngsters under the age of 18 must
be accompanied by an adult, who is
responsible for them at all times.
For directions, venue & times contact:
Father Paul fatherpaulh@gmail.com



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Party - 13th February 6pm Casa Benson
Come and enjoy the feast before beginning the fast of Lent on Ash
Wednesday. We are starting early so that the youngsters can help with
the cooking! Please let us know if you can bring any sweet or savoury
toppings 😊 thank you: noleneyolande@hotmail.com

Join us in the courtyard after the Easter Eucharist for our
Families are invited to bring small chocolate eggs. These will be
collected by the Sunday School team, as you enter the church for the
10:30 Eucharist ... each child will need a basket to collect the eggs hidden
in the courtyard. Come and celebrate the joy of Easter with us!



Answering the Hard Questions



Our Chaplain, Father Paul invites you to join him
for St Edward's Lenten Faith Series

Wednesday 21st @ 11:15 am
Friday 23rd February @ 6:30 pm
Faith and Science: Can the two co-exist?

Wednesday 28th February @ 11:15 am
Friday 1st March @ 6:30 pm
Evil and Suffering: Why does God allow it?

Wednesday 20th @ 11:15 am
Friday 22nd March @ 6:30 pm
Jesus' Resurrection: Fact or Fiction?

Wednesday 6th @ 11:15am
Friday 8th March @ 6:30 pm
Understanding the Bible: How
to read the Scriptures properly

Wednesday 13th @ 11:15am
Friday 15th March @ 6:30 pm
Can we trust the Historicity of the Gospels?



Thursday March 14th at 12:15 pm
St Edward's will be presenting the Lent initiative promoted by the
Comunità di Lavoro delle
Chiese Cristiane nel Ticino
20 minute pause for quiet reflection in the city centre
during your lunch-break
Chiesa dell'Immacolata - Via Pietro Peri

For our 2023 Advent Appeal



we embarked on a special journey together, with a shared goal of reaching CHF 30,000 and the
pledge that 10% of funds raised would be dedicated to supporting two significant causes, if we
achieved our goal. Our Appeal raised a total of CHF 8,744, less than a third of that target.
Nevertheless, the church council is happy to donate CHF 500 to the Anglican Hospital in Gaza, as
our collective effort to increase the impact of our ministry, has always extended to support those
in need.

Thank you for each generous donation received to further our ministry and fellowship,
here at St Edward's.