

## 19<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Dear Parishioners:

The parish, although with some programs on hold for the summer, continues to remain active. The recent Volunteer Appreciation Event, the week-long summer camp for the children of the parish, and the barbecue for the Young Adults were all well attended and lively events. I look forward to the Summer Picnic and the parish trip to the Blue Jays Game. I thank the Social Committee, the Knights of Columbus and all the volunteers who helped to organize these events; a particular thanks to Rosanna Del Grosso, and our seminarians, Rob Rosales and Vang Tran, for overseeing the Summer Camp for the children.

Recently, I also attended the Ontario Convention of the Catholic Women's League, held in Stratford, Ontario. It helped me to have a better appreciation for their great work and dedication. I was inspired by the prayerful and exemplary witness of the 400 women, bishops and priests who attended. As Spiritual Director for the Toronto Catholic Women's League, it was my pleasure to attend and to learn more about the inspiring and important work done by the CWL at both the Provincial and National level. As you know, our parish is blest to have a local council of the CWL at this parish. They amaze me by their hard work, prayerful spirit, and sincere dedication. I certainly encourage all the women of the parish to consider joining them or to come out to learn more about them. On that note, the CWL of our parish is hosting a Pot-Luck Supper on Thursday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, in the parish hall. Please consider attending.

This summer has also provided us the opportunity to host two seminarians: Robert Rosales and Vang Tran. I thank them for their fine work this summer and for their great help to me, especially with the "Totus Tuus" Summer Camp as well as the Young Adult Ministry event. They will return to St. Augustine's Seminary, after Labour Day, to continue their formation for the priesthood. Please keep them in your prayers.

Finally, I would like to invite your prayers for Marie Darmanin, our Choir Director, who will be leaving us following many years of service. Marie needs to focus on a number of family initiatives in the coming year that will demand much of her time. I know we are all grateful to Marie for her wonderful presence to our parish and for her dedicated service as Choir Director. Marie will be here until September. In the meantime, she and I are working very closely on selecting a new Director of Music Ministry; we shall keep you informed.

As a means of expressing our gratitude to Marie and to our two seminarians, I invite all parishioners to a farewell social for them on Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup> after the 11 a.m. Mass in the parish hall. All are welcome.

In conclusion, on September 4<sup>th</sup>, in Rome, the world will witness a wonderful event; Pope Francis will raise Mother Teresa to sainthood. The ceremony will be carried live on Salt and Light Television. I will be working with the Archdiocesan Catholic Women's League in hosting a special event, at our parish, on the weekend of September 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> to celebrate this wonderful saint. More details will follow. In the meantime, I close with a Prayer composed by Mother Teresa. Let us pray, through her intercession, that we may truly see the face of God in each person we meet and serve. God bless you.

Fr. Pat



Life is an opportunity,  
benefit from it.  
Life is a beauty, admire it.  
Life is bliss, taste it.  
Life is a dream, realize it.  
Life is duty, complete it.  
Life is a game, play it.  
Life is costly, care for it.  
Life is wealth, keep it.  
Life is love, enjoy it.  
Life is mystery, know it.  
Life is a promise, fulfill it.  
Life is a sorrow, overcome it.  
Life is a song, sing it.  
Life is a struggle, accept it.  
Life is a tragedy, confront it.  
Life is an adventure, dare it.  
Life is luck, make it.  
Life is too precious, do not destroy it.  
Life is Life, fight for it!"

- Mother Teresa



**St. Edward's Knights of Columbus**

The Parish Knights of Columbus gather every second Thursday of the month. They begin with a social from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m.

Men, 18 and older, wishing to know more about the Knights, or who might want to join are welcome to attend the social portion of the evening (6:30 – 7:30 p.m; meal provide). Please contact the Grand Knight, Peter Bernotas, at 905-764-8623, to inform of your interest.

**3 Hail Mary's**

At the end of each Mass, a Knight of Columbus will lead parishioners in offering 3 Hail Mary's for the sick of our parish, those who need prayer for special intentions, and for the next person who may pass, during the week, from this life to eternal life. By reciting these 3 simple Hail Mary's, may we as a community be more bound together in thought and prayer for one another.

**Special Outdoor Mass: Feast of the Assumption**

On Monday, Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>, besides the regular 8:30 a.m. Mass, we shall add an evening Mass at 7 p.m. for the Feast of our Lady of the Assumption. The Mass will be held outside at the Grotto to Our Lady (weather permitting; if not, it will be held in the Church). Feel free to bring lawn chairs; other chairs to be provided. Come and celebrate this Special Feast Day to our Blessed Mother.

**Catholic Missions in Canada**

There will be a second collection the weekend of **August 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup>**, for Canadian and foreign missions. Catholic Missions in Canada and Scarboro Missions promote and support our Catholic faith through the Gospel and mission service both in poorest and furthest regions of Canada and in countries all over the world. Thank you for your support of this important work

**R.C.I.A.: For those wishing to be Catholic**

The course for those wishing to become Catholic will begin on Tuesday, Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>, from 7 – 9 p.m. Persons interested in this course should register by attending one of the following “Information Sessions”, to be held after a weekend mass:

**Saturday, Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>**

after 4:30 p.m. Mass

**Sunday, Aug. 28<sup>th</sup>**

after the 11:00 a.m. Mass

To speak with Sr. Eva Janning, CPS, the coordinator for the R.C.I.A. course, please leave your name and phone number at the parish office.

**Pre-Marriage Course**

St. Edward's is pleased to host a pre-marriage course in the parish hall on the following dates:

Mondays 7:00PM – 9:15PM

October 17, 24, 31

November 7, 14, 21

Saturday, November 12 at 9:45AM – 3:00PM

All Sessions Required

\$150.00 per couple

To register, contact the office or pick up a Registration Form at the Welcome Table

**GOOD SHEPHERD NEEDS:**

Good Shepherd provides approximately 1000 meals daily to their clients, and **THEY NEED YOUR HELP.**

(1) If possible, could you please prepare a chili casserole for Good Shepherd Ministries; the casserole is to be brought to the Parish the third weekend of the month. Pans and recipes are provided for you.

(2) St. Edwards parishioners serve meals twice a month at Good Shepherd Ministries; if you are able to help serve a meal (two hours a month) at Good Shepherd, please call 416-226-1449.

A special "Thank you" to all parishioners who are already providing casseroles for Good Shepherd, and to those who are helping to serve the meals.