26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Prophet Amos is the great champion of the poor and he is quite serious about the complacent folk who pamper themselves at the expense of others. The idle rich are the target of the prophet's wrath because their blatant consumption of delicacies is always at the expense of those who lack bare necessities.

That same theme continues in today's gospel, where Luke presents a vivid study in contrasts. The rich man, called Dives in the Latin Bible, was consumed in self-centred living. He had everything in this life but no compassion for the poor or anyone else but himself. When Lazarus and Dives were in this life, there was no chasm between them. The rich man could have gone out and helped Lazarus any time. But in eternal life there is a great chasm separating heaven and hell.

Today's gospel is not just about money or wealth. Almsgiving is good, but involvement is better. Our focus must be on the well-being of the poor and downtrodden. It is in giving that we receive, and God loves cheerful givers. Let us consider what we are depending on. Do we think being rich means we are right with God? It is wiser to think ahead to eternity!

(Reflection of Thomas Rosica, CSB, from Living with Christ)



Saturday, September 24th, 2016

4:30 p.m. + Aurell & Walter Muscat

Sunday, September 25th, 2016

8:00 a.m. + Alice Reilly 9:30 a.m. In Thanksgiving 11:00 a.m. + Cesar Ambrosio

Monday, September 26th, 2016

8:30 a.m. + Gregorio Dulay Jr.

Tuesday, September 27th, 2016

8:30 a.m. + Jo-Nam Joseph Park

Wednesday, September 28th, 2016

8:30 a.m. Birthday Wishes for Rev. Fr. James Hurley SJ

Thursday, September 29th, 2016 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Linda Kwan

+ Raphael Glofcheski

Special Blessings for Gabriel & Michael Glofcheski In Thanksgiving - Lania

Friday, September 30th, 2016 8:30 a. m. + Steven Leung **Dear Parishioners:**

I wish to thank all of you for your prayers and best wishes on the occasion of my 35th anniversary of priesthood (Sept.19th).

The Mass and reception last Sunday, at the parish, was a beautiful gift in itself. My thanks to the social committee for organizing the reception. I am also grateful to the choir and our guest musicians (Eithne Heffernan, harpist, and soloist Adrian Luces) for providing such inspiring music.

I am grateful to God for the gift of my priesthood and I invite your prayers for my continued ministry here at St. Edward's Parish.

Finally, a warm welcome to seminarian John Sutka as he begins his pastoral internship with us this year.

Fr. Pat

Welcome to Seminarian John Sutka

Hello, my name is John Sutka. I'm originally from Toronto, grew up in Etobicoke and have been in the seminary for six years, entering my seventh now on Internship here at St. Edward's. My first three years, I resided downtown at Serra House, where I studied philosophy, completing my degree at St. Philip's Seminary at the Oratory in Parkdale. I entered St. Augustine's Seminary's 'Spiritual Year' later that year (2013), and just completed my 2nd year of Theology. I enjoy sports, hockey, cycling, (spiritual) reading, and generally try to work hard in whatever endevours I'm in. I worked a long time as a quality control supervisor prior to the seminary, where I gained many life skills and growth in my own personal life. I look forward to being part of the parish community this upcoming year as it is a new experience for me being part of this community. Fr. Pat O'Dea has been very patient and clear in helping me to become comfortable with the life of the faith community here where I hope to continue in growing in true love of God. I wish each and every one of you many blessings and may Our Lady intercede for us daily.

Sincerely yours, John Steven Sutka.

First Communion/Confirmation

Dates will be announced in next week's bulletin.

Saint Teresa of Calcutta



The film, "Mother Teresa: The Legacy" will be shown here at St. Edward's Church, this weekend.

Saturday, Sept. 24th at 6:00 p.m. and Sunday, Sept.25th at 3:00 p.m.

Pre-Marriage Course

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

Mondays 7:00 p.m. – 9:15 p.m.
October 17, 24, 31
November 7, 14, 21
Saturday, November 12 at 9:45 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
All Sessions Required
\$150.00 per couple

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



St. Edward's Knights of Columbus

The monthly meetings for the <u>new</u> parish council of the Knights of Columbus will be held the <u>second</u> Thursday of each month in the parish hall at 7 p.m.

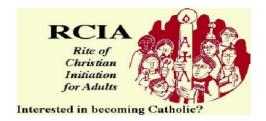
Men of the parish, 18 and older, who wish to join the Knights of Columbus, are invited to contact Peter Bernotas at 905-764-8623.

Senior Residence Mass October – 2016

Friday, Oct. 14th – Canterbury Place – 10:30 a.m.

Friday, Oct. 14th – Lansing – 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 19th – Del Manor – 10:30 a.m.



R.C.I.A.: For those Wishing to Become Catholic

The course for those wishing to become Catholic will begin on Tuesday, Sept. 27th from 7 – 9 p.m., in the parish hall. For more information, contact Sr. Eva Janning at 647-542-3309, email: eajanning@gmail.com

Ministry with Maturing Adults (50+): An Opportunity

A "Life Story Writing Programme" will be held here at St. Edward's Church beginning Monday, October 17th. This is an opportunity to look back over the process of life in order to gain deeper understanding and insight. The ten sessions will be held on consecutive Mondays from 10:00 a.m. – Noon. The facilitator will be Sister Mary Rose Marrin CSJ, Maturing Adults Minister. Brochures with additional information and registration directions are available at the Welcome Table.

Mass of Welcome for Bishop Robert Kasun, C.S.B.

All are invited to a special Mass of Welcome for the newest Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Toronto, Bishop Robert Kasun, on Thursday, October 6, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral (65 Bond St.).

Share...Life!

Thank you to all our parishioners who contributed to the annual ShareLife appeal of the Archdiocese. The total collected this year at St. Edward's was \$107,987.00. Thank you again for your generosity.

Good Shepherd Ministries Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive: Weekend of October 8th/9th, 2016

Please bring non-perishable food items to the Church on the weekend of Oct. 8/9. Your donation will help make it possible for the Good Shepherd Ministries to continue to offer nutritious meals to those in need.

<u>Urgently needed items are:</u> canned meats, canned fruits, canned tuna & salmon, canned soups and stews, peanut butter, ground/instant coffee, breakfast cereals, pasta & sauces, cookies and crackers, tea, jams, sugar & rice.