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“TURN THE OTHER cheek”. Many people identify this as a central teaching from Jesus, but it only appears in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke. Nevertheless, Mark’s narrative of Jesus’ passion and death illustrates what this saying means.

Jesus does not resist when they arrest him, nor does he defend himself at trial. He simply acknowledges his true identity, then submits to mockery, crucifixion and death. But this confirms who he really was: when the centurion saw how Jesus died he said, “Truly this man was God’s Son!”

The Old Testament tells us about individuals suffering for the sake of their faith. Second Isaiah presents God’s servant who submitted to physical attacks knowing that God was with him, and in Psalm 22 an individual describes his persecution and suffering but in the end is confident that God will deliver him. However, Paul tells us that Jesus sacrificed even more, emptying himself of his divinity to become one of us in order to die on the cross for us.

This is the paschal mystery we celebrate at every Eucharist. Jesus gave his body and blood over to death so that we can have life. As we share the bread and wine, we remember that sacrifice and celebrate its effect in our lives today. *(Reflection of John L. McLaughlin, from Living with Christ)*



Mass Intentions

Monday, March 26th, 2018

8:30 a.m. Special Intention for Alwin & Venus

Tuesday, March 27th, 2018

8:30 a.m. Special Intention for Maple & Bryant

Wednesday, March 28th, 2018

8:30 a.m. Special Intention for Angel & Laurent

Thursday, March 29th, 2018 – Holy Thursday

7:30 p.m. Special Intention for Magdalene & Chi Yui Cheung

Friday, March 30th, 2018

12:00 Noon Passion of Our Lord

3:00 p.m. Passion of Our Lord

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 31st, 2018 - Easter Vigil

7:30 p.m. + Mary Tournour

Sunday, April 1st, 2018 – Easter Sunday

8:00 a.m. + Purificacion Peredo

9:30 a.m. + Paul Joseph Ricciardi

11:00 a.m. + Pietro Mazzitelli & Eugenio Giremonte

Blessing of the Sacred Heart Altar

Sunday, April 8th

11:00 a.m. Mass

**In attendance: Fr. Michael Busch,
Rector of St. Michael’s Cathedral Basilica**

St. Michael’s Cathedral Basilica has gifted St. Edward’s Parish with the Sacred Heart Altar, formerly one of two side altars present in the Cathedral Basilica for many years. During the renovation of the Cathedral Basilica last year, the side altars had to be removed to accommodate more space. Fr. Michael Busch visited St. Edward’s during the renovations, and offered to gift our parish with the Sacred Heart altar. In addition, a marble Ambo (pulpit) is being designed to match the altar; this is being donated by a family in the parish, in memory of their mother. The current wooden altar will be moved to the Marian Shrine of the Pieta, thus remaining in the Church.

All are invited to this very historic moment in the life of our parish, especially as we continue to celebrate our 75th Anniversary year. This gift of the marble altar further links us in a spiritual way to the Cathedral Basilica of our Archdiocese.

Fr. Michael Busch will celebrate the Mass and speak to the history of the altar as well as the Relics contained within it.

Mass of Chrism

Cardinal Collins will celebrate the Mass of Chrism on Tuesday, March 27th, at 11:00 a.m., at St. Michael’s Cathedral Basilica. All are welcome.

ShareLife

Living the Gospel by supporting the Deaf community – Imagine you were a Deaf child and your parents and siblings didn’t know sign language. Your parents could gesture in a rudimentary way, but how do you share your joys, fears and needs? Silent Voice teaches American Sign Language and Deaf culture to families so they can share a common language. Says one grateful parent, “I’m so passionate about Silent Voice because their Family Communication Program rescues children from social isolation. “Last year more than 750 Deaf children and adults received help through ShareLife-supported programs at Silent Voice”.

**April 22 is the next ShareLife Sunday.
Please give generously.**

March 25, 2018



St. Edward's 75th Anniversary Gala Dinner & Dance

The St. Edward's Gala Dinner & Dance in honour of the 75th Anniversary of the parish will be held on Friday, June 1st at Presidente Banquet Hall, with **cocktails starting at 6:30 p.m.** The evening will include full dinner, open bar and dancing to the Andre Bisson Band. Tickets are \$75:00 per person. To purchase tickets, please contact:

Juliet Santos – 416—221-2658
Rosanna Del Grosso – 416-512-0554
Danny Rebello – 416-226-1232

EDGE Youth Ministry

All students in grades 6, 7, and 8 are invited to our upcoming EDGE Night!

When? Friday, April 13, 2018 from 7:00-9:00pm

Where? St. Edward's Church (Parish Hall)

What: A Promise is a Promise

Please contact Kimberly Go at stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com for more information

Good Friday Collection

A collection will be taken up on Good Friday in support of Christians in the Holy Land and the benefit of maintaining the Holy Places. It also helps the pastoral, welfare, educational and social works that the Church carries out to benefit Christians at the local level.

Divine Mercy Novena

Come and pray the nine-day novena of the Divine Mercy, leading up to Divine Mercy Sunday (April 8). Prayer cards will be made available.

Prayer times:

Good Friday, Mar. 30: **After Stations of the Cross: 7:30 p.m.**

Holy Saturday, Mar. 31: **After the Blessing of the Food: 10:15 a.m.**

Easter Sunday: **After the 11 a.m. Mass.**

Monday - Friday: **After each morning Mass.**

Saturday: **After the 4:30 p.m. Mass.**

Divine Mercy Sunday: **After the 11 a.m. Mass.**

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE – 2018

Thursday, March 29th

HOLY THURSDAY

Mass of the Lord's Supper—7:30 PM

(A special collection will be taken up for the poor.)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Midnight

Friday, March 30th

GOOD FRIDAY

Celebration of the Lord's Passion

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and

3:00 PM

Stations of the Cross – 7:00 PM

Saturday, March 31st

HOLY SATURDAY

Blessing of the Easter Fare (Swiecone) – 10:00 AM

Easter Vigil Mass – 7:30 PM

(No 4:30 PM Mass)

Sunday, April 1st

EASTER SUNDAY

Masses: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM

55+ Club

All men and women, 55+ and up, are welcome to join our meetings, every Wednesday, from 1 – 3 p.m. in the parish hall. New members always welcome.

Knitting Group

The seniors' knitting group is still very active with their projects for Out of the Cold and Tiny Shroud Ministry. They are in need of donations of wool to make warm items for those in need. For more information, contact Marie Heard at 416-222-5139.

Poor Box

Please remember the poor box as you leave (or enter) Church. FUNDS go directly to support families served by our parish's St. Vincent de Paul Association.

Senior Residence Masses in April 2018

Friday, April 13th – Canterbury Place – 10:30 a.m.

Friday, April 13th – Lansing – 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 18th – Del Manor – 10:30 a.m.