

PALM SUNDAY

Passion (Palm) Sunday

EVERY YEAR, THE Church opens a window into Christ's suffering, so we understand the love that compelled him. "Jesus took his place at the table, and the Apostles with him." I was struck that these are words that begin the telling of the Passion of Christ in Luke's Gospel. Jesus is taking his place, in place of us.

He took his place as the sacrificial lamb during the Passover meal. Then, he took his place in humble service. He took his place being counted among the wicked, losing all his social standing. He took his place interceding for us, then, in undergoing scurrilous insults. He took his place in being convicted while innocent, while watching an ungrateful, guilty criminal walk free.

As the painful description of our Lord's suffering continues, we see something else unfold. He received.

He received help, care, even pity. This he did, our Lord God, Saviour and Redeemer. He received the final punishment with its nails and the crown of thorns. While he received the judgment of the world upon himself, he received the repentant sinner, hung alongside him. This is how our Saviour lived. And died.

When you receive him in the Eucharist today, do so gratefully, humbly and confidently. For God so loved the world that he gave all. For you.

(Reflection of Johanne Brownigg from Living with Christ)



Mass Intentions

Monday, April 15, 2019

8:30 a.m. + Maria La Neve

Tuesday, April 16, 2019

8:30 a.m. Blessings for Good Health for Sarah & Marlene

Wednesday, April 17, 2019

8:30 a.m. Blessings for Fr. Pat

Thursday, April 18, 2019 – Holy Thursday

7:30 p.m. + Domenico & Anna Grazia De Santis

Friday, April 19, 2019 – Good Friday

12:00 Noon Passion of Our Lord

3:00 p.m. Passion of Our Lord

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 20, 2019 – Easter Vigil

7:30 p.m. + Bill Marley

Sunday, April 21, 2019 – Easter Sunday

8:00 a.m. All Souls in Purgatory

9:30 a.m. Special Intention for the Wong Family

11:00 a.m. + Deceased Members of the Mazzitelli Family

Divine Mercy Novena/Chaplet

Come and pray the nine-day novena of the Divine Mercy, leading up to Divine Mercy Sunday (April 28). Prayer cards will be made available.

Prayer times:

Good Friday, Apr. 19: **After Stations of the Cross; 7:30 p.m.**

Holy Saturday, Apr. 20: **After the Blessing of the Food: 10:15 a.m.**

Easter Sunday, Apr. 21: **After the 11:00 a.m. Mass.**

Monday, Apr. 22 – Friday, Apr. 26: **After each morning Mass**

Saturday, Apr. 27: **After the 4:30 p.m. Mass**

Divine Mercy Sunday, Apr. 28: **After the 11:00 a.m. Mass**

Mass of Chrism

Cardinal Collins will celebrate the Mass of Chrism on **Tuesday, April 16th, at 11:00 a.m.**, at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. All are welcome.

EDGE Youth Ministry - Fridays 7 – 9 p.m.

For students in Grades 6, 7 and 8

All young people, grades 6 – 8 are welcome to attend; no pre-registration needed. For more information, contact Jessica Bews at: stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com

Totus Tuus Summer Camp – July 21 – July 26, 2019

Registration for **Totus Tuus** is open! Totus Tuus, Latin for "Totally Yours" is a unique program featuring a team of four university/college-age students who engage youth in a fun week-long program focusing on our Catholic faith. The week is packed with skits, songs, games, and inspiring teaching.

The **Day program** for grades 1-6 will be happening Monday, July 22nd – Friday, July 26th from 9:00am-2:30pm. The cost for this program is \$80.00

The **Evening program** for grades 7-12 will be happening Sunday, July 21st – Thursday, July 25th from 7:00-9:00pm. The cost for this program is \$25.00

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Youth Director Jessica Bews at stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com or call St. Edward's Parish at 416-221-9131.

Senior Residence Masses in April 2019

Wednesday, April 17th – Del Manor – 10:30 a.m.

Notice

There will be **NO 9:00 a.m.** Mass on Saturday, April 20th.

**One Year Commemoration of
the Yonge Street Tragedy**

**A Day to Remember and Heal
Join us Tuesday, April 23, 2019**

St. Edward's Church will be one of 5 – 6 locations involved in the commemoration events. The Church will be open all day for quiet prayer and meditation. Fr. Pat will offer a brief prayer service at 6:15 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Following, our parish will host a neighbourhood supper, from 6:45 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., along with 5 – 6 other locations in the area.

To register to attend this dinner, or to attend elsewhere, or to see all the activities of caring scheduled for this day, please log on to: www.welovewillowdale.ca

**Farewell Mass and Reception for
Seminarian, VANG TRAN**

Vang Tran, Seminarian, will be completing his formation and studies at St. Augustine's Seminary in May, and then returning to Vietnam, to await his Ordination.

In conjunction with St. Augustine's Seminary and St. Edward's Parish, we shall host a farewell Mass and Reception for Vang at our regular Saturday evening Mass in late April.

Details are: Saturday, April 27, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.
Presider: Bishop Vincent Nguyen

The Rector of St. Augustine's Seminary,
Fr. Edwin Gonsalves, will also attend.

All are invited to the Mass, and to a farewell reception in the parish hall.

Pontifical Collection of Good Friday

The Pontifical Collection for the benefit of the Holy Places is on Good Friday. Each year on Good Friday, our parish, is called to support Christians in the Holy Land. Many Christians in the Holy Land depend on the collection for their lives.

The Annual Good Friday collection helps to maintain not only the Holy Places, but also the pastoral, welfare, educational and social works that the Church carries out to the benefit of the Christian brothers and sisters and the local population.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE – 2019

HOLY THURSDAY – April 18th

Mass of the Lord's Supper—7:30 PM

(No 8:30 AM Mass)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Midnight

GOOD FRIDAY – April 19th

Celebration of the Lord's Passion

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and

3:00 PM

Stations of the Cross – 7:00 PM

HOLY SATURDAY – April 20th

Easter Vigil Mass – 7:30 PM

(No 4:30 PM Mass)

EASTER SUNDAY – April 21st

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

Weekly Collections – March 2019

March 3, 2019	\$ 8,446.80
March 10, 2019	6,891.30
March 17, 2019	9,307.55
March 24, 2019	8,667.45
March 31, 2019	7,084.60

Thank your for your support!

55+ Club

All men and women, 55+ and up, are welcome to join our weekly meetings on Wednesday, from 1 – 3 p.m. A variety of activities planned for the year.



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Fr. Pat will offer the traditional “blessing” of the Easter Fare (Food) on Holy Saturday, April 20th, at 10:00 a.m. in the church. All are welcome.