

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

WHAT A FIZZLE the wedding feast might have been had Jesus not intervened! In today's Gospel, we see Jesus saving the couple's dignity by providing wine when they had run out. Jesus overcomes his reluctance to reveal himself at that moment, and he is exceedingly generous with the quality and quantity of the wine he contributes.

Indeed, Jesus is concerned for the dignity of every person. As I write this, I have come from a Sunday Mass where a newly arrived refugee family was welcomed – a father, mother and three young girls. Each one of the five said a simple “Thank you” to the congregation which has given generously to help them through their first year in Canada.

They were migrants first, fleeing their home in desperation. I tried to imagine what they must have gone through and left behind, the patience and hope they surely needed during their long wait in a camp, and now the courage they will need to settle in a new country and learn a new language.

Saint Paul reminds us that we are given the gifts of the Spirit to use for the common good. Today, as we remember migrants and refugees, let us resolve to use our gifts to give others their dignity.

(Reflection of Beth Porter, from Living with Christ)



Mass Intentions

Monday, January 21, 2019

8:30 a.m. Birthday Blessings for Letty Lau Jeong

Tuesday, January 22, 2019

8:30 a.m. + Vincenzo & Anna Saracino

Wednesday, January 23, 2019

8:30 a.m. + Anthony Yam

Thursday, January 24, 2019

8:30 a.m. + Richard McKenna

Friday, January 25, 2019 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. Birthday Wishes for Philomena
+ Paul Lebleu

Saturday, January 26, 2019

4:30 p.m. For Living and Deceased Members of the
Morales Family

Sunday, January 27, 2019

8:00 a.m. + Marie Keesau & Joseph Yung Fu Yuan

9:30 a.m. + Giuseppe D'Angela

11:00 a.m. + Elba Avellaneda

The Mass

Fr. David will offer a course on “The Mass”. The series is based on a DVD by Bishop Robert Baron. The series will run on Monday mornings, Jan. 21st – Feb. 18th, from **9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.** (Refreshments will be served from 9:00 – 9:30 a.m. for those staying after the morning Mass.)

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

Perpetual Mass Cards

Perpetual Mass cards are now available through the parish office.

Taco Dinner

The Taco Lunch has been rescheduled to be accommodating to those writing exams. All teens in grades 9-12 are now invited to join us for a free **Taco Dinner on Saturday, February 2nd in the hall after the 4:30 p.m. Mass.** **RSVP** to Jessica - stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com
Jessica Bews (Youth Director)

VOLUNTEERS FOR MINISTRY WITH YOUTH

Jessica Bews, our Youth Director, is looking for volunteers to help with the EDGE program (Friday nights) and possible LIFE TEEN program, which will be announced soon. Contact Jessica at: stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com. You may also speak with Fr. Pat.

Vocations

Pray to know how God wants to use your talents and abilities. Could it be He is calling you to consider priesthood or religious life? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, **contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997**
email vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

CWL



Please join us for our next General Meeting on Tuesday January 22, 2019, starting with Mass at 7:00 p.m., and installation of the new Executive. All women of the parish are welcome.

New!
Travelling Chalice
For Vocations

A new Vocations Prayer program will be introduced at St. Edward's Parish, commencing the weekend of January 26th/27th. Families or individuals will be invited to take into their home, for one week, a "Travelling Chalice". This chalice belonged to a priest, Fr. Lorne Edward MacFarland, Scarborough Foreign Missions (1911-1976). He was born in 1911, and served in the Missions of China and Japan, as well as ministry in Canada. This chalice travelled with him. Today, it is provided to families and individuals who are invited to take it in their homes for one week and to pray for all priests, deacons, sisters, and religious, and for all future vocations. A prayer booklet will be made available to assist you in your prayers.

A sign-up sheet, with the week you desire, in 2019, will be available at the back of the church on the weekend of January 26th/27th. The chalice will be presented each weekend at the Mass the family or individual normally attends and is returned for the following weekend. We hope this will be a wonderful spiritual opportunity for all.

Celebration of Marriage Mass with Cardinal Collins –
February 10, 2019 – 4 p.m.

As part of Marriage Sunday 2019 celebrations, Cardinal Thomas Collins will preside at a special Mass to honour couples celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2019. If you (or a couple you know) are celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th or 60+ wedding anniversary in 2019, you are invited to join in this special celebration. The Mass will take place at 4 p.m. on Sunday, February 10th at St. Clare of Assisi Parish (150 St. Francis Ave., Woodbridge). A reception will follow Mass. All are welcome to attend. Couples celebrating milestone anniversaries are asked to register online or by phone to ensure reserved seating. Registration and other information can be found at: <https://www.archtoronto.org/marriage> or by calling 416-934-3400, ext. 523.



Marriage Sunday

Fr. Pat and Fr. Dave will offer a special "Marriage Blessing" for ALL married couples on the weekend of February 9th/10th, at each Mass. Couples celebrating significant anniversaries (25, 40, 50, etc.) are invited to leave their names at the parish office.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE - MARY MATTHEWS
PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

Sunday February 3, 2019 at St. Edward the Confessor Church at 1:00 p.m. Open to all students in grade 7 & 8.

PREPARED SPEECH: Contestants will choose their own topics.

IMPROMPTU SPEECH: All contestants will be assigned the same topic.

Winners will go on to compete at the Regional level. For more information and to register, please send your name and contact information to: stedwardcwl@gmail.com

ST. EDWARD'S PARISH

Hosts

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2019
Ecumenical Prayer Service

Theme: "Justice, Only Justice, You Shall Pursue"
(Deuteronomy 16:20)

Wednesday, January 23, 2019
7:00 p.m.

St. Edward's Church

Come and join in an ecumenical prayer service led by Anglican, Catholic, Presbyterian and other Christian faith leaders within our parish area. Light refreshments to follow.

EXERCISE CLASSES!

The Better Living Health and Community Services is providing **free** exercise classes for seniors at St. Edward's each Tuesday morning as follows:

Gentle Fitness: 9:30 a.m.

Healthy Heart: 10:30 a.m.

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 New Year.

Knitting Group

The senior's 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.