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2015 Pastoral Services Appeal

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Eucharistic Liturgies (Mass)
Saturday 8:15 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. (Vigil)
Sunday 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m., 12:30 (Spanish) & 5:30 p.m.
Weekday 8:15 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Penance (Confession)
Monday 6:00—7:30 p.m.
Saturday 4:00—5:00 p.m.
(You may also call a priest to schedule an appointment.)

Sacrament of the Sick
In the event of serious illness or medical emergency, contact the Parish office to arrange for Anointing of the Sick and Eucharist. In case of a medical emergency after office hours, call (949) 257-8017.

Sacrament of Baptism
Infant Baptisms are celebrated on the first and third Sundays of each month following catechesis for parents and godparents. Parents of infants should contact the Faith Formation office (949) 496-6011 to enroll.

Celebration of Christian Funerals
At the time of death, a family member should contact the Parish office to arrange the date and time for the funeral liturgy.

Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)
Adults requesting information about full initiation and communion with the Roman Catholic Church (the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation) may contact the Faith Formation office at (949) 496-6011.

Sacrament of Matrimony
The Sacrament presumes active sacramental participation on the part of one or both persons. Couples must begin preparation for their Sacrament at least six months prior to their proposed wedding date. Please call the Parish office for more information.

Eucharistic Adoration
On the first and third Monday of each month for 24 hours beginning after 8:15 a.m. Mass.

We extend a warm welcome to all who attend our church. We hope you will find our parish community a place where your faith will be nourished. We also hope you will share your special gifts with us. Your prayers, your presence and your talents are most welcome. To register, please visit our parish office.
Academic Decathlon Diocese of Orange Champions

Congratulations to our 2015 St. Edward the Confessor Parish School Academic Decathlon Varsity Team who placed **first place overall** in the 19th Annual Diocese of Orange competition on Saturday, March 7, 2015 at Santa Margarita Catholic High School. Our school has been blessed with a multitude of student talent and parent-faculty support. Thank you to our 2015 coaching staff which included: Mr. Brady, Mrs. Brady, Mr. Goodwin Mr. Hennessey, Mrs. Rissling, Dr. Muzzy, Mrs. MacFee, Mr. Robinson, Mrs. Gibson, Mr. Rowlett, Mrs. Bruley, Mrs. Cerniglia, Mrs. Crafts, Dr. Casareto, and Mrs. Vachon. We also wish to thank our Decathlon Program Coordinator, Miss Sandland.

Now the team prepares for the State Competition scheduled for April 18, 2015 in Sacramento, California. Go Monarchs!

**Overall - 1st Place - Champions for the Diocese of Orange**
- Team Logic Quiz - 2nd Place
- Team Super Quiz - 2nd Place
- Current Events - 2nd Place, Meagan Rowlett
- English - 4th Place, Rich Meyer
- Fine Arts- 2nd Place, Kate Cerniglia
- Literature - 1st Place, Gavin Rissling
- Math - 4th Place, Nicky Rowlett
- Religion - 1st Place, Claire Crafts
- Science - 4th Place, Matthew Sloss
- Social Studies - 2nd Place, Ryan Barta
- Logic and Super Quiz Specialists -- Katie MacFee and Grant Reskey

We also wish to congratulate our JV Team who have practiced along with our Varsity Team since the fall in the area of Logic. Our JV team included: Kennie Arriola, Will Brady, Mary Clare Cameron, Samantha Cruz, Jonathan Goodwin, Henry Hamilton, Haley Hughes, Caden McGlinn, Sarah Morrissey, Cora Nordheim, and Grace O’Malley.
Apelación de Servicios Pastorales:
La renovación de la Iglesia Continua

"Vamos alegres a la casa del Señor" (Sal 122). Después de celebrar las misas dominicales en una tienda de campaña durante las últimas diez semanas, se siente bien estar de vuelta en nuestra iglesia! Hemos soportado la lluvia, el viento y una pequeña inundación, pero también experimentamos y disfrutamos de un fuerte sentido de cercanía y comunidad. Mientras estaba siendo renovada nuestra casa (la "iglesia"), fui testigo de la maravillosa obra de renovación de Dios, el Creador, y lo que él estaba haciendo con nosotros, la Iglesia. Aunque las obras de renovación de nuestra casa (la iglesia) nos estamos acercando al final de la renovación, nosotros la Iglesia, siempre estamos en trabajo progresivo.

Hoy damos un paso importante en la renovación de la vida espiritual y corporal de los demás a través de la Campaña para los Servicios Pastorales (PSA). PSA la campaña más grande de apelación de nuestra parroquia que financia varios ministerios, como Caridades Católicas, asistencia de matrícula para la escuela católica, el ministerio de prisiones y formación en la fe de los laicos y el clero.

El PSA no es una segunda colecta. Más bien, es un llamado anual y una evaluación mediante el cual la parroquia de San Eduardo el Confesor es responsable de contribuir $237,000 dólares. Si nuestra parroquia plantea menos de nuestra evaluación estaremos obligados a pagar el saldo de nuestra cuenta de la parroquia que financia nuestra propia fe parroquial y ministerios de alcance. Si cada feligrés da en proporción de lo que han recibido y lo que puede pagar, vamos a superar nuestra meta. Cada dólar por encima de nuestro objetivo será utilizado para atender a los pobres en nuestra propia comunidad.

Una contribución de $ 500- $750 puede prevenir que una familia se quede sin hogar o ayudar a sufragar el costo de la matrícula de la escuela católica o la formación de un seminarista. Incluso diez dólares al mes ayudará a alimentar una de las 105,000 familias que vienen a Caridades Católicas cada mes de asistencia alimentaria. Su compromiso de PSA puede ser pagado en una suma global o en el transcurso de diez meses.

Por favor, haga su promesa PSA hoy para que los necesitados encuentren en nosotros, la Iglesia, una Casa de Oración y una Casa para los Pobres.

Suyo en Cristo,
Padre Brendan Manson

Renovation Donors
Thank you to the following people who gave of their time, talent and treasure toward the renovation of the church.

- Dwight and Darlene Collins
- Doug and Mabel Garcia
- Anthony and Carol Grisanti
- Glen and Kathy Jarus
- Ralph and Bonnie Koch
- Parishioners of St. Edward the Confessor
- Bishop Kevin Vann
- Fr. Steve Sallot
- Parish Renovation Committee
- Robert Habiger, Dekker/Perich/Sabatin
- Parish Finance Council
- Parish Pastoral Council
- Barbara Belavic, Parish Business Manager
- Lori Sloss, Parish Operations Manager
- Tom and Donna McDonald
- Tom and Nancy McMillen
- James and Elizabeth Meehan
- Mr. and Mrs. Jim Shipe
- Jeff and Carmen Sobieraj
- Parish Staff
- Diocesan Design and Renovation Committee
- Msgr. Arthur Holquin
- Lesa Truxaw
- Diocesan Construction Board
- Norberto Gutierrez, Wood & Iron Factory
- Jan Turcotte, colorist
- Richard Heim, Clark Construction
- John Warren, parishioner and Clark Construction
- Hoffman and Finn Construction
- Travis Clutter, Universal Flooring
Pastoral Services Appeal:  
The Church Renovations Continue

“Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord” (Ps 122). After celebrating Sunday Masses in a tent for the past ten weeks, it is indeed good to be back in our church! We endured rain, wind and a small flood, but we also experienced and enjoyed a strong sense of closeness and community. While our house of worship (the “church”), was being renovated, I witnessed the wonderful renovation work that God, the Builder, was doing with us, the Church. Although the renovation work of our house of worship approaches completion, we, the Church, are always a work in progress.

Today, we take an important step in renovating the spiritual and corporal lives of others through the Pastoral Services Appeal (PSA). PSA is our parish’s single largest outreach appeal which funds several ministries such as Catholic Charities, Catholic school tuition assistance, prison ministry and faith formation for the laity and clergy.

The PSA is not a second collection. Rather, it is an annual appeal and an assessment whereby St. Edward the Confessor Parish is responsible for contributing $237,000. If our parish raises less than our assessment we will be required to pay the balance from our parish account which funds our own parish faith and outreach ministries. If every parishioner gives in proportion to what they have received and what they can afford, we will exceed our goal. Every dollar in excess of our goal will be used to care for poor in our own community.

A contribution of $500-$750 can keep a family from falling into homelessness or help defray the cost of Catholic school tuition or a seminarian’s formation. Even ten dollars a month will help feed one of the 105,000 families that come to Catholic Charities each month for food assistance. Your PSA commitment can be paid in one lump sum or over the course of ten months.

Please make your PSA pledge today so that those in need will find in us, the Church, a House of Prayer and a House of the Poor.

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Brendan Manson

Pictorial History of the Parish

The pictorial history of the church that was displayed in the back of the tent provided us a beautiful view of the history of our parish, including a picture of the very first Mass celebrated at St. Edward the Confessor in 1950.

I am grateful to the parishioners who submitted pictures and to Gary and Pat Koupal and the volunteers who put the display together for us.

Thank You!
**FAITH FORMATION**  
On-going Religious Education and Spiritual Growth for Everyone, ALL THE TIME!

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Join us TONIGHT!  
A Prayerful Evening with Musician  
Sarah Hart

Sarah Hart is a famous Catholic singer/songwriter whose beautiful compositions will inspire and uplift your life. To preview, go to: [http://sarahhart.com](http://sarahhart.com)

Bring the whole family to hear her in concert:  
**Sunday, March 15, 7:30 P.M.**  
in the Church

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*We congratulate all of our RCIA Catechumens and Candidates who were presented to the Bishop on February 21st and are now counted among the Elect, awaiting initiation at the Great Easter Vigil:*

- Lindsey Ahring
- Jonathan Arizmendi
- Diana Balderas
- Bruce Becker
- Isaiah Berg
- Daisey Blower
- Taylor Calkins
- Alma Diana Carvallo
- Kelsey Cato
- Aleah Chamberlain
- Rocio Cruz
- Trisha Culligan
- Oliver De Santiago
- Dahlia Diaz de Leon
- Amanda Dobson
- Peggy Dunkel
- Jason Dunkel
- Tracy Ferguson
- Litzy Michelle Garcia
- Christopher Hernandez
- Audrey Kimes
- Peter Knoppert
- Harold Kruep
- Jennifer Lagunas
- Alondra Marquina
- Allyssa Martinez
- David Mills
- Katie Mitchell
- Jonathan Pedroza
- Giovanni Perez
- Stephanie Reese
- Carlos Rodriguez
- Nancy Rosales
- Lauren Roselli
- Rodrigo Salazar
- Brent Scurci
- Kristi Smith
- Donathio Vasquez
- Joseline Vivaldo
- Erica Zavala

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**Parish On-Line Retreat for Every Day During Lent**  
Delivered to your phone, Facebook page, email, or by simply down-loading the whole content: [http://lentintent.com](http://lentintent.com)

A beautiful, deeply reflective but “doable” spiritual exercise to keep us focused during this special time of year.

Follow us on Instagram [#StEdwardChurch; #StEdwardYouth](https://www.instagram.com/stedwardchurch)  
**And on Facebook:**  
[https://www.facebook.com/stedwardchurch](https://www.facebook.com/stedwardchurch)

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**Fourth Sunday of Lent**  
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Lenten Stations of the Cross

**MORNINGS:** Monday through Saturday (Mar– 16—April 1) following 8:15 a.m. Mass at St. Edward

**EVENINGS:** Fridays evenings 20 and 27 following 5:30 p.m. Mass at St. Edward

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Deanery Penance Services at 7:00 p.m.

- Wednesday, March 18: Corpus Christi
- Monday, March 23: St. Timothy
- Tuesday, March 24: St. Edward the Confessor
- Wednesday, March 25: Our Lady of Fatima
- Thursday, March 26: Mission Basilica
- Tuesday, March 31: St. Catherine of Siena

Pilgrimage with Fr. Brendan Manson to:

- Budapest, Prague, Vienna, Poland
- June 15-26, 2015 - Cost $4,799.
- For information, please contact Proximo Travel 855-842-8007 or www.proximotravel.com

Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner

Signups for new groups will take place on March 21-22, following all the Masses. Come and join in the fun, good food, good friends, good times.

For more information, please contact Donna Rosen donnarosen@cox.net 661-2514.

DIGNITY AND COURAGE AT THE END OF LIFE

A Compassionate and Faith Filled Response to the Push for Assisted Suicide

**SAVE THE DATE - APRIL 11, 2015 | 9AM - 3PM**

Following a groundswell of community response to the tragic death of Brittany Maynard, a young women diagnosed with terminal brain cancer that travelled to Oregon to end her life, several state senators have introduced the End of Life Option Act (SB 128) that would allow California physicians to prescribe life ending barbiturates to assist patients in committing suicide.

Join fellow community and faith leaders as we discuss a compassionate response to this current legislative push to legalize physician assisted suicide and as we seek to educate and form Catholics with regard to approaching the end of life with humility, courage and love. Speakers will include healthcare professionals and physicians as well as clergy and theologians. Registration is free of charge but places are limited.

Servite High School (Theater)
1952 W La Palma Ave., Anaheim, CA 92801
(714) 774-7575 | Food and refreshments provided

To register visit http://dignityandcourage.eventbrite.com
For more information visit www.rcbo.org or call 714-282-3045

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ORANGE
**SAVE THE DATE!!!**
Join us for a Corazón House Building Project in Tijuana Saturday, April 11th.

We are on for our third build in TJ! This is our first sponsored by St. Edward Parish and the Knights of Columbus. Join us for the unique experience of providing a worthy family with a new home in one day. We have space for 47 volunteers for this project on Saturday, April 11th. We’ll leave on a bus from St. Edward’s at 5:00 a.m TBD. and leave to return around 5:00 PM. No construction skills are required. Age: families with teenagers and older are welcome. You will need a U.S. passport to participate.

Register [www.corazon.org](http://www.corazon.org) (April 11th project)

For information, please contact:
Ralph Loconte (949)351-4266 Ralph.Loconte@gmail.com or
Rob Wagner (949) 842-2277 or robwagner@cox.net
For additional direct information about Corazón, please contact: Tom or Nancy McMillen (949) 443-5443
tom@corazon.org

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**Women’s Silent Retreat at Mater Dolorosa April 17 –19**

St. Edward the Confessor’s SILENT RETREAT FOR MOMEN will be held at Mater Dolorosa Passionist Retreat Center located in the San Gabriel foothills on the weekend of April 17th, 2015. Join your fellow parishioners for this weekend of spiritual enrichment and growth. Over 60 men in our parish attended this retreat in January and they said it was wonderful!! The Passionist retreat team offers inspirational talks on the theme, as well as time for quiet prayer, Mass, Reconciliation and Stations of the Cross.

Our retreat begins Friday evening with a buffet supper and concludes Sunday at noon.

Please contact your St. Edward Retreat Captain Liz Mojica at (949) 422-1241 or email her at lizmojicae@gmail.com to make your reservation before March 31, 2015 or if you have any questions.

April 17, 18 & 19, 2015 Requested donation: $215.00.
$50.00 deposit completes registration
No one is turned away due to inability to make this donation
See [www.materdolorosa.org](http://www.materdolorosa.org) for more information.

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**Free Family Help-Catholics in Recovery**

Come join us in our exciting adventure through the 12 step Program called Catholics in Recovery. Whatever your struggle .....whatever your challenges .....there is an answer and it works!...It is God, the Father ,the Son, and the Holy Spirit!......and He has given Millions of people a very practical program of recovery from anything that might be interfering with their loving daily relationship with Him. We continue to meet every Saturday morning at 9:30 in the Hall at Our Lady of Fatima Church in San Clemente For info. Call 949 939 9079

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**HOPE AND HEALING AFTER ABORTION**
(aka Project Raquel)

If you, so someone you know, have been hurt by the act of abortion, please accept this invitation to conversation with a minister especially trained in this very sensitive area of ministry. All calls are confidential.

Please call our help line at: 800-722-4356.

Our church cares about you and we are here to help.

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**HOPE AND HEALING DESPUES DE UN ABORTO**
(también conocido como Proyecto Raquel)

Si usted o alguien que conoce han sido heridos por el acto de un aborto, por favor acepte esta invitación a conversar con un miembro especialmente capacitado en esta área de ministerio tan sensible. Todas las llamadas son confidenciales. **Por favor llame a nuestra línea de ayuda al: 800-722-4356.** Nuestra iglesia se preocupa por usted y estamos aquí para ayudarle.
**Parish Ministries**

**H.E.L.P. (HELP, EMPATHY, LOVE, & PRAYER)**

Monday March 16 @ 4 to 5:30 p.m.

H.E.L.P. is a support group for those with chronic illness and/or caregivers.

Please join us in the Church Meeting Room to pray together and discuss practical treatment and issues such as nutrition, exercise, rest, and stress relief. We meet the 1st and 3rd Mondays for the month in the Church Meeting Room. If you need information regarding referrals or home or hospital visits, please call Maggie Prendiville, RN, MS at 496-7312.

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**Binky Patrol**

Wednesday, March 18 @ 9—11 a.m.

You are invited to join the Binky Patrol on the 3rd Wednesday of the month from 9:00 —11:00 a.m. in the Church Meeting Room. The Binky Patrol makes binkies for babies, children and teens experiencing illness or trauma. For more information, please call Mary Howe (949) 249-2066.

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**Extraordinary Ministers (EM) of Holy Communion Needed for Weekend Masses**

With our new church layout we require more ministers to distribute Eucharist at our weekend Masses. If you are willing to serve as an EM a couple of times a month, please complete the EM application. You will find it on our website under Ministries, then Extraordinary Minister (EM) of Holy Communion at Mass. Copies are also in our parish office or call Joni Fleming 949-542-4311 and she will email or mail you an application.

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**Serra Club of South Orange County**

Monday, March 16 @ 6:00 p.m.

You are invited to join the Serra Club for dinner and speaker. Dinner and drinks are included: a $10 donation is appreciated.

The Serra Club of Southern Orange County is part of an international organization devoted to praying for vocations. We meet the 3rd Monday of every month at 6:00 p.m. in Knight Hall.

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**MYSTERY DINNER SIGN-UP TIME!**

March 21 & 22

Signups for new groups will take place on March 21-22, following all the Masses. Come and join in the fun, good food, good friends, good times. For more information, please contact Donna Rosen donnarosen@cox.net 661-2514.

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**Adult Ushers Needed for Sunday**

9 am & 5:30 pm Masses

Whether you’re single or a couple, male or female, you are welcome in this ministry. Please prayerfully consider serving as an usher at the Mass you normally attend. You can choose to serve once a month or more often.

Ushers welcome and help seat parishioners and strangers who come to worship with us, collect and present the gifts, open doors, distribute bulletins, and provide assistance to those in the congregation. If you are willing to serve or would like information, please contact Ron Brown (949)388-4353 ronbrown@cox.net or see an usher lead after Mass.

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**Altar Guild Volunteers Needed!**

Altar Guild volunteers perform light housekeeping duties in the Church, washing the Holy vessels used in the Mass and tidying up the pews.

The time commitment is one hour once a month. If you have an interest in helping our faith community in this way, contact Gabrielle Kirkman for information: gsscolari@cox.net or (949) 683-1567.
The Deceased

Mar. 15:
Lillian Cardello (1990), Charles Tomachek (1992),
Lola McKevitt (1996), Ellen Kelly (2003),

Mar. 16:
Myron Marrs (1977), Theore Phillips (1983),
Maria E. Hernandez (2007), Ramon Mercado (2011)

Mar. 17:
Ronald Langdon (1971), Helen Pollard (1991),
Jaden M. Raith (2002), Jose Farias (2006),
Anna Special (2008), Ann E. Fodor (2008),
Christopher Whitman (2011)

Mar. 18:
Vittoria Grimmett (1999), Nona Storey (2006),
Norma Scheaffer (2006), Paul Ibbetson (2009)

Mar. 19:
Richard Barbato (1993), Verial Sawyer (2001),
Frank Dutra (2004), Bill Stachel (2006),
Joyce McNicholas (2007), Lloyd R. Sallot (2008),
Clara Garcia (2010), Ron Lohman (2013)

Mar. 20:
Derrick Angel (1971), John Frederick Smeets III (1997),
Mary M. Roman (2007), Patricia Hackett (2007),
Lisa Brzezinski (2010), John F. Kotinek (2012),
Alvin Schoellerman (2014)

Mar. 21:

In Memoriam
Jackie Stringham
Dorris Kristick
Henry Zuniga
Kathy Strowd
Alex Gruenberg

Please Pray for...

The Sick
Margaret Voskerichian
Norman D. Ward
Maureen Parent
Mary Bank
Maria Dominga
Dick Peters
Michael Card
Pam Gardner
Miguel Angel Estrada
Fortune Guerra

Dolores Escarcega
Bernadette Whalley
Nancy Raith
Fleets Errasquin
Alfonso Liborio
Saundra Mulato
John Kittlitz
Maria Toscano
Fine Chang
Nancy Raith

Mass Intentions

Please remember our armed forces and their families in your prayers.
Pray For Peace.

Sunday Mar 15
7:30 a.m. Mass for the People
9:00 a.m. Mike Trout †
11:00 a.m. Christopher Whitman †
12:30 p.m. Francisca Cruz †
5:30 p.m. Ron Milfs †

Monday Mar 16
8:15 a.m. George Soto †
5:00 p.m. Robert Westgate †

Tuesday Mar 17
8:15 a.m. Steve Morgan †
5:00 p.m. Christopher Whitman †

Wednesday Mar 18
8:15 a.m. Robert Westgate †
5:00 p.m. Andrew Solares

Thursday Mar 19
8:15 a.m. Fr. Jonathon Austin
5:00 p.m. Debbie Santos

Friday Mar 20
8:15 a.m. Gary Shool †
5:00 p.m. Mary Ann Heyde

Saturday Mar 21
8:15 a.m. Grace Montevideo †
5:00 p.m. Leo Lyons †

Sunday Mar 22
7:30 a.m. Mass for the People
9:00 a.m. Frances Bruna Gernaey †
11:00 a.m. Dorothy Donahue †
12:30 p.m. Joel Ceja Bautista †
5:30 p.m. Carmelo Isales †
Daily Schedule Monday-Saturday
7:30 a.m.—Pro Life Rosary and Morning Prayer  
(Liturgy of the Hours)
8:15 a.m.—Mass  
Divine Mercy Chaplet for Priests
5:30 p.m.—Mass  
(Saturday 5:30 p.m. is Sunday Vigil Liturgy)

We invite you to celebrate daily Mass with us!

This Week’s Events

Monday March 16
4:00 p.m. HELP Support Group, Church Mtg Rm
6:00 p.m. Serra Club
6:00 -7:30 p.m. Confessions

Tuesday March 17
9:15 a.m. Bible Study
6:00 p.m. Our Lady’s Blue Army, Rosary
7:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul, Church Mtg. Room

Wednesday March 18
8:00 a.m. Moms in Prayer, Church Mtg Room
9:00 a.m. Circle of Praise
9:30 a.m. Binky Patrol, Church Mtg Room
9:30 a.m. Women of Wisdom
1:00 p.m. Families of Nazareth, Church Mtg. Rm
7:00 p.m. Bible Study

Thursday March 19
8:45 a.m. Tijuana Ministry,
11:00 a.m. Spanish Lessons

Friday March 20
9:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl, Church Mtg Room
Stations of the Cross after 5:30 pm Mass at St. Edward Church

Saturday March 21
4:00-5:00 p.m. Confessions, Church Mtg. Rm

Scripture Readings
Mar 15 - Mar 21

Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-6; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145: 8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rm 4:13:16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

2015 Fiscal Year to Date Sunday Donations
Month ended January 2015
$1,220,217 Actual
$1,292,400 Budget
($72,183)

Please call the Business Office at 429-2874

Good Stewards All

In the month of February 2014
St. Edward and San Felipe de Jesus ministries provided:

Baptisms 11 Individuals
Weddings 0 Couples
Quinceañeras 0 Young Women
Bereavement: 4 Funerals

Christian Service
Food Distribution * 51 Families (197 adults and 89 children)
Services Provided 19
Referrals Provided 15

* Food distribution is sponsored by St. Vincent de Paul and administered by St. Edward Christian Service ministry.

Wedding Banns

Eric Silva & Veronica Oliver ♥ March 20, 2015
Edward Rumpeltin & Bridget Garrity ♥ March 21, 2015

Fourth Sunday of Lent
Relics

The relics of eight saints will be deposited in the base of the new altar during the dedication Mass on March 14th. The saints are St. Paul, St. Bernadette Soubirous, St. Anne Line, St. Jerome, St. Dorothy, St. Agnes, St. St. Catherine of Siena, and St. John Neumann.

What is a Relic? A relic is something connected with a saint or blessed, including a part of their body (e.g. hair or a piece of bone), their clothing, or an object that the person used or touched.

Why Do We Venerate Relics?
The veneration of relics is seen explicitly as early as the account of Polycarp’s martyrdom written by the Smyrnaeans in A.D. 156. In it, the Christians describe the events following his burning at the stake: “We took up his bones, which are more valuable than precious stones and finer than refined gold, and laid them in a suitable place, where the Lord will permit us to gather ourselves together, as we are able, in gladness and joy and to celebrate the birthday of his martyrdom.”

After the legalization of the Church in 312, the tombs of saints were opened and the actual relics were venerated by the faithful. A bone or other bodily part was placed in a reliquary—a box, locket and later a glass case—for veneration. This practice especially grew in the Eastern Church, while the practice of touching cloth to the remains of the saint was more common in the west.

Miracles have been worked by God in association with relics not that some magical power existed in them, but just as God’s work was done through the lives of holy people, so did His work continue after their deaths. Likewise, just as others were drawn closer to God through the lives of holy people, so did they (even if through their remains) inspire others to draw closer even after their deaths. This perspective provides the Church’s understanding of relics.”

In all, relics remind us of the holiness of a saint and his cooperation in God’s work; at the same time, relics inspire us to ask for the prayers of that saint and to beg the grace of God to live the same kind a faith-filled life.”

What Do We Express When We Venerate Relics?
To venerate the relics of the saints is a profession of belief in several doctrines of the Catholic faith: (1) the belief in everlasting life for those who have obediently witnessed to Christ and His Holy Gospel here on earth; (2) the truth of the resurrection of the body for all persons on the last day; (3) the doctrine of the splendour of the human body and the respect which all should show toward the bodies of both the living and the deceased; (4) the belief in the special intercessory power which the saints enjoy in heaven because of their intimate relationship with Christ the King; and (5) the truth of our closeness to the saints because of our connection in the communion of saints — we as members of the Church militant or pilgrim Church, they as members of the Church triumphant.

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Bernadette Soubirous (1844 –1879): Christian mystic to whom our Lady of Lourdes, the Immaculate Conception, appeared in 1858.

St. Anne Line (1563-1601). Like our Patron Saint, Edward the Confessor, St. Anne was born in England. Anne was disowned by her father when she married a Catholic, Roger Line. Roger was imprisoned for being a Catholic and was exiled and died in 1594. Anne stayed in England where she hid Catholic priests in a London safe house. Anne was hanged in Tyburn on February 27, 1601. She is one of the Forty Martyrs of England and Wales.


St. Dorothy (4th century) Virgin and Martyr. Tortured and executed when she refused to sacrifice to the gods during Emperor Diocletian’s persecution of the Christians.

St. Agnes: (4th Century) St. Agnes was a Roman girl who was only thirteen years old when she suffered martyrdom for her Faith.

St. Catherine of Siena (1347-1380): A Third Order Dominican, scholastic philosopher, and theologian. She also worked to bring the papacy of Gregory XI back to Rome from its displacement in France and to establish peace among the Italian city-states. Declared Doctor of the Church in 1970.
This lent we invite you to participate in 40 Days for Life

In addition to 40 days of peaceful prayer and fasting for an end to abortion, we will pray outside of the Planned Parenthood facility located at 700 S. Tustin, Orange.

Please join us and sign up to pray for an hour or more to save a life. All are welcome. More than 600,000 people worldwide have participated and many babies have been saved from abortion.

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Catholic Social Justice Ministry

What’s Catholic Social Justice Ministry at St. Edward’s? Check out our new web pages on the parish website (www.stedward.com) under Ministries. Not only will you meet our members and learn about our mission, but you’ll also find a rich resource on social justice documents, activities and church teachings. Our meetings are always open to the interested and the curious!

Myth busting: Comprehensive Immigration Reform

Myth: Immigrants don’t want to learn English

Fact: Developing English proficiency among immigrants of all nationalities mirrors that of the immigrant experience in the 19th and early 20th centuries. While first-generation, non-English speaking immigrants predictably have lower rates of English language skills than native speakers, 91% of second-generation and 97% of the third-generation immigrants are fluent or near-fluent in English.