

# St. Edward

## CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

2601 Spring Stuebner Road  
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December 18, 2016  
Fourth Sunday of Advent

### OUR MISSION STATEMENT

*We, the members of Saint Edward the Confessor Catholic Community, are called through our Baptism to build up the Kingdom of God by being one in Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit by welcoming and loving others through worship, education, service and evangelization.*

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#### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 8:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.  
Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.  
Wednesday & Thursday 6:30 a.m.  
Friday 12:10 p.m.

#### CONFESSIONS

Thursday 6:30-7:00 p.m.  
Saturday 4:00-5:00 p.m.

#### ROSARY

Monday-Thursday 8:00am  
Friday 11:30am

#### HOLY HOUR

Thursday 7:00 p.m.

#### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

1st Friday 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.  
Benediction at 5:45 p.m.

#### RCIA

Thursday, 7:30 p.m. for those interested in becoming Catholic.

#### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Call the office for an appointment at least 6 months before the desired wedding date.

#### ANOIDTING OF THE SICK

Call the priest.

#### INFANT BAPTISM

1st and 3rd Sunday. No unscheduled baptisms are performed. Parents and Godparents must attend pre-baptism classes on the 2nd and 4th Monday, 7:00 p.m.

#### OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-12:00 noon;  
1:00-4:30 p.m.; 6:00-9:00 p.m.

#### PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Christian Bui	<i>Pastor</i>
Rev. Thomas Joseph	<i>Parochial Vicar</i>
Deacon Ken Martin	<i>Pastoral Associate</i>
Deacon Bill Pitocco	<i>Pastoral Associate</i>
Deacon Dominic Romaguera	<i>Pastoral Associate</i>
Deacon Nick Thompson	<i>Pastoral Associate/ Adult Faith</i>

#### OFFICE STAFF

Amy Auzenne	<i>DRE</i>
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Patrick Clark	<i>School Principal</i>
Severn Duprey	<i>281-353-4570</i>
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	<i>CRE K-8</i>

#### PASTORAL COUNCIL

Hyacinth Anomneze	Sandy LaClave
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Dominic Cordova	Adam Oglesby
Katie Gomez	Debbie Wratten
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#### FINANCE COUNCIL

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#### SCHOOL BOARD

Liana Alvarez	Kristin Pfeiffer
Brian Davis	Richard Spencer
Carolyn Hudson	Chris Wehe
Silvia Masi	April Wenske
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#### DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN

Friday, 9 days before Sunday publication.

**ST. EDWARD CATHOLIC CHURCH WELCOMES ALL NEW PARISHIONERS.**

*Registration forms can be found in the Narthex of the Church and on our website.*





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**DECEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup>**



**AFTER EVERY SUNDAY MASS!**

## **MASS SCHEDULE**

*December 24*

4:00pm—Children's Mass

7:00pm

Midnight

*December 25*

7:30am

9:30am

*December 31*

5:30pm

*January 1*

7:30am

9:30am

11:30am





## DECORATING CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS



Your help is needed with decorating the Church for Christmas. All are invited to assist on one or all of the following days:

December 19 at 10:30am

Christmas flower pick-up and delivery

December 20 after 8:30am Mass

Set up the crèche

December 21 after 8:30am Mass

Decorate the Church

## ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICES



**December 20**

St. Martha—6:30pm



## CHRISTMAS FLOWER ENVELOPES

Christmas Flower Offering envelopes are available in the Narthex for those who wish to make a contribution in memory of a loved one.



## DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND



Our goal for this year's DSF is \$170,000. We are short of this goal. If you have not made a pledge to support the Diocesan Services Fund, we urge you to do so as soon as possible. If we do not meet this goal, we will be billed by the Archdiocese.

## NOAH'S NURSERY



Noah's Nursery will be closed on Christmas Day so all our volunteers can celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ with their families!

## PASTORAL COUNCIL

St. Edward Catholic Community and the Holy Spirit are looking for energetic, organized, and welcoming individuals to join the Pastoral Council. Do you feel called to take an active role in fostering and developing St. Edwards in partnership with Father Christian? Do you have talents you can share with your fellow brothers and sisters? Talents that include communication, collaboration, creativity, and caring? Come be a part of the team that welcomes our brothers and sisters in Christ and provides a positive environment for spirituality and fellowship. Our community is growing every day. Help us meet the needs of that ever changing community. Help us achieve our goals on the Pastoral Plan. Help us implement new ideas and improve the old ones. The best is yet to come!

Pastoral Council members are chosen through a discernment process and the requirements for nomination include being a registered member of the St. Edward Catholic Community and a practicing Catholic 18 years of age or older. Pastoral Council members will contact nominees, answer any questions, and invite them to a formal discernment process on 1-28-2017. At that time, through a prayerful process, 3 new pastoral council members will be discerned. These members will serve a 3 year term on the Council.

We will call for nominations during Mass on 1-7 and 1-8. We look forward to seeing you at discernment.



## ST. EDWARD MEN'S RETREAT

### "Behold! A Retreat with Our Lady: Mother, Intercessor and Disciple"



The Scripture text which inspired this theme is the Wedding Feast of Cana (Jn 8:1-11). The Mother of Jesus was present at the wedding, she intercedes on behalf of the hosts and guests for they have no more wine and she instructs the servants – representing all who follow him as disciples – to "Do as he tells you." Mary shows us the Way. Join our parish men for a retreat at Holy Name Retreat Center on January 13-15, 2017. Call John Zak 713-569-1364, Mike Little 281-465-0433, or Joe Notaro 281-355-5402, for registration information, or online go at [www.passionist.org/holyname/weekendretreats](http://www.passionist.org/holyname/weekendretreats).

## WEEKLY READINGS

### Monday, December 19

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17;  
Lk 1:5-25

### Tuesday, December 20

Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 1:26-38

### Wednesday, December 21

Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12,  
20-21; Lk 1:39-45

### Thursday, December 22

1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Lk 1:46-56

### Friday, December 23

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14; Lk 1:57-66

### Saturday, December 24

**Morning:** 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3,  
4-5, 27 and 29; Lk 1:67-79

**Vigil:** Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17,  
22-25; Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

### Sunday, December 25

**Night:** Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13; Ti 2:11-14;  
Lk 2:1-14

**Dawn:** Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20

**Day:** Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6; Heb 1:1-6;  
Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### MON., DECEMBER 19

Knights of Columbus 1st Degree, Annex, 6:30pm

Boy Scouts, Youth Room, 7:00pm

Choir Practice, Church, 7:00pm

### TUES., DECEMBER 20

Setup Crèche in Church, 9:00am

Youth Choir Practice, Church, 4:00pm

Christmas Program Rehearsal, 6:30pm

Adult Eucharist Class, SEEC 22, 7:00pm

### WED., DECEMBER 21

Decorate Church, 9:00am

Adult Bible Study, PLC MR, 9:30am

Youth Choir Practice, Church, 10:00am

Knights of Columbus Officers' Mtg., Annex, 7:00pm

### THUR., DECEMBER 22

Confessions, Church, 6:30pm

Eucharistic Holy Hour, Chapel, 7:00pm

### FRI., DECEMBER 23

No Events Scheduled

### SAT., DECEMBER 24

Christmas Eve

Masses are at 4:00pm, 7:00pm and Midnight

### SUN., DECEMBER 25



Masses are at 7:30am and 9:30am

## 2017 CALENDARS

The 2017 calendars will be available the weekend of December 31/January 1.

## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

### 4th Sunday of Advent: December 18

That we can put our complete trust in God and become a model of discipleship like Joseph.

*"When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home." Matthew 1:24*

Putting our complete trust in the Lord without expecting anything in return. Striving to put God first in all things and follow Him wherever He may lead us. As we prepare for the birth of our Lord, pray for the strength and courage to be a model of discipleship, just as Joseph was.



## Catholic Schools Week

**"Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service"**



Jan. 29 – Feb. 4, 2017

### St. Edward Catholic School Open House

Tuesday, Jan. 31, 2017

8:30 am – 2:30 pm (Tours throughout the day.)

We welcome parishioners and families seeking a school with a rigorous curriculum, Catholic faith formation, community service, strong character building, extra-curricular activities and much more to visit us at the Open House.

## ST. EDWARD CATHOLIC SCHOOL

### ANNUAL GALA AND AUCTION

### SAVE THE DATE

The evening of Saturday, May 6, 2017  
in the Parish Life Center.

Contact Gina Lawson at 281-353-4570 or [glawson@stedwardschool.org](mailto:glawson@stedwardschool.org) for more information.



## **“Growing in Love”**

**Mother-Daughter / Father-Son Program**

**January 29 / 4:30-7:30 pm**

**Parish Life Center and Gym**



The Mother-Daughter and Father-Son programs have been developed by the Archdiocese to help parents and preteens manage the transition from childhood to adolescence, and on to adulthood. The program includes specific content on how emotional and physical changes prepare preteens for adulthood, and God's plan for creating new life through marriage. The program is open to all Jr. High youth and parents / mentors. ***Note: All youth MUST be***

*accompanied by a parent or other adult to attend.*

**Registration & Other Important Information:** the cost is \$25 per person. For registration information, please contact Lauren White at [lwhite@saintedward.org](mailto:lwhite@saintedward.org) / 281-353-9774

## **Vocations Discernment Opportunities for Women**

### **Carmelite Monastery Visit:**

January 7 – For single women ages 18 – 35 who want to know more about contemplative life and religious life. Participants will visit the Discalced Carmelite Nuns in New Caney, Texas, including midday prayer, and lunch. Departure from downtown Chancery parking lot at 8:30am; 2:30pm return arrival. Space is limited; registration required. Deadline to register is Jan 2. For more information call 713-652-8236 or visit [www.houstonvocations.com/monastery-visit](http://www.houstonvocations.com/monastery-visit)

### **Overnight Convent Stay:**

January 7 – For single women ages 18 – 45 who are interested in religious life. Participants will have an opportunity to stay overnight at the Dominican Sisters' Spirituality Center in order to have “down time” to process the Monastery visit, to just visit and talk informally, have dinner and evening prayer, and maybe see a movie together. 3:00 pm – 8:45 am. Deadline to register: Jan. 2. For more information call 713-652-8239 or visit [www.houstonvocations.com](http://www.houstonvocations.com)

### **Gathering in the Upper Room: An Interlude with God**

January 8 – For single women ages 18 – 45 who are interested in religious life. What a nice way to spend a Sunday: Guided reflections, private prayer time, sharing with other women and Sisters, plus Mass and lunch together. Deadline to register: Jan. 2. For more information, call 713-652-8239 or visit [www.houstonvocations.com/upper-room](http://www.houstonvocations.com/upper-room)



December 18, 2016

**PRAYER LIST FOR THE SICK** Please keep the following people in your thoughts and prayers this week as we wish them a return to good health:

On List for 1 Week	On List for 2 Weeks	On List for 3 Weeks	On List for 5 Weeks	Our Troops
Christopher Busa	Rau Bruner	Dale Casper	Mary Mobley	
Alfred Daniel	Gloria Desiderio	Robert Castiglione	Marvelia Novakoski	
Bill Dowling	Jacqueline Langwell	Peggy Fahrenthold		The families of
Margaret Hockman	Emmanuel Mamo	Cynthia Fall		Margie Dodgen and
Tyler Irvin	Kyle Mamo	Tracy Havemann	On List for 6 Weeks	Mary Alice Norfleet
Earline Okruhlik	Kenneth Nelson	Yogi Ybarra	William Byers	
Chris Rigby	Jose Revolledo		Brenda Chaisson	
	Gwen Russell		Paul Duprey	
	Tania Wawrykow	On List for 4 Weeks	James Michael Jenkins	
	Martha Yokum	Jarrell Gibson	Newell Luedecke	
		Steven Hutchens	Rocco Family	
		Rita O'Shaughnessy	Roger Sparks	
			Charlotte Trevino	


To make a request for someone to be on our prayer list, please call the parish office at 281-353-9774. Your loved one's name will appear on our prayer list for six consecutive Sundays. If a longer period of time is needed, please call to renew your request.

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, December 19**  
8:30am LV Molly Kafarella  
**Tuesday, December 20**  
8:30am † Helen & Leon Hyman  
**Wednesday, December 21**  
6:30am † Darlene Hoover  
8:30am † Stephen Matus  
**Thursday, December 22**  
6:30am † Mary Alice Norfleet  
8:30am † Victor & Victoria Psencik  
**Friday, December 23**  
8:30am † Kathleen McMillian  
12:10pm † Grant Richmond  
**Saturday, December 24**  
4:00pm † Bella Desiderio  
7:00pm † Heather Varosky  
Midnight LV & † Duprey Family  
**Sunday, December 25**  
7:30am † Joseph & Anne Vargyas  
9:30am People of Saint Edward

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