

Dear Parishioners,

May, the month of springtime and we start thinking about planting gardens, family picnics, and making vacation plans.

It's also the Month of Mary. This year marks the 100th anniversary of the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima in Portugal. What a special occasion to celebrate and remember all the special graces of Our Blessed Mother to us.

This weekend, over 140 of the youngest members of our parish community are receiving Jesus in the Eucharist for the first time. How exciting it must be for them! I would like to encourage you to pray for them as you continue to persevere in making the Eucharist a part of your lives. Let us all be reminded that we have a common mission to form our young, whether directly or indirectly. Let us, through the life we live, set up an example for our young ones to follow.



As the youngest members of our community receive the Eucharist for the first time, let us be inspired by the purity of their hearts and the innocence of their minds. Let it bring to us good memories of when received our First Communion – as children like them or as adults through the RCIA – let us allow those memories to refresh in our hearts and minds our desire to be with Jesus.

Brothers and sisters, we are attending Mass, not just to fulfill an obligation, but more to have an encounter with God – to receive Him and the grace He freely gives. Let us do our best to make our children understand this so that they too may desire to have the heart of Jesus live in their hearts.

In Christ,

Fr. Christian

# Catholic Daughters of the Americas Collection for Warrior & Family Support Center

Court #2065 would like to thank all Saint Edward Parishioners for your generous and continued support of our military and their families! This is the last week for our collection of donation items for the Warrior & Family Support Center ("WFSC") at Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio. The collection box will remain in the Narthex until the end of the day on May 18th so be sure to drop off any donation items as soon as possible.

Catholic Daughters will be coordinating the delivery of all the collected items to the WFSC in San Antonio on **Saturday, May 20th**. If anyone is interested in joining CDA for the delivery, let's make a convoy to San Antonio! We would love the company! We will meet at the St Edward pond in the front parking lot at 8:00 a.m., and the caravan will depart no later than 8:30 a.m. After our delivery of the donation items we plan to have a Mexican food lunch on the Riverwalk, then visit/tour at least one Mission, two if time permits. Then the caravan will leave the San Antonio area no later than 6:00 p.m. for the drive back to Houston.

For more information, or questions, please contact Darlean Newman, Regent, by email at darlean\_newman@yahoo.com.

# VBS Registration is Open!



Save the Date! VBS 2017

June 12-16

Make plans now to join us for a week of music, games, and fellowship this summer, June 12-16 from 9:30-12:30.

Vacation Bible School is open to all children who will be enrolled in grades K-5 this fall.

Cost is only \$35 per child, with discounts for families with 3 or more children.

Deadline to register is May 22, or until we are full. Many age groups fill up quickly, so parents are encouraged to register as soon as possible.

Registration forms are available from the parish office, or at www.saintedward.org/vacation-bible-school

Questions? Amy Auzenne at aauzenne@saintedward.org / 281-353-9774 or Jackie Sheeren at thesheerens@gmail.com







SPARC YOUTH GROUP 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grades are invited May 21 3:30 PM - 5 PM Youth Room

Contact Lauren White at Iwhite@saintedward.org for more information.



## Welcome New Parishioners!

Members who joined St. Edward within the past year are invited to attend a Welcome Dinner hosted by Father Christian, Pastoral Council and the St. Edward Community. We hope you join us for the opportunity to meet other parishioners and receive information about St. Edward. Please bring the whole family!

When: Thursday, May 25, 2017 at 6:30pm

Where: St. Edward PLC

RSVP your family's name and number

attending to StEdwardWelcomes@gmail.com

See you there!

## DSF SUMMARY REPORT—2017

Parish Goal	\$170,000
Total Amount Pledged	\$127,733
Pledged Under Goal	\$ 42,267

## **WEEKLY READINGS**

Monday, May 15

Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday, May 16

Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday, May 17

Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab; 4cd-5; Jn 15:1-8 **Thursday, May 18** 

Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11

Friday, May 19

Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12; Jn 15:12-17

Saturday, May 20

Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5; Jn 15:18-21 Sunday, May 21

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20; 1 Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21

## THE WEEK AHEAD

# MON., MAY 15

Knights 1st Degree Ceremony, Annex, 6:30pm Boy Scouts, Youth Room, 7:00pm

Choir Practice, Church, 7:00pm

TUES., MAY 16

Adult Confirmation Class, SEEC 22, 7:00pm WED., MAY 17

Adult Bible Study, PLC MR, 9:30am

Blue Army Group, Chapel, 6:30pm

Knights Officer's Meeting, Annex, 7:00pm

THUR., MAY 18

Confessions, Church, 6:30pm

CRHP Team 8 Meeting, Annex, 6:30pm

JP2 Young Adult Frisbee, Sports Field, 6:30pm

Eucharistic Holy Hour, Chapel, 7:00pm

RCIA, SEEC Room 22, 7:00pm

FRI., MAY 19

8th Grade Awards Breakfast, PLC

Tiger Den Meeting, Elementary Room 2, 6:30pm

8th Grade Group Picture, Church, 6:30pm

8th Grade Graduation Mass, Church, 7:00pm

SAT., MAY 20

Stiches of Peace, Annex, 8:45am

VBS Decorating Day, Gym, 9:00am

American Heritage Girl Award, Church, 9:30am SUN., MAY 21

Children's Liturgy of the Word, Chapel, 9:30am Senior Mass/Reception, 11:30am Mass

Fr. Francis's Anniversary Mass, Church, 2:00pm SPARC, Youth Room, 3:30pm

## HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR MASS



High School Seniors join us on May 21<sup>st</sup> at the 11:30am Mass.

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# **Christ Renews His Parish Retreat**

# New to St. Edwards? Doubting God's Love?

Wonder why all the hugs and smiles from the CRHP Sisters?

Join us for St. Edward's Christ Renews His Parish (CRHP) Retreat, July 15-16, 2017.

In the coming weeks we will be including CRHP Sister's mini testimonies in the bulletin.

Learn what the retreat meant to these Sisters and what it can mean to you personally and spiritually.

For more information, or to register, please contact us at <a href="mailto:team8crhp@gmail.com">team8crhp@gmail.com</a>.

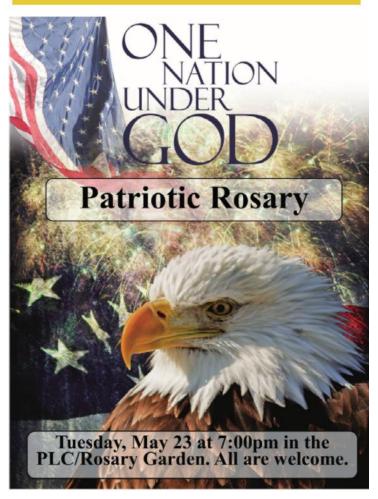
Thank you....we look forward to seeing you on July 15th and 16th!!!

# TRINITY DOME

The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception



This weekend our parish is participating in a national collection for the Trinity Dome to complete the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC, before its 100th anniversary. Also known as America's Catholic Church, the National Shrine has been a century in the making, built by and for the faithful of our great nation in honor of our Blessed Mother, the patroness of the United States. Become a part of Mary's Shrine and help to bring to completion our church! For more information, please visit: www.trinitydome.org.







This summer at St. Edward, campers will live out high-energy adventures usually reserved for the big screen, from deep-sea excursions to journeys in outer space and everything in between, with the help of a supporting cast of caring and capable counselors and directors. Each weekly tale is complete with sports, art, science, field trips, and fun as big as you can dream it.

## Ages

Discover: Age 3-5

Explore: Entering 1st Grade-Age 12

Registration

Select the weeks you want and reserve your ticket for your camp weeks. To learn more and register visit kidventure.com/houston-summer-camp/

call us at 713.960.8989.

# CAFÉ CATHOLICA



Attention Young Adults (18-30's) come join 700 fellow young Catholics for dinner & great talks in 3 new locations! Café Catholica 2017 "Be Not Afraid" is a dinner BREWING UP locations: Care Cathorica 2017.
-lecture series for young adults, featuring dynamic SOMETHING STRONG speakers. The Cafe is held over five Mondays in the summer.

Evening schedule: 5:15 p.m. Confessions, 6:15 p.m. Mass,

7:15 p.m. dinner, 8:15 p.m. speaker, table exhibits and socializing. Come for all or part of the evening! Free event.

WEST: St. Cyril of Alexandria, 10503 Westheimer Rd.

June 26: Julie Fritsch, Director of Pro-life Office; Topic: New Frontiers in Defense of Human Dignity"

CENTRAL: Catholic Charismatic Center, 1949 Cullen Road.

- July 10: Rev. Luke Millette and Kevin Becker (NYC); Topic: A Call To Sainthood: Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati Patron of Young Adults
- July 17: Rev. Agustino Torres CFR, (Pure Heart NYC); Topic: Seeking a Real Connection
- July 24: Daniel Cardinal DiNardo; Topic: The Church's Response

NORTH: St. Simon and Jude, 26777 Glen Loch Dr.

• July 31: Sr. Bethany Madonna, SV (Sister of Life, NYC); Topic: Be Not Afraid of God's Call Sponsored by the Office of Young Adult & Campus Ministry. For more information, call: 713-741-8778 or visit www.CafeCatholica.com.

MAY 14, 2017

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

Jackie Langwell

## On List for 2 Weeks

Phillip Cammarata Roy Cason Kolbie Guyton Steve Hutchens Jose "Pepe" Lopez Joyce Matthews Ruth Toth James Wolk Roy Yetter

## On List for 3 Weeks

John & Mary Ellen Avritt Shannon Buzek David Paul Jose Rebolledo Chris Rigsby Regina Wasielewski

### On List for 4 Weeks

William Byers Kathy Carten Paul Duprey Richard Linden Gladys Guenther Joel Rivera

### On List for 5 Weeks

Edward Borski Christopher Busa Tim Clark Oberdick Family Parsons Family Rocco Family Traewick Family Yogi Ybarra

## Our Troops

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday, May 15

8:30am LV Aaron Skouby

Tuesday, May 16

8:30am † Guadalupe Rodriguez

Wednesday, May 17

6:30am LV Dee Dartez

8:30am LV Angel Landgrover

Thursday, May 18

6:30am LV Linda Gonzalez

8:30am † Debra Lay

Friday, May 19

8:30am † Mary Edwards

12:10pm † Angie & Angelique Frando

Saturday, May 20

8:30am LV Virgil Frando

5:30pm † Patricia Paul

Sunday, May 21

7:30am † Joseph & LV Helen Mercurio

9:30am + Bella Desiderio

11:30am People of Saint Edward

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.



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