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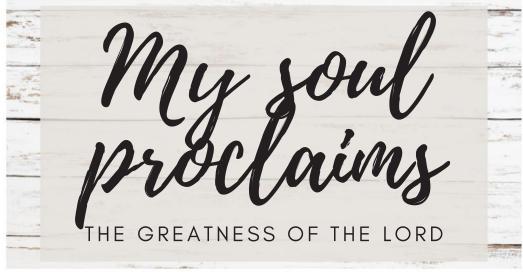
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The world in which we live has people of all races and creeds that are hungry for more spiritual sustenance than physical food. That is why St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta says that the greatest hunger in this world is not for food, but for love. In response to the spiritual hunger of people in His own day, Jesus proclaims Himself to be, "the Bread of Life that came down from Heaven," and not only feeds them with His words, but His very own body.

The Gospel of this Sunday describes Jesus' discourse in the synagogue at Capernaum after His miraculous feeding of the 5,000. Here Jesus reveals Himself as the true, "Bread of Life that came down from Heaven," to give life to the world. Jesus proclaims that it is He Himself, the Incarnate Son of God, who is the new and perfect manna, who has very literally "come down from Heaven." This means that in the Holy Eucharist, Jesus gives us a share of eternal life while we are still on earth.

We are living in a world where many church going Catholics do not believe in the Real Presence of God in the Eucharist. Yet there are more than 100 Eucharistic miracles which have been scientifically proven and approved by the Catholic Church. Allow me to introduce someone who is in the process of canonization and lived 13 years by only consuming the Eucharist alone.

Blessed Alexandrina Maria da Costa (1904-1955) was a Portuguese mystic who was beatified by Pope John Paul II in 2004. Born in Balazar, a town 145 miles north of the renowned Marian pilgrim center in Fatima, she started working on a farm when she was only 9 years old. Later she supported her family working as a seamstress. When she was 14, her former employer tried to molest her. She jumped from an upstairs window to escape from him resulting in severe injuries, including that of the spine. 6 years later, she became bedridden, and remained that way for 30 years. Amid her suffering, she turned to Jesus and grew closer to Him. In 1931, she had the first of several apparitions of Jesus, during which Jesus told her she would suffer for the salvation of souls. According to her diary, during the Holy Week of 1942, Jesus appeared to her and said, "You will not take food again on earth. Your food will be my flesh; your drink will be my divine blood." After receiving this message from Jesus, she started an absolute fast that lasted for 13 years until she died in 1955. The only nourishment she received for 13 years was Jesus in the Holy Communion. During this period, she was subjected to rigorous medical observation in a hospital for 40 days to find out what was happening. After this medical observation, doctors certified that she was not taking any food and survived by Holy Communion alone. On one occasion, Jesus said to Blessed Alexandrina in a vision, "You are living by the Eucharist alone because I want to prove to the world the power of the Eucharist and the power of my life in souls."



LITURGY

WHAT IS THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY?

"The Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory." [Pius XII, Munificentissimus Deus 44]

THIS IS DOGMATIC!

This teaching was infallibly defined by Pope Pius XII on Nov. 1, 1950 in the bull Munificentissimus Deus. He explained, this is "a divinely revealed dogma" (ibid.). This means that it is a matter of faith that has been divinely revealed by God and that has been infallibly proposed by the Magisterium.



WHAT DOES EX CATHEDRA MEAN?

Since it is a dogma defined by the Pope, as opposed to an ecumenical council, it is an "ex cathedra" statement which means, one delivered "from the chair" of Peter.

A WORD FROM OUR DEACON

Recently it was announced that I was retiring. This is true of my salaried position as Adult Education Coordinator of the parish. Retirement, as regards to employment, is the same for me as any one of you. However, retirement from being an ordained clergy in the Catholic Church is a bit more difficult to explain. Since many of you have asked with a sense of confusion, I thought I would explain.

Upon their 70th birthday, deacons are automatically retired from their canonical assignment and their diaconal status is changed from active to retired. The procedures to be followed are the same for deacons as for priests of this Archdiocese. In addition, significant family or work-related matters beyond the deacon's control, and which can reasonably be expected to inhibit the ability of the deacon to exercise any diaconal ministry, may justify retirement. Deacons will receive notice in writing from the Archbishop granting them retirement status. Unless explicitly revoked or modified, faculties remain in effect after retirement. A retired deacon is released from active ministry only, and not from the Order of Deacons. Accordingly, he and his wife remain welcome to participate in liturgical celebrations and Archdiocesan functions. Retired deacons are not bound to obligations of continuing education, on-going participation in safe environment programs [unless volunteering], annual retreats, and annual evaluations. At the same time, retired deacons of the Archdiocese can participate in the exercise of their diaconal faculties at a parish with the specific delegation of the pastor.

Fr. Bui, as my pastor, has given me delegation to remain active in the diaconal ministries at St. Edward that have been an integral part of my family's life for the last 21 years. I will continue to be on the schedule for serving Mass on Sundays and weekdays (Monday and Thursday). I will continue with homilies on the regular schedule as well as weddings, annulments, funerals, Baptisms, and Spiritual Direction. Because I retain the faculty to teach, I will continue teaching the faith in many of the parish programs: TMIY, RCIA, Sacrament Preparation, Bible Studies and as a Certified Catechist whenever the OEC department seeks my assistance. I am by no means prepared to become invisible at St. Edward. I suppose the only things that really change are that I don't have private office space and my status at the Archdiocese changes from active to retired. I thank Fr. Bui for allowing me to continue my ministry at St. Edward.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

8:30AM & 5:30PM

Sunday

7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM, & 5:00PM

9:30AM also Live Streamed

Weekdays

Monday-Friday 8:30AM Wednesday 6:30AM Friday 12:10PM

Rosary

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Thursday 7:00PM 1st Friday 9:00AM-6:00PM Benediction at 5:45PM

CONFESSIONS

Thursday
5:30-6:30PM
Saturday
4:00-5:00PM
or call office for appointment

SACRAMENT PREP

Infant Baptism

Contact Annette O'Driscoll at aodriscoll@saintedward.org

Marriage

Contact Jane Truttier at jtruttier@saintedward.org at least 6 months prior to the desired wedding date.

Anointing of the Sick

Contact the parish office.

RCIA

Contact Annette O'Driscoll at aodriscoll@saintedward.org

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 9:00AM-4:00PM

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

August 16	8:30AM	LV	Joshua Elegado	Saint Stephen of Hungary Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab & 44; Mt 19:16-22
August 17	8:30AM	†	Jim Psencik Fr. Joseph Gietl	Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14; Mt 19:23-30
August 18	6:30AM 8:30AM	LV †	St. Edward Faculty & Staff Robert Garcia, Sr.	Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mt 20:1-16
August 19	8:30AM	LV	Dave Skouby	Saint John Eudes, Priest Jgs 11:29-39a; Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Mt 22:1-14
August 20	8:30AM 12:10PM	LV †	Maria Sobrero Juana Boada	Memorial of Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10: Mt 22:34-40
August 21	8:30AM 5:30PM	LV LV	Sheremie Villamor Lucia Perez	Memorial of Saint Pius X, Pope Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Mt 23:1-12
August 22	7:30AM 9:30AM 11:30AM 5:00PM	LV † †	John Beck, Jr. Aurora Martin Ruben Ruiz People of St. Edward	Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23; Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a 25-32; Jn 6:60-69
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PRAYER REQUESTS

David Lewis, Sam Reina, Jenna Sacco, Larry Jones, Maria D. Flores, Steve Miller, Mickey Finnerty, Forest Read, Catherine Thomas, June Scruggs, Rob & Katie Pate, Imelda McBride, Abby Broussard, Elizabeth Joseph, Fr. Joseph Vu, Fr. Kim Nguyen, Simon Joseph, Fr. Pat Garrett, Nellie Johnson, Shirlette Grogan, Sterling Rogers, Ruth Comeaux, Lisa LeBeouf, Marsha Brasseaux, Yolanda Cuneo, Shannon Buzek, Bud, Kim & Jewelia, The Wawrykow Family, Jerry Nelson, Yogi & Rosie Ybarra, Paul & Mark Ybarra, Joseph Kennedy, Jr., Steve Hanvey, Hebert Jennings, Lawrence Acosta, Frank Cruz, James Cruz, Lisa Ortiz, Jessica Rush, VanCleave and family, Twardowski, Margaret Hockman, Tyler Irvin, Robert Anderson, The Rocco Family, The Traewick Family, The Oberdick Family, The Parsons Family, Lucian Silva, Maxie Fonseka, Melinda Castillo, Barbara Van Rheen

Prayers for the Deceased and their Families For the Family of Omar Lozano

To make a request to add someone to the prayer list, please email us at info@saintedward.org or call the Parish office before Monday to have their name in for the following week.

The prayer list changes every 8 weeks!

PARISH LIFE

WELCOME BACK BREAKFAST

We have missed you, and would like to welcome you back to Church with food and fellowship. Mark your calendar, we will be serving a hot breakfast after all of the morning Masses on August 22nd! This would not be possible

without our amazing Knights of Columbus. A big thanks for their generosity!
We will be serving breakfast sausage egg biscuits, donuts for those that prefer something sweet, and coffee & juice.

FESTIVAL OF MINISTRIES

Come by after any of the morning Masses on August 29th for a meet and greet with all our parish ministries. Each will be present to share their mission in serving our parish and how you can get involved!

STEWARDSHIP WEEKEND

After the Festival of Ministries, take a couple of weeks to pray! Commit to the ministry you feel most called to on September 12th by filling out the pew card!



We got the final coin count from the Baby Bottle Drive and we raised a total of \$6570.16 for Loving Choice Pregnancy Center. WOW!

We are so grateful for the generosity of the parish and the help from both the Squires and the Respect Life Committee.

THE PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED ON August 16th

MEET OUR COUNCILS

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Sue Brown, Eldon Roehl, Joe Notaro, Virgil Frando, Raquel Runge, James Sarabia, Brendan D'Souza, Evelin Martinez, Joey Marchetti Graham Bacon, Aaron Lange, Michael Hancock, John Williams, Jonathan Wasielewski



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Parent Information Meeting, TODAY, August 15th from 3:30 pm to 4:45 pm in the Parish Life Center! This is open to teens going to the 11th grade and who participated in Family Faith Formation during the 2020-2021 cycle. If you have any questions or would like to serve on the Youth Confirmation team, please contact Sarai Myers at smyers@saintedward.org.

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OF THE WORD

We are so excited to kick off Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) during the 9:30AM Mass this Fall. We are praying for at least 8 adults who can serve as ministry leaders once a month! If you are interested in learning more about this ministry and how you can get involved, please contact Lauren White at lwhite@saintedward.org.





GOALS AND GIVING



Parish Goal: \$1,366,739 Total Amount Paid to Date: \$903,052 Remaining Balance:



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SEED Part Time Job Openings:

Must be available Monday-Friday from
3:00PM-5:15PM from August 2021 - May 2022.

Applicants must be 21 years of age or older who
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Contact: Nancy Schafer: nschaferestedwardschool.org



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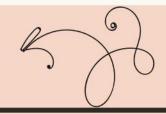
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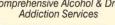
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