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Dear St. Edward Family,

As we come together on this special day, the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, and bid farewell to the year 2023, we are reminded of the sacred bonds that unite us as a faith community and the importance of cherishing our own families.

The Holy Family serves as an inspiring model for us all—a model of love, sacrifice, and unwavering trust in God. In the midst of the challenges and joys of our daily lives, let us reflect on the example set by Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. May our families, like the Holy Family, be places of refuge, growth, and mutual support.

As we stand on the threshold of a new year, let us approach 2024 with hope and anticipation. Each year brings with it new opportunities for growth, service, and deepening our relationship with God. As a community, let us continue to support one another on our spiritual journeys, fostering an environment where all feel welcomed, valued, and loved.

In the coming year, let us strive to strengthen the bonds that unite us, both as members of St. Edward community and as individual families. May our shared faith be a source of inspiration, guiding us through the uncertainties and celebrations that lie ahead.

Let us also take a moment to express our gratitude for the blessings of the past year. In the midst of challenges, we have witnessed the resilience of our community and the grace of God at work among us. As we step into the new year, let us carry this gratitude in our hearts, trusting that God's providence will continue to guide us.

May the Holy Family watch over and bless each and every one of you, and may the upcoming year be filled with the joy of God's presence in our lives. Wishing you a blessed Feast of the Holy Family and a joyous welcome to 2024!

In Christ's love,

Father Christian



SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD JANUARY 1ST - 9:30AM

This year, the obligation to attend Mass on this date is abrogated, but if you have the ability to go to Mass it is still highly encouraged.

OFFICE CLOSURE DATES

The parish office will be closed from December 22nd-January 1st. If you need to contact us in the meantime, please email info@saintedward.org.

PRAYER

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FAMILY ROSARY

TODAY!

It is with great joy and a sense of community that we extend a warm invitation to you and your family to join us for the Family Rosary hosted by the Knights of Columbus on December 31st at 12:45PM in the chapel.

VOCATION ROSARY

On January 8, 2024, at 7:00pm, the Vocation Ministry will be joined by the Knights of Columbus in the PLC to pray a rosary for an increase of vocations.

Please plan to attend and pray with us.

MINISTRY IN ACTION

LIFE TEEN AND EDGE PROGRAMS IN ADORATION WITH DEACON FERNANDO



NOVEMBER CONFIRMATION RETREAT



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

8:30AM & 5:30PM

Sunday

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

Weekdays

Monday-Friday 8:30AM

Tuesday & Wednesday 6:30AM

Friday 12:10PM

Rosary

Monday-Saturday 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 Eileen Hubbard

ehubbard@saintedward.org at least 4
months before due date or before
desired baptism date.

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.

Christian Initiation

Contact Matthew Crews at

mcrews@saintedward.org.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday

9:00AM-4:00PM

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

Mon	January 1	9:30AM †	Susan B. Newell	Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Tues	January 2	6:30AM † 8:30AM †	Maria Vasquez Barrera Fannie Clause	Memorial of Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1:19-28
Wed	January 3	6:30AM † 8:30AM †	Souls in Purgatory Maria Piubellini	Memorial of the Most Holy Name of Jesus 1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6; Jn 1:29-34
Thurs	January 4	8:30AM †	Andrew Williams	Memorial of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Jn 1:35-42
Fri	January 5	8:30AM † 12:10PM †	Elekutty Joseph Reynaldo Garcia	Memorial of Saint John Neumann, Bishop 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100; 1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Jn 1:43-51
Sat	January 6	8:30AM † 5:30PM †	Cynthia Montoya Agnes Lotz	Memorial of Saint André Bessette, Religious 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38 or Lk 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38
Sun	January 7	7:30AM † 9:30AM † 11:30AM † 5:00PM	Herman Baechle Linda Gonzalez Evelina Sciacca People of St. Edward	The Epiphany of the Lord Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

PRAYER REQUESTS

David Rodriguez, Martha Isidro, The Jeff Ratkowski Family, Ian Fahrenthold, Margaret Fahrenthold, Thomas Burns, Ogilvie/Burns Family, Elena Davillier, Ralph & Alberta Schneider, Allen Stoute, Fred White, Elizabeth Havemann, Tom Carter, Linda McKinney, Delynn Cheyney, Wilfred Broussard, Jr., Jennifer Donaldson, Wayne Wohlferd, Joe Brown, The Rocco, Traewick, Oberdick & Parsons Families, Simon Joseph, Yogi & Rosie Ybarra and Family, Deanna Bashinski, Rich Laboda, Geoff Gribble, Shirl Hahn, Nancy Gallegos, Alexis Valencia, Nancy Ruiz, Walter Davis, Sarah Lejeune, Frank Carrabine, Nanda Havemann, Charlie Brossman, Susie Herrin, Sue Epstein

Prayers for the Deceased and their Family
For the family of Jacel Morgan

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

JANUARY SENIOR SAINTS MEETING

To all 50 years of age and young at heart. Come join us for a fun time at a Senior Saint Meeting on Wednesday, January 3, 2024, in the Parish Life Center.

9:30 am - Fellowship with coffee and donuts

10:00 am - Meeting followed by games

Come and hear about upcoming Senior Saints fun outings that are planned for 2024! For more information or questions, please text Jim Dechene-President at (630) 235-4751 or email jim.dechene.stedsrst@gmail.com.

ST. EDWARD MEN'S ANNUAL RETREAT: JANUARY 5-7, 2024

Ain't Nothing Like the Real Presence: A Nation Guided by the Wisdom of God

In the spirit of the Eucharistic Revival inaugurated by the USCCB, encounter the wisdom of God through a retreat weekend of lectures, discussions, Adoration, and Mass. This can further assist us in a transformation from a desert people to a nation united and nourished by the "finest wheat."

Online Registration

holynameretreatcenter.com/catholic-weekend-retreats.

For more info contact John Zak 713-569-1364 or Joe Notaro 281-923-7688.

MEET OUR COUNCILS

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ADULT MINISTRY

Save The Date

Lenten Parish Mission

February 26th-28th from
7:00pm to 8:00pm

Bishop Curtis, J. Guillory, S.V.D.

Women's Renewal Retreat

April 26th-28th at St. Edward

"Come to me, all you who labor and
are burdened, and I will give you rest.
Take my yoke upon you and learn from
me, for I am meek and humble of
heart; and you will find rest for
yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and
my burden light." Matthew 11: 28-30

YOUTH MINISTRY

Save The Date

Catholic Heart Work Camp

(high school teens)

July 14th-20th, 2024

(these dates do not include
travel days)

Parent and Teen Information
Meeting coming soon!

Archdiocesan Youth Conference

(high school teens)

July 26th-28th, 2024

Parent and Teen Information
Meeting coming soon!

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First Communion

We have over 100
children and teens
preparing to
celebrate their First
Communion in April.

Confirmation

We have 50 teens and 8
adults preparing to
celebrate the Sacrament
of Confirmation in
January.

Catechumens and Candidates

We have a number of adults, teens,
and children preparing to
celebrate the Sacraments of
Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation,
and Eucharist) at the 2024 Easter
Vigil.

Please keep them, their families and sponsors in your prayers that during this time
of preparation their faith deepens, their friendship with the Lord strengthens, and
their hearts are open to the sacramental graces that await them.

GOALS AND GIVING



Parish Goal:

\$1,366,739

Total Amount Paid to

Date:

\$1,213,371



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2023 DSF Goal: \$147,000

Paid: \$136,755



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11/21/23 Budget: \$15,000

Actual: \$12,140

11/28/23 Budget: 15,583

Actual: \$22,711

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Giving
TUESDAY

**DONATIONS TOTALED:
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JANUARY 13, 2024

Begin 2024 by revitalizing your marriage and learning the importance of standing together as a united front, with God at the center, to face life's challenges.

Join us as we explore and dive into **Ecclesiastes 4:12** and what that means for your marriage.

Married couples of ALL ages and stages are invited to join us for a conference hosted by Bobby and Jackie Angel!

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, Gym

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ap.church/events

Bobby and Jackie Angel: We are Catholic Speakers, Authors, Evangelists, Bloggers, and goofballs for Christ. We love having fun, keeping it natural and relatable around here. With ten years of marriage under our belt and the experience of parenting five crazy kids, we've got plenty of stories to share.



And if one can overpower him who is alone, two can resist him. A cord of three strands is not quickly torn apart.



HAPPY ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY FR. THOMAS!

We thank God for your faithful ministry and we ask Him to bless you on the anniversary of your ordination. May you be filled with joy and courage as you continue to serve God and His people.



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