St. Edward Catholic Church

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT + MARCH 2024+

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Dear Parishioners,

A poor illiterate man wanted to be baptized. The parish priest asked him many questions regarding Jesus and His teachings to see whether he was prepared for baptism. He was unable to answer many of his questions. Even though he didn't have much theoretical knowledge about Jesus and wasn't able to answer the questions of the priest, out of his experiential level he said, "Before I met Jesus, I was a drunkard who beat up my wife and children; I lost my job and was wasting my life." Then he continued, "But after encountering Jesus, I've quit drinking. I work hard and have begun to love my family. For me Jesus is my personal Savior!"

Change of heart and becoming renewed is the result of Lent. The one who experiences Jesus cannot be the same person before and after. Lent is an invitation for us to change our corrupted and contradictory habits and become a New Creation.

In Christ,

Father Thomas

PRAYER

MONSTRANCE BLESSED BY ST. JOHN PAUL II AT ST. EDWARD

During Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday, March 7th from 7:00pm to 10:00pm, we will have a monstrance that was blessed by St. John Paul II. Come spend some time with our Lord and pray for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. To learn more about the monstrance, visit our last e-newsletter.

VOCATION ROSARY

The vocation rosary will be prayed with the Knights of Columbus on Monday, March 4th at 7:00PM in the gym. We would like for you to come and lift up those who are discerning the priesthood or religious life.

FAMILY ROSARY SAVE THE DATE

On March 17th after the 11:30AM Mass, we will pray a family rosary in the Parish Life Center.

LENTEN SEASON

St. Edward Catholic Church

LENT & EASTER SCHEDULE

February 14: Ash Wednesday Mass and Ashes

6:30AM, 8:30AM, and 7:00PM **Liturgy of the Word and Ashes** 12:10PM and 5:00PM

February 26-28: Parish Mission With Bishop Guillory

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 7-8 pm

March 19: Combined Lenten Reconciliation Service

At St. Edward 6:00PM-8:00PM with St. James and Christ the Good Shepherd

Eucharistic Adoration (Extended)

Thursday: 7:00PM-10:00PM

There will not be 24 hr adoration during Lent.

Fish Fry & Stations of the Cross

Fridays in the PLC from 5:00PM-7:00PM Except March 15th Stations of the Cross at 7:00PM

March 24: Palm Sunday

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

March 28: Mass of the Lord's Supper

7:00PM and Holy Thursday Adoration in the PLC from 8:00PM-Midnight.

March 29: Good Friday

3:00PM and 7:00PM









EASTER

March 30: Easter Vigil 8:30PM March 31: Easter Sunday 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM, 5:00PM

FISH FRY FRIDAYS

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting Fish Fry Fridays during Lent from 5:00-7:00 PM in the PLC. The cost of a fish plate is \$12.00 and pizza is \$5.00. Fish plates include your choice of fried or baked fish, and side choices of hush puppies, french fries, cole slaw, or mac and cheese. Dine in and take out orders will be available. Fish Frys will take place every Friday of Lent except Spring Break, March 15th, and the last Fish Fry will be on March 22nd.

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

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

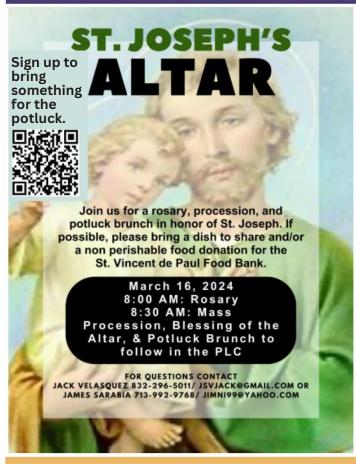
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| Mon | March 4 | 8:30AM LV | Cecilia Wiese | 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30 |
| Tues | March 5 | 6:30AM LV 8:30AM LV | Margoth Brown Martha McCann | Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35 |
| Wed | March 6 | 6:30AM † 8:30AM † | Leo Lambert Rosemarie Cieslak | Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19 |
| Thurs | March 7 | 8:30AM † | Linda Gonzalez | Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 11:14- 23 |
| Fri | March 8 | 8:30AM † 12:10PM † | Felix Serrano Beth Smith | Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17; Mk 12:28-34 |
| Sat | March 9 | 8:30AM LV 5:30PM † | Elizabeth Maggio Deacon Ken Martin | Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab; Lk 18:9-14 |
| Sun | March 10 | 7:30AM † 9:30AM † 11:30AM † 5:00PM | Heather Varosky Jose & Maria Diego Elia Sciacca People of St. Edward | Fourth Sunday of Lent 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21 |

Delynne Cheyney, Wilfred Broussard, Jr., Jennifer Donaldson, Wayne Wohlferd, Deanna Bashinski, Rich Laboda, Geoff Gribble, Shirl Hahn, Nancy Gallegos, Alexis Valencia, Nancy Ruiz, Walter Davis, Sarah Fránk Carrabine, Havemann, Charlie Brossman, Susie Herrin, Sue Epstein, Ophelia Starr, Joe Brown, The Rocco, Traewick, Oberdick & Parsons Families, Simon Joseph, Yogi & Rosie Ybarra and Family, Fred White, Seth Auzenne, Charlotte McGinness, Tri Nguyen, Huong Bui, Bac Bui, Nhan Nguyen, Nhiem Nguyen, Dan Pham, Phuong Nguyen, Elena Davillier, Yolanda Cueno, Leon Cheyney, John Sullivan, Allen Stoute, Buzz Herrin, Vicky Arechiga, Marie Braun

Prayers for the Deceased and their Families For the Family of Sandra Henry

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





code - tx436 or call the parish office at 281-353-9774





DON'T FORGET TO TAKE YOUR **PICTURE NEXT WEEK!**

MARCH 14TH - MARCH 16TH



Sunday, March 10th at 2:00am DAYLIGHT SAVINGS SPRING FORWARD

CHILD FRIENDLY STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Calling all families with small children! Embrace the Lenten season with your little ones at our Child Friendly Stations of the Cross. Mark your calendars for March 22nd at 5:30 PM in the plaza.

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Do YOU have questions?

Come and get answers to these and other questions!
St. Edward Catholic Church (Youth Room)

PART 1: THE CATHOLIC PRIESTHOOD

Sunday, Feb. 25 (3:30-4:30pm)

- What exactly is a priest?
 What was God's original plan for priesthood?
 How was the Levitical priesthood of the Old Covenant a temporary concession?
 How did Jesus restore God's original plan in the New Covenant?
 How do we fulfill our role in the universal or common priesthood?

PART 2: THE HOLY EUCHARIST

- Sunday, March 3 (3:30-4:30pm)
- What exactly is the Holy Eucharist? How was it prefigured in the Old Testament and foretold by Jesus Himself? When did Jesus institute the Holy Eucharist? How? What did the first Christians believe about the Holy Eucharist?
- What is our role and responsibility in receiving the Holy Eucharist?

PART 3: THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF MASS

Sunday, March 17 (3:30-4:30pm)

- What exactly is iturgy? Origin/Author?
 What exactly is worship? Who designed it? When? How?
 What is the difference between the Liturgy of the Old and New Covenants?
 How did the early Christians worship at Mass?
 What is our role at Mass? Spectator or participant?

A miracle takes place at every Mass!

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DOORS OPEN AT 4:30PM IN THE PARISH LIFE CENTER(PLC)



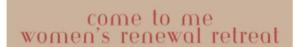
support teens attending Catholic Heart Work Camp

Movie: "The Letter"

Let us start Lent with a movie that helps Jesus be the center of life. This modern saint who loved Jesus in the the faces of the poorest in her community. She loved Him deeply in the Eucharist. Her fellow sisters loved each other and the poor the same way as Jesus would. Through her writings we see that she had suffered with spiritual dryness while still being faithful to what God has called her to do.

Rated: (PG) for Parental Guidance. Minors must be accompanied by an adult.

IS YOUR TEEN INTERESTED IN ATTENDING CAMP? Contact Erin Myler to reserve your spot at emyler@saintedward.org.



commuter full weekend retreat schedule

Friday, April 26th- 5:00pm-9:30 pm, includes dinner Saturday, April 27th- 9:00am-9:30 pm, includes lunch, dinner, & snacks Sunday, April 28th- 9:00am to 3:00pm, includes lunch & snacks

registration & details

\$65 per person

Registration opens on February 10th and closes on March 17th.

This retreat will offer time for silence, personal reflection, small group sharing, and will include a variety of prayer experiences and talks. We will attend the 5:30pm Mass and the opportunity to go to confession will be made available.





GOALS GIVING



Parish Goal: \$1,366,739

Total Amount Paid to

Date:

\$ 1,218,106





2024 DSF Goal: \$142,300

Paid: \$15,685



You can visit faith.direct/TX603 & enroll securely online or text "Enroll" to 281-767-4313.

1/28/24 Budget: \$14,583 Actual: \$13,886 2/04/24 Budget: \$23,333 Actual: \$17,219 2/11/24 Budget: \$17,500 Actual: \$12,949 St. Edward Catholic School

PHILL THE BOX



The results are in for our winter Phill the Box Fundraiser. Thank you to everyone who cleaned out your closets for our Monarchs!

WE RAISED \$1,267

CLASSROOM SPOTLIGHT: PE

Our students have been loving their Scooter unit!
Besides having lots of fun, students are also working on gross motor movement, core strength, and overall coordination.



Girl Scout Cookies

St. Edward Girl Scout Troop #114092 will be selling Girl Scout cookies in the PLC after all Masses on Girl Scout Sunday, March 10th. Parishioners can also preorder and pre-pay for their cookies for pick up that day using the link below. Choose the "Delivery" option for March 10th in the PLC for pick up.

Funds from these sales support our troop activities, including earning our Catholic Scouting awards.

Questions? Email stedwardgirlscouts@gmail.com.



Want to Be a Monarch?

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www.stedwardschool.org/ registrationinformation



FRASSATI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL 22151 Frassati Way Spring, TX 77389 (832) 616-3217 9th-12th Grade Scripture tells us that a tithe, the first tenth of one's income, is seen as what is owed to God, while an offering (alms) includes anything contributed beyond that. Almsgiving refers to the act of giving money, food, clothing, or other forms of assistance to those in need, typically as a charitable or religious practice. It is one of the three traditional pillars of Lent, alongside prayer and fasting, and is considered a virtuous act, a "love offering," for the poor, destitute or victims of catastrophic loss such as home fires or medical expenses. It involves providing tangible support to those facing financial difficulties or hardship, expressing compassion, generosity, and social responsibility. In the preparatory season leading up to Easter, the celebration of Christ's resurrection, almsgiving helps believers prepare spiritually by aligning our hearts with the selfless love and generosity exemplified by Jesus. It is the response to the Bible's call to give to those less fortunate than us. When giving alms, who comes first: family, neighbors, relatives, friends, strangers? In Matthew 25:40, Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me." Who comes first? Those in greatest need. We are obligated to find them.

Praying for you, **Deacon Nick**

SENIOR SAINTS MEETING

To all 50 years of age and young at heart. Come join us for a fun time at the Senior Saints Meeting on Wednesday, March 6th in the Parish Life Center.

9:30am - Coffee & donuts
10:00am - Meeting then games

Come and hear about upcoming Senior Saints outings that are planned for 2024. Sign up for trips and the April 3rd Easter Luncheon. For more information or questions, please text Jim Dechene, President, at 630-235-4751 or email jim.dechene.stedsrst@gmail.com.

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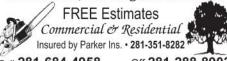
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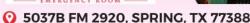
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