

Saint Edward Church

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December 5, 2021

SACRAMENTS

Celebration of the Eucharist

Monday through Friday: 8:00 AM

Saturday: 8:00 AM

Saturday Evening Vigil Mass: 5:30 PM

Sunday Masses: 9:00AM, 10:30AM & 12 Noon



A Message from Archabbot Douglas Nowicki

Today we celebrate The Second Sunday of Advent

As we continue the Advent Season, the Church in today's gospel (Luke 3: 1-6) provides us with the figure of John the Baptist. John proclaims a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. John describes himself as a voice of one calling in the wilderness, "Prepare the way of the Lord." It was of John the Baptist that the Prophet Isaiah had spoken when he said: "A voice of one crying in the desert. Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths."

John the Baptist was a humble servant. He said that he was not even worthy to untie the sandal straps of Jesus. He proclaimed repeatedly that "He must increase, and I must decrease." (John 3:30). We live in a world that encourages us to look out for oneself (Numero Uno) I must increase at the expense of everyone else. How often we find

ourselves putting down others to make ourselves look better. We gossip without thinking about the evil we perpetuate when we have "loose" lips.

John was known not only for his humility but also for his truthfulness. Remember his truthfulness eventually cost him his head. He spoke fearlessly to King Herod about taking the wife of his brother. He spoke without fear to the Pharisees and Sadducees, condemning them as a "brood of vipers." They had become corrupt, legalistic, and hypocritical and eventually would crucify Jesus.

John is also committed to "make the rough ways straight." There are a lot of rough ways in this life. Hurt, pain, suffering is all around us and within us. There are a lot of hurting hearts in the gospels as well. Recall the healing ministry of Jesus. He heals the lame, deaf and the blind of their physical ailments. He gives forgiveness to sinners and provides hope for the hopeless in order to free them of their spiritual ailments.

During this coming week, we also celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We celebrate this feast in the context of the Advent Season – a season of preparation for the coming of the Lord into our lives. Mary welcomed the advent of Jesus into her life. During this season we are invited to welcome the advent of Jesus Christ into our lives. An important question we need to answer as we continue our Advent journey is: what role does Christ play (if any) in my life? It's easy to get bogged down with the rough ways of life. We have fears, anxieties, problems that perhaps overwhelm us at times. The Advent Season provides us the opportunity to reorient and reconnect (reboot!) our lives to Christ. Christ says: "I am the vine; you are the branches". Are we dead limbs or are we connected to the life-giving Love of our Savior, Jesus Christ?

+Archabbot Douglas

Eucharistic Ministry to the Homebound

Do you know someone who is unable to attend St. Edward church to celebrate Mass with the community and receive communion? Would they like to have a Eucharistic Minister bring Jesus in the Eucharist?

Please contact Sr. Colleen Brady, Pastoral Minister, at cbrady@stedwardpb.com or call (561) 832-0400 for information concerning receiving communion in their home.



Mass Intentions

Week of December 5, 2021

Saturday, December 4

- 8:00 AM † Robert Michael Fitzgerald
by The Dunn Family
- 5:30 PM † Fay Maria Hummer
by Sandra Hummer

Sunday, December 5

- 9:00 AM † Antoinette Pantano
by The Vassallo Family
- 10:30 AM Parishioners and Benefactors
- 12:00 PM † Phillip Brady
by Denise Budnitz

Monday, December 6

- 8:00 AM † Jason Nolletti
By Joanna & Danny Colangelo

Tuesday, December 7

- 8:00 AM † John Groth By The Foley Family

Immaculate Conception

- 5:30 PM † Rosemarie Schneider
By Jo Anne & Craig Burkholder

Wednesday, December 8

- 8:00 AM † Alexander Slater, Sr.
By Margo Slater
- 5:30 PM † Hilda & Joseph Kalaghan
By Robert Kalaghan

Thursday, December 9

- 8:00 AM † Ray Emmett
by Maggie Shepherd & Family

Friday, December 10

- 8:00 AM † Anthony Racioppi
by Jo Anne & Craig Burkholder

Saturday, December 11

- 8:00 AM † Dolores Passoni
by Margo Slater
- 5:30 PM † Jay Sullivan
by Daniello de Benedictis

Sunday, December 12

- 9:00 AM † Roger Williams
by Halina, Zig & Robert Sledz
- 10:30 AM Parishioners and Benefactors
- 12:00 PM † Agnes Conroy
by St. Mary Medical Center

Mass Intentions

UNSCHEDULED MASSES FOR LIVING AND DECEASED

- † Brian P. Burns
By June & Tim Rooney
- † Anthony Kobza
By The Fernandez Family
- † Gregory Carter
By Jean & Pete Phillips
- † Charles Russell
By Virginia & Alfred Morgan
- † Louis Viozzi
By Mr. & Mrs. Charles Coats
- † Charles Russell
By Melinda & Tom Hassen
- Special Int.** Steven Hansen
By Mary Lynn Rogers
- Special Int.** Patricia Campbell
By Mary Lynn Rogers
- Special Int.** Elizabeth Wilson
By Mary Lynn Rogers
- † Alec Hicks
By Mary Lynn Rogers
- † Robb Tiller
By Bob Slater
- † Alec Hicks
By Marion Lipper
- † Patricia Kiernan
By Marion Lipper
- † Elizabeth Clifford
By Carole Manning
- † Eileen McGowan
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Diocesan Prayer for God's Protection in the face of the Coronavirus Pandemic

Loving and gracious God, as in all times, we turn to You and implore Your protection and healing as we face a new threat to our health and peaceful wellbeing in the coronavirus pandemic before us. Help us to be united with each other and with all of our brothers and sisters around the world affected by this illness.

We pray for all those in the medical field who are assisting patients and in the field of science who are discerning a cure, as well as for all government leaders. Remember those who, through this virus, have passed from this life as well as their families in their loss.

At this time of fragile uncertainty, we also humbly implore You to grant us prudence, hope, courage and patience. Dispel from us fear, panic and distrust which disrupt us in spirit to the detriment of our wellbeing.

We make our prayer in the name of your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who always cured those who were sick with various diseases and drove out many demons. Our Lady, Patroness of our Diocese, Queen of the Apostles and Comforter of the Afflicted, pray for us, Amen.



December 4, 2021

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

The annual collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious is next weekend, December 11 and 12. In 1988, the United States Catholic bishops initiated the Retirement Fund for Religious to address the deficit in retirement savings among religious communities. Proceeds from the collection help communities across the country to provide for the needs of aging members.

Thanks to your past support, 321 religious communities received funding in 2021, with 26,330 religious past the age of 70 benefiting from this fund. Specifically, the National Religious Retirement Office coordinates the distribution of the proceeds to eligible communities, which provide financial assistance, consultation and education that help religious communities meet the immediate and ongoing needs of aging members. Roughly 95 percent of their budget aids senior religious.

Like many Americans, religious communities face the monumental challenge of funding eldercare. The Diocese of Palm Beach is grateful for your spiritual and financial assistance toward these dedicated women and men of God as they live out the final chapter in their story of faith and service.

Thank you for all that you do for our retired religious women and men, for your prayers, your friendship, your love and your generosity.

With gratitude for your continued support and every prayerful wish, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Handwritten signature of Gerald M. Barbarito in blue ink.

Most Reverend Gerald M. Barbarito
Bishop of Palm Beach

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Stand on the heights, Jerusalem; see your children rejoicing that they are remembered by God. A merciful and just God leads Israel in joy (Baruch 5:1-9).

Psalm — The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy (Psalm 126).

Second Reading — May your love increase in knowledge to discern what is valuable that you may be blameless for the day of Christ (Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11).

Gospel — John proclaims a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. All flesh shall see the salvation of God (Luke 3:1-6).

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday of Advent

Monday: St. Nicholas

Tuesday: St. Ambrose;

Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

Wednesday: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday: St. Juan Diego

Friday: Our Lady of Loreto

Saturday: St. Damasus I

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9-14; Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13;
Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12;
Lk 1:26-38

Thursday: Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1, 9-13ab; Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80: 2ac, 3b, 15-16,
18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a; Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6;

Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 2021

COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE

Wednesday, December 15

8:00 AM & 7:00 PM

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Friday, December 24, 2021

Vigil Masses –4:00 PM & 6:00 PM

Mass During the Night

10:00 PM

Saturday, December 25, 2021

9:00 AM, 10:30 AM

and 12:00 Noon

NEW YEAR'S MASSES

Friday, December 31, 2021

5:30 PM

Saturday, January 1, 2022

9:00 AM, 10:30 AM

and 12:00 Noon

CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS

Donations for Christmas Altar Flowers are now being accepted. You may drop your donation in the basket at Mass or stop by the parish office. This is a wonderful way to remember or honor your loved ones during this blessed season.



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Registering in the Parish of Saint Edward

The law of the Church defines a parish as a definite community of the Christian faithful established on a stable basis within a [Diocese]. The pastoral care of the parish is entrusted to a pastor as its own shepherd under the authority of the diocesan bishop. The law of the Church also states that a parish is to be territorial and embraces all the Christian faithful within a certain territory [cc 515, 518]

The certain territory for Saint Edward Parish established at its founding is the area of Palm Beach Island from the north end of the Island south to Sloan's Curve.

To register as a parishioner of Saint Edward requires residence within its territory.

Baptism

Please call the Parish Office for information.

First Penance and First Eucharist Programs

Beginning in the First Grade, children of registered parishioners are to be enrolled in a two- year Parish Religious Education sacramental program. Registered parishioners whose children attend Catholic Grade Schools are to participate in the immediate sacramental preparation programs of the Parish. Please contact the parish office for more information.

Confirmation Program

Children of registered parishioners who are to be enrolled as candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation must have been baptized, capable of renewing their Baptismal promises, and properly instructed by participation in the two-year parish program beginning in the seventh grade. The Sacrament of Confirmation is usually scheduled for September, when the candidate is a ninth grader.

Marriages at Saint Edward Parish

Saint Edward Parish reserves the celebration of the sacrament of marriage to registered parishioners who are practicing Catholics and their immediate family members. Registration requires residence within the territory of the parish [the North End of the Island south to Sloan's Curve.] New parishioners must be registered for one year before being considered for the scheduling of a marriage.

Saint Edward Marriage Regulations

All couples intending to marry at Saint Edward must meet with the pastor. No date is promised or scheduled before this initial meeting with the pastor, who is to assess the freedom to marry of the couple and explain other marriage regulations. Saint Edward Parish is not a destination site for marriage and Saint Edward does not rent the Church to non-parishioners for marriage ceremonies.

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick can be administered to the sick after the age of reason when the person begins to be in danger due to sickness or age. It is preferred that the sacrament be administered when the person is in control of their faculties. Please contact the parish in emergencies. After hours leave a message as directed by the parish voicemail.

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