

St. Edward the Confessor Catholic Church

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gospel through worship and service*

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PASTORAL STAFF:

Rev. Scott S. Holmer, Pastor
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Maureen Curtis, Religious Education Director
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PARISH TIMELY E-NOTES:

If we don't yet have your current email address or if you are not yet registered here, please call the parish.

PARISH WEB SITE:

www.stedwardbowie.org

MASSES:

Saturday Vigil – 5:30 P.M.

Sunday – 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 A.M.

Check inside schedule for extra Sunday Masses

Monday, Wednesday, Friday - 8:45 A.M.

Tuesday - 7:30 P.M.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 4:00 - 5:00 P.M.

INFANTS' SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Class required for first time. Call the rectory office 301-249-9199 to start the process for your child's baptism.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

New couples—contact pastor at least 6 months prior to the desired date. Couples in civil marriages—contact pastor for assistance for a validation.

DEATH AND DYING:

Call Fr. Holmer for Anointing of the Sick. Upon a parishioner's death, please call us as soon as possible.

School: St. Pius X Regional Catholic School is our shared school of the four Bowie parishes.

Food for Bowie Pantry: Collected in bins at doors every first Sunday of the month.

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat. 5:30 pm Victims of Hurricane Harvey
Sun. 7:30 am People of the Parish
9:30 am + Cornelius MacFarlan
11:30am + Mr. Alegbelye
Mon. 8:45 am No Mass (Labor Day)
Tue. 7:30 pm Victims of Hurricane Harvey
Wed. 8:45 am +Francis Cipolla
Fri. 8:45 am Mary Suzy Civil
Sat. 5:30 pm + John and Julia Horvath
Sun. 7:30 am + Mary Ross
9:30 am People of the Parish
11:30am + Bridget Bronder

PRAY FOR THESE PARISHIONERS: Marcus Allen, George Bibbins, Gerry Blake, James Brandes, Theresa Brice, Gloria Cierlitsky, Carolyn Eaglin, Barbara Fitzurka, Lourdes Flaim, Joan Heldt, Maude Jennings, Eric Meadows, Bernadette New, Rino Ocampo, Janet Nti, Johanna Palmer, Bob Reynolds, Martha Seppi, Teresa Surette, Grace Vicino, Rosemary Walsh, Fran Blasko.

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS: Nicholas Barrett, David Brandes, Edward Brandes, David Canterbury, Corinne Cook, Duncan Fraser, Teresa Fraser, Barry Hobart, Dolores McCarthy, Madeline Mitchell, Mary Nelson, Kathleen Jopson, Rocky Seppi, Elizabeth Startzel, Phyllis Wilson, Maria Xiques, Chanda Poppe, Madeline Mitchell, Jules Frazer, Louise Hooven.

Prayers for our Sick or In Need

We offer a few ways for intercessory prayer. You can write a petition in our blue book in church (by the Marian area). You can have them included on our email prayer alerts. You can have Masses prayed for a request.

Religious Education Registration

Religious Education classes will start on Tuesday, September 12th, Wednesday, September 13th, and Sunday, September 17th. Please register if you have not done so yet. Information is in the CCD hall or on the parish website www.stedwardbowie.org.

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults):

Adults seeking information regarding joining the Catholic Church and Catholics seeking to learn more about their faith are invited to attend R.C.I.A. classes which will begin in the fall. If interested, please call Fr. Holmer at (301) 249-9199.

ST. EDWARD'S EVENTS

Mon. Sep. 4 No Mass, Office Closed
Thu. Aug. 31 6:30pm Christmas Craft Workshop
Fri. Sep. 8 6:30pm Confirmation Students Mtg.
8:30pm Confirmation Parents Mtg.
Sat. Sep. 10 4-5pm Confessions

Altar Servers, Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Team B is scheduled to serve next weekend, Sep. 9/10. Schedules are posted in the working sacristy and on our website. If you cannot serve when you are scheduled, please make arrangements to find a sub.

Baptism Class

The next **baptism class** will be on September 24, 2017
12:30pm-1:30pm



Communion in the Pew At Mass, if you need a minister/priest to come to you in the pew, please tell an usher of your need.

GLUTEN-FREE HOLY COMMUNION The presider at Sunday Mass has a pyx with gluten-free Eucharist for communicants in his line. (If you are new to requesting such a host, or the priest is a guest, then let him know to be ready.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND SHUT-INS AND HOMEBOUND MASSES

Fr. Holmer and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist bring Communion to the sick and shut-ins. Call the Rectory Office at (301) 249-9199 to arrange this service. We also have monthly Mass at Pin Oak, Larkin Chase, and Emeritus at Woodward residences.

Labor Day Holiday

There will be no Mass at St. Edward's on Monday, September 4th.

Offices will be closed on Monday, September 4th.

From the Desk of Rev. Fr. Scott Holmer

Our parish Church is still recovering from the lightning strike that hit near us a couple of weeks ago but we are almost fully functioning again. We were able to get most of our phones working again. Only two of our phones were rendered unsalvageable. We were also able to get our voicemail working again. Unfortunately, one of our phone lines no longer works because somewhere in the maze of our internal phone system the wiring was damaged. Perhaps God sent the lightning storm to urge us to get a new phone system? We are currently exploring that possibility.

We also have a leak in the confessional. Fortunately, it is not that kind of leak that could lead to an excommunication! It is just a leaky roof. The roof that we currently have is the original roof and is 40 years old. We are also exploring the possibility of replacing it.

As you may have noticed, we have also updated the way the bulletin is done. We have removed one of the extra pages that was unnecessary. We also put each announcement in a box to make it easier to read. I hope that you like it.

On a personal note, my little sister is getting married this weekend! She has asked me to do the wedding. She met a wonderful guy on www.catholicmatch.com. They are getting married in the Church that we grew up in! I know lots of couples who have found their special someone on catholicmatch.com. They also have an ad in our bulletin. If you are looking for that special someone or know of someone who is, you should really give them a try.

We are also gearing up in preparation for the beginning of CCD Classes. Many of our students have already started up in school already. Please keep our students and their teachers in your prayers as the new year begins. There is no greater gift we can give our children than the gift of faith. St. Edward the Confessor, pray for us!

God bless,
Fr. Holmer

Preparation for: FUN DAY on October 1st

Calling all parishioners! This upcoming event, scheduled for **October 1st, Sunday**, is the largest social event of our parish. Let's make it a real **FUNDAY for everyone.**

PARISH SUPPORT:

Last week's Offertory : **\$7,313.30**

Our weekly offertory goal is **\$9,000.00.**

The previous 4 week Sunday Collections were:
\$9,128.73, \$8,199.46. \$15,000.51, \$8,745.36.

Run for Vocations, Sunday, October 22, 2017

Runners and walkers of all experience levels are encouraged to join with priests, seminarians, and lay people from throughout the Archdiocese in this year's Run for Vocations/Marine Corps 10K race!

Run for Vocations began in 1999 as a program to pray and sacrifice for future priests and the Church. RFV participants, either individually or as part of a team, enlist donations from supporters which directly benefit the seminarians of the Archdiocese of Washington.

To register and join in the fun, visit www.dcpriest.org, or for more information, contact Traci O'Neill at: oneillt@adw.org.

Annual Holiday Bazaar and Turkey Dinner

Center for Deaf Ministries

Saturday, November 18 10am-4pm

7202 Buchanan St..
Landover Hills, MD

Adults—\$15.00

Children Ages 5-12—\$7.00

Children under 5 Free

This year's Holiday Bazaar will support the Department of Special Needs 2017 Capital Campaign to support essential updates to the kitchen, meeting space, and bathrooms at the center.

Contact Jennifer Coleman:

colemanjm@adw.org for donation items, cash raffle tickets, or more information.

MEDIA: MASS FOR SHUT-INS

TV Channel CW50 Sundays at 10:30 AM

Radio Channel: WCBM-680 on Sundays at 9am and 6pm

Passionist Mass via internet—TheSundayMass.org

Catholic Radio – Sirius XM – 129 is the Catholic Channel +130 is EWTN

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