

**SANCTUARY LAMP-** For the week of January 29<sup>th</sup> – February 4<sup>th</sup> the Tabernacle Sanctuary Lamp will burn for special intention SCB. The Sanctuary Lamp in the St. Thomas of Villanova shrine will burn for special intention Stephan R. If you would like to have the Sanctuary Lamp lit for a deceased relative or friend or for a special intention, contact the parish office. The cost is \$5.00 per week.

**PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK -** Lord hear our prayer for those who are sick, recovering from surgery, aging and in need of our prayers, and for those who care for them, may they find strength and courage through their faith. **We Pray for** – Ed Broderick, Bertha Noseworthy, Glen Bursey, Sophia Ribble, Gerry Perry, Elizabeth Hayden, David Roche, Colby Chipman, Emily Kenny, Clement Walsh, Wayne Fitzpatrick, Elizabeth Mugford Marie Lundrigan, Jeffrey Hollings, Donna Power, Marjorie Melnik, Doreen Wiseman & Gary Quinlan.

**THE XXXI WORLD DAY OF THE SICK** will be celebrated on February 11, 2023. A message from Pope Francis highlighting this day can be found on the Archdiocesan webpage ([www.rcsj.org](http://www.rcsj.org)).

**COULD GOD BE CALLING YOU TO BECOME A PRIEST?**

A vocation discernment group, led by Fr. James Fleming, meets regularly on the last Sunday of every month. Single Catholic men, 18 years and older, who are open to considering a call to the priesthood are invited to attend. To register or find out more, please contact Fr. James Fleming at 834-9481 or [vocations@rcsj.org](mailto:vocations@rcsj.org)

**GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP -** Eastern Health's Pastoral Care, Ethics & Bereavement Services Department invites people grieving the loss of a loved one to join an 8-week "Living with Grief Support Program." This information & support group is available in-person and virtually. The first in-person timeslot meets on Monday nights from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. beginning January 23, 2023. The second in-person timeslot meets on Thursday afternoons from 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. beginning on January 26, 2023. The virtual group meets by Zoom on Thursday afternoons from 1:30 – 3:30 beginning January 26, 2023. For more information or to register, call 777-6959, or email us at [griefandbereavement@easternhealth.ca](mailto:griefandbereavement@easternhealth.ca).

**COME SPEND AN EVENING WITH MOTHER TERESA -** Knights of Columbus council 7405 Presents **Mother Teresa – No Greater Love** – February 23<sup>rd</sup> – 7:00 pm – Conference Room, the Basilica. Please RSVP to [info.kofc7405@gmail.com](mailto:info.kofc7405@gmail.com) by Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> if you wish to attend to ensure there is enough seating. Admission – a food item or cash donation for the local food bank.

**CALL TO MINISTRY/VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES -** It is a great joy to welcome you all into the congregation of St. Edward's Parish. We invite those who are interested in becoming more involved in Ministry, to complete a Check Form, which can be found at the entrance to the church. The form can be deposited in the collection box, given to an usher or Fr. Fleming, or dropped off at the office. As we are restarting the Presentation of Gifts at Offertory, we would particularly ask those interested in carrying the Offerings to the Altar to contact the office.

Some other Ministries in need of volunteers are Reading the Word, Ushering, becoming a Eucharistic Minister, Mass Co-ordination, Singing in the Choir, bringing the Word to Seniors' facilities. Feel free to contact the parish office, or to talk to any of our Ministers for more information.

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE -** St. Thomas of Villanova CWL monthly meeting will be held on **Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 10:30 am** in the Parish Hall. Any parishioners interested in joining us are welcome to attend. Hope to see you there.

The CWL will be holding a Membership Drive on **February 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>**. Please join us after Mass in the parish hall and learn about some of the interesting things we do and speak to members of our League.

**LECTOR MEETING -** The Lector Meeting which was cancelled last Wednesday evening will now be held on **Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup> – 7:30 pm** in the Church. Please make every effort to attend.

<b>MASS SCHEDULE -</b>	<b>January 31 – February 5</b>	<b>INTENTION</b>
Tues. - Jan. 31 (St. John Bosco)	- 10 am	- Marie Wiseman – William Lake
Wed. – Feb. 1	- 10 am	- Helen English – Gertrude Walsh
Thurs. – Feb. 2 (Presentation of the Lord)	- 10 am-	- Dorothy Hunter – Donna P. Chislett
Fri. – Feb. 3 (St. Blaise)	- 10 am	- Special Intentions – RM & JM – Mary Maloney & family
Sat. – Feb. 4	- 4 pm	- Charles Stacey – Suzanne Lafranvoise – Pius Skinner & Margaret Ryan
Sun. – Feb. 5	- 9:30 am	- All Parishioners
	- 11:00 am	- Farrell & Burton families – Mary Nugent

**CONFESSIONS -** Saturdays - **3:00 pm – 3:45 pm**  
Sundays – **8:45 am – 9:15 am**  
Wednesdays - **10:30 – 11:00 am**  
**or by appointment**

**PARISH COLLECTIONS: January 22**

Sunday offering env. -	\$493.00	Sunday offering loose -	\$ 36.50
Initial offering env. -	\$ 30.00	New Year's off. env. -	\$50.00
Food bank env. -	\$ 25.00		

**Total - \$634.50**

**Received with deep appreciation and gratitude.**

**COLLECTION COUNTERS -** The parish would like to increase the number of its collection counters. This is a very important Ministry. The team (minimum 2 people) would usually be responsible for counting for a month. Counting day is preferably Monday, but if due to extenuating circumstances can be done on Tuesday or Wednesday. This Ministry requires that the participants must have a police check as part of the screening process. Due to recent guidelines from the Archdiocese, husband and wife or siblings are not permitted as a counting team; however they may be part of the overall group of collection counters. Please contact the parish office at 834 9481 if you are interested. If we have a sufficient number of counters you may have to be present only every three or four months. Thank you for considering to participate in this Ministry.

**2023 ENVELOPES:** The parish has received more collection envelopes for 2023, if you requested envelopes through the office your box of envelopes is labelled with your name. Those who would like a box of envelopes please take a box and include your name, address, telephone number & email address for the first couple of weeks, this is in order that your donations can be posted to the program. Thank you.

**PLEASE NOTE:** During the winter months when the schools are closed due to extreme weather conditions there will be **NO** Weekday Mass (the parish office will be closed as well). If weekend Masses have to be cancelled due to weather conditions an announcement will be made through VOCM radio & VOWR, it will also be posted to the Parish website. Thank you.

**CENTRE FOR LIFE - CELEBRATE FAMILIES BOWLING** has been rescheduled for **Sunday, February 12th** at Holiday Lanes - 27 Elizabeth Avenue from 2:30 - 3:30 for bowling with pizza to follow. Registration is still ongoing to **Friday, February 10th** by calling 579-1500. All families are welcome to attend but registration is required.

**SENIOR'S TECHNOLOGY OUTREACH -** will commence on **Friday, February 3rd** from 12 - 1 pm. If you would like more information or would like to register please call 579-1500. Seniors virtual income tax clinics under CVITP for those who have modest incomes will be starting on March 1<sup>st</sup>. For information or to make an appointment please call 579-1500.

**WINTER COATS FOR THE NEEDY** – Holy Spirit Council Knights of Columbus are seeking your help in providing the needy with winter Coats. If you have a good and clean winter coat (of any size) that you no longer need and would like to donate to a great cause, please feel free to drop off at Kelligrews Dental Clinic (615 CBS Highway) or St. Thomas of Villanova Church during weekend Masses. Winter books, scarves, mittens & gloves & hats accepted as well. Items donated will be delivered to the CBS/Paradise Food Bank. (This will be the last week for collection of winter coats.)

#### **MINISTRIES:**

**Saturday, February 4 - 4:00 PM**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reader** - Gennie Murphy  
**2<sup>nd</sup> R & IP** - Muriel Lewis  
**Usher** - Jim Woodrow – Mary Ryan  
**EM** - Dave Locke  
**Sacristan** - Lorna Clark

**Sunday, February 5 - 9:30 AM**

**Lector** - Sherry Doyle  
**Usher** - Steve Dray  
**EM** - Doreen Dray  
**Sacristan** - Carol Gollop

**Sunday, February 6 - 11:00 AM**

**Lector** - Paul Cahill  
**Usher** - Ed Philpott  
**EM** - Marguerite Greene  
**Sacristan** - Myrna Power

**4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
JANUARY 29, 2023**



**WELCOME TO ST. EDWARD'S PARISH**  
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**Parish Priest – Fr. James Fleming**  
**Administrative Assistant – Jennifer Hutchings**  
**Finance Council Chair – Steve Dray**  
**Parish Council Chair – Dave Locke**  
**Liturgy Committee Chair – Monika Behr**

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday - 8:30 am – 4:00 pm**  
**Wednesday – 8:30 am – 12:00 noon**  
**Closed daily 12 -1 pm**

