

WELCOME TO ST. EDWARD'S

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CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST
 SATURDAY VIGIL: 4:00PM
 SUNDAY: 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM
 WEEKDAYS: 9:00AM (except Thursday)

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, 12/5

9:00 AM Tina Wood Dailey and Sheri Melideo Roberts –
 The Seery Family
 9:00 AM Catherine LaFlamm – Amy Baker

TUESDAY, 12/6

9:00 AM Jeff, Mark, and Bill Aiken – Rita Aiken
 9:00 AM Thomas Gallen – The Conway Family

WEDNESDAY, 12/7

9:00 AM Martin Leonard Jr. – The Conway Family
 5:30 PM Paige Hazard – The Martin Family

THURSDAY, 12/8 – HOLY DAY

9:00 AM Beatrice Miller – The Conway Family
 9:00 AM Kristen Johnston – Lauri and Geoff Morrissey

FRIDAY, 12/9

9:00 AM Joseph Scensny – The Brady Family

SATURDAY, 12/10

4:00 PM Anna Coulombe – Douglas Coulombe
 4:00 PM Mary Chrabasz – Janice Golden
 4:00 PM Charles Scherzinger – Joyce and Adria Chew
 4:00 PM George Anderson – His Family
 4:00 PM Catherine Irish – The Seeber Family

SUNDAY, 12/11

7:30 AM For the People of the Parish
 7:30 AM Kathryn and Harold Dowing – The Huff Family
 7:30 AM Vito Scolamiero – Bob and Pat Seidel
 9:00 AM Paul Paulli – Mary Ann Sekellick
 9:00 AM Beatrice DiMaria – Contemporary Ensemble
 9:00 AM Robert Zink – Contemporary Ensemble
 9:00 AM Patrick Casey – John and Camille Casey
 11:00 AM Don Willey – His Family
 11:00 AM Lucia Briggs – Jim and Diane Harding
 11:00 AM Vito Scolamiero – St. Edward's Choir
 11:00 AM Frances Fagan – Marie Conley

SACRIFICIAL GIVING AND STEWARDSHIP REPORT:

DATE	REGULAR	E-GIVING	TOTAL
11/20/2011	\$12,153.00	\$3,267.00	\$15,420.00
2 nd coll.	\$3,923.00	\$745.00	\$4,668.00
Thanksgiving	\$1,690.00	\$1,856.00	\$3,546.00
11/27/2011	\$13,442.00	\$3,267.00	\$16,709.00

Thank you for your generous support of the parish.

PARISH NEWS

WELCOME PARISH REGISTRATION: We invite you to a "Welcome Gathering" (orientation) to join our parish. The next Welcome Gathering is **Tuesday, December 6th at 6:30PM**. Please call 371-7372 ext. 221 for a head count.



BAPTISMAL CLASS will be held on Saturday, December 3rd at 10:00AM for registered families wishing to have their child baptized. Please call the parish office at 371-7372 ext. 221 to attend.



Please remember in your prayers:

G. Christopher Gleason, husband of Jennyfer Gleason, father of Ashley and Matthew Gleason, son of Dr. G. Kirk and Dale Gleason, who died November 20, 2011.
Angie Schlipmann, wife of Aaron Schlipmann, who died November 21, 2011.



ADVENT EVENING PRAYER: St. Edward's Parish Community invites you to **Evening Prayer each Tuesday at 7:00PM during Advent**. Please join us as we raise our prayers like incense before the Lord.

SANCTUARY LIGHTS

The **CHURCH SANCTUARY LIGHT** for the month of December burns in memory of **PJ O'Donnell** at the request of **Sheila and Lou DeMola**.

The **CHAPEL SANCTUARY LIGHT** for the month of December burns in memory of the deceased members of the **Higgins and McAuliffe Families** at the request of **Mr. and Mrs. Michael Higgins and Family**.

HOLY DAY SCHEDULE: This Thursday, December 8th is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mass is at 5:30PM Wednesday, December 7th, and 9AM Thursday, December 8th.

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES at St. Edward's will be Wednesday, December 14th at 10AM and 7PM.



CHRISTMAS EVE/ DAY MASSES:

Saturday, December 24th: Christmas Eve Masses 4, 6:30, and 9PM (4PM will have additional Mass in the Social Hall).
Sunday, December 25th: Christmas Day Masses 7:30, 9 and 11AM.

ST. EDWARD'S PRAYER CHAIN: For immediate requests for Prayer call Dee 371-7956, Esther 371-8806 or Elaine 371-9606 to begin the Prayer Chain.

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AN ACAPELLA CHRISTMAS



TODAY, Sunday, December 4th the Electric City Chorus will be singing **AN ACAPELLA CHRISTMAS** at 2PM in the Church. A free will offering of personal care products/ baby products or \$5 is appreciated. All are welcome! A reception will follow.



ADULT FAITH FORMATION: "The Infancy Narratives – Fact or Fable?" This course will explore the stories that intertwine and comprise the Christmas stories of Matthew and Luke as seen through the eyes of some of the key players in the drama Monday evenings from 7-9 PM on December 5th, 12th, and 19th in the Social Hall. Presented by G. Peter Avvento, S.T.D. Admission is free and all are welcome.

ALSO: "Joy to the World!" – Advent 2011: An Evening of Reflection and Hope" Through the use of multimedia we will reflect on the meaning of Advent and its relevance for ourselves, our families and our world today. Presented by G. Peter Avvento, S.T.D. The program will be held on Thursday evening, December 8th at 7PM in the Social Hall. Admission is free and all are welcome.



Congratulations and best wishes to **Heather Bosela and Joe Lane** who were married on December 2, 2011.



WRAPPING THINGS UP: The "Christmas Gifts for the Elderly" Program needs your help in wrapping gifts. We will be gathering for this purpose in the Social Hall on Thursday, December 8th starting at 9:45AM. Please bring your scissors and join us for this project. Call

Cathy Lawrence (652-2180) to volunteer. The more the merrier!



COFFEE SALES: The Fair Trade Committee will be in the Gathering Area after each Mass **THIS AND** the weekends of December 10th and 11th and 17th and 18th. In addition to the coffee, tea and chocolate that we offer, a holiday gift basket filled with our most popular products is being raffled off. The drawing will be held after the 11:00 o'clock Mass the weekend of December 18th. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. All proceeds will benefit the Limerick-Peru mission. Thank you for your continued support

The next **ROSARY EXCHANGE** will be held **TOMORROW**, Monday, December 5th from 9:30 to 10:30AM.

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THE NATIVITY STORY

Youth Ministry teens are presenting "The Nativity Story" 7PM Tuesday, December 13th. For **admission** we are asking all who attend to bring donations for Mary's Corner: **sippe cups, Diapers size 4, 5 and 6, children's snack containers, baby wash cloths, Desitin, baby shampoo and baby wash, baby spoons, and baby bottles.** Please come!



Practices will be 4-5PM Sundays December 4th, 11th, and 18th in the church for our **CHRISTMAS PAGEANT** to be held on Christmas Eve during the 4PM Mass in the Church.

There are signups for **EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND USHERS** for the **CHRISTMAS EVE/ DAY MASSES** in the Gathering Area. Christmas is on a Sunday this year, so there will be two 4PM (one in the Social Hall) Masses in addition to 6:30 and 9PM Masses on Christmas Eve; and 7:30, 9, and 11AM Masses on Christmas Day. (We will train new ushers, too!)



The **PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY** is asking for donations of yarn for baby blankets and prayer shawls. Please drop skeins off in the Parish Office.



We are in need of help with **DECORATING THE CHURCH** for Christmas after 12 noon Sunday, December 18th. Please call Chris Spencer, Director of Maintenance (371-7372 ext. 235) and leave your name and phone number if you

can help!



The spirit of Advent is a time of quiet waiting and reflection in community. Please consider writing a scriptural reflection during Advent for our **PARISH BLOG**. Please see the website for the blog link for details or contact Fran Rossi Szpylczyn at stedwardsblog@gmail.com.



CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL FLOWERS INTENTIONS will be published as an insert to the Sunday, January 1st bulletin. This means that the information (PLEASE PRINT) must reach us **by Sunday, December 25th**. If you do not have church

envelopes or use Faith Direct, place your donation and intention in a plain white envelope and mark "FLOWERS" on the front. Intentions may be dropped in the Sunday collection basket or mailed to the parish.

A HEALING PLACE: This group of divorced, separated and widowed persons meets on the **second Saturday of the month at 7:00PM at St. Edward's**. All are welcome. Call Laurie at (518) 371-3831 for more info.

FAITH FORMATION



Please check www.stedwardsny.org for Faith Formation calendars, SNOW/ CLOSING POLICY, and class updates!!!

SHEN PTCS: The **THURSDAY DECEMBER 8th GRADE 2 FAITH FORMATION CLASS** will meet at 4-5:30PM, but Kindergarten Faith Formation classes (AM and PM) will not meet (Shen K-5 is off that day).

Our next **CONFIRMATION RETREAT** will be on Sunday, December 11th. We are in need of cases of water and desserts. Sign-up sheets will be in the Gathering Area. Donations can be left in the Faith Formation area beginning on Friday, Dec 9th from 9AM-12 noon; on Saturday, Dec 10th from 9AM-5PM and on Sunday, December 11th up until 9AM. Thank you for your generosity!



PARENTS: Have your little ones outgrown last year's winter clothes? **MARY'S CORNER OF COHOES** is in need of new or gently used winter clothes (long-sleeved shirts, coveralls, coats, hats, mittens etc.) newborn – size 5. Please

place the items in the box marked "Mary's Corner" located in the Gathering Area. Thank you for your generous support of this program.

YOUTH MINISTRY



Please check www.stedwardsny.org for Youth Ministry events or contact Sr. Rosemary at ymsteds@yahoo.com or 371-7372 ext. 237.

YOUTH MINISTRY MEETING: Teens Gr. 6 – 12 are invited to our monthly meeting 12:30-2PM Sunday, December 11th in the Social Hall. **Come learn who St. Nicholas is!** Food, drinks and crafts will be provided.



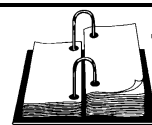
CAROLING AND ADVENT CELEBRATION GR. 6-12: We will be caroling at Beacon Pointe on Sunday, December 18th. Please meet at St. Edward's at 6:30PM. We will

return to St. Edward's after caroling for an Advent Celebration! Please contact Sr. Rose if you can go!

TEENS IN SEARCH OF VOLUNTEER HOURS: We will be attending Bingo night at Schuyler Ridge Nursing Home on December 20th from 6-8PM. Please contact Sr. Rosemary by December 17th if you are interested in helping out.

MIDDLE SCHOOL SERVICE OPPORTUNITY: Would you like to give back during Christmas break? We will be doing a service project for the poor at Bethesda House in Schenectady 9:30AM-4:30PM Thursday, December 29th. Please contact Sr. Rose if you would like to help!

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The Week Ahead

MONDAY, 12/5	Mom /Tots: 9:30AM, Blue Room Rosary Exchange: 9:30AM Cantor Reh.: 6:30PM, Church Adult FF: 7PM, Social Hall Families Anonymous: 7PM, rm 3-5 Bdgs & Grds: 7PM, FF rm 4
TUESDAY, 12/6	Advent Evening Prayer: 7PM, Chapel K of C: 7PM, Social Hall
WEDNESDAY, 12/7	St. Edward's Choir Reh.: 6:30PM
THURSDAY, 12/8	Wrapping Gifts: (:45AM, Social Hall Choristers: 4:30PM, CHAPEL Contemporary Ensemble Reh: 6:30PM Adult FF: 7PM, Social Hall Hosanna Prayer Grp: 7:30PM, FF rm 4
FRIDAY, 12/9	K of C Breakfast: 9:30AM, Soc. Hall Girl Scouts: 6PM, Kitchen
SATURDAY, 12/10	Gr. 3, 4, & 5 Mini Retreat: 10AM, Social Hall Baptisms: 11AM, Church Sacrament of Reconciliation, 3PM, Chapel Healing Place: 7PM, Library
SUNDAY, 12/11	Kid Care with Sunday School: 9 and 11AM Masses, FF rooms Children's Liturgy of the Word 9:00 and 11:00AM Mass (Gr. K-6)** Baptisms: 11AM, Church Afterglow of the Eucharist: after the 11:00AM Mass Combined Choirs and Bells: 11AM Mass Parish Families: 12PM, Social Hall YM Mtg: 12:30PM, Social Hall Pageant Reh.: 4PM, Church

****REMINDER:** Parents need to accompany children under 5 to the Sunday CHILDRENS LITURGY.

ONGOING FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION SUGGESTION:
12/11: Pasta, Tomato Sauce/ Paste

(Please place food on the pew in the Gathering Area)

MARY'S CORNER ONGOING COLLECTION SUGGESTION:
12/11: Winter clothing size Newborn to 5

(Please place in Mary's Corner Box in Gathering Area)

BIRTHRIGHT ONGOING COLLECTION SUGGESTION:
12/11: Diapers

(Please place in the Bassinet in the Gathering Area)

Readings for the Week of December 4, 2011	
Sunday:	Is 40:1-5, 9-11/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8
Monday :	Is 35:1-10/Lk 5:17-26
Tuesday:	Is 40:1-11/Mt 18:12-14
Wednesday:	Is 40:25-31/Mt 11:28-30
Thursday:	Gn 3:9-15, 20/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38
Friday:	Is 48:17-19/Mt 11:16-19
Saturday:	Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Next Sunday:	Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

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