

St. Edward the Confessor Catholic Church

We are a family of faith-filled disciples, empowered by the Holy Spirit, living the Gospel through worship and service

Church: 1940 Mitchellville Road, Bowie, Md. 20716

Parish Office & Mailing Address: 16304 Pond Meadow Lane, Bowie, Md. 20716

Parish Office: 301-249-9199

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PASTORAL STAFF:

Rev. Scott S. Holmer, Administrator
Deacon David J. Barnes, Permanent Deacon
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OFFICE STAFF:

Margaret Creveling, Bookkeeper
Anne Brennan, Parish Secretary
Phuong Tran, Maintenance

MINISTRY STAFF:

Maureen Curtis, Religious Education Director
Megan Weeks, Music Director
Allison Freeman, Accompanist

PARISH E-NOTES:

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

PARISH WEB SITE:

www.stedwardbowie.org

MASSES FOR THE HOME BOUND:

TheSundayMass.org

MASSES:

Saturday Vigil – 5:30 P.M.
Sunday – 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 A.M.
1:30 P.M.—3rd Sunday Filipino Mass
Monday, Wednesday, Friday - 8:45 A.M.
Tuesday, Thursday - 7:30 P.M.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):

Saturday: 4:00 - 5:00 P.M. & by appointment

INFANT SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

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

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

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

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Call Fr. Scott 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	Greg & Sarah Portner (liv)
Sun.	7:30 am	Bruna Lewis+
	9:30 am	Guillermo Alessandri+
	11:30am	Siobhan McNicholas+
Mon.	8:45 am	James Leary+
Tues.	7:30 pm	Juliana Fritz+
Wed.	8:45 am	George Bibbins+
Thu.	7:30 pm	Magdalena Sinagub+
Fri.	8:45am	George Stanley Brandes+
Sat.	5:30 pm	John & Julia Horvath+

PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS:

Johanna Palmer, Bob Reynolds, Fran Blasko, Theresa Brice, Barbara Fitzerka, Anthony Colbert, Perla Alega, Lourdes Flaim, Pat Welch, Dominic Vicino, Florence Zook, George Vincent, Lorraine Washington.

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Ann Gray, Barry Hobart, Cindy Sowada, Teresa Fraser, Louise Hooven, Rosemarie Quezada, Maria Xiques, Steve Giant, Marjorie Porter, Dick Bradie, Anna Marie Smith, Nicholas Barrett, Susan Zinampan, John Keys, Joni Seith, Drew Snapkowski, Susan Borshel, Phylis McNamara, Luis Miranda, Chadwick Poppe, Delores McCarthy, Sandy Capps, Richard Kuntz, Dorothy Sedwick, Cheryl Henretty, Jack Connors, Don DeSilva, Terese Welch, James Scaldaferrri, Denise Townes, Penny Droski.

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK OR THOSE 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 offered, by request.

PRAYERS FOR OUR BELOVED DEAD:

Rosemary Walsh, Ambrose Loftus

Eternal Rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND SHUT-INS

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

ST. EDWARD'S EVENTS

Sat.	Jun. 2	Philippine Independence Day Festival 10:30am-5:00pm
Sun.	Jun. 3	Youth Group-7pm-9pm—Hall
Sat.	Jun. 9	Live Christ-Share Christ-Seminar 9:00am-5:00pm

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Registration for Religious Education classes (CCD) for the 2018-19 school year has begun. All families must re-register every year.

If your child was registered during the 2017-18 school year, the registration period will end on June 24; a late fee will apply if you register after this date. Registration instructions and forms can be found in the hall in the classroom area or on the parish website: www.stedwardbowie.org.

All children who do not attend Catholic school should participate in the Religious Education program. Students are prepared for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation within the program. Please contact Maureen Curtis at (301) 249-9199 or e-mail at mcurtis@stedwardbowie.org

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

High School students who are behind in their Sacraments or are looking to learn more about their faith are invited to join R.C.I.Y.A. that focuses on

their journey with a group made up of their peers. If interested, please call Fr. Scott at (301) 249-9199.



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. Scott at (301) 249-9199.



**From the Desk of
Rev.
Scott Holmer....**

This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of Corpus Christi where we celebrate the fact that the Eucharist is the true Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.

When Jesus' physical Body ascended into Heaven, He did not abandon us. He left us His Body and Blood in the Eucharist as His

sacramental presence.

Sacramental presence means that the bread and the wine used at Mass still appear to be bread and wine and yet they have substantially changed into the Body and Blood of Christ. Just as eyes of mere flesh and blood could not reveal to the people of Jesus' day that Jesus was divine, so also eyes of mere flesh and blood cannot recognize the difference between the Sacramental Body of Christ and an ordinary piece of unleavened bread. Growth in our awareness and understanding of Jesus' Real Presence in the Eucharist requires faith infused into us by the Holy Spirit.

However, we can cultivate more faith by practicing it more. For example, a practiced electrician can see meaning in a maze of wires. A practiced mechanic can look under the hood of a car and be aware of how things work. A practiced Catholic develops the ability to recognize Jesus' sacramental presence by seeing with their hearts beyond what appears to their eyes to be mere bread and wine. As we practice our faith, we begin to see more and more that the Eucharist is the source and summit of our lives as Catholics. It is that which connects our Church in Heaven, Earth and Purgatory. We begin to realize that God has never left us, when we recognize Jesus' presence in the Eucharist.

God bless,
Fr. Scott

**ATTENTION CHRIST-
MAS MARKET
CRAFTERS.....**



We will start the Craft Workshops on Thursday, June 7th, at 6:30 in classroom 6. Bring your ideas and enthusiasm. Everyone is welcome. Looking for a co-chair as well. Call Sandy for more information at 443.292.8400.

PARISH SUPPORT:

Last week's Offertory: \$8,952.00

Our weekly Offertory goal is \$9,000.00.

The previous 3 week Sunday Collections were: \$8,701.00, \$9,741.00, \$14,438.00.

BOWIE FOOD PANTRY

St. Edward's Community Outreach (formally St. Vincent de Paul) will be collecting during the month of June, Healthy Snacks for the Bowie Food Pantry. They provide healthy snacks to area children during the month of July. Because of summer vacation, children in the school breakfast and lunch program do not receive these meals. We will collect individual non-perishable milk boxes (horizon), juice boxes 100% juice, 1 oz. boxes of raisins, and 1 serving size cereals. Please place in the plastic bins at the entrances.



HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS:

Join your fellow parishioners in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at the "**Holy Hour for the intentions of the Ordinandi**" and an **increase in Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life on June 8th from 9:30am-10:30am.**

Unite with parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Washington as we anticipate the Ordination of our Priests on June 16! This year's Ordinandi:

**Deacon Oscar Astigarraga
Deacon Andrew Clyne
Deacon Kevin Fields**

Every vocation, every path to which Christ calls us, ultimately leads to fulfillment and happiness, because it leads to God, to sharing in God's own life." – Pope John Paul II