

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, Pastor
Deacon David J. Barnes, Permanent Deacon
Angela Cipolla, Pastoral Assistant

OFFICE STAFF:

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

MINISTRY STAFF:

Maureen Curtis, Religious Education Director
Karen Italiano, Youth Minister
Megan Weeks, Music Director

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.com

MASSES FOR THE HOME BOUND:

TheSundayMass.org

MASSES:

Saturday Vigil – 5:30 P.M.
Sunday – 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 A.M.
Monday, Wednesday, Friday - 8:45 A.M.
Tuesday, Thursday - 7:30 P.M.

HOLY HOUR: First Friday—9:30 A.M.-10:30 A.M.
Saturdays in Advent 4:00-5:00 P.M.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):

Saturday: 4:00 - 5:00 P.M. & by appointment
Wednesdays in Advent: 7:00-8:00 P.M.

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.

ST. EDWARD THE CONFESSOR, BOWIE, MD 20716

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat.	5:30 pm	Dominic Vicino+
Sun.	7:30 am	George Bibbins+
	9:30 am	Henry G. Ingber+
	11:30 am	Denise Townes (liv.)
Mon.	8:45 am	Marie Gehring (liv.)
Tues.	7:30 pm	Mike Miller+
Wed.	8:45 am	George Bibbins+
Thu.	7:30 pm	Veronica & Ralph Ballentine+
Fri.	8:45 am	Mary Brennan (liv.)
	7:30 pm	Pearl Kaplan+ (IC)
Sat.	10:00 am	Alan Kennedy+ (IC)
	5:30 pm	George Bibbins+

PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS:

Johanna Palmer, Bob Reynolds, Fran Blasko, Theresa Brice, Barbara Fitzurka, Anthony Colbert, Perla Alega, Lourdes Flaim, Pat Welch, Florence Zook, Lorraine Washington, Octavia Blake, Peggy Brown, Mary Ann Boyer, Pat Barry, Kathy Loos, Rosemarie Jamison, Theresa Surette.

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Ann Gray, Cindy Sowada, Teresa Fraser, Louise Hooven, Rosemarie Quezada, Maria Xiques, Steve Giant, Marjorie Porter, Dick Bradie, Nicholas Barrett, Susan Zinampan, John Keys, Joni Seith, Drew Snapkowski, Phylis McNamara, Luis Miranda, Chadwick Poppe, Dolores McCarthy, Sandy Capps, Richard Kuntz, Valerie Seppi Sedwick, Cheryl Henretty, Jack Connors, Don DeSilva, Terese Welch, James Scaldaferrri, Denise Townes, Penny Droski, Mike Sullivan, Patty Byrne, Joe Brynes, Christine Leacock, Christine Branche, Rhonda Jackson, Gladys Boluda, Bobby Ose, Jimmy Tomasetti, Connor Keys, Edith Sullivan., Rachel Wills, Stephen Terhune, Tim Seppi, Mary DePaul, Vicky and Al Ose.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception celebrates the solemn belief in the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Please join us to celebrate Mass, Friday, December 7th, at 7:30pm (Vigil), Saturday, December 8th, at 10:00am.

This is a Holy Day of Obligation.



ST. EDWARD'S EVENTS

Sun.	Dec. 2	Donut Sunday-after all Masses CCD-Pre-K During the 9:30am Mass-hall Children's Liturgy-9:30am Mass RCIA-10:30am-12:00pm-office Youth Group -6:30pm -hall
Mon.	Dec. 3	Youth Choir Rehearsals 7:30-9:30pm
Tue.	Dec. 4	CCD—K-5 4:15-5:30pm CCD-CL1-CL3 6:30-8:00pm
Wed.	Dec. 5	CCD-RCIC 5:30-6:30pm CCD-K-5 6:30-7:45pm Children's Choir 5:30-6:30pm Adult Choir 7:30pm
Fri.	Dec. 7	Feast of the Immaculate Conception Vigil Mass 7:30pm
Sat.	Dec. 8	Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass 10:00 am Handmaid of the Lord Musical Presentation 7:30 pm

thank you!

Many thanks for the successful Thanksgiving Basket Drive. Thank you to all who donated food items, turkey money, preparation of baskets, picking up turkeys and delivering the baskets to the schools.

We are most grateful for your kindness.

SIMBANG GABI 2018

St. Edward's will host 3 nights of this 9 day Advent Novena Mass, December 15th, 16th and 17th.
7:00pm Rosary
7:30pm Holy Mass. See the flyer in next week's bulletin for information.



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT—DECEMBER 2, 2018



From the Desk of Rev. Scott Holmer

Advent begins with a command to be watchful - to be alert. What

does it mean to be an alert person?

The opposite of an alert person is a distracted person. It isn't that the distracted person isn't paying attention. It is that he or she is paying attention to the wrong things.

Unfortunately, we live in an age of distraction. We get distracted by our smart phones, our televisions, our computers - by anything with a screen. We even get distracted by our own thoughts running through our heads. Many have forgotten what we human beings should be trying to pay attention to in the first place.

Advent reminds us that we are supposed to pay attention to what God is doing or is going to do in our world. The only way we can become aware of the presence of God is to become silent. Our God comes to us very gently at Christmas on a silent night. We can miss Him if our hearts are not silent. We will miss Him if we do not take the silence of Advent to heart.

In our age, Jesus comes to us silently in the Eucharist. We will be having Eucharistic Adoration every Saturday afternoon in Advent from 4pm-5pm during confession. If you desire a silent heart, a heart that is sensitive to the presence of God in our world, come and spend some time with Jesus in Adoration. God bless,
Fr. Scott

THE ST. EDWARD'S MUSIC MINISTRY PRESENTS

"The Handmaid of the Lord"

A Musical Meditation
Saturday, December
8th, 2018 at 7:30pm
in the church.



Free will donations to help with the new roof.

PARISH SUPPORT:

Last week's Offertory: \$7,760.00.

Our weekly Offertory goal is \$9,000.00.

The previous 3 week Sunday Collections were:
\$8,889.00, \$10,781.00, \$14,905.00.

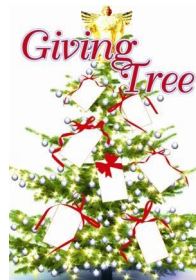
NEEDED: ALTAR SERVERS FOR ALL MASSES

Please contact the office 301-249-9199 or office@stedwardbowie.com. Training is available. Fourth grade (having received First Holy Communion) and up are eligible. Adults, too! Service hours can be used for this ministry.

MINISTRY OF THE MONTH

GIVING TREE

Our annual Giving Tree is ready to bless our community! **Please be sure to record your tag number/name/contact information on the gift list.** Please return wrapped gifts with tags by December 9th at 12:30pm. Please wrap gift cards/small gifts in a larger package or place them in the designated box. Please contact Stacy at bakerinmd@aol.com with any questions or concerns. Thank you



MONTHLY HOUR HOURS FOR OUR PRIESTS AT SACRED HEART

Join us for a Holy Hour for Priests 2nd Wednesday of Every Month 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. Sacred Heart Chapel December 12, 2018 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament " Short Reflection " Silent Prayer

"Our Lord is hidden there in the Blessed Sacrament, waiting for us to come and visit Him, and make our requests to Him." St. John Vianney Patron Saint of All

YOUTH GROUP HAPPENINGS!!!!!!

All those in High School are welcome to join us on Sunday, December 2nd, from 6:30-8:30pm in the hall for our **"Technology in Our Lives"** & Confession available **Bring your favorite sweet cereal to share!**

