

Fifth Sunday of Easter – May 9/10, 2020

Your Mass Intentions will be offered & prayed for at the private Masses of Father Steny & Father Cannio

MASS INTENTIONS

MON. 11 at 7:30am:	Spec. Intention St. Edmund Parishioners
9:00am:	Spec. Intention Maritke Peters by Roger & Pat LaBreche
TUES. 12 at 7:30am:	Spec. Intention Ethan Geue by Barbara Stuart
9:00am:	Spec. Intention St. Edmund Parishioners by Zofia Bronowska
WED. 13 at 7:30am:	+Repose Joan Campbell by Chris Campbell
9:00am:	Spec. Intention Zofia Bronowska by Marie & Curtis Dayton
THURS. 14 at 7:30am:	+Repose Lincoln Willoughby Tyson by STA Staff & Students
9:00am:	Spec. Intention Fr. Comey (50 th Ann. Of Ordination) by J. Richmond
FRI. 15 at 7:30am:	Spec. Intention Barbara Stuart by Elizabeth Wong
9:00am:	No Intention
SAT. 16 at 9:00am:	+Repose John Michniewicz by Zofia Bronowska
4:30pm:	Spec. Intention by G.M.C.
SUN. 17 at 8:00am:	+Repose Giuseppe Pontillo by wife Marie Libera & family
at 9:30am:	+Repose Mariangelo Cusano by wife Pasqualina
at 11:00am:	+Repose Marisa Bueno & Angela Olaso by Elisa & John Bueno

Happy 
Mother's Day

Dear Brothers and Sisters, today we thank our mothers, pray for them, honor them by celebrating Mother's Day and by offering our mothers, our prayers on the altar of God for the Sacrifice they made for us to be what we are today.

The origin of "Mother's Day": Anna M. Jarvis (1864-1948), first suggested the national observance of an annual day honoring all mothers because she had loved her own mother so dearly. At a memorial service for her mother on May 10, 1908, Miss Jarvis gave a carnation (her mother's favorite flower), to each person who attended. Within the next few years, the idea of a day to honor mothers gained popularity, and Mother's Day was observed in several large cities in the U.S. On May 9, 1914, by an act of Congress, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day. Eventually the Mother's Day was celebrated in various countries. It was established for the public expression of our love and reverence for our mothers.

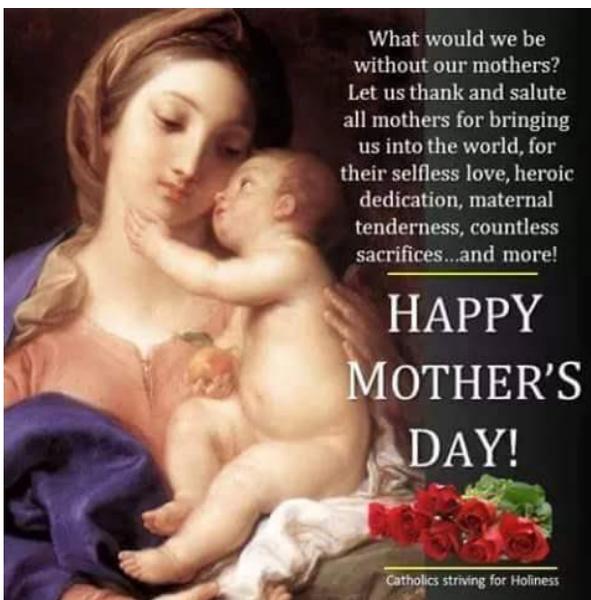
Proverbs 31:10-31 presents us with God's description and estimation of what a godly wife and mother looks like.

The role of mothers in our lives: This is a day to admit gratefully the fact that none of us is able to return, in the same measure, all the love that our mothers have given us. Their influence on their children is so great that it affects the children throughout their lives. Our mothers not only gave us birth but nursed us, nurtured us, trained us in their religious beliefs and practices, taught us good manners and ideal behavior, disciplined us as best as they could, and made us good citizens of our country, our Church, and our society. There is a beautiful Spanish proverb: "An ounce of mother is better than a pound of clergy." Hence, it is highly proper for us to express our love and gratitude to our mothers by our presence (not possible this strange year), gifts, and prayers on Mother's Day. Me and Fr Cannio along with you, offer the Eucharistic celebration on Mother's Day for all the mothers in our Parish Community, whether they are alive here or have gone for their eternal reward. The word "mom" is synonymous with sacrificial, agápe love in its purest form, as commanded by Jesus in his farewell speech: "Love one another as I have loved you." Hence, let

us lavish our love on our mothers and express our gratitude for them in the form of fervent prayers offered for them before God.

Dear brothers and sisters let us remember that a Christian has two mothers. our earthly mother and our Heavenly Mother, the Mother of Jesus. The Catholic Church proclaims the great nobility of the Mother of Jesus, Mary most holy, and presents her as the supreme model for all mothers. On this Mother's Day, presenting all mothers on the altar, let us sing the beautiful song we sing on the Feast of the Presentation, "Gentle woman, peaceful dove, teach us wisdom, teach us love." Let us show our love and appreciation for both of our mothers and let us ask our Heavenly Mother to take care of our earthly mothers. We need to be persons for others, sacrificing out time, talents, and lives for them as our mothers are.

A teacher asked a boy this question: "Suppose your mother baked a pie and there were seven of you, your parents and five children. What part of the pie would you get?" "A sixth," replied



the boy. "I'm afraid you don't know your fractions," said the teacher. "Remember, there are seven of you." "Yes, teacher," said the boy, "but you don't know my mother. Mother would say she didn't want any pie." Dear brothers and sisters, that was my Mother whom I miss a lot. What about your Mother?

I, with Fr Cannio, Staff wish you MOTHERS
(M - Motherhood, O - Optimism, T - Truthful, H - Humility, E - Encouragement, R - Right Path)

Happy Mothers Day.

May the Lord Bless you all.

What is St. Edmund's doing to help us stay connected during the COVID-19?

We want to honor your connection to spiritual community as much as possible with the resources we have available. At this point in time we have the benefit of technology to remain socially connected while social distancing. In an effort to support you in your spiritual journey during this time, we will offer a variety of prayerful touchpoints through the days and weeks ahead. Join us as we connect with each other and our community. We will most actively be using our website <http://www.stedmundsparish.ca> along with updating and contacting you on emails and phone calls.

Am I allowed to go to the Church to pray?

St. Edmund's Church will be opened during the day for quiet prayer at the request. Unfortunately, participation in the liturgy in person is unavailable, however we encourage you to watch the Mass on TV and participate in prayer from home. Please exercise social distancing if you choose to pray at church. Limit contact with surfaces and maintain six to ten-foot distance from others (as hard as that is).

How can I stay connected to St. Edmund's during this time of social distancing?

We would love to utilize this time to connect with parishioners. If you would be interested in making phone calls or writing letters to parishioners, please contact the office at st.edmunds@shaw.ca.

Is confession still available?

Confession will still be offered. Call the office at 604 988 3211 for more details.

Contact the office if you need any kind of help. We are here to assist you.

Private Masses celebrated by Fr Steny and Fr Cannio at St. Edmunds are:

Weekday Masses are at 9:00am

If any of you wants to come and pray personally in the Church, please give a call to the office and let us know so that we can open the Church for you.

Dear parishioners,
Did you know...

- ...there are now 47 parishes offering online streaming of Mass?
- ...some priests are hearing drive-thru confessions and are leading Eucharistic Adoration in parish parking lots?
- ...priests continue to minister to the sick and the dying in hospitals?
- ...under their guidance, faith formation – including RCIA, PREP, youth events, young adult prayer groups and public talks – continues to be vibrant?

Today we will not be in our parishes, but still have the opportunity to show support for our future priests by visiting vocationsvancouver.ca/give. You can also drop off your envelope to parish office.

Your gift to the Second Collection for Vocations helps:

- promote a culture of vocations in the Archdiocese
- provide accompaniment to those discerning the priesthood and the consecrated life
- fund the formation and education of seminarians in training for the priesthood.

In brief, your gift will contribute to having more priests in the Archdiocese of Vancouver, and we are grateful for your support.

Thanks to a generous individual donor, all donations until May 10 will be matched dollar for dollar up to our goal amount. This is an incredible opportunity to provide a large boost to the work of Vocations in our Archdiocese.

Please visit vocationsvancouver.ca/give to participate. You can also drop off your envelope to parish office. Thank you for continuing to support the growth of vocations in our Archdiocese.

PLEASE NOTE NO MASSES UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE
PARISH OFFICE SERVICES ONLY AVAILABLE BY EMAIL OR PHONE

Office hours: Mondays & Wednesdays – 9am – 1pm & Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays 9am – 5pm

ALL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETINGS ARE CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE!

STA NEWS

- Instruction continues for students at STA plus weekly Virtual Mass on Thursday in the school chapel.
- Student registration is nearly complete. Students are finishing their course selections & the new incoming grade 8 students will be welcomed to the school next Tuesday, May 12 on-line.
- Vice-Principal, Mr. C. Campbell, will be retiring from his position as VP as well as from his teaching post. He will return in a support role for the school with details to be determined later.
- Also leaving is Barbara Dougan, office manager. Barbara has been at STA for over 20 years & her enthusiastic attitude along with her British sense of candor, sense of humour & all things proper will not only be missed but will leave a massive void in the office.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO MEDITATORS

Finally, we are getting organized in this new routine, dear Meditators!!! Just in case we have this popular section one more time "Housekeeping": I will be online about 20/25 minutes before 7:00 PM to receive participants. If you have problems please call to my cell, but not beyond 6:55 PM – 604 789 7625. If you are in iPhone or MAC computer, please discuss with JoAnn Primeau 607 987 8556.

If you are on a PC or Android phone or a land line, please contact me during the day at my cell 604 789 7625.

CONVALIDATION OF MARRIAGE

If you have been civilly married (not in Church) & would like to convalidate your marriage, please contact either Father Steny or the Parish Office by phone or email.

BAPTISM BIB EMBROIDERY

We need help with simple hand embroidery on our baptism bibs. Please contact the Parish Office.



***HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY AND BLESSINGS
TO ALL MOTHERS EVERYWHERE***

FROM FATHER STENY & FATHER CANNIO

Pre-Authorized Giving Plan

St. Edmund's Parish, 545 Mahon Avenue, North Vancouver, BC – V7M 2R7

Phone: 604-988-3211/Email: st.edmunds@shaw.ca/Website: stedmundsparish.ca/

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING PLAN
For Monthly Offertory Contributions

If you wish to make your Sunday offertory contribution through automatic monthly bank withdrawals, please complete the form below and note:

- the amount you authorize will be deducted from your bank account **on the 30th of each month**. This regular monthly amount covers Sunday Offertory donation only.
- To make changes at any time, please call the Parish Office at 604-988-3211

Follow the steps below to calculate and authorize your monthly donation:

CALCULATING YOUR MONTHLY PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

To help determine the amount of one's monthly contribution, multiply your weekly offering by the 52 weeks in a year, then divide this annual contribution by 12. Examples are provided below:

Weekly Offering	Monthly Offering	Weekly Offering	Monthly Offering
\$10/week (\$520/year)	\$43 per month	\$40/week (\$2,080/year)	\$173 per month
\$20/week (\$1,040/year)	\$86 per month	\$50/week (\$2,600/year)	\$216 per month

Note that the amounts above are provided only as examples. Our hope is that Parishioners will contribute an offering that is meaningful, sacrificial, and that honours the abundance with which the Lord has blessed each of us.

AUTHORIZATION FORM

I/we hereby authorize St. Edmund's Parish to debit my/our account **each month on the 30th** as allocated below.

I/we hereby change my/our monthly donation as allocated below:

Offering \$ _____

→ **Please note** that based on the fees associated with offering pre-authorized giving, a \$25 monthly offering is the minimum that can be processed through this method of giving

ACCOUNT HOLDER/S INFORMATION:

Name/s: _____ (please print)

ADDRESS: _____

Phone/s: _____

Envelope #: _____ Payment Start Date: _____

OFFERTORY DONATION FOR NORMAL OPERATIONS OF THE PARISH:

I wish to donate \$ _____ on a **monthly basis on the 30th** for normal operations of the Parish

AUTHORIZATION:

I/We acknowledge that the Authorization is provided for the benefit of the Parish and the "Processing Institution" and is provided in Consideration of Processing Institution agreeing to process debits ("PADs") against the Account with Processing Institution in accordance with the Rules of the Canadian Payments Association.

By signing this Authorization, the family acknowledges having received and having read a copy of this Agreement, and agrees to be bound by the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

I/We warrant and guarantee that the person/s whose signature/s are required to sign on the Account have signed the Authorization.

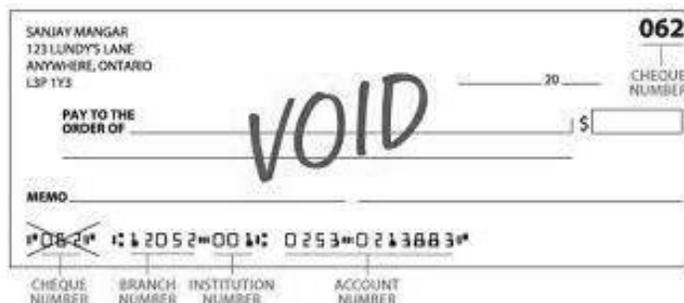
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Return this form to the Parish Office or place it in the Sunday collection basket in a sealed envelope address to the "Parish Secretary – Confidential", plus attach a **blank VOID cheque and/or provide the following information:**

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