



Good Teacher Area Faith Community St. Edward & St. Eloi Catholic Church



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Sunday, September 22, 2024

The Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Monday, September 23

7:30 am Convent Mass (Presider's Intention)

Tuesday, September 24

No Convent Mass

3:00 pm Mass at Madison Ave. (Albert & Margaret Callens)

6:30 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting

Wednesday, September 25 – Office Closed

10:30 am Mass at St. Edward Gr. 1 & 2 (Francis Rabaey)

• 10:00 am Confession before Mass

No Convent Mass

5:30 – 6:30 pm Religious Ed for Grades 1 – 5

6:30 – 7:30 pm Religious Ed for Grades 6 – 11

6:30 pm Women's Bible Study – church basement

8:00 – 9:00 pm Youth Bible Study – Knights' Hall

Thursday, September 26

7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Frank & Mary Jerzak)

• 6:30 am Confession before Mass

No Convent Mass

5:00 – 7:00 pm Adoration at St. Edward

Friday, September 27

5:45 am That Man Is You

7:00 am Mass at St. Edward

(Barb Wenker, David, George & Bertha DeVlaeminck)

No Convent Mass

Saturday, September 28

No Convent Mass

5:30 pm Mass at St. Edward (For the People)

• 4:45 pm Confession before Mass

Sunday, September 29

8:30 am Mass at St. Edward (Marian Hoffmann)

• 8:00 am Confession before Mass

10:30 am Mass at St. Eloi (Rustin Gorecki)

• 10:00 am Confession before Mass

Dear Parishioners,

While the United States Council of Catholic Bishops (the USCCB) designated last week as Catechetical Sunday, because of the festival, we moved it to this weekend.

Special thank you to all Catechists in our School, Religious Education program and Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. We remember that parents are the first teachers of their children in the ways of faith, and our catechists are there to assist them. Our programs supplement what is being taught at home.

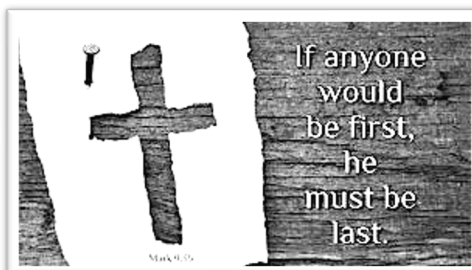
This might just seem like words, but it is a reality that is challenging and inspiring. If the child is being taught how to pray at home primarily by the witness of it, if Mass attendance is the most important thing a family does on a weekend, and only sickness or bad weather prevents attendance, Religious Education has much of a skeleton to hang the teachings on. Without the faith taught at home, there is little. While not impossible, it is difficult for a child who attends Mass rarely or does not pray as a family or participate in discussion of matters of faith and morals at home. Religious Education becomes just one of many topics and might be seen as only a niche area.

Perhaps an analogy is in order – trigonometry is a wonderful topic and field, but for most of us, how often do we use it in our day to day lives? Our faith can be seen as much the same – fine for those who use it, but not a necessary thing. However, when we recognize that our faith is more than data, that it is about living in relationship with the God who created us and holds us in being, the God who sent His Son to suffer and die for us to save us from sin and give us eternal life, the God who longs to dwell in us, we see that faith as vital and necessary. Our catechists can only be a small witness to that reality of the love of God, but a necessary one.

Perhaps it is me, but I thank God for the witness of my Mom and her parents who reminded me time and again the meaning of the faith. I find myself thanking God, too, for the DRE and catechists who assisted her in passing the faith on. Because of this, I thank God for Corissa and the catechists here who are doing the same for our students.

That said, we are in need of catechists and substitutes. While not an easy task, the materials provided are excellent and we learn often better by teaching. What is required most is an open heart to help our youth encounter Jesus. Please prayerfully consider being a catechist – if you can find a partner to co-teach, that might be a great aid to you.

In Christ,
Fr. Todd



Eucharistic Revival Information

REFLECTION ~ Think about this ...

If we accept Jesus' true presence in the Eucharist, we must learn to be reverent. Reverence refers to the honor and respect shown to someone of dignity—and God deserves the highest form. This entails focusing on Christ more than ourselves, on how he wants to be worshipped instead of how it pleases us to worship him. But it is not easy. Our attention span is short, and distractions, problems, and imaginations assail us.

Reverence comes at a cost: that we die to ourselves. It is a great act of love to fight distractions to the best of our abilities. Some Sundays will come easier than others, but what matters is that we try to avoid anything that can dissipate our hearts and minds and render us unprepared to receive him in Holy Communion. It is a worthy battle in which growing complacent would entail a great injustice toward such a loving God.

Believe lest you deceive yourself.

Let us pray.

Lord, you have revealed yourself as the Bread of Life. May the reception of this Sacrament keep us in truth so that all of our actions contribute to your wonderful plan of redemption for humanity. We ask this in your most holy name. Amen.

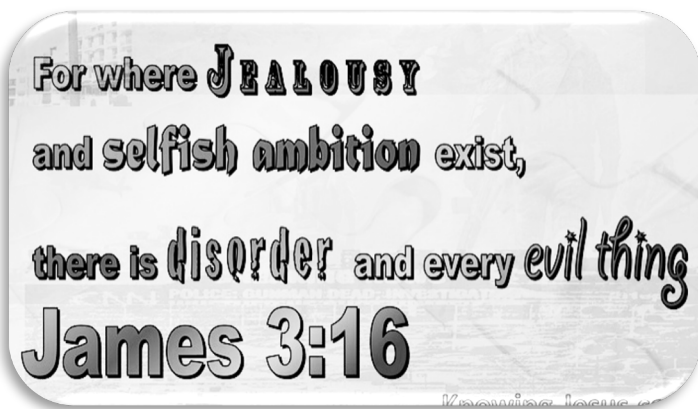
I n t e g r i t y

ST. EDWARD SCHOOL NEWS

Principal: Jaci Garvey Secretary: Trudy Banks
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SISTERS OF MARY MORNING STAR

St. Eloi Convent Masses at 12:00 pm (Noon)
 Call 428.3919 to double-check Mass time.
 Vespers: 5:45 pm (Monday – Friday) 6:00 pm (Sunday)
 Adoration: 6:15 – 8:15 pm (Monday – Thursday)
 6:15 – 7:30 pm (Friday) Rosary: 7:15 pm (Friday)
 Eucharistic Adoration: 5:00 – 8:15 pm (Sunday)



ST. ELOI

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$3,165.00	\$2,110.00	\$1,055.00
Loose plate	\$2,130.00	\$146.00	\$1,984.00
Commodity	\$		
Year-to-Date	\$27,743.00	\$25,748.00	\$1,995.00

ST. ELOI LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday, September 29 – 10:30 am

Sacristan: Darla Timmerman

Servers: Gregory Rabaey, Tyler Welsh

Lector: Karla Engels

Musicians: John Rabaey Family

Offertory Gifts: Steve & Missy Hennen

Eucharistic Ministers: Ron Sussner, Corissa Van Keulen

Ushers: Gary Crowley, Corey Kack, Mark Nelson

ST. EDWARD

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$2,029.00	\$4,830.00	(\$2,801.00)
Loose plate	\$143.00	\$154.00	(\$11.00)
Online Giving	\$851.00	*Added to the adult envelope total	
Commodity			
Year-to-Date	\$42,760.00	\$62,119.00	(\$19,359.00)

ST. EDWARD LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 28 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Claren Novotny

Servers: Elena, Sam, & Charlie Myhre

Lector: Nate Welsh

Eucharistic Ministers: Margrit Rabaey

Ushers: Jackie Laleman, Bruce & Cindy Novotny, Scott Thoof

Sunday, September 29 – 8:30 am

Sacristan: Terry Van Keulen

Servers: Naomi & Declan Evjen, Elizabeth Garvey

Lector: Kevin Swedzinski

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Myhre

Ushers: Rick Bot, Joe Callens, John Sumerfelt

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR PARISH ...

PRAYER REQUESTS & PETITIONS

Please pray that God will restore the health and spirits of the following people. Ask God to draw near to them and let them feel His gracious presence.

- ★ Ann Abraham
- ★ Brent & Lori Buysse
- ★ Kay Drown
- ★ Jeremy Koelar
- ★ Etien Laleman
- ★ Bernie Moorse
- ★ Grace Rabaey

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Did you hear that—you have just been called to teach Religious Education. If you are being called to *serve your children & parish we need you. Religious Education year started September 18, 2024.*

We need a catechist for 4th grade. And, there is a need for substitutes available to teach as well. To teach you must be over 18 years of age & VIRTUS trained. VIRTUS training locations & dates are posted on dnu.org site.

To answer this call to serve contact RE Director Corissa Van Keulen at www.goodteacherafcre@hotmail.com

SCHOENSTATT GIRLS' GROUP

The Schoenstatt Girls' Group is starting Monday, September 30! Do you want to learn more about God and Mary? Sign up now! The monthly meeting is for girls ages 6 – 18. It is held the last Monday of each month from 3:00 – 4:30 pm at the Knights' Hall.

The Schoenstatt Girls' Group includes games, crafts, and songs; they provide an opportunity for girls to grow in their faith and their love for God and Mary and to share this experience with other girls their age.

For more information or to register for the Schoenstatt Girls Group, please contact Jean Callens at 507.828.3472 or jcallens91@aol.com.

There will be a bus that travels from the Minneota Public School to St Edward School each day after school. If you would like to take advantage of this travel opportunity, please contact St. Edward School at 507.872.6391 or Jean Callens.

Join us to start a new year of Schoenstatt!!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE TRAINING FOR CGS

As you may know, we will be hosting a training at St. Edward's for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd over MEA weekend (October 18-20). We are looking for help with meals and snacks for those attending.

Many hands make light work so I have broken up everything needed into small chunks. Feel free to sign up for one or several things.

We need people to help by donating food items and/or setting out food & cleaning up in the Knights' Hall. Work shifts shouldn't last much more than an hour and a half.

Here is the signup genius. Email or call Teresa Myhre (507.828.2637) with questions.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0F44A9A82CA6FA7-51230296-cgstraining>

RAFFLE TICKETS

Once again there will be a cash raffle this year with weekly drawings throughout the year.

Tickets will cost \$50 with a limited number available (400). You may buy one or more tickets. If your ticket is drawn for a particular Sunday, it will be placed back in the drawing for an opportunity to win more than once.

Each weekend the winner will be announced in the bulletin. The winnings will be \$100 per week with special winnings on Christmas and Easter of \$1,000 and \$250 on Mother's and Father's Day.

Tickets will be on sale at the SCRIP table after Mass each week as well as at the church office through November 17. The first drawing will be Sunday, November 24.

Let's make this raffle a huge success!

THAT MAN IS YOU

That Man Is You (TMiy) men's program has begun as of Friday, September 13. There will be a light breakfast at 5:45 am with a video at 6:00 am; discussion at 6:30 am; and Mass at 7:00 am.

This year's program is the start of season 6. All men are welcome and invited to join us to better understand our faith and how we can live it more fully.

Contact Joe Garvey for more information.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY STARTED SEPTEMBER 18

The Women's Bible Study will be started this past Wednesday. It is entitled *Keeping in Balance*.

Try *Keeping in Balance* if you...

- ✓ Are tired of projecting an image of "perfect"
- ✓ Have trouble making God your highest priority
- ✓ Can't find enough time to give to loved ones
- ✓ Have unrealistic expectations of yourself and others
- ✓ Need help setting healthy boundaries

It will be held at 6:30 pm in the church basement. Please use the following link to order your book [Keeping in Balance Bible Study – Walking with Purpose](#).

Please let Stacie (507.530.6748) or Lisa (605.391.2758) know if you are going to attend.

ST. ELOI PARISH

There is need for a 1,000 gallon propane tank for the church. If you have one that you don't need, please call Ron Sussner – 507.828.1115. Thank you.

SUNDAY FIRE

Sunday FIRE for 2024-25 will start on November 10, 9:30 – 10:30 am and will meet in the Knights' Hall.

We will be studying a series from FORMED.org titled, "Lectio: Eucharist: Discovering the Mass through the Bible."

YEAR OF WINNING

Week 44 – Congratulations! The winner is ... Ron Sussner



HAPPENINGS in our Diocese & Beyond ...

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION – SEPTEMBER

For The Cry of the Earth ~

Let us pray that each of us listens with our hearts to the cry of the Earth and of the victims of environmental disasters and the climate crisis, making a personal commitment to care for the world we inhabit.

<https://www.daily-prayers.org/popes-monthly-intentions/pope-francis-2024-monthly-intentions/>

AREA FALL FESTIVALS

Wabasso, Church of St. Anne ~ Sunday, September 29

Turkey dinner with all the trimmings

(Homemade Apple & Pumpkin Pie)

11:00 am – 1:00 pm Dine-In & Take-Out Dinners

Adults - \$15; Kids (4-11) - \$8; Kids (3 & under) – Free

Take-outs - \$15 Call 507.828.4808

WOMEN'S EMMAUS RETREAT – October 11-13

This retreat is for all women. It will be held from Friday evening to Sunday afternoon at the Lake Shetek Retreat Center. It costs \$150 which includes all meals.

To register, contact Lisa Meyer 865.4616 or visit www.holy-redeemer.com, Education tab, Adult Programs, then Emmaus.

**There is nothing in this
world that can ever change
my love for you.
~ God**

VALUES SHOWING INTEGRITY

C S M T H O U G H T F U L P D M A
E F Q D S F O K X F R Z R R X S L
L K B S V U N D E R S T A N D Y M
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SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

Baptism, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick, Becoming Catholic Call the church office: 507.872.6346

Eucharist to Shut-ins:

St. Eloi – Sandy Nuytten 507.829.9690
St. Edward – **October 5** Janell Laleman 507.828.9351
(Eucharist for the shut-ins will be every other week.)

Baptism Prep: To set up a baptism date, call Caren at the office. Check the church website for Godparent requirements.

RCIA: If anyone is interested in joining the Catholic church or learning more about the church, contact Deacon Bruce Bot – 507.828.7012



Responsible	Thoughtful	Understand	Kindness
Helpful	Empathy	Sharing	Respect
Honesty	Loyal	Love	Care

PRAYER CALENDAR FOR VOCATIONS – PRIESTS, DEACONS, & SEMINARIANS

Monday, September 23

Fr. Bernie Steiner
Dcn. Ryan Pope
David Rabaey (Sem.)

Tuesday, September 24

Fr. Tanner Thooft
Fr. Craig Timmerman
Dcn. Barry Reindl
Brent Sundve (Sem.)

Wednesday, September 25

Fr. Paul Timmerman
Fr. Paul van de Crommert
Dcn. Steve Spilman
Noah U'Ren (Sem.)

Thursday, September 26

Fr. Steve Verhelst
Fr. Matt Wiering
Dcn. Mike Thoennes
Matt Wood (Sem.)

Friday, September 27

Fr. Paul Wolf
Dcn. Paul Treinen
David Rabaey (Sem.)
Brent Sundve (Sem.)

Saturday, September 28

Fr. Christian Adike
Dcn. Travis Welsh
Noah U'Ren (Sem.)
Matt Wood (Sem.)

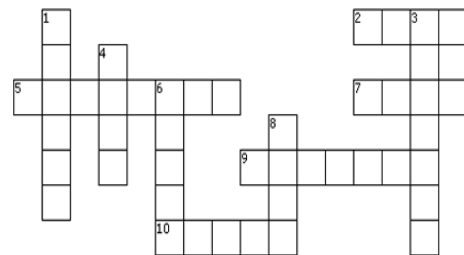
Sunday, September 29

The women religious
In the diocese

*“Then I will give you shepherds
after My own heart, who will feed
you knowledge and
understanding.” Jeremiah 3:15*

The Prayer of Faith

Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective. James 5:16 (NIV)



ACROSS

- To be physically ill
- Having great strength
- To perform songs with your voice
- A time of difficulty or need
- Enjoying pleasure, satisfaction, or joy

DOWN

- To pour oil on someone during a religious ceremony
- To admit that you have sinned
- To make a person well
- To believe and trust in God
- To speak to or make requests to God

trouble	sing	heal	confess	powerful
happy	pray	sick	faith	anoint

Radio Rosary

- Sept. 23: In memory of Vin & Judy Bot & Pam Haukom by their family
Sept. 24: In memory of Jon Guttormsson by his family
Sept. 25: In memory of Clarence & Margie Lipinski by their family
Sept. 26: In memory of Ron Van Keulen by Michael & Lorraine Weverka
Sept. 27: In memory of Vin & Judy Bot & Pam Haukom by their family
Sept. 28: In memory of Jon Guttormsson by Jack & Terry Hennen
Sept. 29: In memory of Sylvester Gawarecki by Michael & Lorraine Weverka

To schedule a radio rosary, send intentions to
Radio Rosary, 2787 Cty Rd 24, Cottonwood, MN 56229 OR
call Karla at 507.828.0397 or Coreen at 507.531.7348.