



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



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Sunday, April 19, 2026 The Third Sunday of Easter

“Credo videre bona domini in terra viventium”

“I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living. Psalm 27:13

Alleluia. Christ is Risen!
The Lord is risen indeed.
Alleluia!

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Monday, April 20

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Presider’s Intention)

Tuesday, April 21

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Orville & Marge Hennen)

2:30 pm Mass at the Apartments

(Anthony Callens, living & deceased family)

6:00 pm Education Committee Meeting

7:30 pm St. Edward Finance Council Meeting

Wednesday, April 22

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Donata DeBruyckere)

10:30 am Mass at St. Edward Gr. 5/6 (Joe & Blanche Brewers)

• 10:00 am Confession before Mass

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

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

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

Thursday, April 23

7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Souls in purgatory)

12:00 pm Mass at Convent

(Shirley, Frank & Dolores, Richard Sussner)

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

Friday, April 24

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Jack Hennen)

Saturday, April 25

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Julia Claeys)

5:30 pm Mass at St. Edward (Floribert & Claire Hoffmann)

• 4:45 pm Confession before Mass

Sunday, April 26

8:30 am Mass at St. Edward (Eileen Differding)

• 8:00 am Confession before Mass

9:30 am Sunday FIRE – Apologetics with the Deacon

10:30 am Mass at St. Eloi (Marie Hamerlinck & family)

• 10:00 am Confession before Mass

Dear Parishioners,

Next weekend, we will have two special opportunities in our parish.

First, in communion with Bishop Zielinski and several parishes across our diocese, we will offer a Holy Hour of Adoration for peace beginning at 4:00 pm on Saturday, April 25. I will also be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation during this time, as true peace begins in hearts that are reconciled to the Lord. A sign-up sheet will be available to ensure that someone is always present before the Eucharistic Lord.

Second, at all weekend Masses, we will participate in the *Called By Name* program. This initiative is designed to help the Diocese identify young men whom the Lord may be calling to the priesthood. Forms will be available starting this week for you to take home and prayerfully complete. You are invited to name young men whom you believe may have a vocation.

I would also like to encourage an additional step: please speak personally to the young man you are considering. Share with him what you see—those qualities that lead you to believe he might be called.

There are several characteristics that can suggest a possible vocation:

- Prayerfulness and reverence – He is focused and sincere in prayer and at Mass.
- Respect for others – He shows care for his peers, younger children, and deference to elders.
- Joy – A true sign of the Holy Spirit, expressed in a genuine and uplifting spirit.
- Generosity – He willingly gives of his time and talents, whether in serving at Mass or helping others.

The beauty of the *Called By Name* program is not only that it helps identify potential candidates, but also that it reminds us of our shared responsibility to foster vocations—encouraging young men toward the priesthood and young women toward religious life.

Please prayerfully consider your children and grandchildren, your neighbors, and fellow parishioners who may be called to the priesthood. Your invitation does not determine a vocation, but it may plant an important seed.

My hope is that every young man would at least consider the priesthood or religious life, and every young woman would consider religious life—not because all are called to these vocations, but because each person is called to discern God’s will, whether in priesthood, religious life, marriage, or living out their baptismal vocation in the world.

In Christ,
Fr. Todd

ST. EDWARD SCHOOL NEWS

Principal: Jaci Garvey Secretary: Trudy Banks
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 St. Edward School: www.stedscatholicschool.com
 St. Edward School Facebook: St. Edward Catholic School

Tuesday, April 21 – Ditch Cleaning for grades 6 – 8
 Friday, April 24 – Annual Talent Show at 1:00 pm
 All are welcome. There are about 15 student acts.
 Wednesday, May 6 – Spring Concert & Grandparents' Day

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 – Wednesday)
 6:15 – 8:45 pm (Thursday) 6:15 – 7:30 pm (Friday)
 5:00 – 6:00 pm (Sunday)
 Rosary: 7:15 pm (Friday)

ST. ELOI

Weekly	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$935	\$1,923	(\$988)
Loose plate	\$198	\$192	\$6
Commodity	\$1,562		
Easter	\$3,520		
Year-to-Date	\$85,915	\$100,923	(\$15,008)

ST. ELOI LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 26 – 10:30 am

Sacristan: Darla Timmerman
 Servers: Xavier Rabaey, Toby Wambeke
 Lector: Betsy Jo Kack
 Musicians: John Rabaey
 Offertory Gifts: Sandy Nuytten
 Eucharistic Ministers: Sandy Nuytten, Lila Schmidt
 Ushers: Galen Boerboom, Mike DeSutter, Mike Monnet

ST. EDWARD

Weekly	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$2,145	\$6,654	(\$4,509)
Loose plate	\$357	\$192	\$165
Online Giving	\$763	*Added to the adult envelope total	
Commodity	\$		
Easter	\$70		
Year-to-Date	\$272,257	\$280,692	(\$8,435)

ST. EDWARD LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 25 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Cindy Novotny
 Servers: Niara & Stella Gorecki
 Lector: Shannon Gossen
 Eucharistic Ministers: Deb Thooft
 Ushers: Troy DeSmet, Bruce & Cindy Novotny, Chuck Vlaminck

Sunday, April 26 – 8:30 am

Sacristan: Tina Myhre
 Servers: Naomi & Declan Evjen
 Lector: Terry Van Keulen
 Eucharistic Ministers: Shannon Evjen
 Ushers: Rick Bot, Chuck Josephson, John Sumerfelt, Mike Vlaminck

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR PARISH ... WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

Welcome to Sawyer Michael Doom, son of Evan & Tanya.
 Sawyer was born in Sanford Sioux Falls, and will be
 baptized at St. Edward on Sunday, April 29, 2026.
 Sawyer – “You are a child of God, wonderfully made, dearly
 loved, and precious in His sight. Before God made you,
 He knew you.” Psalm 139:13, 14

PRAYER REQUESTS & PETITIONS

Please pray that God will restore the health and spirits of the
 following people.
 If you know anyone who should be added to this list, contact
 Caren at the office.

- ★ Marissa Bauer
- Sister-in-law of Charles Bot
- ★ Mary Coquyt
- ★ Kay Drown
- ★ Francis DeSmet
- ★ Basil Englert
- Lisa Hennen's uncle
- ★ David Fier
- ★ Harper Gravely
- ★ Missy Hennen
- ★ Jeremy Koelar
- ★ Jamie Jelen
- ★ Vincent Laleman
- ★ Julie Noyes
- ★ Doug Sik
- ★ Joanne Sturm
- ★ Madeline Swedzinski
- ★ Tony Traen
- ★ Brenda Vershelde
- ★ Jean Wambeke

SUNDAY FIRE – Adult & Older Teen Faith Formation

By request of our participants, we are excited to offer two
 more classes on April 19 and 26!
 Deacon Bruce will teach us about prayer and Deacon Jason
 will have another Apologetics lesson.
 Please join us on those Sundays from 9:30 – 10:30 am in the
 Knights' Hall.

CATHOLIC ORDER OF FORESTERS – ST. ELOI

The Catholic Order of Foresters will be dissolving the court
 for St. Eloi Church due to lack of membership. We will
 be dividing up our remaining funds to different
 organizations later this year.
 To show our appreciation for all the past support from the
 parish and community, we will be having a Friendship
 Breakfast with coffee and rolls on Sunday, April 19, after
 the 10:30 am Mass in the church basement.

TOTUS TUUS BACK IN SUMMER OF 2026!

We are hosting Totus Tuus June 27 – July 3, 2026. If you are
 able to help or have questions, please contact RE
 Director Corissa Van Keulen at
www.goodteacherafcre@hotmail.com.

BACCALAUREATE – MAY 10

The baccalaureate Mass and Brunch will be held on May 10,
 at St. Edward. All graduates should have received an
 invitation. If they did not, please contact Dawn
 Vlaminck.

NEW BUSINESS FOR SCRIP!

Cakes & Bakes is now available for purchase. These are
 valued at \$15 and \$38. 'Tis the season for cakes with
 graduation right around the corner – take advantage of
 this SCRIP opportunity.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Dan Sik is retiring at the end of the school year. There will be
 a need for a custodian to take care of the school and
 church. Contact Fr. Todd or Jaci Garvey if interested.

2026 SUMMER CARE

Summer care for your 5-12 year old children. The cost is \$36 per day. Meals & snacks are included. Staff will walk your children to summer recreation events in Minneota. This will be held at St. Edward School from Monday, June 1 – Friday, August 14, from 7:15 am – 6:00 pm. For more information call the school at 507.872.6391 or email info@stedscatholicschool.com.

YEAR OF WINNING

Week 22 – Congratulations! The winner is ... Sharon James

HAPPENINGS in our Diocese & Beyond ...

POPE LEO'S APRIL PRAYER INTENTION

For priests in crisis.

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

<https://www.usccb.org/prayers/popes-monthly-intentions-2026>

2026 NUDCCW ANNUAL CONVENTION



2026 NUDCCW CONVENTION
Grow in God's Love
His Love Stands Firm Forever
Saturday April 25, 2026
Registration 7:30 AM - 8:30 AM • Keynote 9:30 AM
Church of St. Michael • Morgan

Keynote Speaker:
Jessica Bartholomew
Founder & Executive Director
ACT United (Anti Child Trafficking)



The Genius of Women:
Helping to Save a Fallen Race
Presented by the Handmaids of Heart of Jesus

Cost: \$40 (before April 13) or \$50
Keynote Only: \$10
(payment as cash or check can be brought to the convention)

Register with the QR Code or the link:

<https://forms.gle/2ca4fJDF6pVSwweP6>

Registration information can be found at www.nudccw.org or contact Amanda Engels at amanda@johnengelslaw.com.

MORNING WITH MARY RETREAT

Saturday, May 2, 2026 9:30 – 11:30 am
Holy Redeemer Church

Fr. Denny will be presenting. All men and women are invited to join in this morning with Mary. Contact Pam (507.228.2062) or Paula (507.829.3778) to reserve your breakfast spot. This is a \$10 option. This is sponsored by the Catholic Daughters of Marshall.

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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 – **May 2** Jason Myhre 507.829.2829

(Eucharist for the shut-ins will be every other week.)

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

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

Radio Rosary

Apr. 20: In memory of Glenn Windey by Terry Hennen

Apr. 21: In memory of Tom Swedzinski by Madeline

Apr. 22: In memory of Vince & Judy Bot & Pam Haukom by their family

Apr. 23: In memory David, Allen, & Terry Schreiber by Mary

Apr. 24: In memory of Bill Drown by Terry Hennen

Apr. 25: In memory of Alice (Oscar G.) Louwagie by her family

Apr. 26: In memory Don Wyffels by Jerry & Caroline Van Keulen

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.

*May we be at peace in our hearts.
May we be at peace in our homes.
May we be at peace with one another.
May we imagine and
pray for peace in our world.*

The Good Shepherd

Y R P Q V U L U N L N E N F L T K D H I I X P
M S O W G D U C G D P L E G X S Q X J Q I M A U
L E I R R Y B Y Y A U M M O Y E H H D S I A S S
V K R V Z Y W L T B W J M A Q U X E W V U Y N P
R S F N C S W M I R O A V W M P Y P P B U Y W M
V S S J O H V A R B L H V J M R Y L L H Q V S R
V I I X C T T L O D F C U O D H A B W Y E K I H
W R V A J S L S H D E S A D I Y D I N C C R A M
C E R L J Y L G T A I R W S D C O N E A P P D Q
S E O R C D Q U U N J A I O Q B E X T O X N B V
S P P H B F S K A J N J W H N Q D T O A U S E L
B I Q H G X L G T Z M N D M T D A R A L N L O O
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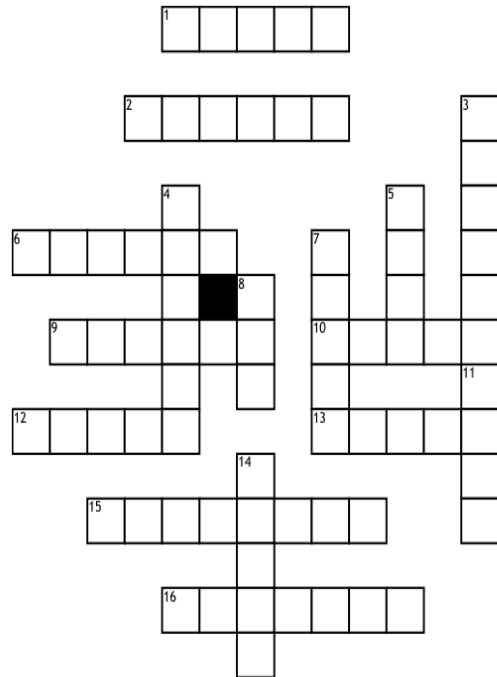
Commandment	Life	Wolf	Cares	Flock
Shepherd	Authority	Attacks	Runs	Love
Hired	Voice	Lay Down	Scatters	
Sheep	Good	Listen	Father	

"I AM" THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Protect the sheep before the enemy reaches them.



The Good Shepherd



Across

- Jesus gave his life for us by dying on the _____.
- Just as the Father knows me, I know the _____.
- My sheep _____ me, because they know my voice.
- "My sheep will spend eternal life in _____."
- My sheep love, trust, and _____ me.

12. _____ is our Good Shepherd.

13. What "wolf" does Jesus, the Good Shepherd, protect us from

15. Jesus is the good _____.

16. Jesus says, "I will give my sheep _____ life."

Down

3. Those who have _____ in Jesus are His _____.

4. A shepherd protects his sheep from the _____.

5. A Good Shepherd lays down his _____ for his sheep.

7. Jesus gave His life for us by dying on the _____.

8. There shall be one flock, and _____ shepherd.

11. I know my sheep, and my sheep _____ me.

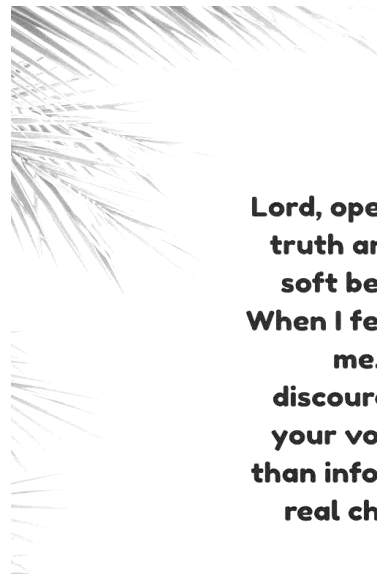
14. Jesus, the Good Shepherd, takes care of his _____.

Cross
Cross
Eternal
Faith

Father
Flock
Follows
Heaven

Jesus
Know
Life
Obey

One
Satan
Shepherd
Wolves



Lord, open my eyes to your truth and keep my heart soft before your Word. When I feel confused, teach me. When I feel discouraged, lift me. Let your voice reach deeper than information and bring real change to my life.

Amen

CALLED BY NAME CAMPAIGN
~ Letter of explanation from Bishop Chad



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April 18, 2026

Dear Friends in Christ,

Today I am announcing a special *Called by Name* campaign to identify faithful young men in our diocese who, through God's providence, could have a vocation to the priesthood. The campaign will take place on April 25-26, 2026.

As you know, our diocese has a great need for "more workers for the harvest." I firmly believe that our future priests will come from our own parishes and schools, but we need the entire Church to identify them, so that we can accompany them as they discern their vocations.

I invite all Catholics to submit the names of young men that they would like to honor. Note that these men do not need to have expressed a desire to be priests. They simply need to love Christ and the Church, exhibit a strong faith, and have a heart for service.

I will send each one of these young men a letter of congratulations and encouragement, as well as invite them to a special event in the summer. In addition, our Vocation Team will offer support as they discern their vocations, especially by inviting them to join small "discernment groups" and attend various events.

This initiative is near to my heart, and I ask you to participate thoughtfully. And please join me in praying that the Lord will raise up many new shepherds for the Church!

With prayerful best wishes, I am,

Faithfully in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chad W. Zielinski".

Most Rev. Chad W. Zielinski
Bishop of New Ulm