



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



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Sunday, May 19, 2024

PENTECOST

Monday, May 20

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

Tuesday, May 21

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Rose Baune)

3:00 pm Mass at Madison Ave. (Jim DeCock)

6:00 pm Education Committee Meeting

7:30 pm St. Edward Finance Council in Knights' Hall

Wednesday, May 22

10:30 am Mass at St. Edward (Frank & Winnie Swedzinski)

- 10:00 am Confession before Mass

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Emil & Louise Goossens G)

Thursday, May 23

7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Charlene Callens)

- 6:30 am Confession before Mass

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Vincent Boerboom)

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

Friday, May 24

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Joyce Senden)

Saturday, May 25

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Allan Van Keulen)

3:30 pm Conner Barbagallo & Nicole Sterzinger Wedding

5:30 pm Mass at St. Edward (Gesa Wiese)

- 4:45 pm Confession before Mass

Sunday, May 26

8:30 am Mass at St. Edward (Louie & Mary Buysse)

- 8:00 am Confession before Mass

10:30 am Mass at St. Eloi (Jim, Adeline, & Jamie Welsh)

- 10:00 am Confession before Mass



Dear Parishioners,

Happy Pentecost! As we celebrate this feast, we celebrate the birth of the Church as she first drew the divine breath of the Holy Spirit. What breath is to the body, the Spirit is to the Church. With our breath, our bodies are given the oxygen that empowers the cells to work and live. So, too, the Spirit enables the members of the Church to live and move.

This Pentecost, ask the Lord to help you know your utter dependence on the Holy Spirit, and that we would all grow more docile, easily lead, by the Spirit.

With Pentecost, we formally end the Easter Season. While the season changes, the hope that this season continues – as I may have already stated, Easter is not a big Sunday, but rather every Sunday is a small Easter. Next week, we focus on the inner reality of the Holy Trinity – who God is in Himself as three persons united in one being/substance/existence.

The following week, we focus on God's gift to the Church with the enduring gift of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. We will have a Eucharistic procession following the 10:30 am Mass at St. Eloi on June 2, as we celebrate the gift of Jesus Christ – body, blood, soul, and divinity. Come walk and pray with us as we grow in wonder of the mystery we have received.

Last week, I shared a little story about Fr. Tony. It never dawned on me until his funeral that he was a deacon already when I was in 6th grade. Until Monday, there was a mysterious seminarian who visited, but now I know it was Fr. Tony. He came into the classroom and spoke on vocations. He had us all 'vote' who most likely to be a priest and who most likely to be a sister. There were 7 girls and 10 boys in my class – every girl received at least one vote, and the one that 'won' had 3-4. For the boys, I was the only one that voted for one of my classmates – the other 16 voted for me. I could have died of embarrassment.

I rushed home after school, still embarrassed. I went to play with a neighbor whose sister was a classmate – the news beat me there, and their father asked me when I was going to enter the seminary. Thus began my denial. I responded, "Over my dead body, I will never be a priest." Just over 6 years later, the lessons of that day – the invitation to make a gift of myself, to ask the Lord what would make me happy, and others – came back as I considered the possibility. I wish that I had known that it was indeed Fr. Tony so I could have thanked him!

In Christ,
Fr. Todd

ST. ELOI

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$1,310.00	\$2,110.00	(\$800.00)
Loose plate	\$414.00	\$146.00	\$268.00
Commodity	\$1,000.00		
Year-to-Date	\$116,531.00	\$102,194.00	\$14,337.00

ST. ELOI LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 26 – 10:30 am

Sacristan: Darla Timmerman

Servers: Leo Hennen, Toby Wambeke

Lector: Laura Hennen

Musicians: Sisters

Offertory Gifts: Ernie Hennen

Eucharistic Ministers: Monica Senden, Corissa Van Keulen

Ushers: Martin Hennen, Corey Kack, Tim Van Keulen

ST. EDWARD

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$2,745.00	\$4,830.00	(\$2,085.00)
Loose plate	\$201.00	\$154.00	\$47.00
Online Giving	\$650.00	*Added to the adult envelope total	
Commodity	\$2,497.00		
Year-to-Date	\$248,231.00	\$238,126.00	\$10,105.00

ST. EDWARD LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 25 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Mary Ann Christensen

Servers: Bryce & Kaitlyn Gorecki

Lector: Hilary DeVlaeminck

Eucharistic Ministers: Michael Ludwikowski

Ushers: Jackie Laleman, Tom & Paula Sterzinger, Scott Thoof

Sunday, May 26 – 8:30 am

Sacristan: Ruth Bot

Servers: Piper Shoultz, RJ & Reed Sorensen

Lector: Fran Sturm

Eucharistic Ministers: Neal Bot

Ushers: Rick Bot, John Sumerfelt, Mike Vlaminck

ST. EDWARD SCHOOL NEWS

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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)

WHAT'S HAPPENING ...

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.

- ★ Jeremy Koelar
- ★ Marilynn Pagel
- ★ Etien Laleman
- ★ Francis Rabaey
- ★ Bernie Moorese

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES – St. Edward School

For the 2024-25 school year, we are looking for a part-time music teacher.

Music Teacher, PreK-8, Part-time

The holder of this position is responsible for our annual Christmas Pageant/Concert and a Spring Concert and weekly liturgical music planning.

Qualifications: Minimum: Bachelor's Degree

Preferred: Bachelor's Degree in Music Education with Minnesota Licensure.

Interested candidates should include letter of interest, resume, and two references by mail or email to Jaci Garvey, Principal; St. Edward School, 210 W. 4th St.; Minneota, MN 56264 or jgarvey@stedscatholicschool.com.

REPAIRS NEEDED FOR ST. ELOI

The Church of St. Eloi needs repairs. We need to remove and replace the storm windows with some minor repairs to the stained glass (slated for next summer), and we need to tuck point the chimney (slated for this spring). We are hoping that we can raise the money without having it come out of our operating budget or savings accounts.

The amounts of these projects are:

Tuck pointing – \$11,640

Windows – \$66,750 Total expense – \$78,390

Contributions to date:

Windows – \$62,812

Tuck pointing – -0-

Unspecified – -0- Total raised – \$62,812

Amount needed:

You may specify which project you want to contribute towards. Please mail of drop it off at the parish offices (408 N. Washington, Minneota) or drop in the collection basket in a separate envelope marked St. Eloi Repairs.

Thank you for your generosity.

SUMMER CARE – Summer, 2024

St. Edward School will again be offering summer care from 7:15 am – 6:00 pm for children ages 5-12. It will begin Tuesday, May 28, and end on Friday, August 12.

Contact the school to register.

YEAR OF WINNING

Week 26 – Congratulations! The winner is ... Joe Callens

AREA HAPPENINGS

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION – MAY

For the role of men & women religious & seminarians ~

Let us pray that men & women religious & seminarians, grow in their own vocational journey through human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, that leads them to be credible witnesses of the Gospel.

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

FLAGS ON GRAVES OF CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

Catholic Daughters will be placing flags on the graves of our deceased CDA members in area cemeteries for the Memorial Day weekend.

Please do not remove these flags. We will collect the flags after the holiday to store and use next year.

REMINDER TO GHENT LEGION MEMBERS

American Legion Post #564 (Ghent) members will meet on Friday, May 24, at 5:30 pm to put markers and flags up in the cemetery.

FAREWELL FOR FR. RON HUBERTY

A Polish Days style farewell for Fr. Ron as he heads off to new adventures in the Jesus Our Living Water AFC in Willmar, Spicer, and Clara City.

June 2 – 11:30 am – 2:30 pm at the Gilson Field Park in Ivanhoe, MN. Open to all communities.

Serving hotdogs, polish sausage with sauerkraut, baked beans, chips, and a drink.

LOSS OF A SPOUSE SEMINAR

At the "Loss of a Spouse" event, you will learn what to expect in the weeks and months after your spouse's death and how to survive the loneliness.

Please join us for this encouraging seminar Wednesday, May 22, 7:00 – 8:30 pm, at Holy Redeemer Church, Marshall. If you have questions, please call 507-532-5711.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

If you have experienced the death of a loved one (spouse, child, friend, family) you are invited to a GriefShare 13-week session. The first session will be held June 3, 6:30-8:00 pm in Holy Redeemer Church Gathering Area, Marshall.

GriefShare material is designed so that a person can begin attending on any week. All faith expressions welcome. Call parish office, 507.532.5711 or Dorothy at 507.401.0601.

Information about the program can be found at www.griefshare.org.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION ...

You can purchase "The Eucharistic Miracles of the World" book for only \$29.95 through the EWTN Religious Online Catalog.

If you are interested in purchasing a copy of this book there is the possibility of a bulk order if you contact Caren in the office before Thursday, May 30.

Here is the link to order it on your own:

<https://www.ewtnreligiouscatalogue.com/the-eucharistic-miracles-of-the-world/p/BKEUC01028>

Radio Rosary

- May 20: In memory of Leonard & Barb DeVos by Leonard & Marian Louwagie
- May 21: For living and deceased members of the George & Audrey Bakker family
- May 22: In memory of Vin & Judy Bot & Pam Haukom by their family
- May 23: In memory of Duane & Frances Matthys by Mark & Donna Horsman
- May 24: In memory of Frances Matthys by Bev & Dave Peterson
- May 25: In memory of Dick Doom by Michael & Lorraine Weverka
- May 26: In memory of Perry Schumacher by Jack & Terry Hennen

To schedule a radio rosary, call Ruth Louwagie at 507.337.3040 or send it to Ruth at 2894 310th St. Marshall, MN 56258

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 – June 1 Diane Hennen 507.401.7556

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

Baptism Prep: To set up a baptism date, call Caren in 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

PRAYER CALENDAR FOR VOCATIONS – PRIESTS, DEACONS, & SEMINARIANS

Monday, May 20

Fr. Keith Salisbury
Fr. George Schmit
Dcn. Jason Myhre
Brent Sundve (Sem.)

Wednesday, May 22

Fr. Mark Steffl
Fr. Joe Steinbeisser
Dcn. Roger Osborne
Matt Wood (Sem.)

Friday, May 24

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

Sunday, May 26

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

Tuesday, May 21

Fr. Phil Schotzko
Fr. Paul Schumacher
Dcn. Ken Noyes
Noah U'Ren (Sem.)

Thursday, May 23

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

Saturday, May 25

Fr. Paul Timmerman
Fr. Paul vandeCrommert
Fr. Steve Spilman
Noah U'Ren (Sem.)

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

Holy Spirt Comes At Pentecost

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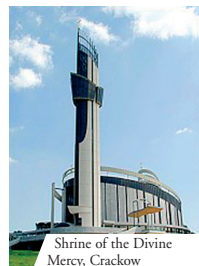
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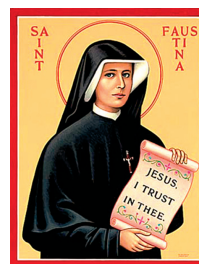
ST. FAUSTINA KOWALSKA

POLAND, 20TH CENTURY

The most recent practical link to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the devotional icon of the Lord's Merciful love came from the Polish nun Saint Faustina Kowalska. Jesus appeared to her on February 22, 1931, with His right hand bestowing blessings and His left hand pointing towards His Sacred Heart, which emitted two rays: one pale; the other a bright red. These rays represent the Water and Blood that came out of Jesus' pierced side while on the Cross. This symbolizes the purifying virtues of Baptism and Confession and the regenerative virtue of the Holy Eucharist.



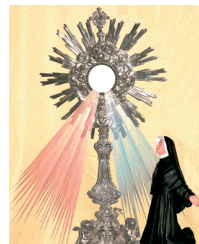
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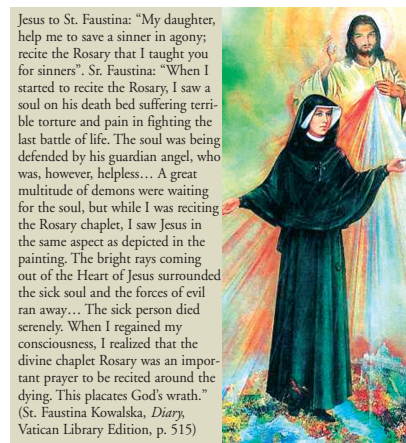
In the year 2000, Pope John Paul II decreed that on the first Sunday after Easter, the Liturgical Feast of Divine Mercy is to be celebrated



Jesus to St Faustina: "My daughter, write these words as I tell you: All the souls of the world who adore my Mercy and diffuse this adoration will bring other souls into the fold. Those who trust my Mercy will not fear when the hour of death comes. My Mercy will protect them in their last battle... My daughter, incite souls to recite this Rosary chaplet that I gave you. When this Holy Rosary is recited, I will concede to them everything they ask for."



Saint Faustina said: "During Holy Mass when Jesus was exposed through the Holy Sacrament before Holy Communion, she saw two rays of light coming out of the Holy Host; one very pale and the other a bright red light, just as depicted in this image."



Jesus to St. Faustina: "My daughter, help me to save a sinner in agony; recite the Rosary that I taught you for sinners". St. Faustina: "When I started to recite the Rosary, I saw a soul on his death bed suffering terrible torture and pain in fighting the last battle of life. The soul was being defended by his guardian angel, who was, however, helpless... A great multitude of demons were waiting for the soul, but while I was reciting the Rosary chaplet, I saw Jesus in the same aspect as depicted in the painting. The bright rays coming out of the Heart of Jesus surrounded the sick soul and the forces of evil ran away... The sick person died serenely. When I regained my consciousness, I realized that the divine chaplet Rosary was an important prayer to be recited around the dying. This placates God's wrath." (St. Faustina Kowalska, *Diary*, Vatican Library Edition, p. 515)

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET ROSARY

Jesus to St. Faustina: "This prayer serves to placate my wrath. Recite for 9 days with any Rosary beads in the following manner:

First recite the Our Father, Hail Mary and the Apostles' Creed.

Then on the Our Father bead, say the following words:

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

On the Hail Mary bead recite the following words:

For the sake of His Sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Finally, recite these words three times:

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world."

Let's report the words of Jesus to St. Faustina: "I desire that this image be venerated by the entire world. I promise that the souls of those who attribute veneration to this image will not perish. I even promise victory over their enemies, already here on earth, but especially at the hour of death. I will defend that soul in the name of glory." Jesus, Himself explained the significance of this devotion: "My daughter, tell all that I am love and mercy personified. The wound in my Heart signifies the unlimited living waters of Mercy. Tell all the souls that I protect them with my shield of Mercy; it is for them that I fight, bearing the just umbrage of my Father [...] My daughter! Tell suffering humanity to secure itself to the Mercy of my Heart and I will fill them with peace [...] Souls are perishing, regardless of my sorrowful Passion. I concede to them the last table

of salvation, meaning my merciful feast [...] this icon is a sign of the end days, after such, the day of judgment is upon you."

After showing His Infinite Mercy, the Lord also showed St. Faustina "hell". "Today, under the guide of an angel, I went into the abyss of hell. It is a place of extreme torments in the entire, huge, terrifying surroundings. These are the various tortures and torments that I have seen: **First** torture: This consists of hell as being the loss of the Presence of God; **Second**: the continuous remorseful conscience; **Third**: the knowledge that such a destiny will never change; **Fourth**: This torture is a pain that penetrates the soul, but does not nullify it; it is a terrible torture and it is a purely spiritual, living fire lit only by God's wrath. **Fifth**: This is the torture of eternal

darkness, a horrible suffocating, putrid odor; even if it is dark, the demons and the condemned souls can see each other among themselves and see all the evil that others have done as well as their own evil. **Sixth**: This torture is the knowledge of having Satan as a constant companion. **Seventh and last**: This torture is the incomparable desperation of God's wrath, in blasphemy, cursing and swearing. The sinner should realize the same ways that he sins is the way he is going to suffer for all eternity. I am writing this by the Lord's direction, so that no one can say that there is no hell, or that no one has ever been there or that no one knows how it is. I, Sister Faustina, under the Lord's direction, have been in the abyss of hell, for the simple reason of being able to tell everyone and to witness that hell does exist. What I have written is only a weak shadow of what I have actually seen."