



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



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Sunday, February 4, 2023 The Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Monday, February 5

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

Tuesday, February 6

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Mike & Emerence Derynck)

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

Wednesday, February 7

10:30 am Mass at St. Edward Gr. 3 & 4 (Florence Johnson)

• 10:00 am Confession before Mass

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Special Intention K)

5:30 pm RE Grades 1 – 5

6:30 pm RE Grades 6 – 11

6:30 pm Women's Bible Study – Opening Your Heart

6:30 pm Adoration at St. Edward – All are invited!

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

Thursday, February 8

7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Gene Jelen)

• 6:30 am Confession before Mass

NO Convent Mass

6:00 pm St. Edward Liturgy Committee at Knights' Hall

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

Friday, February 9

5:45 am TMIY

7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Eric Hennen)

NO Convent Mass

Saturday, February 10

NO Convent Mass

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

• 3:45 pm Confession before Mass

5:30 pm Flurry of Fun – Doors open at the Legion

Sunday, February 11

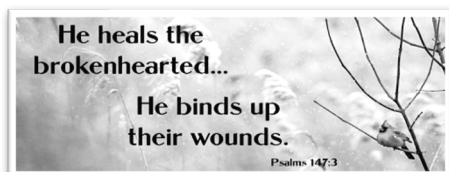
8:30 am Mass at St. Edward (Lincoln Lessman)

• 8:00 am Confession before Mass

9:30 am Sunday FIRE True Reformers: Ignatius of Loyola

10:30 am Mass at St. Eloi (Gary Nuytten)

10:00 am Confession before Mass



Dear Parishioners,

Thank you to all who supported and celebrated Catholic Schools last week, and a big thank you to those who supported the Flurry of Fun Event this weekend. Thank you to the dedicated organizers and volunteers who worked so hard to make it a great success.

As I shared last week, I am still planning on the Pilgrimage to the Holy Land in September. Dr. Steve Ray, aka Jerusalem Jones, posted why he is still planning on leading one with another company – the fighting is contained in the south, far from where he normally goes. We would not be anywhere near the dangerous areas.

Of course, the pilgrimage company will make the final determination, and I will abide by their decision. I suspect that I will hear if it is cancelled by the end of April, as every Holy Land Pilgrimage they had scheduled through May is already cancelled. There are two yet on the schedule for June, and the next are September.

For those not yet registered but still interested, I suggest saving the money for the pilgrimage, as final payment would be due in June. For those who already paid, I would hope at least a voucher would be offered, and if I can't have a pilgrimage to the Holy Land, I might consider one of the other itineraries they offer, perhaps Turkey and Greece, or Italy, though it would be first late 2025 or perhaps 2026.

To be honest, though, I will not be terribly surprised if the pilgrimage is cancelled. The last pilgrimage I had planned I was also forced to cancel (a different reason, but still cancelled), and I had to cancel my last vacation (and lost the money I had to pay down). My last vacation, I left MSP at 6:00 pm on a Tuesday and was scheduled to return to MSP by 2:00 pm on Saturday, giving me time to get home for the evening Masses. I missed my connecting flights both on the way down to Pensacola and on the return, requiring a 12 hour wait both times, the first being overnight, the second causing me to miss the evening Mass to get home at 3:00 am – only to be up a few hours later to get to the morning Masses. I have been a little leery of vacations, as a result, and haven't been good about taking any.

Next week is the last full week before Lent begins. I would recommend to those that celebrate Valentine's Day to do so before Ash Wednesday on February 14, in order to keep the penitential nature of Lent.

In three weeks, we will be hosting the Diocesan Eucharistic Preacher Fr. Laramie on February 25 at 2:00 pm at St. Edward's. The afternoon will include his preaching on the Eucharist, followed by a Holy Hour of Adoration and Benediction with a diocesan choir, prayer teams, and reconciliation. Please make plans to attend and invite all your friends and neighbors. The Eucharistic Revival Team of our AFC will be organizing a little reception following the event.

In Christ,
Fr. Todd

ST. ELOI

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$386.00	\$2,110.00	(\$1,724.00)
Loose	\$362.00	\$146.00	\$216.00
Commodity			
Year-to-Date	\$59,857.00	\$68,782.00	(\$8,925.00)

ST. ELOI LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday, February 11 – 10:30 am

Sacristan: Cindy Nelson

Servers: Xavier & Mark Rabaey

Lector: Steve Hennen

Musicians: Barb & Brad Hennen

Offertory Gifts: Travis & Jessica Welsh Family

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Jo Bossuyt, Darla Timmerman

Cup: Dan Sik, Ron Sussner

Ushers: Gary Crowley, Corey Kack, Mark Nelson

ST. EDWARD

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$2,133.00	\$4,830.00	(\$2,697.00)
Loose	\$225.00	\$154.00	\$71.00
Online Giving	\$525.00	*Added to the adult envelope total	
Commodity			
Year-to-Date	\$173,864.00	\$160,767.00	\$13,097.00

ST. EDWARD LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 10 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Claren Novotny

Servers: Elena Myhre, Audyn & Brisbyn Traen

Lector: Claren Novotny

Eucharistic Ministers: Claren Novotny, Michael Ludwikowski, Nate Welsh

Ushers: Charlie Callens, Troy DeSmet, Jerry Kloos, Wayne Wyffels

Sunday, February 11 – 8:30 am

Sacristan: Fran Sturm

Servers: Charity Beisler, RJ & Reed Sorensen

Lector: Terry Van Keulen

Eucharistic Ministers: Jo Coover, Becky Engels, Terry Van Keulen

Ushers: Rick Bot, Doug Janiszkeski, John Sumerfelt

ST. EDWARD SCHOOL NEWS

Principal: Jaci Garvey Secretary: Trudy Banks
jgarvey@stedscatholicschool.com Office: 872.6391

Thursday, Feb. 8 – Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:15 – 6:00 pm

Sponsorship of St. Edward School

February 4 – In memory of Leon & Alice Louwagie



Thank you so much to everyone in our parish and school community for supporting the school in so many wonderful ways during Catholic Schools Week and always!

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)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ROSARY INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY

✠ For blessings on all marriages

✠ For those who struggle to forgive

✠ For those who are undergoing temptation

PRAYER REQUESTS & PETITIONS

Please call the church office with the names of those who would benefit from prayers.

Week of February 5 – February 11

★ Bernie Moorse

★ Francis Rabaey

FLURRY OF FUN NEWS – Saturday, February 3

Tickets are on sale now! You can purchase tickets after Mass in Minneota at the scrip table. Tickets are also available at Brad's Market, Gislason's Hardware, and the church or school office during business hours.

Tickets need to be purchased by January 28, 2024. You may also purchase Gold sponsorship for \$200 which includes 2 dinner tickets or you can reserve a table that includes 8 dinner tickets for \$450.

If you have questions, contact:

Julie Pohlen 828.7392 Chassidy DeRoode 530.1835

Nikki Traen 828.2912 Laura Hennen 828.0510

LITTLE DRESSES OF AFRICA UPDATE

Since the *Little Dresses Project* was started in 2011, 20,002 items have been sewn and distributed to underprivileged children in Haiti at their schools and nutrition center.

Minneota CCW has made 387 dresses. Thank you to all who participate in this project.

WALKING WITH MOMS IN NEED

Our parish recently joined a nationwide effort to increase outreach and support for pregnant and parenting mothers entitled, *Walking with Moms in Need*. This month members of our parish community will begin the process of inventorying pregnancy resources in our area. Once completed, the results of their inventory will be shared with the parish community.

Join us in praying that our efforts will help ensure pregnant women in need know that they can turn to our parish for support and assistance.

We invite all parishioners to join us in *Walking with Moms in Need*. There are purple folders with more information in the back of church.

WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT – Lost, But Found

A women's Lenten retreat is scheduled at the Abbey of the Hills Retreat Center from Friday, March 1 – Sunday, March 3. It begins on Friday evening at 7:00 pm and ends Sunday at noon. There is a fish fry available on Friday evening for \$10.

Registration is required. Visit the website at

www.abbeyofthehills.com to register. For more info,

contact Renee Marzahn at 605.398.9200 or email her at events@abbeyofthehills.com.

THANK YOU –

Thank you to the family of Wayne Skorczewski for the lovely floral arrangements they left for the church to use following his funeral.

ST. EDWARD – SHEPHERD OF THE FIELD

This ministry of prayer and praise is a way of recognizing, supporting, and encouraging the “good shepherds” in our Diocese. This ministry includes active priests, retired priests, deacons, and seminarians. While we know that priests receive a special grace of the Holy Spirit at ordination so that they may serve as Christ’s representatives for us, we also know that prayers, support, and encouragement by the people a priest/deacon serves are of great significance to them.

St. Edward’s Shepherd of the Field is: Deacon Rick Christiansen, 1221 Southridge Rd, New Ulm, MN 56073
His birthday is December 11, and he was ordained on April 21, 2012.

For ideas on how you can support Deacon Rick, check out the following link:

<https://files.ecatholic.com/15965/documents/2022/9/Shepherd%20of%20the%20Field%20explained.pdf?t=1664482427000>

YEAR OF WINNING

Week 11 – Congratulations! The winner is ... Laurie Laleman
[Yep! Two weeks in a row! It pays to buy more than 1 ticket.] (Steve)



AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

POPE’S PRAYER INTENTION – FEBRUARY

For the terminally ill ~

Let us pray that the sick who are in the final stages of life, and their families, receive the necessary medical and human care and accompaniment.

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

DIOCESE OF NEW ULM EUCHARISTIC SEMINAR

The Diocese of New Ulm is hosting Fr. Joe Laramie who is a national Eucharistic preacher on the weekend of February 23 – 25, 2024.

Fr. Laramie will be speaking at St. Peter in St. Peter on Friday, February 23, from 6:30 – 8:30 pm. He will be in St. Anastasia in Hutchinson on Saturday, February 24, from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm. And, on Sunday, February 25, he will be in St. Edward in Minneota from 2:00 – 4:00 pm.

There will be his talk, adoration with prayer teams and confession followed by a reception.

Mark your calendar and plan to attend one of these events.

INFORMATION FROM THE NEW ULM DIOCESE

Anyone who has suffered sexual abuse by a priest or another person involved in Church ministry is encouraged to immediately report such abuse to local law enforcement, regardless of when it occurred, if it has not yet been reported.

A listing of all county law enforcement and child protection agencies within the 15 counties of the Diocese of New Ulm is posted on the diocesan Web site at

<https://www.dnu.org/report-abuse>.

Victims and survivors of abuse by clergy are also encouraged to contact the diocesan victim assistance coordinator or the bishop’s delegate in matters pertaining to sexual misconduct at 1421 6th Street North, New Ulm, MN 56073, or by phone at 507-233-5313, for counseling or other assistance in healing.

Toda persona que haya sido víctima de abuso sexual por parte de un miembro del clero u otra persona en el ministerio de la Iglesia debe reportar dicha mala conducta a las autoridades policiales inmediatamente, independientemente de cuando haya sucedido, si aún no ha sido reportado.

Un listado de todas las entidades policiales y los servicios de protección al menor dentro de los quince condados de la Diócesis de New Ulm se encuentra en nuestra página de internet, <https://www.dnu.org/report-abuse>.

También se exhorta a las víctimas y sobrevivientes de abuso por parte del clero ponerse en contacto con el Coordinador de asistencia para víctimas o el delegado del Obispo en cuestiones sobre el mal comportamiento sexual 1421 6th Street North, New Ulm, MN 56073, o al 507-233-5313 para consejería u otra ayuda de sanación.

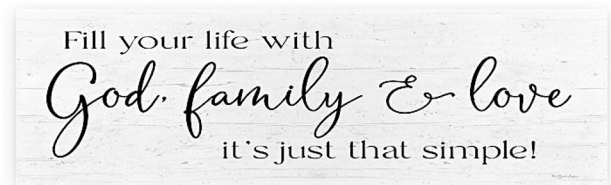
GHENT – AMERICAN LEGION MEETING

The monthly meeting of Post #564 will be held on Tuesday, February 6, at 7:00 pm.

GRIEFSHARE – Session begins February 19

Community members who have experienced the death of a family member or friend are invited to participate in a GriefShare seminar.

The new session begins Monday, February 19, 6:30 – 8:00 pm in Holy Redeemer Church’s gathering area in Marshall. For questions, please call 532-5711 or Dorothy 401-06



PRAYER CALENDAR FOR VOCATIONS – PRIESTS, DEACONS, & SEMINARIANS

Monday, February 5

Fr. Eugene Brown
Fr. Pat Casey
Dcn. Bruce Bot
Noah U’Ren (Sem.)

Wednesday, February 7

Fr. Cornelius Ezeiloaku
Fr. Fred Fink
Dcn. Tim Dolan
David Rabaey (Sem.)

Friday, February 9

Fr. Nathan Hansen
Fr. Tony Hesse
Fr. John Hayes
Noah U’Ren (Sem.)

Sunday, February 11

Fr. Jeremy Kucera
Fr. Denny Labat
David Rabaey (Sem.)

Tuesday, February 6

Fr. Jim Devorak
Fr. Mike Doyle
Dcn. Rick Christiansen
Matt Wood (Sem.)

Thursday, February 8

Msgr. Doug Grams
Fr. John Goggin
Brent Sundve (Sem.)

Saturday, February 10

Fr. Jeff Horejsi
Fr. Ron Huberty
Matt Wood (Sem.)

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

SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

Baptism, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick, Becoming Catholic

– Call the church office: 872.6346

Eucharist to Shut-ins:

St. Eloi – Sandy Nuytten 829.9690

St. Edward – **February 10** Jason Myhre 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. 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 – 828.7012

Radio Rosary

Feb. 5: In memory of Jody Mitzner by Ken & Phyllis Persoon

Feb. 6: In memory of Anthony, Betty, & Bill Krogman by the Krogman family

Feb. 7: In memory of Allan Van Keulen & his deceased relatives by his family

Feb. 8: In memory of Marian Laleman by Jack & Terry Hennen

Feb. 9: In memory of the Peter Leifgen Family by Ralph Leifgen

Feb. 10: In memory of George Louwagie by his family

Feb. 11: In memory of Vin & Judy Bot & Pam Haukom by their family

To schedule a radio rosary, call Carol Louwagie at 532.6081

Blaise met a woman whose pig had been taken by a wolf. He commanded the wolf to return the pig and it was this woman who brought the candles for his cell.

In prison, Saint Blaise was ordered to renounce his faith. He refused so was beaten with wool combs and beheaded. After his death, he was made a saint and has become the patron saint of wool combers, wild animals, candle makers and ailments of the throat.

Saint Blaise was a popular saint in medieval England, probably due to the connection with wool combing and the wool trade, which was an important industry at the time. A number of churches, chapels and a holy well were dedicated to him.

Source: <https://www.bristolmuseums.org.uk/blog/the-story-of-saint-blaise/>

CATHOLIC MASS

Wine	Procession	Hymns	Presentation of Gifts
Organ	Congregation	Altar	Liturgy of the Word
Priest	Lector	Missal	Offering of Gifts
Kneeling	Eucharist	Communion	The Lord's Prayer
Bread	Nicene Creed	Consecration	Washing of Hands
Choir	Sign of Peace	Entrance Rite	Final Blessing

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BLESSING OF THROAT PRAYER
on the feast of St. Blaise

“Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness: in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen”



The Story of Saint Blaise

Saint Blaise was the Bishop of Sebaste in Armenia (modern Turkey) around 1,700 years ago. There are many versions of his life but he is best known for healing the sick – even animals would come to him to be cured.

Some accounts tell of how Saint Blaise left Sebaste to escape persecution. He made his home in a mountain cave and lived there, surrounded by wild animals, until he was found, brought back to Sebaste and arrested.

On his way to prison, Saint Blaise met a mother whose son was choking to death on a fish bone. He cured the boy and to show her gratitude, the mother brought candles to light his prison cell. In another version of the story, Saint

RIDDLES FOR THE FAITHFUL

- Q. Why can't Anglicans play chess?
A. Because they can't tell a Bishop from a Queen.
- Q. What do they call priests residing in Germany?
A. German Shepherds.
- Q. What kind of animal didn't Noah trust?
A. The cheetah!