



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

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Sunday, April 27, 2025

The Second Sunday of Easter ~ Divine Mercy Sunday

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Monday, April 28 – Office closed

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

Tuesday, April 29 – Office closed

12:00 pm **No Convent Mass**

3:00 pm Word & Communion at the Apartments

6:30 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting

Wednesday, April 30 – Office closed

10:30 am Liturgy of the Hours

4:00 pm Convent Mass (Presider's Intention) **Time change**

5:00 – 6:15 pm Meal before Concert

6:30 pm Spring Concert at School

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

Thursday, May 1 – Office closed

12:00 pm **No Convent Mass**

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

Friday, May 2 – Office closed

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Walt, Delores, & Pat DeCock)

Saturday, May 3

12:00 pm Convent Mass

(Shirley, Frank & Dolores, Richard Sussner)

5:30 pm Mass at St. Edward (Deceased Theuninck Family)

• 4:45 pm Confession before Mass

Sunday, May 4 – Baccalaureate

8:30 am Mass at St. Edward (For all Graduates)

• 8:00 am Confession before Mass

10:30 am Mass at St. Eloi (John Brewers)

• 10:00 am Confession before Mass

4:00 pm State of the School Address

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you again to all who had a part in the Triduum liturgies as well as Palm Sunday. To have as beautiful of liturgies as we had (at least in my mind, they were beautiful), everyone needs to work together.

Thank you, too, for the kind greetings, and especially to the individual who simply placed a little gift on my car windshield. Such gifts and words of support are deeply appreciated.

With the passing of Pope Francis, we are in for some historic days ahead. Let us pray for the repose of his soul, and for his successor. We pray that the Cardinals who will gather may listen well to the Holy Spirit in electing the next pope. May he be the Pope we need, with a clear and strong voice of clarity in these uncertain times.

Congratulation to our First Communion recipients, who this weekend receive our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament for the first time. May their joy be infectious and challenge us to a deeper joy and love of the Blessed Sacrament.

This week, I will be away for the annual Diocesan Priest retreat. It is a time of prayer and rest, as well as re-connecting with brother priests. I look forward to this time, especially since it is one of the few times we have an extended time to be with each other. Your prayers are appreciated.

At our last council meeting at St. Edward, we spent most of our time looking at the finances are our proposed budget. We will begin a stewardship campaign, but for bigger reasons than the financial need of the parish. It is good to be reminded that we are called to be stewards of our time, talent, and treasure.

As we had already discussed the plans for the renovation. we briefly skimmed over them. Again, we will have no weekday Masses at St. Edward for the duration of the renovation, and that Saturday evening Mass will be at St. Eloi. The Sunday morning Mass will be in the basement. We will have any funerals at St. Eloi, with the luncheon back at St. Edward (mainly because most of the burials will be at St. Edward cemetery).

In Christ,
Fr. Todd

Jesus said to him,

**Have you believed
because you have seen me?
Blessed are those
who have not seen
and yet have believed.**

John 20:29



ST. EDWARD SCHOOL NEWS

Principal: Jaci Garvey Secretary: Trudy Banks
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Saturday, April 26, 9:00 – 11:00 am Open gym for kids ages 2-8 with an adult
Wednesday, April 30 – 11:30 am Lunch with your grandchild
1:30 pm Grandparent's Day Concert
5:00 – 6:15 pm Meal before concert
6:30 pm Concert

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	\$.00	\$2,110.00	
Loose plate	\$538.00	\$146.00	\$392.00
Commodity	\$2,998.00		
Easter	\$2,765.00		
Holy Land	\$401.00		
Year-to-Date	\$88,238.00	\$97,778.00	(\$9,540.00)

ST. ELOI LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 4 – 10:30 am - Baccalaureate

Sacristan: Corissa Van Keulen
Servers: Leo Hennen & Toby Wambeke
Lector: Jennifer Rabaey
Musicians: Barb & Brad Hennen
Offertory Gifts: Graduates
Eucharistic Ministers: Dan Sik, Corissa Van Keulen
Ushers: Galen Boerboom, Mike DeSutter, Mike Monnet

ST. EDWARD

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$2,837.00	\$4,830.00	(\$1,993.00)
Loose plate	\$931.00	\$154.00	\$777.00
Online Giving	\$1,393.00	*Added to the adult envelope total	
Easter	\$5,591.00		
Holy Land	\$462.00		
Year-to-Date	\$229,164.00	\$238,669.00	(\$9,505.00)

ST. EDWARD LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 3 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Cindy Novotny
Servers: Gabe Ludwikowski, Jules Gossen, Eva Skorczewski
Lector: Hilary DeVlaeminck
Eucharistic Ministers: Claren Novotny
Ushers: Troy DeSmet, Jerry Kloos, Jackie Laleman, Scott Thooft

Sunday, May 4 – 8:30 am – Baccalaureate

Sacristan: Joe Callens
Servers: Jacob & Mariah Loyson
Lector: Dylan Evjen
Eucharistic Ministers: Lisa Hennen
Ushers: Rick Bot, Doug Janiszski, 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.

If you know anyone who should be added to this list, contact Caren at the office.

- ★ Brent Buysse
- ★ Mary DeSmet
- ★ Kay Drown
- ★ Jeremy Koelar
- ★ Linda Oftedahl
- ★ Joanne Sturm
- ★ Gene Thooft

ST. EDWARD SCHOOL ~ Employment Opportunities Part-Time Physical Education/Health Teacher

We are looking for a passionate and dynamic Physical Education/Health Teacher to serve students in grades PreK–8. This part-time position begins Fall 2025.

Requirements:

- Bachelor's Degree in Physical Education, Health, or a related field. (Preferred) Valid MN teaching license in Physical Education (710) and Health (080), or
- Eligible experience working with children
- Willingness to integrate Catholic values into teaching
- CPR/First Aid certified or willing to obtain

Full-Time Montessori Children's House or Assistant

We are seeking a caring, energetic individual to join our Montessori Children's House for the 2025–2026 school year. This full-time role supports children ages 33 months – Kindergarten in a hands-on, faith-based Montessori environment.

Qualifications (Must meet at least one of these)

- Associate's Degree in Early Childhood + 6 months experience
- Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood or related field
- Montessori Certification (AMI/AMS or equivalent)
Applicants near qualification may qualify for a DHS variance.

For each of these positions we offer the following:

- Health, retirement, and life insurance
- Free lunch daily
- Paid time off
- Tuition discount options for children of staff
- Supportive and faith-filled school community
- Professional development opportunities

Apply by sending your cover letter, resume, and license info to: jgarvey@stedscatholicschool.com

Questions? Call us at 507-872-6391 or visit www.stedscatholicschool.com

ST. EDWARD SCHOOL ~ Summer Employment

Join our summer program team as a summer care program assistant! We are looking for enthusiastic, caring individuals to help lead the Summer Care Program. This could be full- or part-time and it runs from May 27 – August 15.

Job Responsibilities:

- Supervising and interacting with children ages 5 – 12
- Assist with games, crafts, activities, and field trips
- Support the Summer Program Director
- Maintain a clean, welcoming classroom/playground

Qualifications:

- Experience working with kids (preferred)
- Communications skills

- Willingness to obtain CPR/First Aid training (we can help)
 - Must be 15 or older
- We offer:
- Starting at \$11.13 per hour
 - Flexible schedule
 - Monday – Friday (no nights or weekends)
 - Free lunch available during shift
- Applications accepted until filled. Send a cover letter and resume to jgarve@stedscatholicschool.com.

BLOOD DRIVE ~ KB'S BALLROOM

There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive at KB's in Ghent on Monday, May 12, from 2:00 – 7:00 pm. Donors between May 1 and May 18 will receive a \$20 e gift card to a merchant of your choice. Visit www.redcrossblood.org or call 1.800.733.2767 to schedule an appointment.

YEAR OF WINNING

Week 23 – Congratulations! The winner is ... Fran Laleman

HAPPENINGS in our Diocese & Beyond ...

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION – APRIL

For use of new technologies ~

Let us pray that the use of new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

<https://www.popesprayer.va/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/ENG-HOLY-FATHERS-PRAYER-INTENTIONS-2025-DEF.pdf>

OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF POPE FRANCIS' DEATH

The text of the announcement of the death of Pope Francis, was read Monday, April 21, by Cardinal Kevin Farrell, the Vatican camerlengo, from the chapel of the Domus Santa Marta, where Francis lived.

"Dearest brothers and sisters, with deep sorrow, I must announce the death of our Holy Father Francis. At 7:35 this morning, The Bishop of Rome, Francis, returned to the Father's house. His entire life was dedicated to the service of the Lord and His church.

"He taught us to live the values of the Gospel with faithfulness, courage, and universal love, especially for the poorest and most marginalized. With immense gratitude for his example as a true disciple of the Lord Jesus, we commend the soul of Pope Francis to the infinite merciful love of God, One and Triune."

REAL PRESENCE RADIO – SPRING DRIVE

Real Presence Radio (RPR) is a lay apostolate Catholic talk radio network in the US with 27 signals in North Dakota, Minnesota, South Dakota, Wisconsin, and Wyoming. RPR is dedicated to sharing the love and knowledge of Jesus Christ and His Church.



Real Presence Radio's Spring Live Drive is May 6-8. Area stations to listen to RPR – Montevideo, MN 89.5 FM Brookings, SD 91.1 FM Sioux Falls, SD 94.5 or 91.3 FM Call 877.795.0122 or donate online and you will be entered into a drawing for one of the many great prizes awarded throughout the drive. Phone lines will be open from 7:00 am – 7:00 pm!

SCHOENSTATT SUMMER CAMP OPPORTUNITIES

GIRLS CAMPS 2025

HOLY YEAR PILGRIMAGE SITE
SCHOENSTATT ON THE LAKE, SLEEPY EYE, MN



SCHOENSTATT

JUNE 26-29 HIGH SCHOOL ENKINDLE

JULY 6-9 MIDDLE SCHOOL LIVING CROWN

JULY 13-16 MIDDLE SCHOOL LIVING CROWN



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CALL OR TEXT: 262-933-0058**

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Radio Rosary

Apr. 28: In memory of Ralph Leifgen by Jack & Terry Hennen
Apr. 29: In memory of Kate Thooft by David & Diane Hennen
Apr. 30: For an end to abortion by Marj Anderson
May 1: In memory of Frank & Winnifred Swedzinski by Madeline Swedzinski
May 2: In memory of Bill & Margaret Lanners by Cletus & Lorraine Lanners
May 3: In memory of Alma Kirkpatrick by Michael & Lorraine Welterka
May 4: In memory of Vin & Judy Bot & Pam Haukom by their family

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.

SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

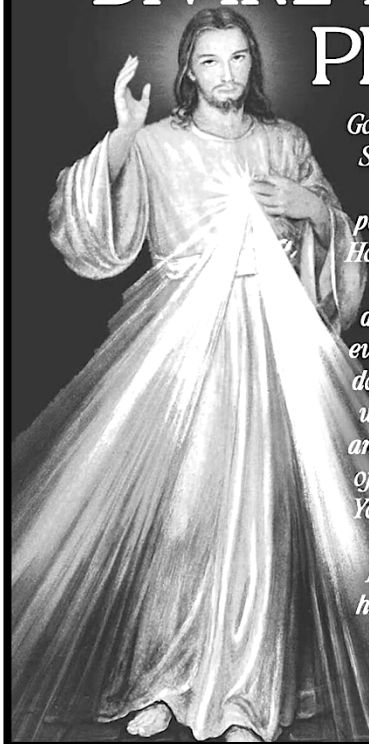
Baptism, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick, Becoming Catholic Call the church office: 507.872.6346
Eucharist to Shut-ins:

St. Eloi – Sandy Nuytten 507.829.9690
St. Edward – **May 3** Travis Welsh 507.829.0986
(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

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER

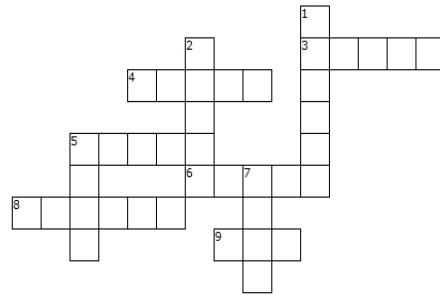


God, merciful Father, in your Son, Jesus Christ, You have revealed your love and poured it out upon us in the Holy Spirit, the Comforter. We entrust to You today the destiny of the world and of every man and woman. Bend down to us sinners, heal our weakness, conquer all evil, and grant that all the peoples of the earth may experience Your mercy. Eternal Father, by the Passion and Resurrection of Your Son, have mercy on us and upon the whole world! Amen

Believe It or Not!

But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe it." John 20:25

Based on John 20:19-31 (NIV)



ACROSS

3. To be in a state of pleasure, satisfaction, joy or delight
4. Free from conflict; getting along with others; opposite of war
5. To be undecided or unbelieving that something is true
6. The body parts at the end of the arms
8. Not open
9. To break God's law

DOWN

1. The disciple who would not believe without seeing
2. To believe in something for which there is no proof
5. An entrance into a building or room
7. A thin piece of metal with one pointed end and one flat end which you hit with a hammer

First Communion Word Search

Z T S I R A H C U E L C K Y W O G T Q S U F T O
B R W S A C R E D V E K H M F Q A S O M D Q G V
U U E Y T Y T Z R J Y E T X J T J K V D X Y M I
D N O I N U M M O C T S R I F P S Q I J L S K Y
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First Communion	Holy Spirit	Last Supper	Initiation
Sacrament	Eucharist	Blessing	Chalice
Priest	Gospel	Sacred	Prayer
Jesus	Altar	Bread	Mass
Holy	Wine		

Religious Humor for Today

A little girl asked her mother, "Where did people come from?"

Her mother answered, "God made Adam and Eve and they had children and that's how all mankind was made."

A couple of days later she asked her father the same question.

The father answered, "Many years ago there were monkeys, which the human race evolved from."

The confused little girl returned to her mother and said, "Mommy, how is it possible that you told me that we were created by God, and Daddy said we came from monkeys?"

The mother answered, "Well, dear, it is very simple. I told you about my side of the family and your father told you about his."

My grandson was visiting one day when he asked, "Grandma, do you know how you and God are alike?"

I mentally polished my halo while I asked, "No, how are we alike?"

"You're both old," he replied.

Dear Heavenly Father,

So far today I've done all right. I haven't gossiped or lost my temper. I haven't been greedy, grumpy, nasty, or self-centered.

I'm really happy about that so far. But, in a few minutes I'm going to be getting out of bed and then I'm going to need a lot of help. Thank you!

Amen.

St. Edward Liturgical Schedule for May & June ~ 2025

Reminder to please find your own replacement if you can't make your scheduled date.

MARCH

Saturday, May 3 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Cindy Novotny
Servers: Jules Gossen, Gabe Ludwikowski, Eva Skorczewski
Lector: Hilary DeVlaeminck
Eucharistic Minister: Claren Novotny
Ushers: Troy DeSmet, Jackie Laleman, Jerry Kloos, Scott Thooft

Sunday, May 4 – 8:30 am - Baccalaureate

Sacristan: Joe Callens
Servers: Jacob & Mariah Loyson
Lector: Dylan Evjen
Eucharistic Minister: Lisa Hennen
Ushers: Rick Bot, Doug Janiszski, John Sumerfelt

Saturday, May 10 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Mary Ann Christensen
Servers: Audyn & Brisbyn Traen
Lector: Claren Novotny
Eucharistic Minister: Jeff Buysse
Ushers: Troy DeSmet, Jackie Laleman, Jerry Kloos, Scott Thooft

Sunday, May 11 – 8:30 am

Sacristan: Fran Sturm
Servers: RJ & Reed Sorensen
Lector: Lisa Hennen
Eucharistic Minister: Becky Engels
Ushers: Rick Bot, Doug Janiszski, John Sumerfelt

Saturday, May 17 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Margrit Rabaey
Servers: Eli Faris, Gabe Ludwikowski
Lector: Nate Welsh
Eucharistic Minister: Eriann Faris
Ushers: Troy DeSmet, Jackie Laleman, Jerry Kloos, Scott Thooft

Sunday, May 18 – 8:30 am

Sacristan: Ruth Bot
Servers: Wyatt Guza, Ian & Noah Myhre
Lector: Kevin Swedzinski
Eucharistic Minister: Seth Myhre
Ushers: Rick Bot, Doug Janiszski, John Sumerfelt

Saturday, May 24 – 5:30 pm – at St. Eloi

Sacristan: Claren Novotny
Servers: Bryce & Kaitlyn Gorecki, Violet Vlaminc
Lector: Eriann Faris
Eucharistic Minister: Fred Rabaey
Ushers: Troy DeSmet, Jackie Laleman, Jerry Kloos, Scott Thooft

Sunday, May 25 – 8:30 am – Church basement

Sacristan: Terry Van Keulen
Servers: Naomi & Declan Evjen, Elizabeth Garvey
Lector: Teresa Myhre
Eucharistic Minister: Fran Sturm
Ushers: Rick Bot, Doug Janiszski, John Sumerfelt

Saturday, May 31 – 5:30 pm – at St. Eloi

Sacristan: Mary Ann Christensen
Servers: Sam & Charlie Myhre
Lector: Shannon Gossen
Eucharistic Minister: Mary Ann Christensen, Margrit Rabaey, Deb Thooft
Ushers: Troy DeSmet, Jackie Laleman, Jerry Kloos, Scott Thooft

JUNE

Sunday, June 1 – 8:30 am – Church basement

Sacristan: Joe Callens
Servers: Charity & Debbie Beisler, William Jones
Lector: Tina Myhre
Eucharistic Minister: Jo Coover, Dylan Evjen, Terry Van Keulen
Ushers: Rick Bot, Joe Callens, John Sumerfelt

Saturday, June 7 – 5:30 pm – at St. Eloi

Sacristan: Margrit Rabaey
Servers: Niara & Stella Gorecki
Lector: Tim Gossen
Eucharistic Minister: Ann Longtin
Ushers: Mike Longtin, Tom & Paula Sterzinger, Chuck Vlaminc

Sunday, June 8 – 8:30 am – Church basement

Sacristan: Fran Sturm
Servers: Jacob & Mariah Loyson
Lector: Fran Sturm
Eucharistic Minister: Cynthia Moore
Ushers: Rick Bot, Joe Callens, John Sumerfelt

Saturday, June 14 – 5:30 pm – at St. Eloi

Sacristan: Claren Novotny
Servers: Jules Gossen, Gabe Ludwikowski, Eva Skorczewski
Lector: Fred Rabaey
Eucharistic Minister: Nate Welsh
Ushers: Mike Longtin, Tom & Paula Sterzinger, Chuck Vlaminc

Sunday, June 15 – 8:30 am – Church basement

Sacristan: Ruth Bot
Servers: RJ & Reed Sorensen
Lector: Julie Janiszski
Eucharistic Minister: Dawn Vlaminc
Ushers: Rick Bot, Joe Callens, John Sumerfelt

Saturday, June 21 – 5:30 pm – at St. Eloi

Sacristan: Mary Ann Christensen
Servers: Audyn & Brisbyn Traen
Lector: Mary Ann Christensen
Eucharistic Ministers: Jeff Buysse, Eriann Faris, Claren Novotny
Ushers: Mike Longtin, Tom & Paula Sterzinger, Chuck Vlaminc

Sunday, June 22 – 8:30 am – Church basement

Sacristan: Terry Van Keulen
Servers: Wyatt Guza, Ian & Noah Myhre
Lector: Shannon Evjen
Eucharistic Ministers: Neal Bot, Mary Myhre, David Vlaminc
Usher: Rick Bot, Joe Callens, John Sumerfelt

Saturday, June 28 – 5:30 pm – at St. Eloi

Sacristan: Margrit Rabaey
Servers: Bryce & Kaitlyn Gorecki, Stella Gorecki
Lector: Hilary Vlaminc
Eucharistic Minister: Fred Rabaey
Ushers: Mike Longtin, Tom & Paula Sterzinger, Chuck Vlaminc

Sunday, June 29 – 8:30 am – Church basement

Sacristan: Joe Callens
Servers: Naomi & Declan Evjen, Elizabeth Garvey
Lector: Tina Myhre
Eucharistic Minister: Kevin Swedzinski
Ushers: Rick Bot, Joe Callens, John Sumerfelt

