



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



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Sunday, March 19, 2023 **Fourth Sunday of Lent – Laetare Sunday**

Monday, March 20

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

Tuesday, March 21

12:00 pm Mass at Convent
(Deceased family & friends of Gary & Sandy Nuytten)
3:00 pm Apartment Mass (Audrey Kloos)
6:00 pm Education Committee Meeting
7:30 pm St. Edward Finance Council Meeting

Wednesday, March 22

10:30 am Mass at St. Edward Staff
(Vin & Judy Bot & Pam Haukom)
12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Louis & Pat Wyffels)
5:30 pm Religious Education Grades 1-5
6:30 pm Religious Education Grades 6-12
6:30 pm Holy Hour of Adoration
7:30 pm Choir practice in the choir loft

Thursday, March 23

7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Special Intention)
• 6:30 am Confession before Mass
12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Ambrose Girard)
5:00 – 7:00 pm Adoration at St. Edward

Friday, March 24

5:45 am TMIY
7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Florence Johnson)
12:00 pm Mass at Convent
(Parents of Grace & Francis Rabaey)
7:00 pm Living Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 25

12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Charlene Callens)
5:30 pm Mass at St. Edward (Bruce Hoffmann)
• 4:45 pm Confession before Mass

Sunday, March 26

8:30 am Mass at St. Edward (Meulebroeck & Buysse Families)
• 8:00 am Confession before Mass
9:30 am Sunday Fire – *Forgiven: Questions about confession*
10:30 am Mass at St. Eloi (For the People)
• 10:00 am Confession before Mass

Dear Parishioners,

Happy Laetare Sunday! We are at the fourth week of Lent, marking the halfway mark. It is a day to rejoice, because if our Lent has been hard, we are half done, and if we have not yet really begun to enter into the spirit of Lent, praise God that we still have half of Lent left.

This Monday is a unique situation. Typically, the Solemnity of St. Joseph is celebrated on March 19, but due to March 19 being a Sunday, the solemnity is transferred to Monday this year. It gives us a chance to reflect on the role of St. Joseph as foster father and protector of Christ, and therefore is foster father and protector of the Church. Aside from the Blessed Mother, no one was given such unprecedented access to our Lord and Savior. We honor him in this role and ask for his intercession.

Also, this week on Saturday, March 25, we celebrate the solemnity of the Annunciation. This feast is not just of the message of the Angel Gabriel to the Blessed Mother asking her to say yes to the plan of God, but also the moment that the incarnation of Christ began – that the Holy Spirit came upon her and overshadowed her as she gave her fiat to the plan of God.

It is the beginning of Christ taking on flesh, the beginning of His physical presence on earth. That incarnation continues, of course, sacramentally in the Blessed Sacrament. It is the same Sacred Body, though not identical. It began with the yes of the virgin who would remain virgin and become mother. And the Church continues to say yes to the will of God and is nourished by the Sacred Body of our Eucharistic Lord.

Let us honor our Blessed Mother for her faithful yes and offer to the Lord our own fiat.

In Christ,
Fr. Todd

LENT
PRAY + FAST + GIVE

✠ **ROSARY RALLY AT VETERANS PARK** ✠

Saturday, March 18 – 12:00 pm
Pray for traditional marriages, families, and America.

ST. ELOI

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult		\$2,110.26	
Loose		\$146.15	
Commodity			
Year-to-Date	\$93,799.01	\$81,061.40	\$12,737.61

ST. ELOI LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 26

Sacristan: Darla Timmerman

Servers: Mark & Xavier Rabaey

Lector: Jennifer Rabaey

Eucharistic Minister: Sandy Nuytten, Linda Oftedahl

Musicians: Sisters

Offertory Gifts: Joel & Donna VanDamme

Ushers: Galen Boerboom, Gary Crowley, Mark Nelson

ST. EDWARD

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$1,609.00	\$4,829.92	(\$3,220.92)
Loose	\$165.16	\$153.85	\$11.31
Commodity			
Online Giving	\$475.00	<i>*Added to the adult envelope total</i>	
Year-to-Date	\$203,719.74	\$194,260.40	\$9,459.34

ST. EDWARD LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 25

Sacristan: Mary Kampa

Servers: Lydia & Leah Coequyt, Eli Faris

Lector: Eriann Faris

Eucharistic Minister: Fred Rabaey

Ushers: Jackie Laleman, Scott Thooft, Chuck Vlamincik, Wayne Wyffels

Sunday, March 26

Sacristan: Fran Sturm

Servers: Kylee, Mariah, & Jacob Loyson

Lector: Joe Callens

Eucharistic Minister: Seth Myhre

Usher: John Sumerfelt

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)

CHILDREN'S ADORATION – Sunday, March 19

There will be a children's adoration time in the Sisters' chapel on Sunday, March 19, from 6:30 – 7:15 pm.

Children's adoration with the Sisters consists of meditations and prayers in front of the Blessed Sacrament, as well as plenty of singing! It is a time to learn how to have a personal relationship with Jesus, and a way to prepare our hearts as Holy Week draws near.

All children are welcome! RSVP requested but not necessary.



ST. EDWARD SCHOOL NEWS

Principal: Jaci Garvey

Secretary: Trudy Banks

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Sponsorship of St. Edward School

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

Kennedy Lynn Frazier, daughter of Jared and Allyson (Engels) Frazier, born on November 29, 2022, in Sioux Falls, who will be baptized at St. Eloi on Sunday, March 29, 2023.

Kennedy – “You are a Child of God, wonderfully made, dearly loved, and precious in His sight.” Psalm 139:14

Remington Allen Oakland, son of Chris and Faith, born on February 11, 2023, in Marshall, who will be baptized at St. Edward on Sunday, March 19, 2023.

Remington – “You are a blessing and a gift from the Lord, you are a reward from Him.” Psalm 127:3

ROSARY INTENTIONS FOR MARCH

- ✝ For the return of fallen away Catholics
- ✝ For world peace and justice
- ✝ For healing in body, mind, and soul
- ✝ For an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life

EASTER TRIDUUM MASS SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday, April 6 – 7 pm at St. Edward, Minneota

Good Friday, April 7 – 12:00 pm at St. Eloi, Ghent

3:00 pm at St. Edward, Minneota

Easter Vigil, April 8 – 8:30 pm at St. Eloi, Ghent

Easter, April 9 – 8:30 am at St. Edward, Minneota

10:30 am at St. Eloi, Ghent

ST. EDWARD SCHOOL DANCE PARTY

This dance party will be part of kindergarten round-up.

St. Edward School

DANCE PARTY

SUNDAY, MARCH 26TH - 3-5PM

FOR ALL KIDS AGES 3-6

DJ'S - ST. ED'S 8TH GRADERS

ST. EDWARD SCHOOL GYM

BOUNCY HOUSE

MILK AND COOKIES

OPEN HOUSE OF THE SCHOOL

210 W. 4th St.
Minneota, MN
www.stedschools.com

LIVING STATIONS – Friday, March 24

The students of St. Edward School have prepared the living stations of the cross. It will be held on Friday, March 24, in the afternoon and at 7 pm that evening.

ST. ELOI COF FOOD COLLECTION

St. Eloi COF Court 1081 will be collecting food and cash donations for the Marshall Food Shelf from now until March 26.

There is a box in the back of church for your non-perishable food donations. If you would like to give cash or write a check, please give to Julie Schuelke. Make checks payable to Kitchen Table Food Shelf.

Items desperately needed are soups, rice, pasta and rice side dishes, tomato sauce, taco shells, and baking supplies such as flour, sugar, vanilla, baking soda and baking powder.

ST. EDWARD CCW FOOD COLLECTION

The St. Edward CCW will be doing a Lenten food drive. In talking with Western Community Action there is a great need for the following items: tomato sauces and pastes, any kind of pasta, side dishes in pouches, hamburger helper, cereals, dry soup mix, seasonings, baking powder, baking soda, vanilla flavoring, jello and puddings.

Cash is also accepted as they can purchase items at a discount. Please remember no open packages or outdated items will be accepted.

There will be a box in the back of church for the collection.

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The catechists of St. Edward's School and Church will be hosting materials-making March 25 from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm.

Join us in the atria on the 2nd floor of St. Ed's School as we work together to create new materials for the children to use.

If you have any questions, please call Joy Wambeke at 651.324.5996.

SCHOENSTATT GIRLS GROUP

The Schoenstatt March Girls Group meeting will be held on Monday, March 27. It will be from 3 – 4:30 pm right after school in the Knights' Hall.

COOKIES AND FELLOWSHIP – St. Eloi

Our cookie and fellowship tradition in our gathering space continues with your help. Would you be willing to bring 6 dozen cookies for a Sunday or two? If you would like to help out, please contact Sandy Nuytten at 829.9690 (or email her at snuytten@frontiernet.net).

We need volunteers after April 16.

LITURGY MATTERS #19

After the procession of the gifts, the altar is prepared and the bread and wine are placed on it. The priest comes to the altar, picks up the bread, and says a short prayer. In this action we see Christ begin his action of leading our prayer.

Into his hands we have placed our gifts; from his hands they will be offered to the Father. Before the wine is offered, we see the deacon or priest pouring wine into the chalice and then mixing a little water into the wine as he does so. The words he says inaudible call this action a mystery.

He says, 'By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity.'

Of the two elements, wine and water, wine is the more precious, and so let it represent divinity. The water placed in the wine represents our poor humanity, which will be completely joined to Christ's divinity in the course of what follows.

As early as the middle of the third century Saint Cyprian of Carthage was talking this way. He said that we should never offer the wine without water since that would be like offering Christ without his people.

The transformation of both the bread and the wine are anticipated, and we feel the pull of what is about to happen. "It will become for us the bread of life. It will become our spiritual drink." The relation between the gifts that the people bring and their very bodies and lives is manifested with special clarity in the liturgy when incense is used at this point.

First the gifts themselves are incensed, which is a ritual gesture marking them out as holy. Then the altar is marked out as holy. The table on which the gifts lie is designated as the holy place that is truly the center of the world: the place for Christ's Paschal Sacrifice.

Then the incensing action shifts to honor the bishop as the head of the body, after which the whole body, the assembly, is incensed to indicate that they themselves are what lies on the altar. The whole church is become a sweet smelling offering rising up to the Father; the whole church becomes a mysterious and holy place precisely because of what is about to happen.

YEAR OF WINNING

Week 17 – Congratulations! The winner is ... Steve Laleman



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION – MARCH

We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.

<https://popesprayerusa.net/2022/02/14/pope-francis-reveals-2023-prayer-intentions/>

MISSION OF LOVE – PROJECT 2023

This project will benefit the Charity with Dignity Program.

The impact of COVID still has many families at San Lucas without work and no income. The need for food and basic household items is especially great.

Your donations to the Mission of Love Campaign this year will help provide basic necessities to those most affected in the San Lucas area. A grocery bag filled with corn, beans, rice, soup, vegetable oil, pasta, and soap will feed a family of 5 for about five days. The cost per bag is \$17.

More information to follow regarding how to donate.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas local Court St, Joan of Arc #1291 is offering a \$500 scholarship to a 2023 graduating Catholic girl who plans to continue her formal education. She must be a member of Holy Redeemer parish or any of the adjacent Catholic parishes that do not have a Catholic Daughter Court.

Applications are available at the Holy Redeemer Parish office or from Lois Novosad, 710 N 6th St, Marshall, MN 56258. Lois may be contacted at 532.5236. Completed forms, including letters of recommendations, must be returned to Lois Novosad no later than April 15.

HOLY REDEEMER CCW – Invitation

All men and women are invited to attend a presentation at Holy Redeemer Catholic Church on Monday, March 27, regarding “A Catholic View to End of Life Decisions.” The speaker is Dr. Frani Knowles, MD who is an affiliate of the New Ulm Medical Center with 25 years of experience. There will be Mass at 5:30 pm followed by a light lunch. The speaker will begin at 6:30 pm.

JACKPOT BINGO – ST. LEO

Catholic United Financial will be sponsoring Spring JACKPOT BINGO on Sunday, April 2, 2023. Lunch at noon. Warm up games start at 12:30 pm and Jackpot games at 1:30 pm. Proceeds will help to support Catholic Education.

ANNUAL NUDCCW 2023 CONVENTION

Saturday, April 29, 2023
7:30 am – 3:30 pm

Church of St. Mary, New Ulm

Speaker Liz Kelly is a retreat leader and author. She received her certification as a spiritual director from the Cenacle of Our Lady of Divine Providence School of Spirituality in association with the Franciscan University of Steubenville.

There will also be a presentation on the life and work of blessed Carlo Acutis by Berny Berger. This will include a review of some of the major Eucharistic Miracles.

If you are interested in attending, contact Bonnie Laleman (828.5703) or Jan Bot (401.1167).

PRAYER CALENDAR FOR VOCATIONS – PRIESTS, DEACONS, & SEMINARIANS

Monday, March 20

Fr. Keith Salisbury
Fr. Bruno Santiago
Dcn. Jason Myhre
Lucas Baker (Sem.)

Wednesday, March 22

Fr. Paul Schumacher
Fr. Mark Steffl
Dcn. Roger Osborne
David Rabaey (Sem.)

Friday, March 24

Fr. Tony Stubeda
Fr. Tanner Thooft
Dcn. Barry Reindl
Noah U’Ren (Sem.)

Sunday, March 26

Fr. Paul vandeCrommert
Fr. Steve Verhelst
Dcn. Mike Thoennes
Lucas Baker (Sem.)

Tuesday, March 21

Fr. George Schmit
Fr. Phil Schotzko
Dcn. Ken Noyes
Nolan Meyer (Sem.)

Thursday, March 23

Fr. Joe Steinbeisser
Fr. Bernie Steiner
Dcn. Ryan Pope
Brent Sundve (Sem.)

Saturday, March 25

Fr. Craig Timmerman
Fr. Paul Timmerman
Dcn. Steve Spilman
Matt Wood (Sem.)

“Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men.”
Colossians 3:23

Forgiveness is the FOUNDATION for RECONCILIATION.

Radio Rosary

- Mar. 20: In memory of Carolyn Boerboom by Marian & Leonard Louwagie
- Mar. 21: In memory of Sandy Alcorn by Mary Ann & family
- Mar. 22: In memory of Clarence Lipinski by his family
- Mar. 23: In memory of Vin & Judy Bot & Pam Haukom by their family
- Mar. 24: In memory of Tim Hirmer by Catherine Louwagie & family
- Mar. 25: In memory of Maurice Vierstraete by Bob Buysse
- Mar. 26: In memory of Vin & Judy Bot & Pam Haukom by their family

To schedule a radio rosary, call Carol Louwagie at 532.6081

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 – March 25 Travis Welsh 829.0986
- **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

Jesus Heals a Blind Man

So the man went and washed, and came home seeing. John 9:7 (NIV)
The puzzle is based on John 9:1-34 (NIV).



S R E X T B S D W O R L D W T
R B P N H D E I A M B I R T H
I P R C E V R W G V X V S O L
L O P N I T D B R H V L R D Q
B K N E H U P O O L T I G E U
E I C G B A K M V X P G M L Z
S E I S L F A E P K A H W H E
R N I G I Q I O W A R T Y M V
F C Q D N D H Z S X E O O L P
X O U H D D G T I A N H T T K
L M P Z E Q K R L E T C R G C
P I W E W A S H O Z S S P I T
C C F E N W K J A U Q R O R Y
P Q D E U E K E M Q N B S H O
T N E Y E S D S E L A D M Z Z

BLIND	EYES	SPIT	POOL	WASH
WORLD	SINNED	SIGHT	NIGHT	BORN
HOME	MUD	LIFE	OPENED	LIGHT
SILAM	PARENTS	RECEIVED	BIRTH	GROUND

FAMILY-FRIENDLY LENTEN ACTIVITIES

1. Play with someone different at recess.
2. Ask for forgiveness from someone you have wronged.
3. Fast from dessert and candy this week.
4. Thank God for your favorite people.
5. Confess something to God that you feel bad about.
6. Memorize a prayer that you don't already know.
7. Kneel when you pray.