



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



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Sunday, May 14, 2023 **The Sixth Sunday of Easter**

Monday, May 15

11:00 am Mass at Convent (Presider's Intention)

Tuesday, May 16

12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Presider's Intention)
3:00 pm Apartment Word & Communion
6:00 pm Education Committee Meeting
7:30 pm St. Edward Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday, May 17

12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Presider's Intention)
6:00 pm Graduation Mass at St. Edward (Graduates)

Thursday, May 18

8:30 am Mass at St. Edward Gr. 1 & 2
(Students, parents, & staff)
• 8:00 am Confession before Mass
12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Presider's Intention)
5:00 – 7:00 pm Adoration at St. Edward

Friday, May 19

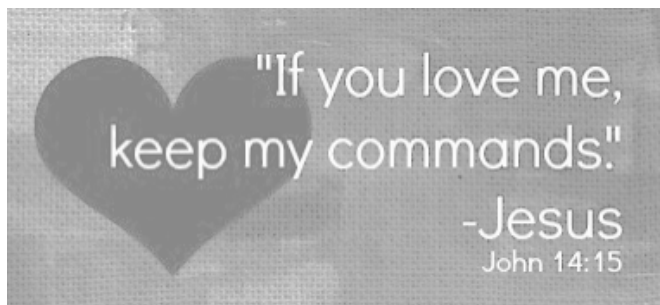
12:00 pm Mass at Convent
(Frank, Dolores, Richard, & Shirley Sussner)

Saturday, May 20

12:00 pm Mass at St. Eloi Convent (John Swedzinski)
5:30 pm Mass at St. Edward (For the People)
• 4:45 pm Confession before Mass

Sunday, May 21

8:30 am Mass at St. Edward (Jim DeCock)
• 8:00 am Confession before Mass
10:30 am Mass at St. Eloi (Ray & Jean Thooft)
• 10:00 am Confession before Mass



Dear Parishioners,

Monday of this last week, I travelled to Spiritual Direction. I saw countless farmers out planting. It was a wonderful thing as it is a certain harbinger of spring. Despite the storms of winter, the cold and snow, spring has come!

There is something beautiful in reflecting on the cycle of life and death of the farmland. It can prompt us to faith – knowing that snow and blizzards and the seeming death of the land does give way to planting and greening of the land and gentle rains that bring new life.

This is the Paschal Mystery – the life death and resurrection of Jesus Christ – modeled. I am convinced that those with strong connections to this process – farmers and ranchers and herders of all kinds, as well as all who support them – are closer to the Kingdom of God. They might understand some of the parables more readily, but definitely the cycle of life and death.

So, it is fitting to honor St. Isidore the Farmer, whose feast day is this Monday, May 15. He was born in 1070 and died on May 15, 1130. He was born to poor parents, who installed in his piety. He married Maria Torribia, and while she is not yet canonized, there is a movement toward it. He was a hired hand, working the land. Stories are told that he would take the oxen out to the fields to till and would leave them to attend Mass while the angels kept the oxen moving straight. He understood that as important as his work was, his faith life was more important.

I hope that all farmers would understand the same. I do not suggest allowing abandoning your tractors to attend Mass (can the angels steer a tractor?), but certainly all should be willing to pause and attend to their spiritual life through prayer and Mass, especially fulfilling the Sunday obligation.

This is the final week of school in Minnesota, while there are a few more days left in the school districts around us. There is a certain sadness walking into a school during the summer – something big is missing. That is part of why I am so happy that we have the summer program which brings children into the school and playground which breaks the silence in a wonderful way. I hope, all the same, that this summer break may be restful, but productive in a number of ways.

In Christ,
Fr. Todd

ST. ELOI

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$3,295.00	\$2,110.26	\$1,184.74
Loose	\$173.00	\$146.15	\$26.85
Commodity	\$6,500.05		
Year-to-Date	\$116,024.39	\$100,932.48	\$15,091.91

ST. ELOI LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 21

Sacristan: Lila Schmidt

Servers: Leo Hennen, Toby Wambeke

Lector: Brad Hennen

Eucharistic Ministers: Dan Sik, Ron Sussner

Musicians: John Rabaey Family

Offertory Gifts: Elaine Brewers

Ushers: Martin Hennen, Mike Monnet, Daren Van Keulen

ST. EDWARD

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$2,858.00	\$4,829.92	(\$1,971.92)
Loose	\$151.00	\$153.85	(\$2.85)
Online Giving	\$525.00	<i>*Added to the adult envelope total</i>	
Commodity	\$2,500.00		
Year-to-Date	\$241,283.90	\$235,913.97	\$5,369.96

ST. EDWARD LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 20

Sacristan: Claren Novotny

Servers: Tom & Tim DeSmet

Lector: Eriann Faris

Eucharistic Minister: Deb Thooff

Ushers: Rod & Ross Abraham, Jackie Laleman, Bruce Novotny

Sunday, May 21

Sacristan: Joe Callens

Servers: Robert Beisler, Mason Moore

Lector: Julie Janiszkeski

Eucharistic Minister: Dawn Vlaminck

Usher: Joe Callens

ST. EDWARD SCHOOL NEWS

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

Monday, May 15: Shetek Environmental Camp for 3rd/4th grades. This will be an overnight camping trip.

Tuesday, May 16: All grades will be going to Camden State Park for the day. Volunteers are needed for this day. Contact Trudy if you're interested.

Wednesday, May 17: Awards day & talent show at 1:00 pm

Wednesday, May 17: Graduation Mass at 6:00 pm

Thursday, May 18: School Mass at 8:30 am

Thursday, May 18: School dismisses for the summer break at noon. Report cards will be sent home that day.

Summer Care We will again be offering summer care for children between the ages of 5 & 12. Parents can choose to send their children for full weeks, various weeks, or just certain days of the week. For \$29.50 per day, children will receive two snacks and one meal; we will also take them to their summer recreation activities in Minneota.

Contact the school office with questions. Registration forms are available on the website at:

<http://www.stedscatholicsschool.com/summercare>

Sponsorship of St. Edward School

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

SYMPATHY FROM OUR PARISH

Prayers to the family of MaryAnn Buysse who passed away on Wednesday, May 10. Her funeral will be held on Monday, May 15, at St. Edward. May God's peace be with you at this time.

"I assure you that whoever hears my word and believes in the One who sent me has eternal life and won't come under judgement but has passed from death into life."
John 5:24

ROSARY INTENTIONS FOR MAY

✠ For all mothers and more devotion to Mary, mother of Jesus

✠ For priests, bishops, and others in a religious life

✠ For an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life

TOTUS TUUS

Registration for our summer program, "Totus Tuus," is currently open! Dates will be from June 4-9. If you have children in grades 1st-12th, sign them up for this awesome and fun opportunity.

The program consists of Catechesis, the Sacraments, learning the mysteries of the Rosary, our faith, games, food, activities, and songs. Go to our website, <https://www.goodteacherafc.com/> and click on the Religious Education tab to find the link and register your child(ren).

Contact our DRE, Shannon Evjen, for any questions.

ST. ELOI CEMETERY REGULATIONS

- ◆ Planting of flowers, shrubs, etc. is prohibited.
- ◆ Potted plants, artificial flowers, shepherd's hooks and metal stands should only be placed at either side of the headstone, in line with the headstone row.
- ◆ No decoration will be permitted that interferes with mowing or trimming of the cemetery.
- ◆ St. Eloi Cemetery assumes no responsibility for items left on gravesites. The cemetery caretakers will remove all flowers (artificial or natural) and decorations of any kind from the cemetery grounds as soon as, in their judgment, they become unsightly or do not conform to the regulations.
- ◆ All items must be removed from the cemetery by October 1, so that the caretakers can prepare for winter.

MASSES NEEDED

There is a need for mass intentions for St. Eloi. Please contact Caren (872.6346) with intentions for your loved ones.

ST. EDWARD CCW – Need info to update guild lists

The 2023-24 Council of Catholic Women guild lists will be updated in early June.

If you have a medical situation that necessitates a move to the "honorary guild" or would like to be added to the funeral guild, please contact either Caren Buysse at the parish office OR Bonnie Laleman, CCW President at 828.5703.

ST. EDWARD CCW – Spring Clean-up

It's time to pick up your bowl and/or pan from the church basement. There are so many downstairs and they need to go home with you where they belong. Anything not picked up by July 1, will be donated to "One More Time Thrift Shop."

MEALS ON WHEELS

The Meals on Wheels program is short on people to deliver meals. There are about 4 to 7 meals to deliver. It takes only 20-30 minutes of your time. The meals are ready at 11:15 – 11:30 am.

If you can help or would like more information, please call Joyce Downing at 507.530.5328. Thank you!

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 snytten@frontiernet.net).

YEAR OF WINNING

Week 25 – Congratulations! The winner is ... Ann Guttormsson



LITURGY MATTERS #27

The priest now turns towards what is called the Epiclesis, which is the technical liturgical term referring in a strict sense to the invocation to the Father that He send the Holy Spirit on the church's gifts. Literally, in Greek it means, "Calling down upon."

Perhaps the Latin for this expresses more clearly what is actually happening, it begins, "Supplices ergo te, Domine, deprecamur," which means, "Therefore, O Lord, Pleading we beg you..." What we are about to ask for in this movement is based on what God has shown His plan to be; namely, that a perfect offering be made to Him. Therefore, we now ask that the bread and wine on the altar become the body and blood of Christ. This is the petition of the epiclesis. "Let it become for us the body and blood of Christ."

The action of the Holy Spirit here in our liturgy exactly parallels the work of the Holy Spirit in the Incarnation of Christ and the work of the Holy Spirit throughout the entire life of Jesus. We experience concretely the unveiling of the Trinitarian mystery in our very midst. Concretely because the Spirit sent from the Father now works to transform our gifts into the body and blood of the Son.

It is important for us to pause for a moment on the Spirit's role in the supper the night before Jesus died; for it is especially there that the action of the Holy Spirit in our liturgy exactly parallels the Spirit's role in the life of Jesus.

When Jesus took bread and wine into his hands the night before he died, the moment and its possibilities had been long in preparation by the work of the Holy Spirit. "He spoke through the prophets," as we say in the creed.

That is, the whole of Israel's history had been formed in such a way that it could all converge in this moment and its meaning. He takes into his hands what the Spirit had prepared for him; and over it all he pronounces the words that the Spirit with whom he is anointed moves him to utter, "This is my body, this is my blood."

Thus, together with the Spirit, does he express his own understanding of his mission, which brings the history of Israel to fulfillment. Thus, together with the Spirit, does he express his own willingness to pour out his life for the sake of the many.

AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION – APRIL

For church movements and groups ~

We pray that church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms (definition: an extraordinary power – as of healing – given a Christian by the Holy Spirit for the good of the church) at the service of needs in the world.

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

GRIEF SHARE If you have experienced the death of a loved one (spouse, child, friend, family) and are journeying toward grief healing, you are invited to attend a GriefShare 13-week session.

GriefShare features Biblical, Christ-centered teaching that focuses on grief topics associated with the death of a loved one. The DVD seminar features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories of people, followed by a small group discussion about what was viewed.

The session will begin Monday, June 5, 6:30-8:00 pm, in Holy Redeemer Church Gathering Space. Any questions, call Dorothy 507.401.0601 or church office, 532.5711.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

Catholic Daughters of the Americas will be placing CDA flags on the graves of our deceased members for the Memorial Day weekend and retrieving them after the holiday. Blessed be their memory.

CATHOLIC UNITED FINANCIAL COUNCIL 307

Catholic United Financial Council 307 will hold a meeting on Friday, June 2, 2023, after the 9 am Mass in the St. John Cantius church basement.

All are welcome to attend.

SPRING GARDEN PARTY – Holy Redeemer

The Holy Redeemer CCW is inviting all area Catholic women to their spring meeting. The speaker, Sue Morton, Master Gardener, will be speaking on "Creating a Prayer Garden."

Mass is at 5:30 pm with a light meal at 6:00 pm. The meeting will be held in Carlin Hall.

Radio Rosary

- May 15:* In memory of Duane Labat
by Marian & Leonard Louwagie
May 16: In memory of Vin & Judy Bot & Pam Haukom
by their family
May 17: In memory of Oscar G. Louwagie by Alice Louwagie
May 18: In memory of Leonard Bossuyt
by Lorraine & Cletus Lanners
May 19: In memory of Sandy Alcorn by Mary Ann & Family
May 20: In memory of Don Zeug by Alice Zeug
May 21: In memory of Dianne Eis by David & Diane Hennen

To schedule a radio rosary, call Carol Louwagie at 532.6081

PRAYER CALENDAR FOR VOCATIONS – PRIESTS, DEACONS, & SEMINARIANS

Monday, May 15

Fr. Aaron Nett
Fr. John Nordick
Nolan Meyer (Sem.)

Tuesday, May 16

Fr. Brian Oestreich
Fr. Jerome Paulson
Fr. Sam Perez
David Rabaey (Sem.)

Wednesday, May 17

Fr. Todd Peterson
Fr. John Pearson
Dcn. Mark Kober
Brent Sundve (Sem.)

Thursday, May 18

Fr. Zach Peterson
Fr. Shawn Polman
Fr. Germain Rademacher
Noah U'Ren (Sem.)

Friday, May 19

Msgr. John Richter
Fr. Brendan Rolling
Dcn. Mike McKeown
Matt Wood (Sem.)

Saturday, May 20

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

Sunday, May 21

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

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

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 – May 20 Janell Laleman 872.5403
- **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 Promises the Holy Spirit



John 14:16

"And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever." John 14:16 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on John 14:15-21 (NIV).

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

FATHER	WORLD	OBEY	COUNSELOR	SHOW
ASK	COMMAND	LIVE	SPIRIT	LOVE
FOREVER	ORPHANS	MYSELF	TRUTH	ACCEPT

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Unscramble the letters and write the word correctly in the space provided.

1. OBYE _____
2. LVOE _____
3. ISPTRI _____
4. SWHO _____
5. UESSJ _____
6. OWRDL _____
7. TRUHT _____
8. RTAFEH _____

FATHER	OBEY	JESUS	TRUTH
WORLD	SHOW	SPIRIT	LOVE

Heavenly Father,
Surround those who are graduating with your grace.
Bless them with hope so that they move into the future with eager and open hearts.
Help them to put the knowledge, skills, and insights gained through their education to use for the good of all humankind.
Inspire them to believe in the goodness of life even when faced with challenges and difficulties.
As they commence with their lives, may they grow ever more grateful and wise.
All of this we ask in the name of Jesus, your beloved Son. Amen.

