

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

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## Sunday, October 5, 2025 The Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Credo videre bona domini in terra viventium"

"I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living. Psalm 27:13

#### **WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

#### Monday, October 6

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Presider's Intention) 5:00 – 8:00 pm City Hall Bar & Grill Fundraiser

#### Tuesday, October 7

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Sr. Anne Becker) 3:00 pm Mass at the Apartments (Harvey Timm)

#### Wednesday, October 8

10:30 am Mass at St. Edward Gr. 5 & 6 (Ron & Donna Schilling)

• 10:00 am Confession before Mass

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Helen & George McGuire)

5:30-6:30 pm Religious Ed for Grades 1-5

6:30 - 7:30 pm Religious Ed for Grades 6 - 11

6:30 pm Women's Bible Study – church basement

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

#### Thursday, October 9

7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Zona Laleman)

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Antone & Theresa Groebner)

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

#### Friday, October 10

6:00 am TMIY Knights' Hall 7:00 am Mass at St. Edward

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12:00 pm Convent Mass (Kate Thooft)

#### Saturday, October 11

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Bernie Moorse)

5:30 pm Mass at St. Edward (Paul Fonteyn)

• 4:30 pm Confession before Mass

#### Sunday, October 12

8:30 am Mass at St. Edward

(Jerry & Pat Stoneberg, Mark & Deb Boulton)

• 8:00 am Confession before Mass

10:30 am Mass at St. Eloi (Joe Van Keulen)

• 10:00 am Confession before Mass

Dear Parishioners

This Tuesday, we celebrate the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, also known as Our Lady of Victory. The feast recalls the pivotal Battle of Lepanto, fought on October 7, 1571—a decisive naval clash between the Holy League, a coalition of Christian states led by Spain and the Papal States, and the Ottoman Empire.

Taking place in the Gulf of Patras off western Greece, it was the largest naval battle of the Renaissance and marked the turning point against Ottoman dominance in the Mediterranean. Under the command of Don John of Austria, the Holy League's fleet overwhelmed the Ottomans, sinking or capturing most of their ships. The victory safeguarded Europe from further Ottoman expansion and, more importantly, became a powerful symbol of Christian unity. Credit was given not only to strategy and courage, but above all to the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary through the prayer of the Rosary.

Some may feel uneasy with the language of prayer as a "weapon," yet we cannot deny that a battle is indeed being waged. Prayer is our means of remaining steadfast in the truth and protecting ourselves and others. Lepanto, like the siege of Vienna or even the Crusades, was not merely a geopolitical conflict but one of profound religious meaning.

Just a few Sundays ago, I spoke in a homily about differing worldviews. Immersed as we are in the Judeo-Christian perspective, we often forget that many reject it. They deny the reality of objective truth and the consistency and goodness of God—even when He permits evil in order to bring forth a greater good.

As Christians, we must remember that our struggle is not ultimately against flesh and blood, but against the powers of deception and distortion. The Rosary is our shield in this struggle: it draws us into meditation on the life of Christ, the Word of Truth made flesh, who came to save us from sin and death. At the same time, it is also a summons to conversion. For this reason, I invite us to heed Pope Leo XIII's call to pray the Rosary daily, entrusting ourselves to Our Lady's intercession and the victory of her Son.

In Christ, Fr. Todd



#### ST. EDWARD SCHOOL NEWS

Principal: Jaci Garvey Secretary: Trudy Banks jgarvey@stedscatholicschool.com Office: 872.6391 St. Edward School: <a href="https://www.stedscatholicschool.com">www.stedscatholicschool.com</a>

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St. Edward School Facebook: St. Edward Catholic School

Monday, Oct. 6 – Fundraiser at City Hall Bar & Grill 5:00 – 8:00 pm

Consider taking your family out for supper and inviting friends, neighbors, and relatives. St. Edward School students will receive tips and a portion of the till.

#### 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 – Wednesday) 6:15 – 8:45 pm (Thursday) 6:15 – 7:30 pm (Friday)

5:00 – 6:00 pm (Sunday) Rosary: 7:15 pm (Friday)

#### ST. ELOI

Weekly	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	(\$953) (\$4)		
Adult	\$ 970	\$1,923	(\$953)		
Loose plate	\$188	\$192	(\$ 4)		
Commodity	\$				
Year-to-Date	\$26,805	\$32,000	(\$5,195)		

#### ST. ELOI LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 12 - 10:30 am

Sacristan: Cindy Nelson

Servers: Elise Hennen, Toby Wambeke

Lector: Mike Van Keulen Musicians: Barb & Brad Hennen

Offertory Gifts: Jason & Alia Thooft Family Eucharistic Ministers: Dan Sik, Ron Sussner

Ushers: Martin Hennen, Ron Sussner, Tim Van Keulen

#### ST. EDWARD

Weekly	ACTUAL	BUDGETED DIFFERENCE			
Adult	\$3,895	\$6,654	(\$2,763)		
Loose plate	\$212	\$192	\$20		
Online Giving	\$650	*Added to the a	Added to the adult envelope total		
Commodity	\$1,900				
Year-to-Date	\$86,516	\$89,000	(\$2,484)		

#### ST. EDWARD LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 11 - 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Claren Novotny

Servers: Jules Gossen, Charlie Myhre, Eva Skorczewski

Lector: Fred Rabaey

Eucharistic Ministers: Deb Thooft, Nate Welsh

Ushers: Rod & Ross Abraham, Troy DeSmet, Jackie Laleman

Sunday, October 12 – 8:30 am

Sacristan: Ruth Bot

Servers: Charity & Debbie Beisler, William Jones

Lector: Kevin Swedzinski

Eucharistic Ministers: Kevin Swedzinski, Terry Van Keulen

Ushers: Rick Bot, 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.

- ★ Kay Drown
- ★ Harper Gravely (Tim & Betty Gosser
- (Tim & Betty Gossen's granddaughter)

  ★ Missy Hennen
- ★ Vincent Laleman
- **★** Julie Noves
- ★ Doug Sik
- ★ Joanne Sturm
- \* Brenda Verschelde
- ★ Jeremy Koelar
- ★ Anyone who has been diagnosed with cancer

#### **ROSARY INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER**

- For an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life
- † For God's gift of peace, especially in war-torn lands and the destruction of human trafficking syndicates
- For an end to persecution of Christians and the promotion of religious freedom

#### CITY HALL FUNDRAISER FOR MARATHON

There will be a fundraiser for the St. Edward School Marathon. Join us for food and fellowship at City Hall. **Monday, October 6, from 5:00 – 7:00 pm**Pizza & wings will be on the menu for the fundraiser.

#### DID YOU HEAR???

**There is still a need** for a catechist for 5th grade. You must be over 18 years of age & VIRTUS trained. Please consider volunteering to teach the 5<sup>th</sup> graders.

If you could help out, contact Religious Ed director Corissa Van Keulen at her email address

www.goodteacherafcre@hotmail.com

#### **OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH**

Join Catholics nationwide praying a special novena for the protection of human life from conception to natural death October 22 – 30. Get daily intentions, brief reflections, and more. Sign up at <a href="https://www.respectlife.org/celebrate">https://www.respectlife.org/celebrate</a>!

In 2023 The state of Minnesota passed one of the most radical pro-death laws in the world supporting abortion up until birth. They also eliminated the Positive Alternatives Grant that provided \$3.35 million to crises Pregnancy Centers. We need to continue to provide funds to centers in our diocese so they can continue to support women with unexpected pregnancies.

There will be a second collection taken the weekend of October 11 – 12 for Choices Pregnancy Center with locations in Redwood Falls and Marshall MN. When facing an unexpected pregnancy, Choices Pregnancy Center empowers women to make confident decisions by accessing their free services that include pregnancy testing, early-pregnancy ultrasounds, and complete, medically accurate information on their options, all with the caring support of their advocates.

#### **RAFFLE TICKETS**

The cash raffle tickets cost \$50 with a limited number available (400). You may buy one or more tickets. If your ticket is



drawn for a particular Sunday, it will be placed back in the drawing for an opportunity to win more than once.

Each weekend the winner will be announced in the bulletin. The winnings will be \$100 per week with special winnings on Christmas and Easter of \$1,000 and \$250 on Mother's and Father's Day.

Tickets will be on sale at the SCRIP table after Mass each week as well as at the church office through November 16. The first drawing will be Sunday, November 23. Let's make this raffle a huge success!

#### **COLLECTION FOR CHOICES PREGNANCY CENTER**

There will be a collection taken from October 1 – 31 for items that Choices Pregnancy Center can use to support the mother and child.

Those items include boys (only) baby clothes from newborn to 3 months and maternity clothes that are either new or just like new. You can also make a monetary donation as well. There will be a box located in the back of the church. Thank you in advance for your support!

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP IN THE KITCHEN!**

There is a need for volunteers to help Cynthia prepare produce donations for school lunches. There is also occasion kitchen tidying assistance needed.

If you can help, please let Jaci Garvey know 507.872.6391. Please watch for notices regarding when the help is needed. It is usually only for a few hours at a time.

#### **CCW NEEDS**

There is still a need for a volunteer for vice-president of the CCW. Please prayerfully consider this request.

#### LOOKING FOR PART-TIME ASSISTANTS

We are looking for helpers for our afterschool program. This is a part time position, from 3 – 6 pm, approximately three days per week.

Please reach out to jgarvey@stedscatholicschool.com if you are interested.

#### **BLOOD DRIVE ~ KBs BALLROOM**

There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive at KBs Ballroom, Ghent, Thursday, October 9, from 2:00 – 7:00 pm. Every 2 seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood. There is a severe shortage at this time. Give blood – save a life. Visit www.redcrossblood.org or call 1.800.733.2767 to schedule an appointment.

#### THE BOOK OF THE DEAD

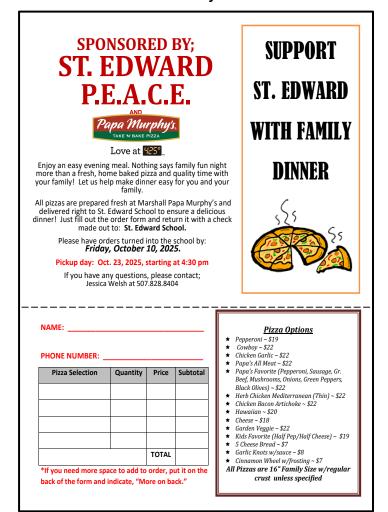
Parishes have a custom of giving a place of honor to a book in which members of the parish, community members and visitors write the names of their beloved dead. This practice provides the living with an opportunity for healing and consolation in the face of grief.

The Book of the Dead will be displayed from the solemnity of All Saints until the beginning of Advent. It is left open for people to write the names of their deceased loved ones and for others to read the names, remember, and pray for the repose of their souls. Remembering these men and women who have gone before us, "marked with the sign of faith," helps us better understand and appreciate our faith in the Christ our risen Lord who conquers sin and death and brings new life to all.

At this time The Book of the Dead will be placed in the back of the church and then will be placed at the front of the church during the month of November. This book is for anyone who wishes to add the names of their deceased

loved ones. During the All Souls Day Mass and the Masses in November, we will pray for those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith.

#### PAPA MURPHY FUNDRAISER for St. Edward School



#### SHEPHERD OF THE FIELD for St. Edward

Each September, every parish is assigned a "Shepherd" to pray for and affirm throughout the year. Ways to affirm our shepherd is to pray daily for him, send cards/notes for special occasions, or offer a Mass in his name.

Fr. Patrick Casey (retired) is the Shepherd of the Field for St. Edward this year. His address is 525 Fairview Ave. S., Apt. 439, St. Paul, MN 55116-1669.

Take 5 minutes to let him know you're praying for him.

#### YEAR OF WINNING

Week 46 – Congratulations! The winner is ... Corissa Van Keulen



#### HAPPENINGS in our Diocese & Beyond ...

#### **POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION – October**

For collaboration between different religious traditions ~ Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity.

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

#### DON'T MISS THE WOMAN'S EMMAUS RETREAT

This fall's Woman's Emmaus Retreat will be held at the Lake Shetek Retreat Center from Friday evening, October 24 through Sunday afternoon, October 26.

All women from our surrounding area are invited. It is sponsored by Holy Redeemer.

The cost is \$150 which includes all meals.

For more information contact Lisa Meyer at 507.865.4616 or visit <a href="https://www.holy-redeemer.com">www.holy-redeemer.com</a>, Education tab, then Faith Formation, Adult Formation, then Emmaus.

#### PRO-LIFE BENEFIT PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Breakfast will be held Sunday, October 26, in Holy Redeemer Church basement, Marshall, sponsored by Birthright of Marshall and Choices Pregnancy Center of Marshall. Volunteers are needed; please call Cindy at 507.828.4529.



#### 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 – **October 18** Margrit Rabaey 507.828.1756 (Eucharist for the shut-ins will be every other week.)

**Baptism Prep:** To set up a baptism date, call Caren at the office. Godparent requirements are on the church website.

RCIA: If anyone is interested in joining the Catholic church or learning more about the church, contact Deacon Bruce Bot – 507.828.7012

#### **Radio Rosary**

Oct. 6: For Emil & Bertha Louwagie & deceased family members by Dennis & Evelyn Louwagie

Oct. 7: In memory Jack Hennen by Jerry & Caroline Van Keulen

Oct. 8: In memory of Vince & Judy Bot & Pam Haukom by their family

Oct. 9: In memory of Linda Oftedahl by Ardyce Louwagie

Oct. 10: In memory of Joe Van Keulen by Rosemary & family

Oct. 11: In memory of Joe Van Keulen by Terry Hennen

Oct. 12: In memory of Mary Ann Alcorn by her 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.

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## A Mustard Seed Faith

The puzzle is based on Luke 17:5-10 (NIV).

He replied, "If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it will obey you." Luke 17:6 (NIV)



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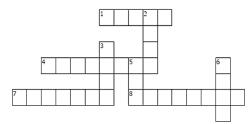
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#### **ACROSS**

- Belief in the truth, value, or trustworthiness of a person or idea
- 4. To make greater or larger
- A thick, yellow liquid that tastes spicy and is eaten in small amounts on meat and sandwiches
- 8. Twelve disciples chosen by Jesus to preach the gospel

#### DOWN

- A tall plant with a wooden trunk, branches, and leaves
- 3. A small kernel that is buried in the ground to grow a new plant
- A large area of salt water partly or completely surrounded by land
- To do what you are told or expected to do

mustard	tree	seed	obey
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