



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



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Sunday, February 23, 2025 The Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Monday, February 24

7:00 am Convent Mass (Presider's Intention)

Tuesday, February 25

7:30 am Convent Mass (Doug Novak & Tracey Otto)

3:00 pm Mass at the Apartments (Tom Swedzinski)

6:30 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting

Wednesday, February 26

10:30 am Mass at St. Edward Gr. 7 & 8
(John & Mary Polejewski)

- 10:00 am Confession before Mass

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Julia Claeys)

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

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

7:00 pm Choir in St. Edward Choir Loft – **Time Change**

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

Thursday, February 27

7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Jim Driemeyer)

- 6:30 am Confession before Mass

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Brian Timmerman)

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

Friday, February 28

5:45 am TMIY

7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Leo & Isabelle Hennen)

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Fr. Tony Stubeda)

Saturday, March 1

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Gary Nuytten)

5:30 pm Mass at St. Edward (Harold & Mary Ann Buysse)

- 4:45 pm Confession before Mass

Sunday, March 2 – Confirmation at St. Eloi

8:30 am Mass at St. Edward (Marian Hoffmann)

- 8:00 am Confession before Mass

9:30 am Sunday FIRE *Bread of Life: Eat My Flesh*

10:30 am Mass at St. Eloi (Ray & Mary Loyson)

- 10:00 am Confession before Mass

Dear Parishioners,

Congratulations to David Rabaey as he was formally installed as a Lector last week at St. Paul Seminary. This is the first formal step of Holy Orders. He is now commissioned to read the readings.

Next Sunday, we will celebrate the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation for a number of our parishioners. Bishop Zielinski will of course offer this Sacrament in which they will be fully initiated into the Church.

Reflect on that a bit, and I think we might see something of a challenge. It is a Sacrament of Initiation – not completion. It begins the full relationship in the Church, and it is my prayer that the newly confirmed will continue to grow in their love of Jesus Christ, living with the Holy Spirit.

A week from this Wednesday is Ash Wednesday. More on that next week, but with some formal discussions about coming to a common date for Easter, it might be interesting to look at what the difference is.

Easter often coincides with the Jewish celebration of Passover, as our Lord was celebrating a Passover meal on Holy Thursday. Jewish people celebrated Passover on the full moon during the month of Nissan. Because of it being a lunar calendar, our celebration of Easter does not always coincide with the Month of Nissan – we added that it would be the first full moon of spring, which begins on the vernal equinox.

Therefore, Good Friday is celebrated on the first Friday after the full moon after the Spring equinox. This means that Easter can be celebrated as early as March 20 (when the full moon would be on the equinox, which is very rare) to April 25 (the next time it falls on this date is 2038).

Some of the Eastern Churches maintain the connection to Nissan, which means the date of their celebration of the Lord's resurrection doesn't always coincide with our celebration. This year, Easter is April 20, so fairly late in the chart of possible dates. This year, both the East and the West will celebrate Easter on the same day.

Pope Francis, however, is inviting all to come to one date from here on. This should not disturb us, as the reality is that the Lord was crucified on a Friday around the celebration of Passover (Ss. Matthew, Mark, and Luke record that He was crucified the day after Passover, while St. John records he was crucified on the preparation day of Passover).

We do celebrate the fact of His resurrection even though we know that to attempt to replicate the date exactly is not possible. At this point, I don't expect a decision soon, but it is something to be aware of. (It's kind of like the discussion of eliminating Daylight Saving Time!)

In Christ,
Fr. Todd

ST. EDWARD SCHOOL NEWS

Principal: Jaci Garvey Secretary: Trudy Banks
 jgarvey@stedscatholicschool.com Office: 872.6391
 Sunday, March 2 – PreSchool/Kindergarten Round-Up
 2:00 – 3:30 pm

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	\$735.00	\$2,110.00	(\$1,370.00)
Loose plate	\$187.00	\$146.00	\$41.00
Commodity	\$.00		
Year-to-Date	\$72,193.00	\$75,429.00	(\$3,236.00)

ST. ELOI LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 2 – 10:30 am

Sacristan: Corissa Van Keulen
 Servers: Xavier & Mark Rabaey
 Lector: Betsy Jo Kack

Musicians: Barb Hennen & Laura Hennen
 Offertory Gifts: Dan & Joy Wambeke Family
 Eucharistic Ministers: Monica Senden, Dan Sik
 Ushers: Corey Kack, Ron Sussner, Tim Van Keulen

ST. EDWARD

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$1,285.00	\$4,830.00	(\$3,545.00)
Loose plate	\$229.00	\$154.00	\$75.00
Online Giving	\$1,256.00	<i>*Added to the adult envelope total</i>	
Commodity	\$.00		
Year-to-Date	\$183,886.00	\$189,161.00	(\$5,275.00)

ST. EDWARD LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 1 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Claren Novotny
 Servers: Audyn & Brisbyn Traen, Violet Vlaminc
 Lector: Hilary DeVlaeminck
 Eucharistic Ministers: Nate Welsh
 Ushers: Mike Longtin, Tom & Paula Sterzinger, Chuck Vlaminc

Sunday, March 2 – 8:30 am

Sacristan: Joe Callens
 Servers: Naomi & Declan Evjen, Elizabeth Garvey
 Lector: Teresa Myhre
 Eucharistic Ministers: Jo Coover
 Ushers: Rick Bot, Frank & Becky Engels, John Sumerfelt

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR PARISH ...

SYMPATHY FROM OUR PARISH

Prayers for the family of David Schreiber who passed away on Tuesday, February 18. His funeral will be held on Monday, February 24, at St. Edward.

Jesus said ... "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die."
 John 11:25, 26

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
- ★ Drew (Parishioner's uncle)
- ★ Nicole Marschall (Stiklestad)
- ★ Joanne Sturm
- ★ Anyone with a cancer diagnosis

SCHOENSTATT GIRLS GROUP

There will be a Schoenstatt Girls Meeting on Monday, February 24, from 3:00 – 4:30 pm in the Knights' Hall.

PRESCHOOL/KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP

Sunday, March 2 2:00 – 3:30 pm
 Exploring Montessori based programming available for Pre-school and Kindergarten students. Meet the staff and students. Tours, registration information, fun activities and snacks will be provided.

Contact St. Edward School @ 507-872-6391 if you have any questions.

CCW SPRING GATHERING

All women are invited to attend the Deanery 2 Spring Gathering which will be hosted here at St. Ed's. Register with Mary Myhre (text to: 507.828.2521 or email: mary.myhre@hotmail.com) by Wednesday, March 12 – the cost is \$15 (covered by our local CCW).

*Mary Morning Star:
The Star of Hope*

Deanery 2 CCW
Spring Gathering

Monday, March 17, 2025
St. Edward Catholic Church
Minneota, MN

5:00 pm--Registration
5:30 pm--Mass
6:30 pm--Meal in the church basement
7:15 pm--Sisters of Mary Morning Star presentation

SUMMER CARE PROGRAM

St. Edward School will again offer Summer Care for students aged 5-12 from 7:15 am – 6:00 pm on weekdays throughout the summer.

This program was a great success last year, and we look forward to even more fun! Watch for more information soon. Registrations are available on the Good Teacher AFC website or by contacting the office.

YEAR OF WINNING

Week 13 – Congratulations! The winner is ... Laurie & Scott Christianson



HAPPENINGS in our Diocese & Beyond ...

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION – FEBRUARY

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life ~

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

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

VIRTUS TRAINING SESSION

Sunday, February 23 – Church of St. Mary, Bird Island
1:00 – 4:00 pm

This training is required for adults interested in volunteering or working with youth. Please register online at dnu.org/safeenvironment.

If you need help, contact Caren in the office.

CATHOLIC UNITED FINANCIAL COUNCIL #307

Catholic United Financial Council #307 will hold a meeting on Friday, March 7, 2025, in the St. John Cantius church basement, Wilno, following the 9:00 am mass. All are welcome to attend.

FORGIVEN RETREAT OPPORTUNITIES

Come receive healing, be filled with hope, and learn more about the Sacrament of Reconciliation at a Forgiven Retreat sponsored by the Diocese of New Ulm.

Join the Universal Church in the Jubilee Year of Hope in which reconciliation and healing are key aspects.

Sunday, March 30, 2025 – St. Pius X, Glencoe
2:00 – 8:00 pm

Schedule for the retreat

2:00 pm – Check-In

2:30 pm – Teaching on healing and

the Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:30 pm – Q & A with a priest

5:00 pm – Free supper

6:00 pm – Adoration and Prayer for Hope and Healing

Register at www.dnu.org.

SCHOENSTATT ON THE LAKE – Couples Retreat

February 28 – March 2, 2025

The retreat will include time for prayer, Mass, opportunity for confession, spiritual conferences, and quality time with your spouse.

Cost is \$320 per couple. Call 507.794.7727 or check out <https://schoenstattmn.com/events.html>

It will be held at the retreat center – 27762 Cty Rd 27, Sleepy Eye, MN.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

If you have experienced the death

of a loved one (spouse, child, friend, family) and are

journeying toward grief healing, you are invited to this GriefShare 13-week session.

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 first session will be held February 24, 6:30 – 8:00 pm in Holy Redeemer Church Gathering Area, Marshall.

GriefShare material is designed so that a person can begin attending on any week, even if you missed prior sessions. All faith expressions welcome. Contact the parish office, 507-502-5711, or Dorothy, 507-401-0601 for more information. Registration can be found at www.griefshare.org.



Radio Rosary

Feb. 24: In memory of Carol Louwagie by Alice Louwagie

Feb. 25: In memory of Vince & Judy Bot & Pam Haukom by their family

Feb. 26: For Clem & Alice Anton's deceased family members

Feb. 27: In memory of Carol Louwagie

by Tony & Kathy VanUden

Feb. 28: In memory of Vince & Judy Bot & Pam Haukom by their family

Mar. 1: In memory of Don Maeyaert by Madeline Swedzinski

Mar. 2: In memory of Audrey Jerzak by David & Diane Hennen

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 – **March 1** Andrea Opdahl 507.829.8040

(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

Give, and it will be given to you.

GOOD MEASURE, PRESSED DOWN,
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WILL BE PUT INTO YOUR LAP. FOR
WITH THE MEASURE YOU USE IT
WILL BE MEASURED BACK TO YOU.

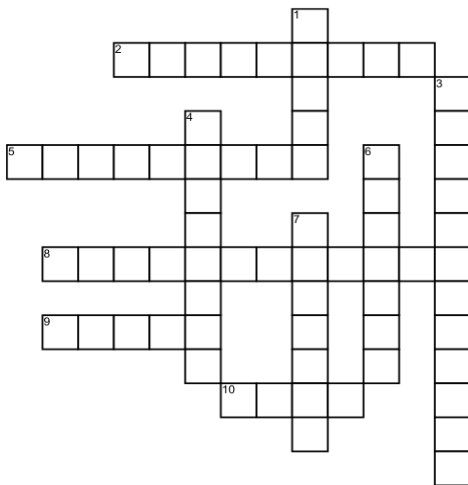
Luke 6:38

Luke 6:27-38 Word Search

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| Condemn | Tunic | Condemn | Sinner |
| Wicked | Enemies | Bless | Judge |
| Expect | Merciful | Forgive | Enemy |

Roman Catholic Church Crossword



Across

- 2. where was jesus was born?
- 5. What were jesus followers called
- 8. When did jesus die?
- 9. What were teachings collected into?
- 10. Who had the most power in the church?

Down

- 1. Who was crucified by roman leaders?
- 3. When was jesus born?
- 4. Who Spread Christianity?
- 6. Who had the third most power in the church?
- 7. Who had the second highest power in the church?

Word Bank

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| jesus | bible | priests | Bethlehem |
| bishops | Apostles | | |

Remember the preschool/kindergarten open house...

OPEN HOUSE FOR PRESCHOOL & Kindergarten
 MARCH 2, 2025
 2 - 3:30 PM
 ST. EDWARD SCHOOL
 210 W. 4TH ST. | MINNEOTA, MN
 WWW.STEDSCATHOLICSSCHOOL.COM

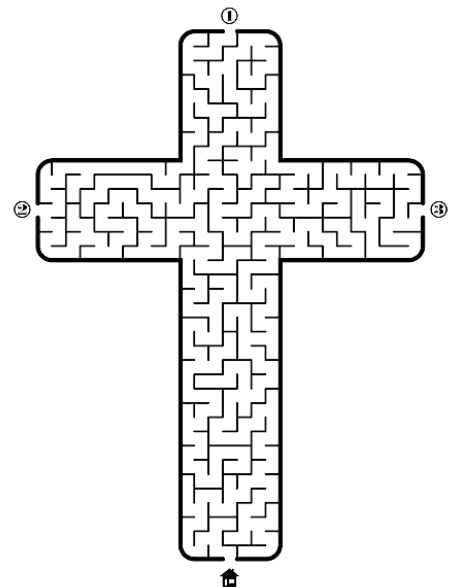
Learn about the Montessori Method
 Scan the QR code to request more information or a private tour of our school
 507-872-6391

- School and Classroom Tours
- Children's Activities
- Snacks
- Meet our Staff

St. Jude Prayer for the Healing of Cancer

God of healing mercy, in Jesus your Son you stretch out your hand in compassion, restoring the sinner, healing the sick, and lifting up those bowed down. Embrace us now in your loving care, particularly those afflicted with cancer, for whom this intention is offered. May the Spirit of Jesus bring us all health in soul and body, that with joy and thanksgiving we may praise you for your goodness, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

#StJudePrayforUs
 National Shrine of St. Jude
 www.shrineofstjude.org



St. Edward Liturgical Schedule for March & April ~ 2025

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

MARCH

Saturday, March 1 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Claren Novotny
Servers: Audyn & Brisbyn Traen, Violet Vlaminc
Lector: Hilary DeVlaeminck
Eucharistic Minister: Nate Welsh
Ushers: Mike Longtin, Tom & Paula Sterzinger, Chuck Vlaminc

Sunday, March 2 – 8:30 am

Sacristan: Joe Callens
Servers: Naomi & Declan Evjen, Elizabeth Garvey
Lector: Teresa Myhre
Eucharistic Minister: Jo Coover
Ushers: Rick Bot, Frank & Becky Engels, John Sumerfelt

Saturday, March 8 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Mary Ann Christensen
Servers: Niara & Stella Gorecki, Jules Gossen
Lector: Fred Rabaey
Eucharistic Minister: Claren Novotny
Ushers: Mike Longtin, Tom & Paula Sterzinger, Chuck Vlaminc

Sunday, March 9 – 8:30 am

Sacristan: Fran Sturm
Servers: Ian & Noah Myhre
Lector: Fran Sturm
Eucharistic Minister: Shannon Evjen
Ushers: Rick Bot, Frank & Becky Engels, John Sumerfelt

Saturday, March 15 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Margrit Rabaey
Servers: Bryce & Kaitlyn Gorecki, Eva Skorczewski
Lector: Claren Novotny
Eucharistic Minister: Jeff Buysse
Ushers: Mike Longtin, Tom & Paula Sterzinger, Chuck Vlaminc

Sunday, March 16 – 8:30 am

Sacristan: Ruth Bot
Servers: Debbie Beisler, William Jones, Mason Moose
Lector: Cynthia Moose
Eucharistic Minister: Neal Bot
Ushers: Rick Bot, Frank & Becky Engels, John Sumerfelt

Saturday, March 22 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Claren Novotny
Servers: Eli Faris, Sam & Charlie Myhre
Lector: Nate Welsh
Eucharistic Minister: Eriann Faris
Ushers: Mike Longtin, Tom & Paula Sterzinger, Chuck Vlaminc

Sunday, March 23 – 8:30 am

Sacristan: Terry Van Keulen
Servers: Wyatt Guza, RJ & Reed Sorensen
Lector: Shannon Evjen
Eucharistic Minister: Shannon Evjen
Ushers: Rick Bot, Frank & Becky Engels, John Sumerfelt

Saturday, March 29 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Mary Ann Christensen
Servers: Audyn & Brisbyn Traen, Violet Vlaminc
Lector: Eriann Faris
Eucharistic Minister: Fred Rabaey
Ushers: Mike Longtin, Tom & Paula Sterzinger, Chuck Vlaminc

Sunday, March 30 – 8:30 am

Sacristan: Ruth Bot
Servers: Jacob & Mariah Loyson
Lector: Tina Myhre
Eucharistic Minister: Fran Sturm
Ushers: Rick Bot, Frank & Becky Engels, John Sumerfelt

APRIL

Saturday, April 5 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Cindy Novotny
Servers: Niara & Stella Gorecki, Jules Gossen
Lector: Shannon Gossen
Eucharistic Minister: Margrit Rabaey
Ushers: Rod & Ross Abraham, Don Gorecki, Luke Gorecki

Sunday, April 6 – 8:30 am

Sacristan: Ruth Bot
Servers: Naomi & Declan Evjen, Elizabeth Garvey
Lector: Dylan Evjen
Eucharistic Minister: Kevin Swedzinski
Ushers: Rick Bot, Richie Sorensen, John Sumerfelt

Saturday, April 12 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Margrit Rabaey
Servers: Bryce & Kaitlyn Gorecki, Eva Skorczewski
Lector: Tim Gossen, Deb Thooft
Eucharistic Minister: Mary Ann Christensen
Ushers: Rod & Ross Abraham, Don Gorecki, Luke Gorecki

Sunday, April 13 – 8:30 am – Palm Sunday

Sacristan: Fran Sturm
Servers: Ian & Noah Myhre
Lector: Joe Callens, Julie Janiszkeski
Eucharistic Minister: David Vlaminc
Ushers: Rick Bot, Richie Sorensen, John Sumerfelt

Thursday, April 17 – 7:00 pm – Maundy Thursday

Sacristan: Volunteer
Servers: Volunteer
Lector: Volunteer
Eucharistic Minister: Volunteer
Usher: Rick Bot, Richie Sorensen, John Sumerfelt

Friday, April 18 – 3:00 pm – Good Friday

Sacristan: Volunteer
Servers: Volunteer
Lector: Volunteer
Eucharistic Minister: Volunteer
Ushers: Volunteer

Sunday, April 20 – 8:30 am - Easter

Sacristan: Volunteer
Servers: Volunteer
Lector: Volunteer
Eucharistic Minister: Volunteer
Usher: Rick Bot, Richie Sorensen, John Sumerfelt

Saturday, April 26 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Cindy Novotny
Servers: Eli Faris, Sam & Charlie Myhre
Lector: Mary Ann Christensen
Eucharistic Minister: Nate Welsh
Ushers: Rod & Ross Abraham, Don Gorecki, Luke Gorecki

Sunday, April 27 – 8:30 am

Sacristan: Terry Van Keulen
Servers: Charity & Debbie Beisler, William Jones
Lector: Terry Van Keulen
Eucharistic Minister: Mary Myhre
Ushers: Rick Bot, Richie Sorensen, John Sumerfelt

