



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



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## Sunday, February 12, 2023 The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Monday, February 13

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

### Tuesday, February 14

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

### Wednesday, February 15

10:30 am Mass at St. Edward (Barb Sumerfelt)

• 10:00 am Confession before Mass

12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Ray & Joanne Lang)

5:30 pm Religious Ed Grades 1-5

6:30 pm Religious Ed Grades 6-12

6:30 pm Adoration Holy Hour

7:30 pm Choir practice in the choir loft

### Thursday, February 16

7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Katherine Olafson)

• 6:30 am Confession before Mass

12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Albert & Margaret Callens)

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

### Friday, February 17

6:00 am TMIY

7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Ed & Ronette Finnegan)

12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Elaine Hennen)

### Saturday, February 18

12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Mary Olson)

5:30 pm Mass at St. Edward

(Harold Buysse & deceased family members)

• 4:45 pm Confession before Mass

### Sunday, February 19

8:30 am Mass at St. Edward (Vin & Judy Bot & Pam Haukom)

• 8:00 am Confession before Mass

9:30 am Sunday Fire *Into His Likeness – Session 6*

10:30 am Mass at St. Eloi (Ed Buysse)

• 10:00 am Confession before Mass

Thanking God

after he answers a prayer is gratitude.  
Thanking him in advance is  
*Faith...*

Dear Parishioners,

I have had a number of issues with my car. After several problems starting over the last 3 years, two new batteries, inspections and clearances of "nothing wrong" with the battery, starter, alternator, or electrical system, the car had difficulty starting Sunday, January 29, (and subsequently I was late for confession at St. Eloi, and it would not start at all on Tuesday, January 31. I finally got it started but was late to the noon Mass at the convent. After Mass, it needed to be jumped again. This was all despite the fact that I had it on a charger overnight Monday. I was approaching 179,000 miles and was 2 weeks short of 12 years.

Starting in September, I began in earnest, eyeing the latest makes and models, looking for the balance of safety, reliability, and economy. I considered full-electric briefly (we don't have the infrastructure for them yet to make sense with the distances I sometimes need to drive in a single day). I considered hybrids, until I realized that most of the longer trips would use the gasoline engine anyway. I also contemplated ordering a custom order but was told that may take up to a year. I felt I needed a reliable car sooner. I researched and found a few cars with most of the features I thought necessary (hands-free calling and audio as well as certain safety features).

I test drove a black Ford Escape 2022, found it a vast improvement from my 2011 Escape (which I loved), and decided to purchase it. I must say that I love it. Remote start from my phone or watch, keyless ignition, keyless entry, and so many other things. My plan is to do the same as I just did – to run the car until no longer reliable. This is the 5th car I have had – the fourth Ford and third Escape. I have always had a favorable experience with the car as well as with the service at the dealerships. I cannot say enough good about Kruse Motors or about Max whom I personally asked to assist in the process.

Tuesday and Wednesday of this week is Pastoral Leader days in Willmar. The presenter is an exorcist, and he will be talking on the ordinary and extraordinary work of the devil, angels, and the spiritual life of priests. Please keep us in prayer.

While there, we priests will concelebrate a Mass on Tuesday (whether I concelebrate Mass on Wednesday is to be determined). Tuesday is the first anniversary of my Mom's death, and she of course had lived in Willmar and so we choose to have her funeral there. It may be a beautiful thing – to be there for her first anniversary. It does not seem possible to have been a year. My sisters and I are planning to do something to honor her.

In Christ,  
Fr. Todd

## ST. ELOI

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$990.00	\$2,110.26	(\$1,120.26)
Loose	\$50.00	\$146.15	(\$96.15)
Commodity	\$5,000.00		
Year-to-Date	\$88,123.44	\$71,238.51	\$16,884.93

### ST. ELOI LITURGY SCHEDULE

#### Sunday, February 19

Sacristan: Lila Schmidt

Servers: Elise Hennen, Gregory Rabaey, Tyler Welsh

Lector: Monica Senden

Eucharistic Minister: Mary Jo Bossuyt, Darla Timmerman

Musicians: John Rabaey Family

Offertory Gifts: Dan & Deb Sik

Ushers: Corey Kack, Ron Sussner, Tim Van Keulen

## ST. EDWARD

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$2,307.00	\$4,829.92	(\$2,522.92)
Loose	\$234.00	\$153.85	\$80.15
Commodity			
Online Giving	\$878.00	*Added to the adult envelope total	
Year-to-Date	\$171,238.54	\$166,508.91	\$4,729.63

### ST. EDWARD LITURGY SCHEDULE

#### Saturday, February 18

Sacristan: Mary Kampa

Servers: Talia Fier, Tara & Gabe Sterzinger

Lector: Nate Welsh

Eucharistic Minister: Michael Ludwikowski

Ushers: Rod & Ross Abraham, Charlie Callens, Bruce Novotny

#### Sunday, February 19

Sacristan: Terry Van Keulen

Servers: Joe & Charity Beisler, Elizabeth Garvey

Lector: Terry Van Keulen

Eucharistic Minister: Fran Sturm

Usher: Doug Janiszski

## 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. EDWARD SCHOOL NEWS

Principal: Jaci Garvey Secretary: Trudy Banks  
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### Sponsorship of St. Edward School

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

Rylen Brooke Hennen, daughter of Brooke & Trent, who was born on October 25, 2022, and baptized at St. Edward on Sunday, February 5, 2023.

Rylen – “You are a Child of God, wonderfully made, dearly loved, and precious in His sight.” Psalm 13:9

## ROSARY INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY

- † For blessings on all marriages
- † For world peace and justice
- † For the protection of the unborn
- † For those who don't have faith or have lost it

## ST. EDWARD CHOIR

There will be choir practice for the St. Edward Choir on Wednesday, February 15, at 7:30 pm in the choir left. It is time to begin preparing for the Easter season! Please come and join the choir. According to St. Augustine, “The one who sings prays twice.”

## ST. EDWARD SCHOOL

Giving Weekend for the School Annual Fund is here! Please help keep St. Edward School available and affordable to all who wish to attend by contributing to this or one of our many special initiatives. All parishioners are invited to prayerfully discern how you and your family can help support our school.

To participate in our important School Annual Fund, please do one of the following:

- Return your commitment card in the mail using the provided return envelope.
- Drop off your envelope, commitment card and gift at the school office.
- Go to [www.stedscatholicschool.com](http://www.stedscatholicschool.com) to make your commitment online via an electronic commitment card (and save a stamp!)

The back of the commitment card has a place for you to include any prayer intentions you wish to share. All intentions are welcome and will be prayed over during the all-school mass over the next few weeks!

Our goal is 100% participation of time, talent or treasure! Thank you in advance for your generosity and support of St. Edward School!

## COOKIES AND FELLOWSHIP – St. Eloi

Our cookie and fellowship tradition continues with your help. We meet in our gathering place after Sunday Mass for fellowship and fresh cookies!

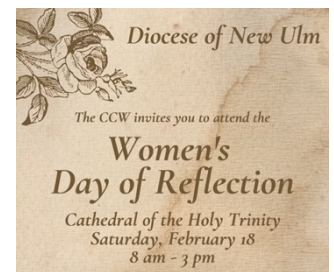
Would you be willing to bring 6 dozen cookies for a Sunday or two? Lyle has asked for some help with this ministry. Please contact Sandy Nuytten at 829.9690 (or email her at [snuytten@frontiernet.net](mailto:snuytten@frontiernet.net)) if you could bring cookies some Sunday.

We are covered until March 12, but need volunteers after that date.

## CCW

The NUDCCW is offering a Women's Day of Reflection for all the women in our Diocese! It will take place on Saturday, February 18, from 8 am to 3 pm at the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity in New Ulm.

If you interested in attending, please contact Bonnie Laleman to set up a carpool.



## CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The catechists of St. Edward's School and Church will be hosting materials-making mornings on February 25 and 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.

### **LITURGY MATTERS #14**

Much of what has been said about the reading of the Word of God from the Old Testament can be applied to the second reading, always taken from one of the letters of the apostles. The direction of movement shifts again.

God speaks again to His Church, and the Church listens. But now God' language is no longer the creation and the history of Israel. He speaks to us through the reflective writings of the Lord's chosen apostles. The way in which the writers provide us with these reflections demonstrate the center of our theology; the reflective effort of the first believers to absorb all that had been experienced in the death and resurrection of Jesus.

The writers unfold the consequences, showing us in various ways that the believer is summoned to an unimaginably profound sharing in the Lord's Passion and so in his victory. The texts, as we know, are inspired; that is, through them the Holy Spirit leads us to the understanding of Jesus' death and resurrection that God intends. So, at mass when the writings of the apostles are proclaimed the assembly is led in that moment to a grasping of the mystery.

The understanding of the writings in the context of the mass is what God is now saying to His people, so naturally the reader concludes with "The Word of the Lord." In our gratitude we respond, "Thanks be to God."

As was the case after the first reading, our most basic response is one of silence that expresses our reverence for the fact that God has spoken. In this silence Jesus Christ himself is opening the minds and hearts of His people to a better understanding of the mysteries.

### **YEAR OF WINNING**

Week 12 – Congratulations! The winner is ... Doug Spanton



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

We pray that parishes, placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

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

### **MINNEOTA AREA MISSION TRIP**

We are planning to host our annual Spaghetti Supper on Sunday, February 19, from 5-7 pm. It will be held at Hope Lutheran Church. Take-out options will be available and proceeds will go to the Mission Trip kids.

### **ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH – MILROY**

There will be a pork loin dinner with all the trimmings on Sunday, February 19, at St. Michael's in Milroy. Serving times are 11:00 am – 1:00 pm. Free will offering.

### **GRIEFSHARE – LOSS OF A SPOUSE**

This is a 1 1/2-hour seminar for people grieving a spouse's death. It will be held Monday, February 20, 6:30 pm, at Holy Redeemer Church Gathering Space in Marshall.

The seminar features a video with practical advice from counselors, pastors, and widowed men and women, followed by a small group sharing time. You'll learn what to expect in the days ahead, how to handle the loneliness, what to do with your spouse's belongings, and how to find the strength to go on.

For more information, call Dorothy at 507.401.0601 or Holy Redeemer Parish at 532.5711.

### **GRIEFSHARE – LOSS OF A LOVED ONE**

A new GriefShare session will begin 6:30 pm, Monday, February 27, at Holy Redeemer Church in Marshall.

If you have experienced the death of a loved one (spouse, child, friend, family), you are invited to GriefShare. Participants will find encouragement, comfort, and valuable information about facing a new normal in life and renewing hope for the future. The program is designed so anyone experiencing grief can join at any time.

Please register (but not required) online at [griefshare.org](http://griefshare.org). For more information, call Dorothy at 507.401.0601 or the church office at 532.5711.

### **WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT – March 3-5**

Join us at the Abbey of the Hills for a Catholic Women's Lenten Retreat. The weekend will have a special focus on encountering Jesus in the Eucharist and will include small group experiences, Eucharistic Adoration and the opportunity for healing prayer as we grow in the realization that Christ thirsts for us!

Registration will be at 7 pm on Friday, March 3, with a light soup supper provided. Closing will be on Sunday, March 5, after lunch.

Freewill offering retreat with non-refundable \$25 deposit to reserve your place. For those who can give, a suggested donation of \$200 will help "pay the gift of peace" forward to help those with limited means.

For more information contact Renee Marzahn at [events@abbeyofthehills.com](mailto:events@abbeyofthehills.com) or call 605.398.9200.

### **PRAYER CALENDAR FOR VOCATIONS – PRIESTS, DEACONS, & SEMINARIANS**

#### **Monday, February 13**

Fr. Brian Mandel  
Fr. Gerald Meidl  
Dcn. Tony Grack  
Matthew Wood (Sem.)

#### **Wednesday, February 15**

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

#### **Friday, February 17**

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

#### **Sunday, February 19**

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

#### **Tuesday, February 14**

Fr. Andy Michels  
Fr. Robert Mraz  
Dcn. Jjohn Hansen  
Lucas Baker (Sem.)

#### **Thursday, February 16**

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

#### **Saturday, February 18**

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

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

### Radio Rosary

Feb. 13: In memory of Oscar G. Louwagie by Alice & family  
 Feb. 14: In memory of Mary Van Hecke by her family  
 Feb. 15: In memory of Sandy Alcorn by Mary Ann & family  
 Feb. 16: In memory of Vin & Judy Bot & Pam Haukom by their family  
 Feb. 17: In memory of Gene Jelen by Tony & Ruth Louwagie  
 Feb. 18: In memory of Dorrence DeCock by Ardyce Louwagie  
 Feb. 19: In memory of Gary Timmerman by Pat & 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 – February 18 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

### The Beatitudes

Blessed are the \_\_\_\_\_ in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Blessed are those who \_\_\_\_\_, for they shall be \_\_\_\_\_.

Blessed are the \_\_\_\_\_, for they shall \_\_\_\_\_ the earth.

Blessed are those who \_\_\_\_\_ and thirst after \_\_\_\_\_, for they shall be filled.

Blessed are the \_\_\_\_\_, for they shall obtain \_\_\_\_\_.

Blessed are the pure in \_\_\_\_\_, for they shall \_\_\_\_\_ God.

Blessed are the \_\_\_\_\_, for they shall be called \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

Blessed are those who have been \_\_\_\_\_ for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

Blessed are you when people reproach you, persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely, for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceedingly glad, for great is your \_\_\_\_\_ in heaven. For that is how they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

1. children	5. Heaven	9. mercy	13. poor
2. comforted	6. hunger	10. mourn	14. reward
3. gentle	7. inherit	11. peacemakers	15. righteousness
4. heart	8. merciful	12. persecuted	16. see



### 1 Corinthians 2:9-11

<sup>9</sup> But as it is written:  
 "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard,  
 Nor have entered into the heart of man  
 The things which God has prepared for  
 those who love Him."  
<sup>10</sup> But God has revealed them to us  
 through His Spirit. For the Spirit  
 searches all things, yes, the deep things  
 of God.

## Sermon on the Mount

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

THIRST	SPIRIT	RIGHTEOUSNESS	REWARD
REJOICE	POOR	PERSECUTED	PEACEMAKERS
MOURN	MOUNTAIN	MERCIFUL	MEEK
KINGDOM	INHERIT	HUNGER	HEAVEN
EARTH	CHILDREN	BLESSED	

*Heavenly Father,*

As we begin this new month, I pray that you bring me peace and joy. With everything going on in my life, I oftentimes find myself worrying and feeling sad. So I pray that you, Oh Lord will fill my days with joy and happiness.

When I begin to worry, please remind me that, you, my God are bigger than my problems. Breathe your joy into my life and give me peace.

I pray that this new month brings to me good news and happiness. I pray against any plans of the evil one in my life. Let your will be done in my life in Jesus' mighty name,

*Amen*

