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Sunday, February 13, 2022 The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday, February 14

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

Tuesday, February 15

12:00 pm Mass at St. Eloi Convent (Mary Olson)
3:00 pm Apartment Mass – *residents only* (Marian Sarbaum)
6:00 pm Education Committee meets at the school
7:30 pm Parish Council meets at Knights' Hall

Wednesday, February 16

10:30 am Mass at St. Edward – Gr. 5 & 6
(Pappy & Mary Curwick and deceased family members)
• 10:00 am *Confession before Mass*
12:00 pm Mass at St. Eloi Convent (Nancy Kennedy)
5:30 pm Rel Ed Grades 1-5
6:30 pm Rel Ed Grades 6-11
6:30 pm Adoration
8:00 pm Teen Talk

Thursday, February 17

7:00 am Mass at St. Edward
(Blanche & Joe Brewers and deceased family members)
• 6:30 am *Confession before Mass*
12:00 pm Mass at St. Eloi Convent (Louis H. & Elizabeth Claeys)
5:00 – 7:00 pm Adoration at St. Edward

Friday, February 18

5:45 am That Man Is You
7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Jeannie Wambeke Miller)
12:00 pm Mass at St. Eloi Convent (Emil & Louise Goossens)

Saturday, February 19

12:00 pm Mass at St. Eloi Convent (Presider's Intention)
5:30 pm Mass at St. Edward
(Ken & Mike Laleman, Jules & Beth Gossen)
• 4:45 pm *Confession before Mass*

Sunday, February 20

8:30 am Mass at St. Edward (Bruce Hoffmann)
• 8:00 am *Confession before Mass*
9:30 am Sunday FIRE
10:30 am Mass at St. Eloi (For the people)
• 10:00 am *Confession before Mass*

Dear Parishioners,

This Monday is the feast of St. Valentine (though we do not celebrate it formally in the church, rather celebrating the feast of Ss. Cyril and Methodius, who proclaimed the Gospel to the Slovak peoples and gave them a written alphabet to help them write – hence, the Cyrillic Alphabet). St. Valentine was the Roman priest and martyr, who, while incarcerated awaiting execution, assisted a couple to be married in violation of the Roman Law. Because of this connection, he is the patron of lovers and of marriage.

For the last years, the week before his feast are special days of prayer for marriage. It gives us opportunity to reflect on the meaning of marriage – what it is – and its importance. First, marriage is the union of a man and a woman for the good of the spouses and of children. This is theological/philosophical language, but it means that the spouses enter into marriage choosing the best for the other and seeking to make them better (and in the end help them to heaven) and that they are capable and willing to have children.

Marriage is for the building and maintaining of families. Marriage is to be full (complete), faithful (only to the other and to God), fruitful (bearing of children and seeking to live the fruits of the Spirit, free (a total gift of oneself without force or coercion), for the other (not taking in selfishness but selflessly giving oneself to the other), and for life (until death do you part).

Without marriage, families fail. There are few societal ills that are not associated with family. Poverty, drugs, generational failure to properly parent, physical and sexual abuse, even so much of pornography and the sex trade are related to the lack of family. For those who are married or preparing for it, know that church desires the very best for you – and offers the Sacrament of Matrimony which imparts grace to live marriage. For those in 'irregular' marriages, not recognized by the church, the church invites you to seek the Sacrament of Matrimony and wants you to share in the fullness of the church's sacramental life.

Please contact me if your marriage was not in the Catholic Church for whatever reason and let me help you get your marriage validated. There are in reality few situations that are impossible to deal with – though some take commitment and time. So, in a real way, let me be your Valentine!

A special thank you to Jan Bot for assisting to apply for a grant to place an AED (Automatic Electronic Defibrillator) in the Church of St. Edward. It will be installed by the elevator on the main floor.

In our fourth video of the Search series, we ask what's our story: Your life is a story. And it's caught up in the great story of humanity. This great story, as we see it in the Scriptures, shows us the amazing love story that is God's pursuit of man.

The God that is love created so we can ultimately be with His love. We were made to be with God. Union with God is so central to the purpose of life, we even see the afterlife in these terms. Our definition of Heaven is union with God, and hell is absence of Him. Your life has a plot. Your life has purpose. Your life has value. We need to see how we fit into this big love story to begin to know why we exist. And that love of God isn't abstract. It has a face and name: Jesus.

In Christ,
Fr. Todd

ST. ELOI

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$1,500.00	\$2,110.26	(\$610.26)
Loose	\$104.00	\$146.15	(\$42.15)
Commodity	\$		\$
Year-to-Date	\$76,112.11	\$71,587.72	\$4,524.39

ST. ELOI LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday, February 20 – 10:30 am

Sacristan: Lila Schmidt

Servers: Kate & Evan Hennen, Joseph Ries

Lector: Dylan Kack

Eucharistic Minister: Mary Jo Bossuyt

Musicians: John Rabaey & Family

Offertory Gifts: Travis & Amanda Rupp Family

Ushers: Mike Monnet, Brian Timmerman, Daren VanKeulen

ST. EDWARD

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$2,279.00	\$4,829.92	(\$2,550.92)
Loose	\$112.00	\$153.85	(\$41.85)
Commodity			
Online Giving	\$540.00	<i>*Added to the adult envelope total</i>	
Year-to-Date	\$155,879.92	\$159,016.64	(\$3,136.72)

ST. EDWARD LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 19 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Cindy Novotny

Servers: Eli Faris, Faith Myhre

Lector: Eriann Faris

Eucharistic Minister: Eriann Faris

Ushers: Troy DeSmet, Jackie Laleman, Tom & Paula Sterzinger

Sunday, February 20 – 8:30 am

Sacristan: Fran Sturm

Servers: Wyatt & Landon Pohlen

Lector: Cynthia Moorse

Eucharistic Minister: David Vlaminck

Ushers: Rick Bot

SISTERS OF MARY MORNING STAR

St. Eloi Convent Masses at 12:00 pm (Noon) on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday
Call 428.3919 to double-check the time.

Vespers: 6:15 pm Adoration: 7:30 – 8:30 pm

ST. EDWARD SCHOOL NEWS

Principal: Jaci Garvey

Secretary: Trudy Banks

Office: 872.6391

Thanks to everyone who assisted with Catholic Schools Week.

February 21 – No School – President's Day

February 27 – Round Table Discussion 5 pm "School Choice"

Sponsorship of St. Edward School

February 19 – In honor of Ken & Kathleen Poepping

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST. EDWARD – Receives an AED

St. Edward Church has been blessed to receive a new AED (automatic external defibrillator) through the generosity of "The Adam Thompson Foundation" of Baltic, SD. Adam died suddenly and unexpectedly at the age of 16 of an undiagnosed heart problem. His family took their grief and dedicated it to raising awareness of sudden cardiac death through CPR training, AED education/donations and youth heart screenings. Our AED is located near the elevator.

The Adam Thompson Foundation is a 501(c)3 organization with donations being tax deductible. Should anyone desire to make a donation please contact Jan Bot at 507.401.1167 for assistance.

ST. ELOI – Speaker System Update

Donations are still needed for the speaker system update.

The system proposal has been upgraded to include speakers in the new addition and in the basement. At this time \$22,000 has been raised. The total cost is approximately \$30,000.

Please continue to donate to this fund for this essential ministry.

ENVELOPES – St. Edward & St. Eloi

The envelopes for donations throughout the year are in the basement (St. Ed's) and the back of church (St. Eloi).

Please pick them up and pick-up friends and neighbors as well.

MINNEOTA AREA MISSION TRIP

Mark your calendars and let The Minneota Area Mission Trip do the cooking for you. The kids will be hosting a three course Spaghetti Supper on *February 27, 2022, from 5:30 - 7:00 pm* at Hope Lutheran Church.

There will be a takeout option available as well.

ST. EDWARD ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

The Round Table discussion on Sunday, February 27, at 5 pm is listed on upcoming events at the school. This round table is meant to focus on prospective families for St. Edward School. (Kindergarten/PreSchool Roundup will be held later in the spring.)

Mrs. Garvey is looking for help with this event.

1. What do young families want to know about school for their children? What do they want to know about St. Edward School? What do they need to know about St. Edward School? Is there a better way to structure the event?
2. We need help getting families to attend the event. This may mean that you help us by giving us names of people that would benefit from a formal invitation. Or it may mean that you reach out to families that you know of and personally invite them to the event.

- We will need someone to help supply food. In the past, these have been very simple meals: sloppy joes or chili, a side dish, bars, and a drink.
 - We will also need help supplying childcare.
- If you have thoughts or suggestions, please contact Mrs. Garvey (872.6391 or igarvey@stedscatholicsschool.com).

ST. ELOI'S SOUP & CHILI FEED

The Chili Feed and Silent Auction COF Matching Funds event will be back! Save the date – *Sunday, April 3, 2022*. More details will be available soon.

THANK YOU

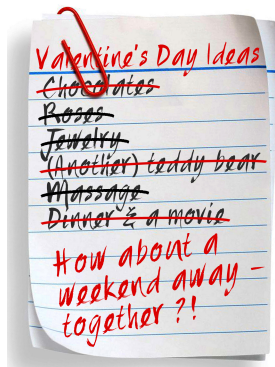
Thanks to the Jim Driemeyer family for sharing the flowers from Jim's funeral for use during Mass.

OTHER INFORMATION FOR OUR AREA

CATHOLIC UNITED FINANCIAL COUNCIL #307

Catholic United Financial Council 307 will hold a meeting on Friday, March 4, 2022 after the 9 am mass, in the St. John Cantius (Wilno) church basement. All are welcome to attend.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND



It's time for a Valentine's Day gift you'll remember a year from now.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Shalom Hill - Windom, MN

February 18-20



To apply or for more info, call (507) 227-8229 or visit WME.org

TEGEDER TALKS – Catholic Social Teaching in Times of Religious & Political Disruption

Historian and Vatican chronicler Massimo Faggioli will discuss the foundations of Catholic social teaching and will explain how these principles serve as a guide for us as we live with current religious and political disruptions.

This St. Frances Cabrini community Tegeder Talks zoom event happens **Feb. 24, 2022, 7:00 pm**

Register at <https://cabrinimn.org/tegeder-talks>

Questions: tegedertalks@cabrinimn.org

Massimo Faggioli, now a professor in the department of Theology and Religious Studies at Villanova University, formerly was on the faculty at the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul.

VIRTUS TRAINING

A new VIRTUS Training Session has been added for Monday, February 21, 2022, from 6:00–9:00 pm at the SMSU Campus Religious Center in Marshall.

Please ask individuals needing a new VIRTUS account to register online through the diocesan website at <https://www.dnu.org/safeenvironment/> by clicking on the large red button in the left margin of the main Safe Environment web page.

If you need assistance registering someone, please contact Sherry Kalow at skalow@dnu.org. Thank you.

WOMEN'S RETREAT February 25-27, 2022

Abbey of the Hills Inn & Retreat Center

Carried by Grace

Begins: Friday, February 25, 7 pm – no supper served

Concludes: Sunday, February 27, after lunch

Cost: Freewill offering retreat with non-refundable \$25 deposit to reserve your place.

Registration is required; please register at the Abbey of the Hills website: www.abbeyofthehills.com

For more information, contact Renee Marzahn (events@abbeyofthehills.com) or call 605.398.9200.

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 19 Andrea Opdahl 872.6832
- 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



PRAYER CALENDAR FOR VOCATIONS – PRIESTS, DEACONS, & SEMINARIANS

Monday, February 14

Fr. Mark Mallak
Fr. Brian Mandel
Dcn. John Hansen

Wednesday, February 16

Fr. Aaron Nett
Fr. John Nordick
Fr. Brian Oestreich

Friday, February 18

Fr. Sam Perez
Fr. Todd Petersen
Dcn. Michael McKeown

Sunday, February 20

Fr. Germain Rademacher
Msgr. John Richter
Dcn. Ken Noyes

Tuesday, February 15

Fr. Gerald Meidl
Fr. Andy Michels
Fr. Robert Mráz

Thursday, February 17

Fr. Jerome Paulson
Fr. John Pearson
Dcn. Mark Kober

Saturday, February 19

Fr. Zach Peterson
Fr. Shawn Polman
Dcn. Jason Myhre

Never be lacking in zeal,
but keep your spiritual fervor,
serving the Lord.

Romans 12:11

Radio Rosary

Feb. 14: In memory of Vincent & Judy Bot by Evelyn & Dennis Louwagie

Feb. 15: In memory of Armand Dandurand by MaryAnn Buysse

Feb. 16: In memory of Jules Noyes by Ray & Colleen Noyes

Feb. 17: In memory of Lawrence Stassen by the Clarence Stassen Family

Feb. 18: In memory of Vi DeVos by Grace Wegner

Feb. 19: In memory of Don Maeyaert by Dan & Sheri Maeyaert

Feb. 20: In memory of Gary & Jason Timmerman & deceased members by Pat Timmerman & Family

To schedule a radio rosary, call Carol Louwagie: 507.532.6081

St. Valentine's Day Word Search

F N K T T T G K I E
 G O T K N R T M N L
 L L R R I M U I G D
 Y O U R A L T S F H
 P R A Y S N T S T E
 T B N G E R E I E V
 R C O L U M W R V O
 A D A E O L Q U O B
 E V T C W B N S L A
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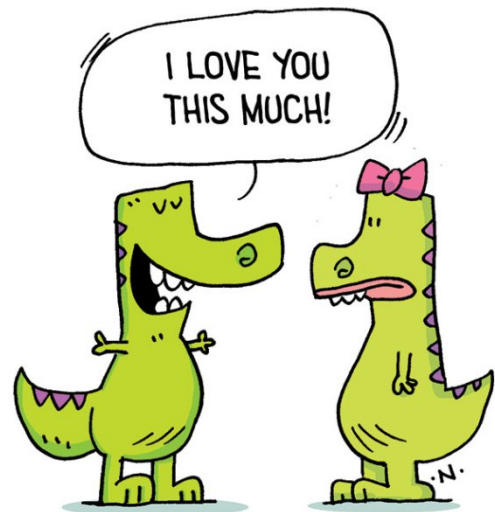
Trust in God with All Your Heart

True Love Comes from Above

Saint Valentine, Pray for Us.

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Ben: Why do skunks love Valentine's Day?
Stuart: I don't know.
Ben: Because they're scent-imental creatures!



Ben: What did one magnet say to the other magnet on Valentine's Day?
Finn: I have no idea. What?
Ben: "I find you very attractive!"

Tobin: What happened to your leg?
Matt: I went to a seafood dance on Valentine's Day.
Tobin: And?
Matt: I pulled a mussel!

Zach: What did one flame say to the other on Valentine's Day?
Scott: Tell me.
Zach: "We're a perfect match."



Ben: What did the toast say to the butter on Valentine's Day?
Chris: I'm stumped.
Ben: "You're my butter half!"

Will: Why do oars fall in love?
Eric: Why?
Will: Because they're row-mantic.

A Cub Scout found a frog that said, "Kiss me and I will become a beautiful princess."
 The boy studied the frog, then put it in his pocket.
 "Hey," the frog croaked, "how come you didn't kiss me?"
 "I'd rather have a talking frog than a princess any day!"

The Sermon on the Plain



"Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in heaven. For that is how their fathers treated the prophets. Luke 6:23 (NIV)
 The puzzle is based on Luke 6:17-26 (NIV).

J L K U Q G K C O M F O R T P
 S H E Z D W C Q U M O U R N C
 A U V P J S E B D W O V H J J
 T N I S O Q O E O A L E O Q C
 I G L E W O T D P N P E V M V
 S E L K O C R K I N G D O M Q
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blessed	exclude	evil	insult	comfort
reject	joy	satisfied	hunger	woe
reward	rich	great	kingdom	hate
weep	poor	rejoice	mourn	laugh