



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

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Sunday, January 29, 2023

The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Catholic Schools Week

Monday, January 30

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

Tuesday, January 31

12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Patricia Garrity)
3:00 pm Mass at Apartments (John Koch)

Wednesday, February 1

10:30 am Mass at St. Edward (Elaine Hennen)
• 10:00 am Confession before Mass
12:00 pm Mass at Convent
(Deceased members of the Doom & Senden Family)
5:30 pm Religious Ed Grades 1-5
6:30 pm Religious Ed Grades 6-12
6:30 pm Adoration Holy Hour

Thursday, February 2

7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Albert & Margaret Callens)
• 6:30 am Confession before Mass
12:00 pm Mass at Convent (David & Tami Speltz)
5:00 – 7:00 pm Adoration at St. Edward

Friday, February 3

5:45 am TMIY
7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Sandy Opdahl)
12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Paula Brewers)

Saturday, February 4 – Time change for evening Mass

12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Earl & Lorene Speltz)
4:30 pm Mass at St. Edward (For the People)
• 3:45 pm Confession before Mass
5:30 pm Doors open for Flurry of Fun

Sunday, February 5

8:30 am Mass at St. Edward
(Sis & Wilbur Drown & deceased family members)
• 8:00 am Confession before Mass
9:30 am Sunday Fire *Into His Likeness – Session 4*
10:30 am Mass at St. Eloi (George DeSutter)
• 10:00 am Confession before Mass

Dear Parishioners,

Happy Catholic Schools Week! I would like to take this space first to extend thank yous. Thank you to Mrs. Garvey for her leadership and work for our students and faculty. Thank you to the teachers for your commitment to education and to the Catholic faith, to our aides and support staff who assist, to Trudy for your organization and to Dodie for helping in the office and with marketing. Thank you to the students for your desire to learn and to grow, and to our parents for your decision to send your children to a Catholic school. Finally, thank you to all the benefactors, grandparents, alumni, and friends, for your financial and moral support.

Year after year, I find myself reflecting on the essential difference between a Catholic school and all others. Most schools, certainly those in our area, have a high regard for intellectual formation and physical growth. But our Catholic Schools add a critical piece that sets them apart. Not only does a Catholic school seek to help the students grow to be active, productive members of society, but they are invited to see the fullness of morality but more importantly have that morality couched in a love and friendship with Jesus Christ.

We follow the law of morality out of love of God. We study science, math, social studies, religion, indeed every topic because it helps us understand God (whom we cannot fully understand) and how He created us and created order. This love of God is the essential difference that make all the difference. As we celebrate this week, let's invite others to see the investment we are making in supporting Catholic schools and Catholic education in general.

I look forward to the Flurry of Fun supper this Saturday. I hope to see many of you there. While at the conclusion of Catholic Schools week, this is in reality a parish event. The funds raised support St. Edward's School but also our Religious Education Program. It is tremendous fun, but it also takes lots of work. Thank you in advance to the volunteers who are so hard at work for such a lovely evening. If you are interested in helping, I am certain we can help you find how!

In Christ,
Fr. Todd



ST. ELOI

| | ACTUAL | BUDGETED | DIFFERENCE |
|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Adult | \$1,220.00 | \$2,110.26 | (\$890.26) |
| Loose | \$95.00 | \$146.15 | (\$51.15) |
| Commodity | \$1,005.10 | | |
| Christmas | | | |
| Year-to-Date | \$79,658.84 | \$66,552.37 | \$13,106.47 |

ST. ELOI LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday, February 5

Sacristan: Corissa Van Keulen

Servers: Leo Hennen, Xavier & Mark Rabaey

Lector: Mike Van Keulen

Eucharistic Minister: Beth Brewers, Don Senden

Musicians: Barb Hennen & Laura Hennen

Offertory Gifts: Don & Julie Schuelke

Ushers: Corey Kack, Ron Sussner, Tim Van Keulen

ST. EDWARD

| | ACTUAL | BUDGETED | DIFFERENCE |
|---------------|--------------|------------------------------------|--------------|
| Adult | \$1,335.00 | \$4,829.92 | (\$3,494.92) |
| Loose | \$250.00 | \$153.85 | \$96.15 |
| Commodity | \$1,396.51 | | |
| Online Giving | \$415.00 | *Added to the adult envelope total | |
| Year-to-Date | \$160,833.81 | \$155,555.76 | \$5,278.05 |

ST. EDWARD LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 4 – 4:30 pm

Sacristan: Cindy Novotny

Servers: Tom & Tim DeSmet

Lector: Mary Ann Christensen

Eucharistic Minister: Margrit Rabaey

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

Sunday, February 5

Sacristan: Joe Callens

Servers: Kylee, Mariah, & Jacob Loyson

Lector: Lisa Hennen

Eucharistic Minister: Kevin Swedzinski

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: 6:15 pm Adoration: 7:30 – 8:30 pm

ST. EDWARD SCHOOL NEWS

Principal: Jaci Garvey Secretary: Trudy Banks
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January 29 – Catholic Schools Week Mass & Family Fun Day

March 13-15 – Accreditation

One piece of the preparation for accreditation that has not yet been completed is the creation of our strategic plan. This committee will look at our shortcomings and make an improvement plan. If you would like to be part of this committee, please call the school. We will meet once or twice in February.

Sponsorship of St. Edward School

January 25 – Lillian & Henry DeCock

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHANGE IN MASS SCHEDULE

Mass on February 4, at St. Edward, will be at 4:30 pm instead of 5:30 pm. This change is because of the Flurry of Fun which begins at 5:30 pm.

ROSARY INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY

✠ For the protection of the unborn

✠ For world peace and justice

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

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) if you could bring cookies some Sunday.

We are covered until February 19, but need volunteers after that date.

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The catechists of St. Edward's School and Church will be hosting materials-making mornings on the following days from 9-noon: January 28, February 25, and March 25.

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 work with. We invite anyone who enjoys handwork, for example: sewing, painting, drawing, calligraphy, laminating, cutting, and trimming. Supplies and direction provided.

If you have any questions, please call Joy Wambeke at 651.324.5996. We hope to see you there!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CONTEST

St. Edward's Knights of Columbus Annual Free Throw Contest will be held Sunday, January 29, 2023, at the Minneota Public School in the competition gym.

Boys and girls (ages 9-14) please come and shoot. Candy for all and plaques for the winners will be awarded. Sign up starts at 1:00 pm with shooting starting at 1:30 pm.

Any questions please call Wayne Hennen, 605.391.3145.

SCHOENSTATT GIRLS' GROUP

The Schoenstatt girls' group will meet at 3:00 pm on Monday, January 30, in the Knights' Hall.

CRUSTY PIE LADIES

The Crusty Pie Ladies want to thank all who have supported our pie making effort. We appreciate your donations of ingredients and your purchasing of the pies.

We had a great year in 2022 as we rolled out, filled, froze and sold approximately 800 pies. All proceeds from our pie sales are given directly to our School of St. Edward!

FLURRY OF FUN INFO – February 4, 2023

Tickets are on sale now! You can purchase tickets after Mass at the scrip table in Minneota or after Mass in Ghent. Tickets are also available at Brad's Market, Gislason's Hardware, the church or school office during business hours.

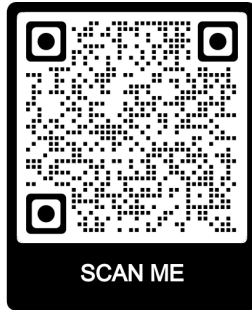
Tickets need to be purchased by January 29, 2023. You may also purchase Gold sponsorship for \$200 which includes 2 dinner tickets or you can reserve a table that includes 8 dinner tickets for \$450.

Doors open at 5:30 pm with dinner at 6:30 pm. The live auction is at 7:30 pm and the dueling pianos will begin playing at 8:30 pm.

For any other questions, contact:
Julie Pohlen 828.7392
Nikki Traen 828.2912
Chassidy DeRoode 530.1835
Laura Hennen 428.3254

FLURRY OF FUN QR CODE –

This QR code can be used to access the online smart silent auction.



MINNEOTA AREA MISSION TRIP

We are planning to host our annual Spaghetti Supper on Sunday, February 19, 2023 from 5-7 pm. It will be held at Hope Lutheran Church. Take-out options will be available as well.

All proceeds will go to the Mission Trip kids.

TAX INFORMATION

If you would like a copy of your donations for 2022 for tax purposes, please contact Caren in the church office.

LITURGY MATTERS #13

Silence is our first response to the word we have just heard in the First Reading. The silence of the assembly at this point is the same about which we read in the heavenly liturgy described in the book of Revelation: "When the Lamb broke open the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven for about thirty minutes" (Rev. 8:1). Of course, we do not remain silent for thirty minutes, but it is prudent to allow several moments of silence to reflect on the First Reading.

In response to this silence, we use the words of the psalms. We do so because this was Israel's hymnbook and so was the prayer book of Jesus himself in his earthly life. The psalms were produced and then prayed throughout all the various epochs and phases of Israel's existence. They express joy and wonder, gratitude and repentance, pleas for help, mercy and protection. The words written in the psalms were fulfilled by Jesus as he prayed them during his life. Verse by verse, psalm by psalm, they were a mystery, hidden but now revealed in him.

Because there is a change in direction between the reading and the psalm; that is, God speaking to us in the Word and then us speaking to God in the responsorial psalm, we see also a different person signing the psalm. (The cantor.) As the assembly repeats the same words of the cantor, they also share with Christ the prayer sung to the Father. This "joining" with Christ in the psalm, praying to the Father, we once again see the richness of the liturgy as a communal and integral part of our unity with Christ as our response to the Father.

This is as St. Paul once exclaimed, "Whatever promises God has made have been fulfilled in him; therefore it is through him that we address our Amen to God when we worship together" (Corinthians 2:20). When Jesus rises again, his way of praying rises with him and becomes in the liturgy his praying in us.

YEAR OF WINNING

Week 10 – Congratulations! The winner is ... Joseph Garvey



POPE'S PRAYER OF THE MONTH – JANUARY

Lord God, your spirit of wisdom fills the earth and teaches us your ways. Look upon all teachers. Let them strive to share their knowledge with gentle patience and endeavor always to bring the truth to eager minds. Grant that they may follow Jesus Christ, the way, the truth, and the life, forever and ever.

Amen.

<https://popesprayerusa.net/2022/12/28/prayer-of-the-month-january-2023/>

MEN'S EMMAUS RETREAT

Our 2023 Men's Emmaus weekend is set for February 10-12 at Lake Shetek. Men from our parish (and from any other parish) are invited.

Go ahead – take a brief step away from your busy schedule. Spend some quality time listening, reflecting, and strengthening your faith. Please join us.

Call Gerry Toland (828.7378), Roger Schroeder (828.1455), Tom Meyer (530.2472), or Brian Timmerman (428.3519)

GHENT LEGION

Ghent Legion Post 564 has a meeting on Tuesday, February 7, at 7:00 pm.

WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT – March 3-5

"I thirst...I stand at the door of your heart. Will you open to me?"

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. No one will be turned away for inability to pay. 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 or call 605.398.9200.

Radio Rosary

Jan. 30: In memory of JoAnn Lanners
by Cletus & Lorraine Lanners

Jan. 31: In memory of Madeline Timmerman by her family

Feb. 1: In memory of Mary VanHecke by her family

Feb. 2: In memory of Carolyn Boerboom

by Dennis & Evelyn Louwagie

Feb. 3: In memory of Sandy Alcorn by MaryAnn & family

Feb. 4: In memory of Dorothy Vlaminck

by David & Diane Hennen

Feb. 5: In memory of Lloyd Welu by David & Diane Hennen

To schedule a radio rosary, call Carol Louwagie at 532.6081

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

Monday, January 30

All men & women called
to the priesthood or
religious life by God

Wednesday, February 1

Pope Francis

Friday, February 3

Fr. Christian Adike
Fr. Garrett Ahlers
Dcn. Arthur Abel
Nolan Meyer (Sem.)

Sunday, February 5

Fr. David Breu
Fr. Eugene Brown
Dcn. Bruce Bot
Brent Sundve (Sem.)

Tuesday, January 31

All deceased priests
& deacons

Thursday, February 2

Bishop Chad

Saturday, February 4

Fr. James Barry
Fr. Josh Bot
Dcn. Russell Blaschko
David Rabaey (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 – February 4 Jason Myhre 872.6803
- **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

Beatitudes

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| REFLECTION | SPIRIT | CHANGE | PEACE |
| SUFFERING | EXPECTATIONS | SELFISHNESS | PARADOX |
| GOD | RIGHTEOUSNESS | ADDICTION | HUMILITY |
| HATED | PEACEMAKER | PUREOFHEART | MERCY |
| HUNGER | MEEK | MOURN | BEATITUDES |

