



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

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**Sunday, March 5, 2023**

**Second Sunday of Lent**

**Monday, March 6**

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

**Tuesday, March 7**

12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Ed & Katherine Paradis)  
3:00 pm Apartment Mass (Albert & Margaret Callens)

**Wednesday, March 8**

10:30 am Mass at St. Edward Gr. 5 & 6  
(Bob & Margrit Theuninck)  
12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Emily & Louise Goossens)  
5:30 pm Religious Education Grades 1-5  
6:30 pm Religious Education Grades 6-12  
6:30 pm Holy Hour of Adoration  
7:30 pm Choir practice in the choir loft

**Thursday, March 9**

7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Clarence Buysse)  
• 6:30 am Confession before Mass  
12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Jeffrey DeSmet)  
5:00 – 7:00 pm Adoration at St. Edward

**Friday, March 10**

5:45 am TMIY  
12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Allan Van Keulen)  
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

**Saturday, March 11**

12:00 pm Mass at Convent  
(Charles DeSutter Deceased Family Members)  
5:30 pm Mass at St. Edward (For the People)  
• 4:45 pm Confession before Mass

**Sunday, March 12 – Daylight Savings Time Begins**

8:30 am Mass at St. Edward (Ray DeVos)  
• 8:00 am Confession before Mass  
9:30 am Sunday Fire – *Forgiven: An encounter with mercy*  
10:30 am Mass at St. Eloi (Lori Brewers)  
• 10:00 am Confession before Mass

**LENT**  
PRAY + FAST + GIVE

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you to those who helped and arranged for the reception following Confirmation, as well as to all who had a part in the liturgy. Thank you to Shannon and Tina, Dc. Travis and Jessica and all past catechists and teachers who aided parents in forming our newly confirmed members in the faith. The celebration of Confirmation was beautiful.

The second Sunday of Lent every year we read in our Gospel passage of the Transfiguration. We celebrate the feast of the Transfiguration in August, so why do we hear it in Lent? Because the Lord gave Peter, James, and John a glimpse of His glory so that they would not be completely overwhelmed by His death. He foreshadows his resurrection and even explicitly mentions it – they are not to tell anyone of what they saw until after.

Though they do not understand what they witnessed nor what He meant by being raised, they pondered the meaning. Our Lenten journey is one that we may think we know, most of us have had a few Lents before. But perhaps we need to meditate on the transfiguration, too, of being caught in the mystery and splendor of the Son of God, to ponder the meaning of the resurrection, and to allow the Lord to do whatever His desires in our life. After all, it is only in the Lord that we find life and freedom. Like Peter, James, and John, let us ponder the mystery entering into the unknown, allowing the Lord to teach us what He desires.

Some have asked about Ash Wednesday and why I did not offer ashes later. I realize that Archbishop Hebda gave permission to the priests of the Archdiocese to do so, but it seemed unnecessary and perhaps even unwise to request permission. First, Ash Wednesday is not a Holy Day of Obligation. I do not want to dissuade anyone from attending, but no one was obligated in the first place. Second, even if it were, under circumstances such as sickness or impossibility to attend due to roads or travel, the obligation is lifted. Third, the ashes are a sacramental, meaning they point to the sacraments.

The ashes symbolize repentance, and the sacrament to which they point is reconciliation. Some were not allowed to receive the sacramental, but all are encouraged to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. In fact, the church teaches as one of her precepts that we must go at least once a year, preferably close to Easter so that we can receive the Lord in the Eucharist during the Easter season, a second precept. Recognizing we are sinners in need of a Savior is great, but experiencing His salvation and forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation is better yet.

In Christ,  
Fr. Todd

## ST. ELOI

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$1,010.00	\$2,110.26	(\$1,100.26)
Loose	\$91.01	\$146.15	(\$55.14)
Commodity			
Year-to-Date	\$92,104.01	\$78,538.10	\$13,565.91

### ST. ELOI LITURGY SCHEDULE

#### Sunday, March 12

Sacristan: Cindy Nelson

Servers: Evan & Elise Hennen

Lector: Laura Hennen

Eucharistic Minister: Mary Jo Bossuyt, Lila Schmidt

Musicians: Barb & Brad Hennen

Offertory Gifts: Vincent & Charlotte Thooft

Ushers: Galen Boerboom, Gary Crowley, Mark Nelson

## ST. EDWARD

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$1,935.00	\$4,829.92	(\$2,894.92)
Loose	\$190.00	\$153.85	\$36.15
Commodity	\$7,510.84		
Online Giving	\$570.00	*Added to the adult envelope total	
Year-to-Date	\$198,225.33	\$182,833.32	\$15,392.01

### ST. EDWARD LITURGY SCHEDULE

#### Sunday, March 11

Sacristan: Claren Novotny

Servers: Tom & Tim DeSmet

Lector: Tim Gossen

Eucharistic Minister: Cathy Halverson

Ushers: Jackie Laleman, Scott Thooft, Chuck Vlamincik, Wayne Wyffels

#### Sunday, March 12

Sacristan: Tina Myhre

Servers: Wyatt, Landon, & Addyson Pohlen

Lector: Julie Janiszski

Eucharistic Minister: David Vlamincik

Usher: John Sumerfelt

## 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)

### CHILDREN'S ADORATION – Sunday, March 19

There will be a children's adoration time in the Sisters' chapel on Sunday, March 19, from 6:30 – 7:15 pm.

Children's adoration with the Sisters consists of meditations and prayers in front of the Blessed Sacrament, as well as plenty of singing! It is a time to learn how to have a personal relationship with Jesus, and a way to prepare our hearts as Holy Week draws near.

All children are welcome!

RSVP requested but not necessary.



## ST. EDWARD SCHOOL NEWS

Principal: Jaci Garvey

Secretary: Trudy Banks

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The Catholic United Financial Raffle Ticket Sale has ended and \$8,000.00 was raised. Thanks to everyone who purchased tickets. The top sellers were Annabelle, Sebastian, and Matthew Bothun who sold 43 books of tickets!

Friday, March 10 – Early dismissal at 12:00 pm

Monday, March 13 – Early dismissal at 1:00 pm

**Sponsorship of St. Edward School**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SYMPATHY FROM OUR PARISH

Prayers to the family and friends of Donata DeBruyckere who passed away on Thursday, February 23. Her funeral was held on Thursday, March 2. May God's peace be with you at this time.

"He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain. All these things are gone forever." Revelations 21:4

### ROSARY INTENTIONS FOR MARCH

✠ For the return of fallen away Catholics

✠ For world peace and justice

✠ For healing in body, mind, and soul

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

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – Pancake & Sausage Supper this Sunday!

The St. Edward Knights of Columbus Council is hosting their annual "Taunton Style" Pancake and Sausage Supper on Sunday, March 5, at St. Edward Catholic Church.

Serving from 4:30 pm – 7:00 pm. Free will offering and everyone is invited!

### 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? 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.

### ST. ELOI COF FOOD COLLECTION

St. Eloi COF Court 1081 will be collecting food and cash donations for the Marshall Food Shelf from now until March 26.

There is a box in the back of church for your non-perishable food donations. If you would like to give cash or write a check, please give to Julie Schuelke. Make checks payable to Kitchen Table Food Shelf.

Items desperately needed are soups, rice, pasta and rice side dishes, tomato sauce, taco shells, and baking supplies such as flour, sugar, vanilla, baking soda and baking powder.

### ST. EDWARD CCW FOOD COLLECTION

The St. Edward CCW will be doing a Lenten food drive. In talking with Western Community Action there is a great

need for the following items: tomato sauces and pastes, any kind of pasta, side dishes in pouches, hamburger helper, cereals, dry soup mix, seasonings, baking powder, baking soda, vanilla flavoring, jello and puddings.

Cash is also accepted as they can purchase items at a discount. Please remember no open packages or outdated items will be accepted.

There will be a box in the back of church for the collection.

### **CCW DEANERY 2 SPRING GATHERING**

The Deanery 2 Spring Gathering will be held at St. Peter & Paul in Ivanhoe on Saturday, March 11. Registration is at 9:00 am with Mass beginning at 9:30 am.

After Mass Cynthia Sheppard will discuss "spring cleaning" our hearts by sweeping out envy, pride & worry, and replacing it with gratitude, prayer, & humility.

Lunch will be served around noon with dismissal to follow. Register with Bonnie Laleman at 828.5703. Our local CCW will pay the fee. All women are invited to attend.

### **CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD**

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

### **Special Assistance Needed**

Do you enjoy sewing projects? The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program is looking for a seamstress to make three simple white capes for the St. Edward School First Communion students. A pattern is available. Please contact Jennifer Rabaey for more information.

[Jennifer.rabaey@gmail.com](mailto:Jennifer.rabaey@gmail.com) or 532.7532.

### **ST. ELOI SOUP & CHILI FEED AND SILENT AUCTION**

This will be held on Palm Sunday, April 2, from 11:00 am – 12:30 pm in the St. Eloi church basement.

This is a Catholic Order of Foresters Matching Funds event with proceeds allocated to tuition assistance and Catholic education support!

### **LITURGY MATTERS #17**

The last part of the Liturgy of the Word is what is called the prayer of the faithful or general intercessions. These are called prayers of the faithful because it is the responsibility of the baptized persons who live in the world to bring before God in prayer the needs of the church and the whole world.

It is precisely their life in the world, enlightened and shaped by what they have heard today in the Word of God that equips these people with knowledge of what to pray for. The prayers are also called general intercessions, or sometimes even universal prayers. These petitions should be very broad, all embracing. Individuals can pray for their particular needs in the quiet of their hearts.

Here the church is giving voice to her relationship with the whole world. If particular communities do not manage to think in their prayers beyond their own border and interests, it is a limited sense of church that is being expressed.

In the community that reflects Christ's own expansive heart, we pray first of all for the church, but for the Church precisely so that she can be holy and pleasing to God and a sacrament of salvation for the world. Second, we must pray for the world, above all that the world may know the salvation offered in Christ and, short of that, that sufferings and hardships be relieved, that injustices be redressed.

Many other intentions are included, speaking mostly for other special intentions that involve the church, but lastly we pray for the faithful departed who are in need of our prayers just as much as we are in need of theirs. The Liturgy of the Word culminates as the gifts are brought before the altar in preparation of the Liturgy of the Eucharist. We include all the prayers presently spoken and include them with the bread and wine as the church brings both herself and the world forward to be placed in Christ's hands for transformation.

### **YEAR OF WINNING**

Week 15 – Congratulations! The winner is ... Mary Myhre



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

We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.

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

### **MINNESOTA CATHOLIC CONFERENCE**

Join the Minnesota Catholic Conference the first Friday of the month from now until May any time from 9 am – 4 pm in the Governor's Dining Room located on the lower level of the Minnesota State Capitol.

Come and pray at the capitol for Minnesota's unborn babies and for our families. Humanly we have no power – let's turn this over to God. Bring your family, people from the parish, and/or the community.

For more info, check out [www.mncatholic.org/events](http://www.mncatholic.org/events).

### **CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE**

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas local Court St, Joan of Arc #1291 is offering a \$500 scholarship to a 2023 graduating Catholic girl who plans to continue her formal education. She must be a member of Holy Redeemer parish or any of the adjacent Catholic parishes that do not have a Catholic Daughter Court. Applications are available at the Holy Redeemer Parish office or from Lois Novosad, 710 N 6th St, Marshall, MN 56258. Lois may be contacted at 532.5236.

Completed forms, including letters of recommendations, must be returned to Lois Novosad no later than April 15.

**"Lent comes  
providentially to  
reawaken us, to  
shake us from our  
lethargy."**

- Pope Francis





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

**Monday, March 6**

Fr. Pat Casey  
Fr. Jim Devorak  
Dcn. Rick Christiansen  
Noah U'Ren (Sem.)

**Wednesday, March 8**

Fr. Fred Fink  
Msgr. Doug Grams  
Fr. John Goggin  
Lucas Baker (Sem.)

**Friday, March 10**

Fr. Jeff Horejsi  
Fr. Ron Huberty  
David Rabaey (Sem.)

**Sunday, March 12**

Msgr. Eugene Lozinski  
Fr. Mark Mallak  
Noah U'Ren (Sem.)

**Tuesday, March 7**

Fr. Mike Doyle  
Fr. Cornelius Ezeiloaku  
Dcn. Tim Dolan  
Matt Wood (Sem.)

**Thursday, March 9**

Fr. Nathan Hansen  
Fr. Tony Hesse  
Fr. John Hayes  
Nolan Meyer (Sem.)

**Saturday, March 11**

Fr. Jeremy Kucera  
Fr. Denny Labat  
Brent Sundve (Sem.)

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

**Radio Rosary**

- Mar. 6:* In memory of Dorothy & Al Lozinski  
by Diane Christopherson
- Mar. 7:* In memory of Judy & Vin Bot & Pam Haukom  
by their family
- Mar. 8:* Sponsored by the Ivanhoe Knights of Columbus
- Mar. 9:* In memory of Tom Hirmer  
by Catherine Louwagie & family
- Mar. 10:* In memory of Sandy Alcorn by MaryAnn & family
- Mar. 11:* In memory of Wanda Arends by Bob Buysse
- Mar. 12:* In memory of Joyce & Dorrence DeCock

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 – March 11 Diane Hennen 428.3572
- **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

**FAMILY-FRIENDLY LENTEN ACTIVITIES**

1. Genuinely compliment someone who isn't expecting it.
2. Donate a bag of food to the food shelf (in the back of either St. Eloi or St. Edward).
3. Pray for good things for someone who has been unkind to you.
4. Play with someone different at recess.
5. Fast from dessert this week.
6. Praise God for who He is.
7. Visit an elderly friend or neighbor who doesn't get a lot of visitors.

**The Transfiguration**



As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. Luke 9:29 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Luke 9:28-36 (NIV).

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

FLASH	LIGHTNING	MOSES	JOHN	MOUNTAIN
CLOUD	PETER	CHANGED	VOICE	JESUS
JAMES	PRAY	CHOSEN	CLOTHES	ELIJAH
TALKING	FACE	BRIGHT	APPEARED	DISCIPLES

**The Transfiguration of Jesus  
based on Mark 9:1-13**

**Instructions:** Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the word box.

1. Jesus took Peter, \_\_\_\_\_, and John to the mountain.
2. While the disciples were \_\_\_\_\_, a change came over Jesus.
3. Jesus' face shone like the \_\_\_\_\_.
4. His \_\_\_\_\_ was whiter than anything on earth.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ and Elijah appeared to Jesus.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ offered to build three tents.
7. The three tents would be for \_\_\_\_\_, Moses, and Elijah.
8. A \_\_\_\_\_ covered the disciples.
9. "This is my \_\_\_\_\_. I am pleased with him."
10. Jesus told his \_\_\_\_\_ not to tell anyone.

Peter	disciples	sleeping	Son
sun	Jesus	clothes	cloud
Moses	James	John	tents