



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



**Father Todd Petersen**

507.227.2657

[tpetersen@dnu.org](mailto:tpetersen@dnu.org)

Parish Secretary: Caren Buysse – 872.6346

Office Hours: 8:00 am–12:15 pm 1:15–4:00 pm (Monday – Friday)

Mailing Address for St. Edward & St. Eloi:

408 N. Washington St.  
Minneota, MN 56264

St. Edward & St. Eloi Email: [cbuyssegoodteacherafc@gmail.com](mailto:cbuyssegoodteacherafc@gmail.com)

St. Edward & St. Eloi Website: [www.goodteacherafc.com](http://www.goodteacherafc.com)

St. Edward School: [www.stedscatholicschool.com](http://www.stedscatholicschool.com)

Deacons: Bruce Bot – 828.7012

Jason Myhre – 829.2829

Travis Welsh – 829.0986

St. Eloi Facebook: St. Eloi Catholic Church

Thrift Store Facebook: One More Time Thrift Store

St. Edward School Facebook: St. Edward Catholic School

Director of Religious Education: Corissa Van Keulen  
[goodteacherafc@hotmail.com](mailto:goodteacherafc@hotmail.com)

Bulletin Coordinator: Ruth Bot – [bulletinsteds@gmail.com](mailto:bulletinsteds@gmail.com)

Bulletin Info due by **Wednesday** at 4:00 pm

Hospitality Meals: Marlene Polejewski – 828.5878

Catholic Charities: 1.866.670.5163

FORMED: [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org)

St. Edward Facebook: St. Edward Catholic Church

**Sunday, April 12, 2026**

**The Second Sunday of Easter**

**“Credo videre bona domini in terra viventium”**

*“I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living. Psalm 27:13*

**Alleluia. Christ is Risen!**

**The Lord is risen indeed.**

**Alleluia!**

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

### **Monday, April 13 – Priest Retreat**

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Presider’s Intention)

### **Tuesday, April 14 – Priest Retreat**

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Presider’s Intention)

2:30 pm No Mass at the Apartments

### **Wednesday, April 15 – Priest Retreat**

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Presider’s Intention)

10:30 am *No School Mass at St. Edward – Liturgy of the Hours*

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

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

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

### **Thursday, April 16 – Priest Retreat**

7:00 am *No Mass at St. Edward*

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

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

### **Friday, April 17**

7:00 am *No Mass at St. Edward*

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Charles & Elizabeth Bot)

### **Saturday, April 18**

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Bob & Ruth Jacob)

5:30 pm Mass at St. Edward (Terry Schreiber)

- 4:45 pm *Confession before Mass*

### **Sunday, April 19**

8:30 am Mass at St. Edward (Myron & Bernice Kloos)

- 8:00 am *Confession before Mass*

10:30 am Mass at St. Eloi (Don Wyffels)

- 10:00 am *Confession before Mass*

*My First Communion*

Dear Parishioners,

Happy Easter!

Our celebration of the Lord’s Passion and Resurrection continues. This weekend, we are pleased to celebrate First Holy Communion with our second-grade candidates. They have been well prepared and are ready to receive our Lord in the Eucharist for the first time.

We are also delighted to welcome the Jennen family, who entered into full communion with the Church at the Easter Vigil (my apologies for not including them in last week’s prayers). Dominic and Kera, along with their daughters, Skylar and Grace, joined the Church in a beautiful celebration of the sacraments. Skylar made a Profession of Faith and was confirmed, receiving her First Holy Communion. Grace was baptized, confirmed, and also received First Holy Communion. Ava and Arya, who are under the age of seven, were baptized. Dominic and Kera faithfully studied their way into the Church, and their daughters will begin religious education this fall.

This weekend, we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. With so many excellent resources available, I will not include instructions here on how to pray the Chaplet, though we are especially encouraged to pray it on Sunday afternoon. St. Faustina, to whom Christ revealed His Divine Mercy, was entrusted with spreading devotion to His mercy. Mercy is a pure gift—we do not earn it. In fact, because of our sins, we deserve punishment. Yet when we turn to the Lord with sincere repentance, He offers us His mercy in full. Like Dismas, the repentant thief, we too can receive His mercy. Let us never take this gift for granted but instead give thanks to God for it.

Please keep the priests of the diocese in your prayers this week, as many of us will be attending our annual retreat. The timing is providential, allowing us, as brothers in the presbyterate, to celebrate the Resurrection together, and to reflect more deeply on its mystery. After the many liturgies of the Triduum, the Second Week of Easter is also a fitting time for rest and renewal. I very much look forward to these days.

Sadly, this may be the final retreat held at King’s House in Buffalo, as the current community, the Order of Mary Immaculate (OMI), is preparing to leave, and the future of the retreat center remains uncertain. Next year, our retreat will be held at the Abbey of the Hills in South Dakota.

In Christ,  
Fr. Todd

## ST. EDWARD SCHOOL NEWS

Principal: Jaci Garvey Secretary: Trudy Banks  
 jgarvey@stedscatholicschool.com Office: 872.6391  
 St. Edward School: [www.stedscatholicschool.com](http://www.stedscatholicschool.com)  
 St. Edward School Facebook: St. Edward Catholic School

## 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 – Wednesday)  
 6:15 – 8:45 pm (Thursday) 6:15 – 7:30 pm (Friday)  
 5:00 – 6:00 pm (Sunday)  
 Rosary: 7:15 pm (Friday)



## ST. ELOI

Weekly	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$	\$1,923	\$
Loose plate	\$	\$192	\$
Commodity	\$		
Easter	\$4,620		
Year-to-Date	\$83,220	\$98,462	(\$15,242)

## ST. ELOI LITURGY SCHEDULE

### Sunday, April 19 – 10:30 am

Sacristan: Arlene Buysse  
 Servers: Xavier & Gregory Rabaey  
 Lector: Bernie DeCock  
 Musicians: Sisters  
 Offertory Gifts: Lois Noyes  
 Eucharistic Ministers: Monica Senden, Corissa Van Keulen  
 Ushers: Galen Boerboom, Mike DeSutter, Mike Monnet

## ST. EDWARD

Weekly	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$2,325	\$6,654	(\$4,329)
Loose plate	\$149	\$192	(\$43)
Online Giving	\$1,305	<i>*Added to the adult envelope total</i>	
Commodity	\$2,770		
Easter	\$4,458		
Year-to-Date	\$266,026	\$273,846	(\$7,820)

## ST. EDWARD LITURGY SCHEDULE

### Saturday, April 18 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Mary Ann Christensen  
 Servers: Bryce & Kaitlyn Gorecki  
 Lector: Eriann Faris  
 Eucharistic Ministers: Ann Longtin  
 Ushers: Troy DeSmet, Bruce & Cindy Novotny, Chuck Vlaminck

### Sunday, April 19 – 8:30 am

Sacristan: Joe Callens  
 Servers: Randy & Reed Sorensen  
 Lector: Cynthia Moorse  
 Eucharistic Ministers: Seth Myhre  
 Ushers: Rick Bot, Chuck Josephson, John Sumerfelt, Mike Vlaminck

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR PARISH ...

### PRAYER REQUESTS & PETITIONS

Please pray that God will restore the health and spirits of the following people.  
 If you know anyone who should be added to this list, contact Caren at the office.

- ★ Marissa Bauer
- Sister-in-law of Charles Bot
- ★ Mary Coquyt
- ★ Kay Drown
- ★ Francis DeSmet
- ★ Basil Englert
- Lisa Hennen's uncle
- ★ David Fier
- ★ Harper Gravely
- ★ Missy Hennen
- ★ Jeremy Koelar
- ★ Jamie Jelen
- ★ Vincent Laleman
- ★ Julie Noyes
- ★ Doug Sik
- ★ Joanne Sturm
- ★ Madeline Swedzinski
- ★ Tony Traen
- ★ Brenda Verschelde
- ★ Jean Wambeke

### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS

Rex Anderson Lauryn Kern  
 Aiden Boerboom Mordicai Keimig  
 Annabelle Bothun James Kuehn  
 Dax Coequyt Bella Myhre  
 Annika Evjen Amyah Schreiber  
 Dane Fier Evelyn Slatko  
 Hazel Hammer Violet Swoboda  
 Henley Hjermstad Trent Welsh

### SUNDAY FIRE – Adult & Older Teen Faith Formation

By request of our participants, we are excited to offer two more classes on April 19 and 26!  
 Deacon Bruce will teach us about prayer and Deacon Jason will have another Apologetics lesson.  
 Please join us on those Sundays from 9:30 – 10:30 am in the Knights' Hall.

### CATHOLIC ORDER OF FORESTERS – ST. ELOI

The Catholic Order of Foresters will be dissolving the court for St. Eloi Church due to lack of membership. We will be dividing up our remaining funds to different organizations later this year.

To show our appreciation for all the past support from the parish and community, we will be having a Friendship Breakfast with coffee and rolls on Sunday, April 19, after the 10:30 am Mass in the church basement.

### CCW OPPORTUNITY AVAILABLE

Our local CCW is still looking for a vice president and president to volunteer for the next year.  
 Each office will be supported and guided by other officers and experienced women throughout the parish and diocese. No expertise is required! The position for each office is one year.  
 Our next meeting will be June 1, at 6 pm at the Knights' Hall.  
 Thank you for considering the positions and for all you do to make this parish a special place.

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Dan Sik is retiring at the end of the school year. There will be a need for a custodian to take care of the school and church. Contact Fr. Todd or Jaci Garvey if interested.

### YEAR OF WINNING

Week 21 – Congratulations! The winner is ... Nate Welsh



## **HAPPENINGS in our Diocese & Beyond ...**

### **POPE LEO'S APRIL PRAYER INTENTION**

For priests in crisis.

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

<https://www.usccb.org/prayers/popes-monthly-intentions-2026>

### **2026 NUDCCW ANNUAL CONVENTION**



**2026 NUDCCW CONVENTION**  
**Grow in God's Love**  
*His Love Stands Firm Forever*  
**Saturday April 25, 2026**  
Registration 7:30 AM - 8:30 AM • Keynote 9:30 AM  
Church of St. Michael • Morgan

**Keynote Speaker:**  
Jessica Bartholomew  
Founder & Executive Director  
ACT United (Anti Child Trafficking)



**The Genius of Women:  
Helping to Save a Fallen Race**  
Presented by the Handmaids of Heart of Jesus

**Cost: \$40 (before April 13) or \$50**  
**Keynote Only: \$10**  
*(payment as cash or check can be brought to the conventio*

Register with the QR Code or the link:  
<https://forms.gle/2ca4fJDF6pVSwweP6>

Registration information can be found at [www.nudccw.org](http://www.nudccw.org) or contact Amanda Engels at [amanda@johnengelslaw.com](mailto:amanda@johnengelslaw.com).

### **JACKPOT BINGO – ST. LEO CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Sunday, April 12, 2026 St. Leo Church Basement  
Warm-up games at 12:30 pm – Jackpot games at 1:30 pm  
Lunch starts at noon. Donation: \$15  
18 - \$50 games with \$200 and \$300 jackpots  
Proceeds will support Catholic education.  
Matching grant from Catholic United Financial.

### **GRIEFSHARE**

If you, an adult and have experienced the death of a loved one (spouse, child, friend, family) and are journeying toward grief healing, you are invited to a GriefShare 13-week session.

The first session will be held April 13, 6:30 – 8:00 pm in Holy Redeemer Church Gathering Area, Marshall.


All faith expressions welcome.

For more information, call the parish office, 507.532.5711 or access [www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org).

### **REAL PRESENCE RADIO – Your Family of Faith & Hope**


Real Presence radio brings Christ into homes, cars, and workplaces across our region. Tune in on 89.5 FM in Montevideo or listen online at [RealPresenceRadio.com](http://RealPresenceRadio.com).  
Be a part of the mission!

## **CALLED BY NAME CAMPAIGN**



DIocese of New Ulm  
Office of the Bishop

1421 6th Street North  
New Ulm MN 56073-2071  
Tel: (507) 359-2966  
Email: [bishop@dnu.org](mailto:bishop@dnu.org)



April 18, 2026

Dear Friends in Christ,

Today I am announcing a special *Called by Name* campaign to identify faithful young men in our diocese who, through God's providence, could have a vocation to the priesthood. The campaign will take place on April 25-26, 2026.


As you know, our diocese has a great need for "more workers for the harvest." I firmly believe that our future priests will come from our own parishes and schools, but we need the entire Church to identify them, so that we can accompany them as they discern their vocations.

I invite all Catholics to submit the names of young men that they would like to honor. Note that these men do not need to have expressed a desire to be priests. They simply need to love Christ and the Church, exhibit a strong faith, and have a heart for service.

I will send each one of these young men a letter of congratulations and encouragement, as well as invite them to a special event in the summer. In addition, our Vocation Team will offer support as they discern their vocations, especially by inviting them to join small "discernment groups" and attend various events.

This initiative is near to my heart, and I ask you to participate thoughtfully. And please join me in praying that the Lord will raise up many new shepherds for the Church!

With prayerful best wishes, I am,

Faithfully in Christ,  
  
Most Rev. Chad W. Zielinski  
Bishop of New Ulm

plf



### **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 – April 18 Diane Hennen 507.401.7556  
(Eucharist for the shut-ins will be every other week.)

**Baptism Prep:** To set up a baptism date, call Caren at the office. Godparent requirements are on the church website.

**RCIA:** If anyone is interested in joining the Catholic church or learning more about the church, contact Deacon Bruce Bot – 507.828.7012

### **Radio Rosary**

Apr. 13: In memory of Jane Hennen by Ernie & family

Apr. 14: In memory of Helen Wambeke  
by Peter & Melissa Louwagie

Apr. 15: In memory of Frank DeSleer  
by Greg & Karla Goepferich

Apr. 16: In memory Monty Recker by Terry Hennen

Apr. 17: In memory of the Vroman Family – Shorty, Idalie, Mary, Rosemary, Josephine, Donald, & Richard  
by Allen Battle III

Apr. 18: In memory of Clarence Louwagie by Pat Louwagie

Apr. 19: In memory Don Wyffels 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.

# The Case of the Empty Tomb

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. John 20:1

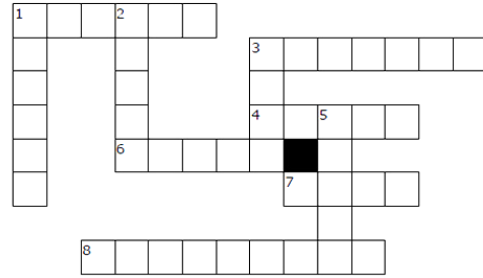
G A R D B B B E L I E V E D X  
 A I A E O R B U R I A L M G H  
 U E T W M D N L I N E N A Y K  
 H R Q T K O S T R I P S R Y J  
 B G A R F K V L R H I Q Y R E  
 O N A N K L C E C L O T H Y N  
 F D I L G D O R D X D A Y Q W  
 I G I A B E G R Y P V Z V P W  
 R D F M M A L N D I K R I L S  
 S F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

- Crying Week Rise Believed
- Strips Angels Removed Linen
- Head First Tomb Day
- Dead Burial Folded Dark
- Stone Lord Mary Cloth

# The Resurrection

"Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him." Mark 16:6 (NIV)

Puzzle is based on various Gospel accounts of the resurrection.



### ACROSS

1. To be filled with fear
3. The first or early part of a day
4. To return from death
6. To have nothing inside
7. A place where someone is buried; another name for grave
8. Having been put to death on a cross

### DOWN

1. Messengers from heaven
2. Not dead
3. The name of the woman who discovered Jesus' empty tomb
5. What was used to cover the entrance to Jesus' tomb

ALIVE TOMB	MORNING MARY	EMPTY CRUCIFIED	AFRAID RISEN	ANGELS STONE
------------	--------------	-----------------	--------------	--------------

# The Resurrection

"Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him." Mark 16:6 (NIV)

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



D	A	U	E	I	P	S	W	Y	G	X	T	C	F	Q	R	J	L	O	M	Z	K	B	H	N	V
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

1. 14-5-16-7-12 \_\_\_\_\_
2. 1-2-9 \_\_\_\_\_
3. 8-4-4-22 \_\_\_\_\_
4. 12-19-20-23 \_\_\_\_\_
5. 16-19-18-18-4-1 \_\_\_\_\_
6. 7-12-19-25-4 \_\_\_\_\_
7. 2-14-16-2-5-1 \_\_\_\_\_
8. 17-4-7-3-7 \_\_\_\_\_
9. 13-16-3-13-5-14-5-4-1 \_\_\_\_\_
10. 16-5-7-4-25 \_\_\_\_\_

ROLLED FIRST	WEEK CRUCIFIED	RISEN TOMB	DAY JESUS	AFRAID STONE
--------------	----------------	------------	-----------	--------------

**Risen Savior, we come to You  
 with open hearts and real  
 needs. Pour Your grace into  
 every place where fear has  
 settled, and breathe fresh  
 strength into every place  
 where faith has grown weak.  
 Let Your resurrection power  
 lift our eyes, steady our steps,  
 and teach us to live with holy  
 boldness and lasting peace.**

**Amen**

**Shalom aleichem**  
*Peace be upon you*