

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

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## Sunday, January 22, 2023 The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Monday, January 23

12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Presider's Intention) 6:00 pm CCW in the Knights' Hall

#### Tuesday, January 24

12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Special Intention) 3:00 pm Mass at Apartments (Albert & Margaret Callens & Family)

#### Wednesday, January 25

10:30 am Mass at St. Edward Gr. 3 & 4 (Allan Schreiber) • 10:00 am Confession before Mass 12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Darleen Dorenkamper) 5:30 pm Religious Ed Grades 1-5 6:30 pm Religious Ed Grades 6-12 6:30 pm Adoration Holy Hour

#### Thursday, January 26

7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Shorty Jerzak) • 6:30 am Confession before Mass 12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Frank, Delores, Richard, & Shirley Sussner) 5:00 – 7:00 pm Adoration at St. Edward

#### <u>Friday, Jan</u>uary 27

5:45 am TMIY 7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Judy Bot) 12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Allan Van Keulen)

#### Saturday, January 28

12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Elaine Hennen) 5:30 pm Mass at St. Edward (David Longtin) • 4:45 pm Confession before Mass

#### Sunday, January 29

8:30 am Mass at St. Edward (For the People) 8:00 am Confession before Mass 9:30 am Open House at St. Edward School 10:30 am Mass at St. Eloi (Elaine & Conrad Hennen) • 10:00 am Confession before Mass

> Jesus called out to them, "Come, how to fish for people!" Matthew 4:19

Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday, we mark the 50th anniversary of the nowoverturned Roe v. Wade decision, overturned by the Dobbs case which was released June 24, 2022.

Certainly, abortion is not morally acceptable, so the reversal is a cause to rejoice. No matter where one stands on abortion, though, an honest examination of the Roe v. Wade case in the light of the law would lead to a conclusion that the case was wrongly decided.

"Jane Roe" was manipulated to proceed, though she had given birth before the decision was delivered. Many of the statistics that were presented to stress the urgent 'need' for legalized abortion were created out of nothing, especially the number of back-alley' abortions.

There is not a constitutional right to privacy (as odd as that might sound). Yet all these factors went into the decision. The reversal of the decision sends the matter back to the states. We have some states banning abortion, defined as the deliberate act of terminating a living fetus. There is no such ban on the removal of a stillborn fetus, and there are protections for the cases of ectopic pregnancies.

Abortion as a deliberate act of killing a fetus is wrong - this in not just a matter of divine law but is very much in the realm of natural law – the law that we can discern with reason, the law that has been written on the human heart. The Church's stance against abortion is not a religious issue.

Here in Minnesota, the response by our elected officials has been to expand abortion. Certain common-sense limits like waiting periods, parental notification for minors, inspections and certain standards for clinics have been removed. They are promoting Protection of Reproduction Options Act - The PRO Act – to codify abortion without limits.

We need to appeal to our politicians to vote against this act, and Bishop Zielinski is inviting us to fast and pray for the end of abortion in our state. We need to also continue to put our feet into action too, of continuing to support crisis pregnancy centers who are supporting mothers and their children, born and unborn. We need to help those who have been told their only option is abortion. Women deserve better, and it is time for all to see the beauty of life from the first moments of life.

In Christ,

Fr. Todd

## ST. ELOI

ACTUAL		BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE	
Adult		\$2,110.26	\$11,309.74	
Loose		\$146.15	\$462.85	
Commodity				
Christmas				
Year-to-Date	\$77,138.74	\$62,451.99	\$14,686.75	

#### ST. ELOI LITURGY SCHEDULE

#### Sunday, January 29

Sacristan: Darla Timmerman

Servers: Elise Hennen, Gregory Rabaey, Tyler Welsh

Lector: Brad Hennen

*Eucharistic Minister*: Monica Senden, Corissa Van Keulen *Musicians*: John Rabaey Family

*Offertory Gifts*: Dale & Lila Schmidt

Ushers: Martin Hennen, Mike Monnet, Daren Van Keulen

### ST. EDWARD

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$1,945.00	\$4,829.92	(\$2,884.92)
Loose	\$147.79 \$153.85		(\$6.06)
Commodity			
Christmas	\$350.00		
<b>Online Giving</b>	\$728.00	*Added to the adult envelope total	
Year-to-Date	\$157,851.30	\$151,132.37	\$6,718.93

## ST. EDWARD LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 28 Sacristan: Margrit Rabaey Servers: Noah & Niara Gorecki, Bryce Gorecki Lector: Eriann Faris Eucharistic Minister: Claren Novotny Ushers: Jerry Kloos, Jacki Laleman, Chuck Vlaminck, Wayne Wyffels

#### Sunday, January 29 – Catholic Schools Sunday

Sacristan: Diane Hennen Servers: School Lector: School Eucharistic Minister: School Usher: School

## 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		
jgarvey@stedscatholicschool.cor	m Office: 872.6391		
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**

#### SYMPATHY FROM OUR PARISH

Prayers to the family of Louis Downing, who passed away on January 13, 2023. His funeral was held on Wednesday, January 18. May God's peace be with you.

"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

Prayers to the family of Marie "Barbara" Sumerfelt, who passed away on January 16, 2023. Her funeral was held on Friday, January 20. May God's peace be with you.

"Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and staff comfort me." Psalm 23:4

#### 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

#### CCW

The CCW meeting was re-scheduled due to weather. The meeting will be in the Knights' Hall on Monday, January 23, at 6:00 pm. All women are welcome.

#### 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 Lyle DeCock's fresh cookies!
- Would you be willing to bring 6 dozen cookies for a Sunday or two? Lyle has asked for some help with the cookies. Please contact Sandy Nuytten at 829.9690 (or email her at <u>snuytten@frontiernet.net</u>) if you could bring cookies some Sunday.
- We are covered until January 22, 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.

#### 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 OR code can be used to acccess the online smart silent auction.



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### ROSARY RALLY – January 21 – Veterans' Park

Public rosary rally on Saturday, January 21, at 12:00 pm (noon). The intention is to pray for respect of life for our state and country. Please join us at Veterans' Park.

#### SUNDAY FIRE – Families Involved in Religious Education

- We have started a new video series on formed.org called "Into His Likeness." This week, we will continue with #3 entitled "The Encounter."
- Join us after 8:30 Sunday Mass for an hour of food and fellowship or you can watch the series online from home. The links are on the Good Teacher AFC website under "Sunday FIRE."

#### 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 #12

- Now it is time to discuss the "First Reading." I have said that the Gospel is the center of the Liturgy of the Word. This claim has its roots in the Old Testament, and on a most basic level, it is a careful reading of the text as a whole, which leads us to make such a claim.
- The Old Testament, which is used in the first reading, is a vast collection of theological traditions developed over a thousand years. Yet, despite the differences of the many human circumstances and authors that are reflected there, it is not difficult for the one who reads with faith to see that the collection as a whole leads to a center.
- When a passage of this collection is read at Mass, now in virtue of Jesus' Resurrection, that original event becomes the event of the community that hears it. That is, the Christian community hears it with the insight lent it by the presence of the risen Lord.

- What happens at Mass during the reading of the Old Testament passage was expressed already in the Gospel of Luke where the story of the risen Lord's appearance to the two disciples along the road to Emmaus is recounted. "How slow you are to believe all that the prophets have announced!" and again later, "Jesus said, everything written about me in the law of Moses and the prophets and psalms had to be fulfilled."
- In addition to the context of the first reading, we should also take into account the one who is asked to read the passage. More is happening here than just a sense of "somebody has to do this," so we chose one of the baptized. Even as we listen to the reading, we should marvel at the grace that enables one of us to stand up and be used as an instrument through which the holy and life-giving Word of God is announced in the assembly.
- At the end of the proclamation of the passage, the reader bluntly declares that we have just heard: "The word of the Lord." We, as the body of Christ, express orally what is in our hearts, "Thanks be to God!"

#### YEAR OF WINNING

Week 9 - Congratulations! The winner is ... Louise Eischens



#### 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/

#### RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE – Wednesday, January 25

There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive at the high school gym from 1:00 – 7:00 pm on Wednesday, January 25.

To register, call Angela Lauer at 872.6175 or use the website www.RedCrossBlood.org (Sponsor Code – MinneotaHS.

#### 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)

	Radio Rosary	
Jan. 23:		
Jan. 24: Jan. 25:	The list of those who the rosary	
Jan. 26:	is in memory of	
Jan. 27:	was not received this week.	
Jan. 28:	It will be back next week.	
Jan. 29:	<u>ij</u>	
To schedule a radio rosary, call Carol Louwagie at 532.6081		

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

Monday, January 23 Fr. Joe Steinbeisser Fr. Bernie Steiner Dcn. Ryan Pope Brent Sundve (Sem.) Wednesday, January 25

Fr. Craig Timmerman Fr. Paul Timmerman Dcn. Steve Spilman Matt Wood (Sem.)

Friday, January 27 Fr. Matt Wiering Dcn. Paul Treinen Nolan Meyer (Sem.)

Sunday, January 29 The women religious in the diocese

Tuesday, January 24 Fr. Tony Stubeda Fr. Tanner Thooft Dcn. Barry Reindl Noah U'Ren (Sem.) Thursday, January 26 Fr. Paul vandeCrommert Fr. Steve Verhelst Dcn. Michael Thoennes Lucas Baker (Sem.) Saturday, January 28 Fr. Paul Wolf Dcn. Travis Welsh David Rabaey (Sem.) Brent Sundve (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 – January 28 Travis Welsh 829.0986
- 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

# Fishing for People

Jesus called out to them, "Come, follow me, and I will show you how to fish for people!" Matthew 4:19 (NLT) The puzzle is based on Matthew 4:18-22 (NLT).



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BROTHERS	JAMES	NETS	COME	GALILEE
BOAT	PETER	WATER	FOLLOW	BEHIND
ANDREW	LIVING	JESUS	SITTING	FISH
WALKING	PEOPLE	JOHN	SHORE	LEAVING



And Jesus said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you become fishers of men." Mark 1:17 Crafting The Word Of God

# Fishermen Become Followers



Across 4. James and John were doing this to their nets when Jesus called the

them 6. John the Baptist told people to of their sins. 7. the Son of God and Savior of mankind 8. a disciple who would later be called Peter 9. People were they repented. after

10. Jesus met up with the fishermen at this sea Down

- 1. Jesus' good friend who baptized people and was later arrested 2. one of the "fishers of men" 3. The disciples went with Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ when He called them 5. this guy up and left his dad sitting in a boat

Andrew

immediately

#### **Word Bank** Jesus

James repent

John Galilee baptized



Simon

mending

The fish is a sign that Christians have used to identify themselves to one another throughout history. They sketched the sign of the fish in the sand to identify one another as Christians.

It has been said that the Greek initials of the phrase "Jesus Christ, God's Son, Savior" spells the Greek word fish.

Jesus said, "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men."