

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

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Sunday, December 29, 2024 Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Monday, December 30

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

Tuesday, December 31 – Solemnity of Mary

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Mark Moenning) 5:30 pm Mass at St. Edward (For Peace & Justice)

Wednesday, January 1 - Solemnity of Mary

8:30 am Mass at St. Edward (Presider's Intention) 10:30 am Mass at St. Eloi (For the People) 12:00 pm Convent Mass

Thursday, January 2

7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Brian Timmerman)

• 6:30 am Confession before Mass

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Leon & Marie Coudron)

Friday, January 3

No 7:00 am Mass at St. Edward 12:00 pm Convent Mass (Paul & Karen Anderson)

Saturday, January 4

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Jackie Dubbeldee) 5:30 pm Mass at St. Edward (L. Joe & Betty Claeys)

• 4:45 pm Confession before Mass

Sunday, January 5

8:30 am Mass at St. Edward (Doug & Jeannette Konold)

• 8:00 am Confession before Mass

9:30 am Sunday FIRE Miracles of Exodus Part 2 10:30 am Mass at St. Eloi (Linda Lindahl)

• 10:00 am Confession before Mass



Dear Parishioners,

Merry Christmas! As we continue our solemn celebration of Christmas, in the midst of this Octave of Christmas, we take a moment to reflect on the Holy Family.

As Jesus was born to the Virgin Mary, and placed in the care of St. Joseph, we recall that God is blessing all families through them. They are the model for all families, and all families that seek the life of grace can find in the Holy Family all virtue modeled. May we follow the example well.

In the Gospel for this weekend, we hear of the finding in the temple. Perhaps it goes without saying, but the fact that St. Joseph and the Blessed Mother took part in the pilgrimage festival of Passover speaks volumes. After all, the child they loved and cared for was going to be the new Passover Lamb, the one who would take away the sins of the world, and yet they travelled. They made the journey of almost 90 miles either on foot or on the back of a donkey (horses were rarely rode by Jewish people). It would have taken a few days, and yet they came. They would have had to have lodging for the days of the celebration. Yet they came. Perhaps there we might find challenge to the hesitation some show to coming to Mass on a regular basis, finding an excuse too ready.

When the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph left, they assumed that Jesus was in the throng of those returning to Nazareth, only to find our Lord had stayed behind. They found Him amazing the scholars of the Law by His knowledge and understanding, while He was yet a boy. They understood that the Lord God had a special call for Him, and that raised Him to respond to that call. SO, in this, we have a wonderful model of support for vocations, too.

On a separate note, thank you for your prayers for my friend and her husband. I meet them our first year of college and am credited for introducing them to each other. He was on the same floor as I was, and she was in one of the same classes. Though I transferred after my first year, they sparked a friendship that flowered into a marriage. She passed peacefully on Sunday evening, surrounded by her family. May she rest in peace.

Thank you again for all the Christmas cards, gifts, and greetings. I am profoundly thankful.

In Christ, Fr. Todd

ST. EDWARD SCHOOL NEWS

Principal: Jaci Garvev Secretary: Trudy Banks Office: 872.6391 jgarvey@stedscatholicschool.com

January 6, 2025 - School resumes

Sponsorship of St. Edward School

December 18 - In memory of Brad Noyes In memory of Robert Mack, Jr.

December 22 - In memory of deceased members of Ahern

December 24 – In memory of Orval Spanton December 28 – In memory of Karen Antony

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)

ST. ELOI

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$1,430.00	\$2,110.00	(\$680.00)
Loose plate	\$83.00	\$146.00	(\$63.00)
Commodity	\$2,398.00		
Christmas	\$10,116.00		
Year-to-Date	\$50,885.00	\$57,090.00	(\$6,205.00)

ST. ELOI LITURGY SCHEDULE

Wednesday, January 1 – 10:30 am – Solemnity of Mary

Sacristan: Darla Timmerman Servers: Evan & Elise Hennen Lector: Doug Maeyaert Musicians: John Rabaey

Offertory Gifts: Mike & Julie Speltz Family Eucharistic Ministers: Sandy Nuytten, Lila Schmidt

Cup: Mary Jo Bossuyt, Ron Sussner

Ushers: Galen Boerboom, Gary Crowley, Mike DeSutter

Sunday, January 5 - 10:30 am - Epiphany

Sacristan: Corissa Van Keulen Servers: Xavier & Mark Rabaev

Lector: Jennifer Rabaev

Musicians: Barb Hennen & Laura Hennen Offertory Gifts: Ron & Angela Fischer-Sussner Eucharistic Ministers: Dan Sik, Darla Timmerman

Cup: Beth Brewers, Shirley Maeyaert

Ushers: Galen Boerboom, Gary Crowley, Mike DeSutter

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	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE		
Adult	\$5,256.00	\$4,830.00	\$426.00		
Loose plate	\$.00	\$154.00	(\$154.00)		
Online Giving	\$463.00	*Added to the adult envelope total			
Commodity	\$5,498.00				
Christmas	\$9,155.00				
Year-to-Date	\$137,983.00	\$143,170.00	(\$5,187.00)		

ST. EDWARD LITURGY SCHEDULE

Tuesday, December 31 – 5:30 pm – Solemnity of Mary Volunteers needed for all ministries; including two Eucharistic Ministers

Wednesday, January 1 – 8:30 am – Solemnity of Mary Volunteers needed for all ministries; including two Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday, January 4 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Margrit Rabaey

Servers: Eli Faris, Gabe Ludwikowski

Lector: Tim Gossen

Eucharistic Ministers: Ann Longtin, Claren Novotny,

Nate Welsh

Ushers: Jackie Laleman, Bruce & Cindy Novotny, Scott Thooft

Sunday, January 5 – 8:30 am

Sacristan: Joe Callens

Servers: Charity & Debbie Beisler, William Jones

Lector: Tina Sturm

Eucharistic Ministers: David Vlaminck, Fran Sturm,

Kevin Swedzinski

Ushers: Rick Bot, John Sumerfelt

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR PARISH ...

PRAYER REQUESTS & PETITIONS

Please pray that God will restore the health and spirits of the following people. Ask God to draw near to them and let them feel His gracious presence.

If you know anyone who should be added to this list, contact Caren at the office.

- ★ Kay Drown
- ★ Etien Laleman
- ★ Jeremy Koelar
- ★ Grace Rabaey
- **★** All cancer patients

ROSARY SOCIETY MEMBERS REMINDER

Your 2025 Rosary Decade assignments are in the back of church. Please pick them up.

REMINDERS FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

As the end of the year approaches, please remember to pick up your new donation envelopes (if needed) and discard the 2024 envelopes because numbers have changed for 2025.

If you need a copy of your donation record, please contact Caren before January 20, 2025.

YEAR OF WINNING

Week 6 - Congratulations! The winner is ... Terri Gorecki



od our Father, source of all our family has and is, help us to follow the example of the family of your Son, the holy family of Nazareth. May we love one another as they did, and come to share eternal happiness with them in heaven. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

HAPPENINGS in our Diocese & Beyond ...

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION – DECEMBER

For Pilgrims of Hope ~

Let us pray that the coming Church Jubilee Year 2025 strengthens us in our faith; helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in the midst of our lives, transforming us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

GHENT LEGION

American Legion Post #564 Ghent will be having a meeting on Tuesday, January 7, at 7:00 pm.

Thank you for your service. Hope to see you there.

FCCLA PROJECT – WoMen's Rural Advocacy Program Collection

Olivia Claeys is working on a community service project for FCCLA. She is collecting items for people who have experienced trauma, harassment, human trafficking, and sexual assault.

Some of these items are diapers, bath products, chapstick, hair brushes, ibuprofen, silverware, towels, pillows, and/or kitchen supplies. There will be a box in the back of church where items can be dropped off.

Email questions to fcclafundraising@mpsvikings.net.



Radio Rosary

Dec. 30: In memory of Ralph Leifgen

by Ken & Phyllis Persoon

Dec. 31: In memory of Carol Louwagie

by Steve & Wendy Hall

Jan. 1: In memory of Don Maeyaert by Dan & Shari

Jan. 2: In memory of Rita Verly by Ken & Phyllis Persoon

Jan. 3: In memory of Ralph Leifgen by Ardyce Louwagie

Jan. 4: In memory of Carolyn & Gordon Boerboom

by Dennis & Evelyn Louwagie

Jan. 5: In memory of Judy Ourada by Dave Ourada

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.

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 – **December 28** Margrit Rabaey 507.828.1756 (Eucharist for the shut-ins will be every other week.)

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

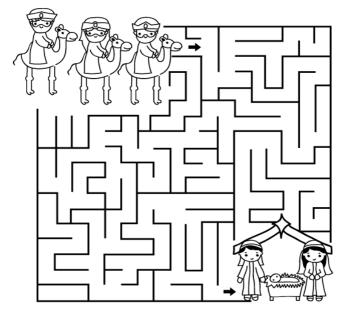
The Holy Family

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Nativity Maze

Help the Three Wise Men find the manger.





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OF FUN

Grab your best cowboy boots and mark your calendars - Come enjoy an adult evening out to support our local youth religious education programs.

This event will include a live & silent auction, gun raffle, dinner, drinks, dessert, and live entertainment!

Your contributions and support mean the world to our community, our students, and all those involved in religious education!

Tickets can be purchased online through the website listed below or by scanning the QR code on the bottom of the page!

Want to donate? Get in touch with a committee member!

Kind Regards,

St. Edward Flurry Committee

Faith Oakland 507-829-6751

Addie Buysse 507-591-0316

Taylor Kruize 507-476-0441 Save the date for the Flurry of Fun



American Legion, Minneota, MN 208 N Jefferson St, Minneota, MN 56264

St. Edward - Flurry of Fun https://www.facebook.com/groups/400003340538118/



Get Your Tickets!



St. Eloi Liturgical Schedule for January, February, & March ~ 2025

Reminder to please find your own replacement if you can't make your scheduled date.

If a Deacon is present for Mass, the Eucharistic Minister will not be needed.

JANUARY

Wednesday, January 1 – Solemnity of Mary – 10:30 am

Sacristan: Darla Timmerman Servers: Evan & Elise Hennen Lector: Doug Maeyaert Musicians: John Rabaey

Offertory Gifts: Mike & Julie Speltz Family Eucharistic Ministers: Sandy Nuytten,

Lila Schmidt

Cup: Ron Sussner, Mary Jo Bossuyt *Ushers*: Galen Boerboom, Gary Crowley,

Mike DeSutter

Sunday, January 5 - 10:30 am - Epiphany

Sacristan: Corissa Van Keulen Servers: Xavier & Mark Rabaey Lector: Jennifer Rabaey

Musicians: Barb Hennen & Laura Hennen Offertory Gifts: Ron & Angela Fischer-

Sussner

Eucharistic Ministers: Dan Sik,

Darla Timmerman

Cup: Beth Brewers, Shirley Maeyaert Ushers: Galen Boerboom, Gary Crowley,

Mike DeSutter

Sunday, January 12 - 10:30 am

Sacristan: Cindy Nelson

Servers: Gregory Rabaey, Tyler Welsh

Lector: Steve Van Keulen Musicians: Barb & Brad Hennen

Offertory Gifts: Jason & Alia Thooft Family Eucharistic Ministers: Sandy Nuytten,

Corissa Van Keulen

Ushers: Galen Boerboom, Gary Crowley,

Mike DeSutter

Sunday, January 19 – 10:30 am

Sacristan: Arlene Buysse

Servers: Leo Hennen, Toby Wambeke

Lector: Brad Hennen Musicians: John Rabaey

Offertory Gifts: Vin & Charlotte Thooft Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Jo Bossuyt,

Lila Schmidt

Ushers: Galen Boerboom, Gary Crowley,

Mike DeSutter

Sunday, January 26 - 10:30 am

Sacristan: Darla Timmerman Servers: Evan & Elise Hennen Lector: Mike Hennen

Musicians: Sisters

Offertory Gifts: Daren & Corissa

Van Keulen

Eucharistic Ministers: Dan Sik,

Ron Sussner

Ushers: Galen Boerboom, Gary Crowley,

Mike DeSutter

FEBRUARY

Sunday, February 2 - 10:30 am

Sacristan: Corissa Van Keulen Servers: Xavier & Mark Rabaey

Lector: Steve Hennen

Musicians: Barb Hennen & Laura Hennen Offertory Gifts: Darla Timmerman Eucharistic Ministers: Beth Brewers,

Shirley Maeyaert

Ushers: Martin Hennen, Mike Monnet,

Daren Van Keulen

Sunday, February 9 - 10:30 am

Sacristan: Cindy Nelson Servers: Gregory Rabaey, Tyler Welsh

Lector: Bernie DeCock
Musicians: Barb & Brad Hennen

Offertory Gifts: Joel & Donna VanDamme

Eucharistic Ministers: Sandy Nuytten,

Corissa Van Keulen

Ushers: Martin Hennen, Mike Monnet,

Daren Van Keulen

Sunday, February 16 – 10:30 am

Sacristan: Arlene Buysse

Servers: Leo Hennen, Toby Wambeke

Lector: Karla Engels
Musicians: John Rabaey

Offertory Gifts: Mike & Donna Van Keulen

Eucharistic Ministers: Lila Schmidt,

Caroline Van Keulen

Ushers: Martin Hennen, Mike Monnet,

Daren Van Keulen

Sunday, February 23 – 10:30 am

Sacristan: Darla Timmerman Servers: Evan & Elise Hennen Lector: Laura Hennen Musicians: Sisters

Offertory Gifts: Tim & Paula Van Keulen Eucharistic Ministers: Ron Sussner,

Corissa Van Keulen

Ushers: Martin Hennen, Mike Monnet,

Daren Van Keulen

MARCH

Sunday, March 2 - 10:30 am

Sacristan: Corissa Van Keulen Servers: Xavier & Mark Rabaey

Lector: Betsy Jo Kack

Musicians: Barb Hennen & Laura Hennen Offertory Gifts: Dan & Joy Wambeke

Family

Eucharistic Ministers: Monica Senden,

Dan Sik

Cup: Beth Brewers, Don Senden Ushers: Corey Kack, Ron Sussner,

Tim Van Keulen

Wednesday, March 5 – 5:30 pm – Ash Wednesday

Sacristan: Darla Timmerman

Servers: Gregory Rabaey, Tyler Welsh

Lector: Doug Maeyaert Musicians: John Rabaey

Offertory Gifts: Tom & Cindy Welsh Eucharistic Ministers: Shirley Maeyaert,

Sandy Nuytten

Ushers: Corey Kack, Ron Sussner,

Tim Van Keulen

Sunday, March 9 – 10:30 am – 1st Sunday of Lent

Sacristan: Cindy Nelson

Servers: Leo Hennen, Toby Wambeke

Lector: Jennifer Rabaey

Musicians: Barb & Brad Hennen
Offertory Gifts: Travis & Jessica Welsh

Family

Eucharistic Ministers: Lila Schmidt,

Dan Sik

Ushers: Corey Kack, Ron Sussner,

Tim Van Keulen

Sunday, March 16 – 10:30 am – 2nd Sunday of Lent

Sacristan: Arlene Buysse Servers: Evan & Elise Hennen Lector: Steve Van Keulen Musicians: John Rabaey

Offertory Gifts: Gene & Mary Jo Bossuyt Eucharistic Ministers: Darla Timmerman,

Caroline Van Keulen

Ushers: Corey Kack, Ron Sussner,

Tim Van Keulen

Sunday, March 23 –10:30 am – 3rd Sunday of Lent

Sacristan: Darla Timmerman Servers: Xavier & Mark Rabaey

Lector: Brad Hennen Musicians: Sisters

Offertory Gifts: Beth Brewers

Eucharistic Ministers: Monica Senden,

Ron Sussner

Ushers: Corey Kack, Ron Sussner,

Tim Van Keulen

Sunday, March 30 – 10:30 am – 4th Sunday of Lent

Sacristan: Darla Timmerman

Servers: Gregory Rabaey, Tyler Welsh

Lector: Mike Van Keulen
Musicians: Schola Cantorum
(Area Parishes Choir)
Offertory Gifts: Elaine Brewers

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Jo Bossuyt, Corissa Van Keulen

Ushers: Corey Kack, Mark Nelson,

Tim Van Keulen



St. Edward Liturgical Schedule for January & February ~ 2025

Reminder to please find your own replacement if you can't make your scheduled date.

JANUARY

Saturday, January 4 - 8:30 am - Epiphany

Sacristan: Margrit Rabaey

Servers: Eli Faris, Gabe Ludwikowski

Lector: Tim Gossen

Eucharistic Minister: Ann Longtin, Claren Novotny, Nate Welsh Ushers: Jackie Laleman, Bruce & Cindy Novotny, Scott Thooft

Sunday, January 5 - 8:30 am - Epiphany

Sacristan: Joe Callens

Servers: Charity & Debbie Beisler, William Jones

Lector: Tina Myhre

Eucharistic Minister: David Vlaminck, Fran Sturm, Kevin

Swedzinski

Ushers: Rick Bot, John Sumerfelt

Saturday, January 11 - 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Cindy Novotny

Servers: Elena, Sam, & Charlie Myhre

Lector: Fred Rabaey

Eucharistic Minister: Jeff Buysse

Ushers: Jackie Laleman, Bruce & Cindy Novotny, Scott Thooft

Sunday, January 12 - 8:30 am

Sacristan: Fran Sturm

Servers: Naomi & Declan Evjen, Wyatt Guza

Lector: Lisa Hennen

Eucharistic Minister: Terry Van Keulen Ushers: Rick Bot, John Sumerfelt

Saturday, January 18 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Mary Ann Christensen

Servers: Jules Gossen, Audyn & Brisbyn Traen

Lector: Claren Novotny

Eucharistic Minister: Fred Rabaey

Ushers: Jackie Laleman, Bruce & Cindy Novotny, Scott Thooft

Sunday, January 19 – 8:30 am

Sacristan: Ruth Bot

Servers: Landon & Addyson Pohlen

Lector: Joe Callens

Eucharistic Minister: Seth Myhre Ushers: Rick Bot, John Sumerfelt

Saturday, January 25 – 5:30 pm Sacristan: Claren Novotny

Servers: Eli Faris, Gabe Ludwikowski

Lector: Nate Welsh

Eucharistic Minister: Mary Ann Christensen

Ushers: Jackie Laleman, Bruce & Cindy Novotny, Scott Thooft

Sunday, January 226 - 8:30 am - Catholic Schools Week

Sacristan: Terry Van Keulen

Servers: School Kids Lector: Teacher

Eucharistic Minister: Teacher

Ushers: School Kids

FEBRUARY

Saturday, February 1 – 4:30 pm – Time Change due to Flurry of

Fun

Sacristan: Margrit Rabaey

Servers: Elena, Sam, & Charlie Myhre

Lector: Eriann Faris

Eucharistic Minister: Deb Thooft

Ushers: Charlie Callens, Troy DeSmet, Jerry Kloos, Wayne

Wyffels

Sunday, February 2 - 8:30 am

Sacristan: Joe Callens
Servers: Ian & Noah Myhre
Lector: Julie Janiszeski

Eucharistic Minister: Lisa Hennen

Ushers: Rick Bot, John Sumerfelt, Mike Vlaminck

Saturday, February 8 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Cindy Novotny

Servers: Bryce & Kaitlyn Gorecki, Eva Skorczewski

Lector: Shannon Gossen

Eucharistic Minister: Margrit Rabaev

Ushers: Charlie Callens, Troy DeSmet, Jerry Kloos, Wayne

Wyffels

Sunday, February 9 - 8:30 am

Sacristan: Fran Sturm Servers: Jacob & Mariah Loyson

Lector: Shannon Evjen

Eucharistic Minister: Mary Myhre

Ushers: Rick Bot, John Sumerfelt, Mike Vlaminck

Saturday, February 15 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Mary Ann Christensen

Servers: Jules Gossen, Audyn & Brisbyn Traen

Lector: Mary Ann Christensen Eucharistic Minister: Eriann Faris

Usher: Charlie Callens, Troy DeSmet, Jerry Kloos, Wayne Wyffels

Sunday, February 16 - 8:30 am

Sacristan: Ruth Bot

Servers: RJ & Reed Sorensen Lector: Kevin Swedzinski

Eucharistic Minister: Dawn Vlaminck

Ushers: Rick Bot, John Sumerfelt, Mike Vlaminck

Saturday, February 22 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Claren Novotny

Servers: Eli Faris, Gabe Ludwikowski

Lector: Hilary DeVlaeminck
Eucharistic Minister: Ann Longtin

Usher: Charlie Callens, Troy DeSmet, Jerry Kloos, Wayne Wyffels

Sunday, February 23 – 8:30 am

Sacristan: Terry Van Keulen

Servers: Charity & Debbie Beisler, Mason Moorse

Lector: Dylan Evjen

Eucharistic Minister: Becky Engels

Ushers: Rick Bot, John Sumerfelt, Mike Vlaminck

