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Office Hours: 8:00 am - 12:15 pm 1:15 - 4:00 pmMonday - Thursday

Sunday, April 2, 2023 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Monday, April 3

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

Tuesday, April 4

12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Presider's Intention) 3:00 pm Apartment Mass (Donata DeBruyckere)

Wednesday, April 5

10:30 am Mass at St. Edward Gr. K

(Deceased members of Audrey Timm's family)

12:00 pm Mass at Convent (Carson Bottelberghe)

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, April 6 – Holy Thursday

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

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

7:00 pm Mass at St. Edward (Deeper Eucharistic Devotion)

Friday, April 7 – Good Friday

3:00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion at St. Edward

6:00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion at St. Eloi

<u>Saturday, April 8 – Easter Vigil</u>

8:30 pm Mass at St. Eloi (For all those entering the church)

Sunday, April 9 - Easter

8:30 am Mass at St. Edward (For all the recently deceased)

• 8:00 am Confession before Mass

10:30 am Mass at St. Eloi (For the People)

10:00 am Confession before Mass

Dear Parishioners,

I wish you the holiest of Holy Weeks. I invite you to invite the Blessed Mother and Beloved Apostle John to accompany us this week, that as we remember the Last Supper, St. John can invite us to deeper intimacy with the Lord, that as we stand at the foot of the cross, we enter the silence with the Blessed Mother and St. John, and that we can wait together for the Lord.

Recently, I listened to a podcast (Mike Rowe's "The Way I Heard It") in which he resumed his former format of telling a little story in the spirit of Paul Harvey. He shared the origin of April Fools' Day, a professor's story involving a Court of Fools, a decision from Constantine from his throne in Istanbul, and a fool King Kugel.

Surprise, the story that was told was an ultimate April Fools, published by Associated Press in multiple national papers on April 1, 1983. It reminded me of computer science professor in Mankato who created a webpage very early, and the webpage tells the improbable story of Mankato being the site of Ancient Atlantis, that the temperature is never below 70, and that Mankato enjoys direct access to the oceans, making it the perfect spot for a submarine factory (such stories are still online at http://citymankato.us/mankato.html). (I was told this by a woman that was adamant about the temperature being so pleasant year-round and wanting directions to Atlantis.) Both show human gullibility and that we might too readily rely on 'experts.'

While it is sometimes enjoyable to be fooled, at least in minor things, we should resist the temptation to simply accept things at face value. We should not simply believe because we are told. For example, I knew that the story of the origin of April Fools Mike Rowe was sharing was false – Constantine did not rule from Istanbul – earlier known as Constantinople. The city was founded after Constantine and named in his memory. The rest of the story started to fall away. Of course, with Mankato, one only has to remember that they get snow just as much as anywhere else in Minnesota. And a direct route to the oceans, and ancient Atlantis??? Impossible.

This is in no way opposed to the faith – I am convinced that if we examine our faith carefully, we can confirm so much of our faith – that Jesus really lived, died, and rose again, that certain people existed, certain things happened, and that especially the historical books of Scripture record true events that can be

Not everyone can take their time to study more deeply these aspects of the faith, but we need to reflect on the 'inner consistency' of our faith – that it is consistent with itself, and while it tells of the miraculous, the fact that the greatest miracle, Jesus's resurrection - which is attested to in several contemporaneous secular histories – occurred lend credence that the Son of God is capable of such wonders. This Holy Week is a great week to reflect on the reality and veracity of our faith.

In Christ, Fr. Todd



ST. ELOI

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE		
Adult	\$	\$2,110.26	\$		
Loose	\$	\$146.15	\$		
Commodity					
Year-to-Date	\$96,011.01	\$85,161.79	\$10,849.22		

ST. ELOI LITURGY SCHEDULE

Good Friday, April 7 – 6:00 pm

Sacristan: Cindy Nelson

Servers: Evan & Elise Hennen, Leo Hennen

Lector: Mike Van Keulen

Eucharistic Minister: Mary Jo Bossuyt, Dcn. Travis Welsh

Musicians: Barb & Brad Hennen

Ushers: Mike DeSutter, Mike Monnet, Brian Timmerman

Saturday, April 8 - EASTER VIGIL - 8:30 pm

Sacristan: Darla Timmerman

Servers: Xavier, Mark, & Gregory Rabaey, Tyler Welsh

Lector: Steve Hennen

Eucharistic Minister: Caroline Van Keulen, Dcn. Travis Welsh

Musicians: John Rabaey Family

Offertory Gifts: Daren & Corissa Van Keulen

Ushers: Mike DeSutter, Mike Monnet, Brian Timmerman

Martin Hennen (Choir)

Sunday, April 9 - EASTER - Alleluia! He is risen!

Sacristan: Darla Timmerman

Servers: Evan & Elise Hennen, Leo Hennen, Toby Wambeke

Lector: Bernie DeCock

Eucharistic Minister: Ron Sussner, Dcn. Travis Welsh

Musicians: Barb & Brad Hennen

Offertory Gifts: Mike & Donna Van Keulen

Ushers: Mike DeSutter, Mike Monnet, Brian Timmerman

ST. EDWARD

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE		
Adult	\$1,957.00	\$4,829.92	(\$2,872.92)		
Loose	\$143.00	\$153.85	(\$10.85)		
Commodity					
Online Giving	\$495.00	*Added to the adult envelope total			
Year-to-Date	\$211,325.19	\$204,213.03	\$7,112.16		

ST. EDWARD LITURGY SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday, April 6 – 7:00 pm

Sacristan: Claren Novotny

Servers: Ian Myhre, Sam Myhre, RJ Sorensen, Bryce Gorecki

Lector: Nate Welsh

Eucharistic Minister: Dcn. Bruce Bot

Ushers: Charlie Callens, Troy DeSmet, Jerry Kloos, Mike Longtin

Good Friday, April 7 – 3:00 pm

Sacristan: Terry Van Keulen Servers: Wyatt & Landon Pohlen

Lector: Terry Van Keulen Usher: Doug Janiszeski

Sunday, April 9 - EASTER - Alleluia! He is risen indeed!

Sacristan: Joe Callens

Servers: Robert & Joe Beisler, Mason Moorse

Lector: Lisa Welsh

Eucharistic Minister: Lisa Hennen

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)

ST. EDWARD SCHOOL NEWS

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

April 7 & 10 – Easter break – No school **Sponsorship of St. Edward School**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ROSARY INTENTIONS FOR APRIL

- ♣ For all of our youth and our families
- ₱ For peace in our hearts
- ♣ For an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life

EASTER TRIDUUM MASS SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday, April 6 – 7 pm at St. Edward, Minneota Good Friday, April 7 – 3:00 pm at St. Edward, Minneota 6:00 pm at St. Eloi, Ghent

Easter Vigil, April 8 – 8:30 pm at St. Eloi, Ghent Easter, April 9 – 8:30 am at St. Edward, Minneota

10:30 am at St. Eloi, Ghent

FLOWERS FOR EASTER

Take this opportunity to help decorate the church for Easter.

Donate money for Easter lilies and other plants which
will adorn our churches on Easter Sunday and
throughout the Easter season.

Put your donation in an envelope marked "Easter flowers" and place it in the collection plate or send it to the church office. Please include the name of who the flowers are in memory of or in honor of.

ST. ELOI SOUP, CHILI FEED, & SILENT AUCTION

The chicken wild rice soup & chili feed and silent auction COF matching funds event is Palm Sunday, April 2.

Serving will be from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm. "To go" orders will be available. Bidding closes at 12:30. There will be FREE Family Bingo starting at noon. Small prizes will be awarded

Proceeds support the Catholic programs our students attend: our Religious Education Program and area Catholic schools.

ST. EDWARD CCW SCHOLARSHIP

Letters have been sent to all 2023 high school graduates regarding applying for a scholarship provided by the CCW. The deadline for turning in your application is Wednesday, April 12.

If you are a graduating senior (member of St. Edward Parish) and you did not receive a letter with an application, please contact Ruth Bot at 829.0514 (texts are fine).

ROSARIES FOR RECYCLING

Do you have any broken or unused rosaries laying around? Drop them off in the box labeled "Rosaries for Recycle" inn the back of church. They will be made into new five-decade or one-decade rosaries which will be put in the back of the church for people to take.

COOKIES AND FELLOWSHIP - St. Eloi

Our cookie and fellowship tradition in our gathering space continues with your help. Would you be willing to bring 6 dozen cookies for a Sunday or two?

If you would like to help out, please contact Sandy Nuytten at 829.9690 (or email her at snuytten@frontiernet.net). We need volunteers after April 16.

YEAR OF WINNING

Week 19 – Congratulations! The winner is ... Alan & Anita Longtin

LITURGY MATTERS #21

There are a number of different parts to the Eucharistic prayer, so in our journey through it, we will be able to follow closely the ritual shape so that we can understand better all that is happening. We will go through the parts one by one and see how an enormous momentum builds throughout, climaxing in the whole creation joined to the whole of heaven in a perfect act of praise directed to God the Father, through Jesus Christ, in the Holy Spirit.

The Eucharistic prayer begins with the preface dialogue where the priest says, "The Lord be with you," then "Lift up your hearts," then "Let us give thanks..." and then extends through to the great Amen. These three ritual verses are very ancient. We have evidence for their being used at this point in the Eucharistic liturgy in texts as old as the late second century.

The first exchange, "The Lord be with you" is a repetition of an exchange from the very beginning of the celebration. The greeting is repeated precisely because we are going to start praying now with much greater intensity and will need divine help. The priest wishes the people this divine assistance and his greeting is a blessing in which he reminds the people that together with him they are about to offer the church's greatest prayer.

We also become aware that by our response, "And with your spirit" that divine help will be needed even more for the priest who will play a central and unique role in this prayer. Even greater intensity of attention is required of him as he performs gestures, handles the gifts, and pronounces words the power of which it is impossible entirely to grasp. As we say, "And with your spirit" the people are addressing the deepest part of his being where he has been ordained precisely to lead the people in this sacred action. The people are saying in effect, "Be the priest for us now", aware that there is only one priest, Christ himself.

The priest's leading role throughout the entire Eucharistic prayer is meant to render concrete for the assembly a fundamental reality of all prayer but especially of this the most intense of prayers. That reality is that the church addresses itself to the Father only through Christ its head. The priest is a sacrament of Christ signifying this reality.

The whole structure of the prayer with the priest speaking and acting and the people following and saying their Amen at the end, is a concrete something, a mystery, in which we experience Christ as head of the body leading his whole body before the Father. Hence, in these first exchanges, the priest and the people have acknowledged and lovingly awakened each other to the roles they must play in what follows.



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION – MARCH

We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, be decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

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

MISSION OF LOVE - PROJECT 2023

This project will benefit the Charity with Dignity Program.

The impact of COVID still has many families at San Lucas without work and no income. The need for food and basic household items is especially great.

Your donations to the Mission of Love Campaign this year will help provide basic necessities to those most affected in the San Lucas area. A grocery bag filled with corn, beans, rice, soup, vegetable oil, pasta, and soap will feed a family of 5 for about five days. The cost per bag is \$17.

More information to follow regarding how to donate.

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.

JACKPOT BINGO - ST. LEO

Catholic United Financial will be sponsoring Spring JACKPOT BINGO on Sunday, April 2, 2023. Lunch at noon. Warm up games start at 12:30 pm; Jackpot games at 1:30 pm. Proceeds will help to support Catholic Education.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE - April 13 in Ghent

Give Blood! Help Save Lives: Red Cross Blood Drive on April 13, 2023 from 12:00 – 6:00 pm at KB's in Ghent.

To make an appointment visit "RedCrossBlood.org" or call 1.800.733.2767. Give blood and receive a *Peanut's* t-shirt featuring "Snoopy"!

ANNUAL NUDCCW 2023 CONVENTION

Saturday, April 29, 2023 7:30 am – 3:30 pm Church of St. Mary, New Ulm

Speaker Liz Kelly is a retreat leader and author. She received her certification as a spiritual director from the Cenacle of Our Lady of Divine Providence School of Spirituality in association with the Franciscan University of Steubenville.

There will also be a presentation on the life and work of blessed Carlo Acutis by Berny Berger. This will include a review of some of the major Eucharistic Miracles.

If you are interested in attending, contact Bonnie Laleman (828.5703) or Jan Bot (401.1167).

No pain, no palm; no thorns, no throne; no gall, no glory; no cross, no crown.

PRAYER CALENDAR FOR VOCATIONS – PRIESTS, DEACONS, & SEMINARIANS

Monday, April 3

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

Wednesday, April 5

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

Friday, April 7

Fr. Mike Doyle Fr. Cornelius Ezeiloaku Dcn. Tim Dolan

Matt Wood (Sem.)

Sunday, April 9

Fr. Nathan Hansen Fr. Tony Hesse Fr. John Hayes

Fr. John Hayes Nolan Meyer (Sem.)

Tuesday, April 4

Fr. James Barry Fr. Josh Bot Dcn. Russ Blaschko David Rabaey (Sem.)

Thursday, April 6

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

Saturday, April 8

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

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

Radio Rosary

Apr. 3: In memory of Thomas Mitchell Dieken by the family of Lester VandePutte & Marian Dieken VandePutte

Apr. 4: In memory of Sandy Alcorn by Mary Ann & family

Apr. 5: In memory of Madeline & Archie Timmerman by their family

Apr. 6: For Bishop Chad Zielinski by Pat Timmerman

Apr. 7: In memory of Judy & Vin Bot & Pam Haukom by their family

Apr. 8: Sponsored by the Ivanhoe Knights of Columbus Apr. 9: In memory of Ernest Bossuyt by Bernice & family

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 – April 8 Bruce Bot 828.7012

- 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. Pray for someone who needs to know Jesus.
- 2. Do something healthy to take care of the body God gave you.
- 3. Clear your mind of other things and sit quietly with God.
- 4. Braid your palms with your family.
- 5. Sing a song of praise to God.
- 6. Pray for the people who are becoming new members of our parish.

Palm Sunday Word Search

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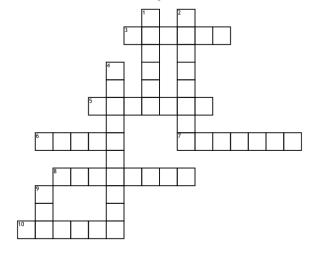
HOW TO BRAID YOUR PALM

Here is a quick tutorial on braiding your palm. A great family activity for this afternoon.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zhloG5LyjiM&list=PLrkoE5qbsJUbcUfGYmF951QFqdkTjCfiR

This second video makes a palm cross. A little easier. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wpjO_S99fEA&t=12s

Palm Sunday Crossword



<u>Across</u>

3. What did the disciples place on the donkey?

5. The crowd said,

"_____ is he who comes in the name of the Lord."

6. When asked, the disciples were to say that the Lord _____ them.

7. The crowd shouted,
"______ in the highest!"

8. What did people wave in the air?

10. What did Jesus ride on into Jerusalem?

Down

1. What did people spread on the road?

2. The crowd answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from

in Galilee."

4. What is the Sunday before Easter called?

9. Jesus sent _____ disciples into the village.