



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



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Bulletin Info due by Wednesday at 4 pm

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Victim's Hotline: 1.800.422.4453
Facebook: One More Time Thrift Store

Sunday, January 23, 2022

The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday, January 24

12:00 pm Mass at St. Eloi Convent (Presider's intention)

Tuesday, January 25

12:00 pm Mass at St. Eloi Convent (Anthony Callens)
3:00 pm Apartment Mass – *residents only*
(Leon & Marie Coudron & family)

Wednesday, January 26

10:30 am Mass at St. Edward – Gr. 1 & 2 (Armand Dandurand)
• 10:00 am Confession before Mass
12:00 pm Mass at St. Eloi Convent (Special intention)
5:30 pm Rel Ed Grades 1-5
6:30 pm Rel Ed Grades 6-11
6:30 pm Adoration
8:00 pm Teen Talk

Thursday, January 27

7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Louis & Mary Buysse)
• 6:30 am Confession before Mass
12:00 pm Mass at St. Eloi Convent (Nancy Kennedy)
5:00 – 7:00 pm Adoration at St. Edward

Friday, January 28

5:45 am That Man Is You
7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Frank & Elly Swedzinski)
12:00 pm Mass at St. Eloi Convent (Kevin Gregoire)

Saturday, January 29

12:00 pm Mass at St. Eloi Convent (Conrad Hennen)
5:30 pm Mass at St. Edward (Ed Polejewski)
• 4:45 pm Confession before Mass

Sunday, January 30

8:30 am Mass at St. Edward (For the people)
• 8:00 am Confession before Mass
10:30 am Mass at St. Eloi (George DeSutter)
• 10:00 am Confession before Mass

Dear Parishioners,

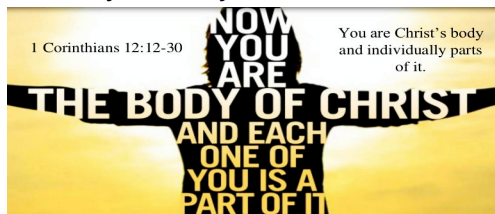
On January 22, we mark the 49th year of legalized abortion due to the Roe Versus Wade decision. This travesty of justice is one that I hope and pray will be corrected in this next year, that as we mark the 50th year, we can rejoice that as a nation we no longer have abortion enshrined as a right. Should the Supreme Court rule to reverse this decision, our work in Minnesota is not done – in fact it only gets harder as our state that not only allows abortion up to birth, but forces taxpayers to fund it through taxes. May the hearts of our politicians and those that support the taking of innocent life in the womb be turned to see the sanctity of life and work to preserve it.

Abortion is a grave sin, as it intentional takes the life of an innocent child in the most vulnerable of places. Nothing justifies the direct, intentional taking of life of the unborn. Some might be quick to point out the cases where the life of the mother and child are threatened, but this is not the vast number of cases women seek 'termination of pregnancy.'

While we lack the means of transferring the fetus in the case of an ectopic pregnancy, surgeons can attempt to (there is a principal of 'double effect' at play, they can intend a moral action – moving the implanted fetus from a dangerous spot – knowing that it might cause a negative effect that is not intended – cutting the fetus off from the mother thus killing it. Even in the case when the fetus is 'not compatible with life,' we are not morally permitted to kill the child. Some might point out, too, that there are other grave sins – child abuse being one – but abortion deprives a child of life, not only is it abusive itself.

The disregard for life at the beginning carries itself all the way through to the end of life. We see a disregard for the elderly, and a growing acceptance of euthanasia, and also a disregard for proper funeral services and respect for the deceased.

From the description of the third video of our Search Series: *Today we seem to think we've moved beyond the idea of God, but this secular view of life is a very new and unusual idea to humanity. All through human history man has looked to something outside himself for the answers to life. Why have we given up on God? Do we think science has disproven Him? Do we think society is better off without him? We talk with astrophysicists, chemists, Harvard professors, and more to make the case that it's not only reasonable to believe in God, it's essential if you want to have a truly amazing life. Our souls seek their creator, and we'll never be truly happy unless*



we seek Him out. As St. Augustine famously said, "You have made us for Yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in Thee."

Please note that next week we begin Catholic Schools Week and will not have Sunday FIRE, and the week following we will have Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for adults. For those who wish to catch up, here's your chance!

In Christ,
Fr. Todd

ST. ELOI

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$540.00	\$2,110.26	(\$1,570.26)
Loose	\$73.00	\$146.15	(\$73.15)
Commodity	\$		\$
Year-to-Date	\$71,173.09	\$64,659.88	\$6,513.21

ST. ELOI LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday, January 30 – 10:30 am

Sacristan:

Servers: Evan Hennen, Joseph Ries, Toby Wambeke

Lector: Betsy Jo Kack

Eucharistic Minister: Sandy Nuytten

Musicians: John Rabaey & family

Offertory Gifts: Daren Ries & family

Ushers: Galen Boerboom, Gary Crowley, Mike DeSutter

ST. EDWARD

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$1,710.00	\$4,829.92	(\$3,119.92)
Youth	\$	\$5.69	(\$5.69)
Loose	\$86.21	\$153.85	(\$67.64)
Commodity			
Online Giving	\$756.00	<i>*Added to the adult envelope total</i>	
Year-to-Date	\$147,716.85	\$145,042.98	\$2,673.87

ST. EDWARD LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 29 – 5:30 pm

Sacristan: MaryAnn Christensen

Servers: Gabe Ludwikowski, Sylvia Rabaey

Lector: Cathy Halverson

Eucharistic Minister: Nate Welsh

Ushers: Rod & Ross Abraham, Bruce Novotny, Chuck Vlaminck

Sunday, January 30 – 8:30 am

Sacristan: Diane Hennen

Servers: Lane & Kylee Loyson, Brynn Kern

Lector: Julie Janiszkeski

Eucharistic Minister: Terry VanKeulen

Ushers: Joe Callens

SISTERS OF MARY MORNING STAR

St. Eloi Convent Masses at 12:00 pm (Noon) on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday
Call 428.3919 to double-check the time.
Vespers: 6:15 pm Adoration: 7:30 – 8:30 pm

ST. EDWARD SCHOOL NEWS

Principal: Jaci Garvey

Secretary: Trudy Banks

Office: 872.6391

January 30 – February 5 – Catholic Schools Week

Sunday, January 30 – Fun Fest & Chili Feed from 5 – 7 pm

As of January 5, \$53,255.74 had been raised towards the Challenge Grant!

Sponsorship of St. Edward School

January 28 – In memory of Joseph Rabaey

January 30 – In memory of Gloria & Rich Novotny

January 30 – Special intentions for the Bourgeois family

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SYMPATHY FROM OUR PARISH

Prayers to the family of Charlene Callens, who passed away on Saturday, January 15, with her funeral held on Thursday, January 20. May God's peace be with you at this time.

"So with you: Now is your time of grief, but I will see you again and you will rejoice, and no one will take away your joy." John 16:22

ST. ELOI – Speaker System Update

Donations are still needed for the speaker system update.

The system proposal has been upgraded to include speakers in the new addition and in the basement. At this time \$14,250 has been raised. The total cost is approximately \$30,000.

Please continue to donate to this fund for this essential ministry.

DONATIONS NEEDED – St. Edward School

St. Ed's School is looking for donations of gently used toys, games, stuffed animals, etc. to be used as prizes for the Mardi Gras carnival. Please drop off donations in the back of church or at the school. Thank you!

ENVELOPES – St. Edward & St. Eloi

The envelopes for donations throughout the year are in the basement and ready to be picked up. Please help the cause and pick-up friends and neighbors as well.

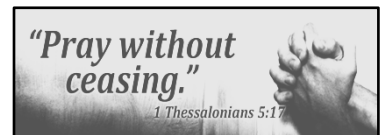
HOSPITALITY MEALS

The Hospitality Meal Program will be taking a break at this time. A concern was brought up that this may not be the safest way to serve those who are ill or vulnerable. There will be a notice in the bulletin when the program begins again.

In the meantime, many thanks to all those who supported and donated time to this valuable program, especially Marlene Polejewski who organized everything.

ROSARY RALLY – January 22

There will be a public rosary rally at 12:00 pm on Saturday, January 22, at the Veterans Park in Minneota.



MISSING A BOWL?

Due to the numerous funerals the past several months the collection of bowls in the church basement has grown. These bowls need to go back to their original homes. Please stop down and pick up your bowls.

SCHOENSTATT GIRLS' GROUP

There will be Schoenstatt Girls' Group on Monday, January 31. It will run from 3:00 – 4:30 pm.

ST. EDWARD SCHOOL – Help Needed

St. Edward School is currently looking for a substitute hot lunch cook, and substitute teachers. Please spread the word. Thanks to Julie Schuelke for helping with cleaning tasks.

YEAR END TAX INFO – St. Edward & St. Eloi

Please contact Caren (872.6346) at the office if you would like your year end donation record for tax purposes.

DATES TO REMEMBER & PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR

April 24 – First Communion

May 15 – Baccalaureate

May 28 – Ordination of Josh & Tanner (& Nathan Hansen)

May 29 – First Mass for Josh & Tanner – time & place TBD

OTHER INFORMATION FOR OUR AREA

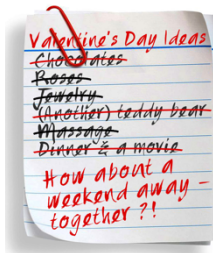
MEN'S EMMAUS RETREAT – February 11-13, 2022

The Men's Emmaus Retreat will be held at Lake Shetek.

Step away from your busy schedule and spend time reflecting on your relationship with yourself, with Jesus, and with your family and friends. There will be some fine fellowship and spiritual refreshment. Go ahead and answer God's call, you'll be glad you did!

To seek more information about this annual weekend retreat, please go to the following link: <http://www.holy-redeemer.com/emmaus-men--women.html> Or, contact Tom Meyer (507.865.4616) or Brian Timmerman (507.428.3519).

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND



It's time for a Valentine's Day gift you'll remember a year from now.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Shalom Hill - Windom, MN

February 18-20



To apply or for more info, call (507) 227-8229 or visit WME.org

PRO-LIFE PRAYER SERVICE / MARCH FOR LIFE RALLY

Your presence does make a difference! Join the Prayer Service for Life and the 49th Annual MCCL March for Life at the St. Paul Cathedral and an MCCL (Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life) March for Life Rally at the State Capitol on Saturday, January 22.

The March for Life takes on special significance as the Supreme Court takes up the Mississippi court case that would ban most abortions after 15 weeks. Let us give a strong witness to the dignity of every human life through our presence and/or our prayer for the life of the unborn.

There will be a bus leaving from the back parking lot of Holy Redeemer School at 6:30 am. (The bus is sponsored by the Holy Redeemer CCW & KC's, St. Catherine's CCW & KC's and the KC's from Canby, Ivanhoe, Minneota, and Tracy.)

To reserve a spot on the coach bus or for questions, please contact Lori Timmerman at 507.476.0070.

More information is available at

<https://www.dnu.org/marchforlife2022>

VIRTUS TRAINING

A new VIRTUS Training Session has been added for Monday, February 21, 2022, from 6:00–9:00 pm at the SMSU Campus Religious Center in Marshall.

Please ask individuals needing a new VIRTUS account to register online through the diocesan website at <https://www.dnu.org/safeenvironment/> by clicking on the large red button in the left margin of the main Safe Environment web page. Individuals with existing pending accounts that did not previously register for a session should log back in to their new VIRTUS account using the user ID and password they created to register at this time. Users may also change their session decision online if needed.

If you need assistance registering someone, please contact Sherry Kalow at skalow@dnu.org. Thank you.

WOMEN'S RETREAT February 25-27, 2022

Abbey of the Hills Inn & Retreat Center
46561 147th Street, PO Box 38, Marvin SD 57251
605-398-9200 | abbey@abbeyofthehills.org

Carried by Grace

As we near our Lenten journey, during this Year of Grace, you are invited to join in a women's retreat at the Abbey of the Hills. "Carried by Grace" is an opportunity to experience the flowing current of God's grace, reposing in Christ as He consoles, liberates, and guides our hearts to His.

There will be the opportunity for talks, rest, small group, healing prayer, Adoration, Confession and Eucharist. Come and rediscover peace at the Abbey of the Hills.

Begins: Friday, February 25, 7 pm – no supper served

Concludes: Sunday, February 27, after lunch

Cost: Freewill offering retreat with non-refundable \$25 deposit to reserve your place.

No one will be turned away for inability to pay. The Abbey of the Hills is sustained in large part by the donations of the retreat participants. *For those who can give, a suggested donation of \$200 will help "pay the gift of peace" forward to help those with limited means.*

Registration is required; please register at the Abbey of the Hills website: www.abbeyofthehills.com

For more information, contact Renee Marzahn (events@abbeyofthehills.com) or call 605.398.9200.

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 29 Margrit Rabaey 872.6937
- **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



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

Monday, January 24

Fr. Mark Steffl
Fr. Joe Steinbeisser
Dcn. Steve Spilman

Wednesday, January 26

Fr. Craig Timmerman
Fr. Paul Timmerman
Dcn. Mike Thoennes

Friday, January 28

Fr. Matt Wiering
Fr. Paul Wolf
Dcn. Travis Welsh

Sunday, January 30

All men & women whom
God is calling to the
priesthood or religious life.

Tuesday, January 25

Fr. Bernie Steiner
Fr. Tony Stubeda
Dcn. Ken Stalboerger

Thursday, January 27

Fr. Paul vandeCrommert
Fr. Steve Verhelst
Dcn. Paul Treinen

Saturday, January 29

All Women Religious
in the Diocese

Never be lacking in zeal,
but keep your spiritual fervor,
serving the Lord.

Romans 12:11

Jan. 30: In memory of Joanne Lanners
by Cletus & Lorraine Lanners

To schedule a radio rosary, call Carol Louwagie:
507.532.6081

GOD IS LIKE ...

- ✠ God is like Coke ... He's the real thing.
- ✠ God is like AllState ... You're in good hands with Him.
- ✠ God is like General Electric ... He lights your path.
- ✠ God is like Bayer Aspirin ... He works wonders.
- ✠ God is like Hallmark Cards ... He cares enough to send the very best.
- ✠ God is like Tide ... He gets the stains out that others leave behind.
- ✠ God is like Maxwell House Coffee ... He's good to the last drop.
- ✠ God is like Dial Soap ... Aren't you glad you know Him? Don't you wish that everyone did?
- ✠ God is like Chevrolet ... He's the heartbeat of America.
- ✠ God is like Alka-Seltzer ... Try Him, you'll like Him.
- ✠ God is like Scotch Tape ... You can't see Him, but you know He's there.
- ✠ God is like Ford ... He's got a better idea.
- ✠ God is like the US Post Office ... Neither rain, nor snow, nor sleet, nor ice will keep Him from His appointed destination.

Radio Rosary – Week of January 24 – 30, 2022

Jan. 24: In memory of George Louwagie
by David & Diane Hennen

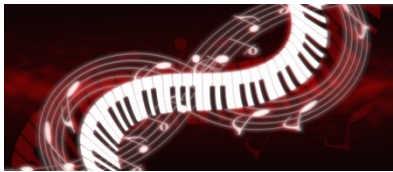
Jan. 25: In memory Teresa, George, & Jim Boulton
by Tom & Madeline Swedzinski

Jan. 26: Sponsored by Marj Anderson

Jan. 27: In memory of Mary Mamer
by Dennis & Evelyn Louwagie

Jan. 28: In memory of George Louwagie
by Brett & Beth Webster

Jan. 29: In memory of Lawrence Stassen
by the Clarence Stassen family



*Please join us...
A Musical Night Out*



Entertainment by: Rock It Man Dueling Pianos

Saturday, February 5, 2022 – American Legion, Minnesota

Schedule of Events

- 5:30 pm – Doors Open and Silent Auction Begins
- 6:30 pm – Dinner
- 7:30 pm – Live Auction
- 8:30 pm – Rock It Man Entertainment

Dinner Tickets

\$45 per person (Take-out available – Call or text:
507.828.7392 on Saturday from 1 – 4 pm to set up)

Meal by: Baune's Catering, Wabasso, MN

Roast Beef & Broasted Chicken, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy,
Green Beans, Roll, Ice Cream by Lingen Dairy

Questions? Please contact:

Julie – 5007.828.7392 Nikki – 507.828.2912
Laura – 507.428.3254 Chassidy – 507.530.1835
Colleen – 507.401.0044

Sponsorships:

Gold Sponsor – \$200 (Includes dinner tickets for two people.

Silver Sponsor – less than \$200

Reserved Table:

\$450 (includes dinner tickets for 8 people at a reserved table

Tickets are for sale January 8 – 30, 2022

St. Edward School Office
St. Edward Church Rectory
After Mass in Minnesota

Or, reach out to any of the committee members
Julie, Nikki, Laura, Chassidy, or Colleen

