

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

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## Sunday, November 14, 2021 Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Monday, November 15

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

#### Tuesday, November 16

12:00 pm Mass at St. Eloi Convent (Nancy Kennedy) 3:00 pm Nursing Home Mass – residents only (Special intention) 6:00 pm Education Committee Meeting

7:30 pm Finance Council Meeting

#### Wednesday, November 17

10:30 am Mass at St. Edward Grades 5 & 6 (Margaret Spinner & Kathleen Hoffmann) • 10:00 am Confession before Mass 12:00 pm Mass at St. Eloi Convent (Judy Saffle) 5:00 pm Youth Choir practice 5:30 pm Youth Choir practice – Gr 6-12 5:30 pm Rel Ed Grades 1-5 6:30 pm Rel Ed Grades 6-12 6:30 pm Adoration 8:00 – 9:30 pm Teen Talk in Knights' Hall

#### Thursday, November 18

7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Charles & Mary Buysse & deceased children) • 6:30 am Confession before Mass 12:00 pm Mass at St. Eloi Convent (Susan Gregner) 5:00 – 7:00 pm Adoration at St. Edward

#### Friday, November 19

5:45 am That Man is You in Knights' Hall 7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Edward & Catherine Paradis) 12:00 pm Mass at St. Eloi Convent (All souls in purgatory)

#### Saturday, November 20

11:00 am Mass at St. Eloi Convent (Betty Claeys) 5:30 pm Mass at St. Edward (Katherine Olafson) • 4:45 pm Confession before Mass

#### Sunday, November 21

8:30 am Mass at St. Edward (Harry & Mary Buysse)

• 8:00 am Confession before Mass

9:30 – 10:30 Sunday FIRE in Knights' Hall 10:30 am Mass at St. Eloi (Jane Hennen) • 10:00 am Confession before Mass

#### Dear Parishioners.

This weekend is the 6-month mark of my heart attack. I remain thankful for your prayers and concern, and look forward to continuing to recovery, however slowly, from this.

I hope that I am not a broken record, but this significant event has had a profound impact on my prayer and faith life. While I have attempted in the past to 'Memento mori" – remember death - it has never been as real to me as it has been since the heart attack. While I still did not 'feel' that bad, to hear how serious things are and the proximity of death, this awareness is deeper. Knowing that I have a heart that is not functioning as it should reminds me that my life will end and that I need to be prepared for death – not just in the physical way of having a grave picked or final wishes communicated, but much more importantly, living in a way that leads to heaven.

Not all of us need serious illness (or to witness the suffering of others) in order to be more aware of our mortality. For those who need a reminder, I pray that this month be a reminder that we are going to die. It might bring a little fear, and we will need to discover the source of that fear. It can come from the unknown - and while we don't know what awaits, we know Who awaits -Jesus Christ. Fear of death can come from knowing we are not prepared or that we are caught in sin - conversion and reconciliation are always possible while we live. No matter what, we best prepare by remembering that the Lord is a loving Savior and a just judge. We beg His mercy in this life and in the next. But we should not fear death. Death is reality – we will not live forever. This awareness then influences our actions – does it lead me to Heaven or away? Is this helping me to be live freely the life of grace or binding me?

Next week is Thanksgiving Day already. Please plan on joining our Ecumenical Service on Wednesday, November 24, at 6 pm at the Church of St. Edward as we praise the Lord with thankful hearts in all times.

In Christ, Fr. Todd

St. Eloi Facebook: St. Eloi Catholic Church St. Eloi Website: www.goodteacherafc.com

Bulletin Coordinator: Ruth Bot Bulletin Email: bulletinsteds@gmail.com Bulletin Info due by Wednesday at 9 am

Catholic Charities: 1.866.670.5163 Victim's Hotline: 1.800.422.4453 Facebook: One More Time Thrift Store

## ST. ELOI

|              | ACTUAL      | BUDGETED    | DIFFERENCE   |
|--------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| Adult        | \$1,580.00  | \$2,110.26  | (\$1,368.74) |
| Loose        | \$292.00    | \$146.15    | \$145.85     |
| Commodity    | \$          |             | \$           |
| Year-to-Date | \$46,046.25 | \$42,044.71 | \$4,001.54   |

#### ST. ELOI LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 21

Sacristan: Lila Schmidt

Servers: Leo Hennen, Xavier & Mark Rabaey

Lector: Betsy Jo Kack

*Eucharistic Minister:* Judy Kesteloot & Shirley Maeyaert *Musicians:* John Rabaey family

Offertory Gifts: Brad & Barb Hennen

Ushers: Martin Hennen, Ron Sussner, Daren VanKeulen

## ST. EDWARD

|               | ACTUAL      | BUDGETED                              | DIFFERENCE   |
|---------------|-------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| Adult         | \$2,220.00  | \$4,829.92                            | (\$2,609.92) |
| Youth         | \$3.00      | \$5.69                                | (\$2.69)     |
| Loose         | \$66.00     | \$153.85                              | (\$87.85)    |
| Commodity     | \$1,126.77  |                                       |              |
| Online Giving | \$520.00    | *Added to the adult<br>envelope total |              |
| Year-to-Date  | \$85,912.03 | \$94,313.36                           | (\$8,401.33) |

### ST. EDWARD LITURGY SCHEDULE

#### Saturday, November 20

Sacristan: Margrit Rabaey Servers: Lydia & Leah Coequyt, Tara Sterzinger Lector: Tim Gossen Eucharistic Minister: Cathy Halverson Ushers: Troy DeSmet, Jackie Laleman, Tom & Paula Sterzinger

#### Sunday, November 21

Sacristan: Joe Callens Servers: Ian Myhre, Elizabeth Garvey, RJ Sorensen Lector: Terry VanKeulen Eucharistic Minister: Lisa Hennen Ushers: Doug Janiszeski

## 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



Thank you to the VFW and American Legion members for attending our Veterans Day Program.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### SYMPATHY FROM OUR PARISH

- Prayers to the family of Ray DeVos, who passed away on November 2, 2021, with his funeral held on Saturday, November 6.
- Eternal rest grant unto Ray, O Lord; And let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen

MASS INTENTIONS NEEDED – St. Eloi & St. Edward

We are in need of Mass intentions for St. Eloi, St. Edward, and the convent. Contact Caren at the church office.

#### CCW BAKE SALE – North Pole Extravaganza

Minneota's annual North Pole Extravaganza is Saturday, November 20. The St. Edward CCW is hosting a bakesale. The proceeds will go to our Diocesan Community Concerns projects which are Holt International and Birthright of Marshall.

Please consider donating items for the bake sale. Package your items on a small plate covered with plastic wrap.

They should be taken to Bethel Fellowship on Friday, Nov. 19, from 5:00 – 7:00 pm OR on Saturday, Nov. 20, after 7:00 am.



## THE BOOK OF THE DEAD

During November, The Book of the Dead will be placed in the front of the church on St Joseph's side alter. This book is for anyone who wishes to write the names of their deceased loved ones and for others to read the names, remember, and pray for the repose of their souls.

#### FLURRY OF FUN PRESENTS ... A Musical Night Out Take 2 ~ Dueling Pianos

- The Flurry of Fun in 2022 will be held in person on February 5, 2022. The night will consist of socialization, a meal, Silent & Live Auction. Along with the auctions, there will be entertainment by Rock It Man Entertainment Dueling Pianos.
- Donations are being accepted for the silent & live auctions. These may consist of cash, gift certificates, or any other items. If you would like to donate items, the committee will be happy to put baskets together for you.
- If you have any suggestions for auction items or contact info for individuals/businesses who would be willing to donate, we would be happy to reach out to them.
- If you have any questions, contact: Julie Pohlen – 828.7392 Laura Hennen – 828.0510 Nikki Traen – 828.2912 Chassidy DeRoode – 530.1835 Colleen Ludwikowski – 401.0044

#### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

The St. Edward Knights of Columbus Council is hosting a French Toast & Sausage Breakfast on Sunday, November 21, at St. Edward Catholic Church in Minneota. Serving will be from 9:00 am – Noon. Free will offering with all proceeds going to the St. Edward Catholic School.

Sponsored by St. Edward Catholic Church and the St. Edward Knights of Columbus Council. All are welcome!

Dining options are dine-in, take-out, and/or drive-through.

 MINNEOTA AREA MISSION TRIP – Christmas Baking

 The Minneota Area Mission trip will be doing their annual

 Christmas baking fundraiser. The baking will include lefse,

 Belgian cookies, and Oreo truffles. Order form is below.

 Orders will be taken until December 5 and the baking day is

 on December 12.

 Order Form

 Name
 Phone

 Address

 Lefse (3 sheets/bag)
 @ \$5.00 each =

 Belgian cookies (12)
 @ \$5.00 each =

 Oreo truffles (8)
 @ \$5.00 each =

Orders due December 5, 2021 – drop off at Hope Lutheran or call Emily Hennen (828.6797). Baking day is Sunday, December 12, 2021. Orders will be ready late that afternoon.

TOTAL =

Delivery in Minneota \_\_\_\_\_ Pick-up at Hope \_\_\_

#### SILENT AUCTION

- There will be a silent auction on Saturday, November 20, at the VFW building on Jefferson Street. The bidding will be held from 11:00 am 2:00 pm.
- This is in conjunction with the North Pole Extravaganza. All proceeds will be donated to St. Edward School.

Please bring cash for your purchases.

## OTHER INFORMATION FOR OUR AREA

#### CATHOLIC UNITED FINANCIAL COUNCIL #307

- The annual Christmas dinner and meeting will be held on Sunday, December 12, 2021 at 12 noon at the St. John Cantius Church Basement, Wilno.
- All adult & student members of Council #307 and spouses of members are invited to attend this Christmas Social. Cost of the meal is \$5 with the council paying the remainder.
- If you will be attending the meal, we ask that you RSVP by Saturday, December 4, so that we may plan for food accordingly. Please RSVP to Cheryl Downing (605.695.7630), Merlin Downing (507.694.1209), or Kevin Downing (605.695.8601).

#### DIOCESAN MINISTRIES APPEAL - 2021

- Next Sunday is Commitment Sunday for the Diocesan Ministries Appeal. Watching the video today, we are reminded of the good work the DMA is doing in ministries too big for parishes to do alone, ministries that are important to us. Remember, is supporting the DMA, we contribute to those important ministries in the diocese, but we also support the project we have identified for our parish.
- As you reflect on what your pledge should be, prayerfully keep in mind God's generosity to you. The DMA offers a great opportunity to make a return to God of the blessings we have received.

- This year with the theme "One Faith, One Family, One Mission," we are invited to recognize the ways that God not only calls us to be a community of faith, He also invites us into His mission – to share our gifts to build up the body of Christ.
- Be assured that contributions to the DMA will be used only for the benefit of the ministries designated in the brochure.

## **RESOURCES FOR YOU TO CHECK OUT**

- www.relevantradio.com Catholic based online radio station
- www.Formed.org Free website with numerous movies, study programs, and more. There is no longer a need for a registration code.
- There are several steps to registering; just answer the questions and select next. You will be able to sign in within a few minutes.

## SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS – GriefShare Seminar

- Surviving the Holidays GriefShare, a nondenominational seminar, is especially for people who are grieving a loved one's death. Practical, hope-inspiring ideas include surviving social and family events, dealing with emotions and creating new traditions while honoring your loved one's legacy.
- Sunday, November 14, 2:00 3:30 pm in Holy Redeemer Church Gathering Area, Marshall, MN 532-5711

#### 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 – November 20 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



## Radio Rosary – Week of November 15-21, 2021

- Nov. 15: In memory of Margaret Adam by Pat Louwagie
- Nov. 16: In memory of Helen Clark by Marcia Clark
- **Nov. 17**: In memory of Kasmir & Marciana Swedzinski by their family
- Nov. 18: In memory of Irene Maertens by Rick & Debra Deutz
- Nov. 19: In memory of Allan VanKeulen
- by Rona VanKeulen & family
- **Nov. 20**: In memory of Laurence Louwagie by Barb Buysse **Nov. 21**: In memory of Angeline Timmerman
- by Madeline Timmerman
- To schedule a radio rosary, call Carol Louwagie: 507.532.6081

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

Monday, November 15 Fr. Gerald Meidl Fr. Robert Mraz Fr. Andy Michels James Herzog (Sem.) Wednesday, November 17 Fr. Brian Oestreich Fr. Jerome Paulson Dcn. Jason Myhre Nolan Meyer (Sem.) Friday, November 19 Fr. Todd Petersen Fr. Zach Peterson Dcn. Roger Osborne Sam Rosemeier (Sem.) Sunday, November 21 Msgr. John Richter Fr. Keith Salisbury Dcn. Barry Reindl Josh Bot (Sem.)

Tuesday, November 16 Fr. Aaron Nett Fr. John Nordick Dcn. Mike McKeown Luke Miller (Sem.) Thursday, November 18 Fr. John Pearson Fr. Sam Perez Dcn. Ken Noyes David Rabaey (Sem.) Saturday, November 20 Fr. Shawn Polman Fr. Germain Rademacher Dcn. Ryan Pope Tanner Thooft (Sem.)

BEFORE I WAS BORN, GOD CHOSE ME AND CALLED ME BY HIS MARVELOUS GRACE.

## Raffle Ticket Donors/Winners

If there is an X behind your name under the PU (pick-up) column, please come to the church office and collect your prize.

| DONOR                   | ITEM                  | WINNER           | PU |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|----|
| Horvath Funeral Home    | \$25 Cash Draw        | Julie Janiszeski | Х  |
| City Hall Bar and Grill | \$25 Gift Certificate | Tom Abraham      | Х  |
| Brad's Market           | \$25 Gift Certificate | Paul Swedzinski  | Х  |
| Dave & Monica DeSmet    | \$25 Cash Draw        | Kurt Fier        | Х  |
| Farmer's Coop Elevator  | Dog Food              | Michelle DeSmet  | Х  |
| State Bank of Taunton   | \$10 Cash Draw        | Stacey Longtin   | Х  |
| Etien & Marian Laleman  | \$10 Cash Draw        | Jenalyn Longtin  | Х  |

*Off A*, thank you for walking with us through the seasons of our lives. For the winter, when we are held safe in your arms through the darkness. For the hope of spring, as we are filled with new promise and life. For summer time, full of warmth and colour And for autumn days as leaves fall to seed new growth.

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You are always with us.

Amen.

## DIOCESE

of NEW ULM

#### **Catholic Pastoral Center**

November 4, 2021

Dear families of DNU Catholic school students,

As of this week, COVID-19 vaccines have received emergency use authorization for children ages 5-11 in the United States. Already various strategies have been announced in states across the country to encourage vaccination of young children, including Minnesota. As we look to the role that Catholic schools play in helping parents and guardians make good decisions, it is important to restate Church teaching (Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, 2020 (CDF)), which affirms that "all vaccinations recognized as clinically safe and effective can be used in good conscience" and it is "morally acceptable" for Catholics to take a COVID-19 vaccine." At the same time, the CDF continues, "practical reason makes it evident that vaccination is not, as a rule a moral obligation, and that therefore, it must be voluntary."

Consistent with the Church's teaching on vaccination (including the COVID-19 vaccine) and united with the other Catholic dioceses in Minnesota, the Diocese of New Ulm affirms that as with all vaccines, Catholic schools of the Diocese of New Ulm recognize that vaccination of schoolage children is a decision of parents and guardians and is not mandated by Catholic schools. Parents and guardians make health care decisions for their children. An explanation of the Church's position can be found here. As with all healthcare decisions, parents and guardians of students in our Catholic schools should carefully weigh the risks and benefits in consultation with their healthcare provider.

We encourage you to meet with your child's primary care provider in an effort to make an informed decision in light of your child's particular health history, risks, and benefits associated with the COVID-19 vaccine. While Catholic schools have not been a significant source of transmission of COVID-19 since the start of the pandemic, our school remains vigilant and focused on ensuring our students receive the essential service of an in-person education and a place of encounter with Jesus Christ.

This position is formulated based on the currently available information. These considerations are subject to change as we learn more about the long-term effects of vaccination, as new COVID variants emerge, and other vaccines and treatments for COVID- 19 are developed.

Please join us in praying for a swift end to this pandemic.

In Him,

Michelle Kramer, Ed.D Director of Schools Diocese of New Ulm

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