

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

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Sunday, October 19, 2025 The Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Credo videre bona domini in terra viventium"

"I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living. Psalm 27:13

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Monday, October 20

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

Tuesday, October 21

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Healing for JL)
3:00 pm Mass at the Apartments
(Jeanette & Lawrence DeCock, Joanie Dius)
6:00 pm Education Committee Meeting
7:30 pm St. Edward Finance Council

Wednesday, October 22

10:30 am Mass at St. Edward Gr. 3 & 4 (Marilynn Pagel)

• 10:00 am Confession before Mass

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Alan Van Keulen)

5:30 - 6:30 pm Religious Ed for Grades 1 - 5

6:30 – 7:30 pm Religious Ed for Grades 6 – 11

6:30 pm Women's Bible Study – church basement

8:00 – 9:00 pm Youth Bible Study – Knights' Hall

Thursday, October 23

No 7:00 am Mass

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Carol Verneesch)

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

Friday, October 24

6:00 am TMIY Knights' Hall 7:00 am Mass at St. Edward 12:00 pm Convent Mass (Kate Thooft)

Saturday, October 25

10:30 am – 12:00 pm Trunk or Treat in the parking lot 12:00 pm Convent Mass (Bernie Moorse)

5:30 pm Mass at St. Edward (Germain & Marian Hoffmann)

• 4:30 pm Confession before Mass

Sunday, October 26

8:30 am Mass at St. Edward (Lincoln Lessman)

• 8:00 am Confession before Mass

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

• 10:00 am Confession before Mass

Dear Parishioners

Next weekend, Fr. Cornelius will be with us sharing about his home diocese and the way we can support the mission of that diocese. It is our Annual Mission appeal.

For those who follow St. Edward's on Facebook, you may have noticed that we've been posting more frequently. The Diocese has recently purchased access to a service that provides high-quality Catholic content for parishes to share online. If there are topics you would like to see featured on our page, please let me know—I'd love your input.

Our renovation process is now unofficially complete! The role of Church Interiors is finished. A few small details remain—such as adding new rugs for the entrances and updating the bulletin boards. We've purchased both new boards and fabric to cover the existing one in the entryway, and we hope to have these installed by this weekend.

Throughout the renovation, we chose to use natural materials—Kasota limestone, Rosso marble, granite, wood, gold, and brass—each carrying deep symbolism.

The tabernacle stand combines limestone and marble, with four reddish marble squares that match the altar.

Limestone is formed through the pressure of compacted shells, while marble is limestone transformed by greater heat and pressure. Together, they remind us that the Church is built of living stones—each of us united in Christ, many becoming one, just as countless shells form solid stone.

The gold leaf used in the stenciling and lettering resists tarnish and reflects light, symbolizing how the Church reflects the light of Christ.

Granite and brass are featured in the medallions on the floor, along with the same Rosso marble, emphasizing beauty and endurance.

Finally, the wooden chairs call to mind the wood of the Cross, the sign of our redemption.

Every detail, from stone to light, speaks of faith, unity, and the presence of God in His Church.

In Christ, Fr. Todd



ST. EDWARD SCHOOL NEWS

Principal: Jaci Garvey Secretary: Trudy Banks jgarvey@stedscatholicschool.com Office: 872.6391
St. Edward School: www.stedscatholicschool.com

St. Edward School Facebook: St. Edward Catholic School

Thursday, Oct. 23 – Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:15 – 6:45 pm

Friday, Oct. 24 – No School – Faith Formation for Staff Saturday, Oct. 25 – Trunk or Treat in the parking lot 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

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 – Wednesday) 6:15 – 8:45 pm (Thursday) 6:15 – 7:30 pm (Friday)

5:00 – 6:00 pm (Sunday) Rosary: 7:15 pm (Friday)

ST. ELOI

Weekly	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE		
Adult	\$1,835	\$1,923	(\$88)		
Loose plate	\$288	\$192	\$96		
Commodity	\$				
Year-to-Date	\$29,931	\$36,923	(\$6,992)		

ST. ELOI LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 26 – 10:30 am Sacristan: Darla Timmerman

Servers: Leo Hennen, Toby Wambeke

Lector: Steve Hennen Musicians: Sisters

Offertory Gifts: Joel & Donna VanDamme Eucharistic Ministers: Beth Brewers, Don Senden Ushers: Martin Hennen, Ron Sussner, Tim Van Keulen

ST. EDWARD

Weekly	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE			
Adult	\$2,976	\$6,654	(\$3,678)			
Loose plate	\$206	\$192	\$14			
Online Giving	\$678	*Added to the a	^k Added to the adult envelope total			
Commodity	\$2,798					
Year-to-Date	\$101,106	\$102,692	(\$1,586)			

ST. EDWARD LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 25 - 5:30 pm

Sacristan: Margrit Rabaey

Servers: Bryce & Kaitlyn Gorecki, Violet Vlaminck

Lector: Tim Gossen

Eucharistic Ministers: Jeff Buysse

Ushers: Rod & Ross Abraham, Troy DeSmet, Jackie Laleman

Sunday, October 26 - 8:30 am

Sacristan: Fran Sturm

Servers: Elizabeth Garvey, Ian & Noah Myhre

Lector: Cynthia Moorse

Eucharistic Ministers: Joe Callens Ushers: Rick Bot, John Sumerfelt

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR PARISH ... SYMPATHY FROM OUR PARISH

Prayers to the family of Steve Przymus who passed away on Wednesday, October 15. His funeral will be held on Thursday, October 23, at St. Edward.

"He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away." Revelations 21:4

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.

★ Arnie Bot

★ Kay Drown

★ Harper Gravely
(Tim & Betty Gossen's granddaughter)

★ Missy Hennen

- ★ Jeremy Koelar
- **★** Vincent Laleman
- ★ Julie Noyes
- ★ Doug Sik
- ★ Joanne Sturm
- ★ Brenda Verschelde
- ★ Anyone who has been diagnosed with cancer

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH

Join Catholics nationwide praying a special novena for the protection of human life from conception to natural death October 22 – 30. Get daily intentions, brief reflections, and more. Sign up at

https://www.respectlife.org/celebrate!

In 2023 The state of Minnesota passed one of the most radical pro-death laws in the world supporting abortion up until birth. They also eliminated the Positive Alternatives Grant that provided \$3.35 million to crises Pregnancy Centers. We need to continue to provide funds to centers in our diocese so they can continue to support women with unexpected pregnancies.

There will be a second collection taken the weekend of October 11 – 12 for Choices Pregnancy Center with locations in Redwood Falls and Marshall MN. Choices Pregnancy Center empowers women to make confident decisions by accessing their free services that include pregnancy testing, early-pregnancy ultrasounds, and complete, medically accurate information on their options, all with the caring support of their advocates.

SUNDAY F.I.R.E. STARTING IN NOVEMBER (Families Involved in Religious Education)

Once again, starting on Sunday, November 2, we will have Adult Faith Formation (older teens welcome also!) from 9:30 – 10:30 am in the Knights' Hall in Minneota.

Our study this year (from FORMED.org) will be called "Who Am I to Judge?", featuring Dr. Edward Sri.

We will have coffee, juice & a snack or light breakfast with time for fellowship, time to watch our study video, and then have time for open group discussion.

Questions? Contact Deacon Jason or Tina Myhre at tinamyhre@hotmail.com

"...We'll explore the classical view of morality and find that it's not merely a set of guiding principles for theoretical situations—it is an entire way of life. What is "right" and "wrong"? Is what's right for you right for me? Is there a right and wrong for everyone, all the time? These are difficult auestions to discuss in our culture.

We live in a society that supports the opinion that each person should make up his or her own morality—that there is no moral truth that applies to everyone. Many of us have been affected by the relativistic outlook that pervades the modern world. Maybe some of us wonder whether there really is an absolute right and wrong for everyone. Or maybe we accept that there is a moral standard for all, but we don't know how to explain our moral convictions in a convincing way. Maybe some of us are afraid of saying something is immoral because we're afraid of offending others or of being labeled intolerant. How do we talk about morality in a relativistic world?"

RAFFLE TICKETS

The cash raffle tickets cost \$50 with a limited number available (400). You may buy one or more tickets.



The winnings will be \$100 per week with special winnings on Christmas and Easter of \$1,000 and \$250 on Mother's and Father's Day.

Tickets will be on sale at the SCRIP table after Mass each week as well as at the church office through November 16. The first drawing will be Sunday, November 23.

COLLECTION FOR CHOICES PREGNANCY CENTER

There will be a collection taken from October 1-31 for items that Choices Pregnancy Center can use to support the mother and child.

Those items include boys (only) baby clothes from newborn to 3 months and maternity clothes that are either new or just like new. You can also make a monetary donation as well. There will be a box located in the back of the church. Thank you in advance for your support!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP IN THE KITCHEN!

There is a need for volunteers to help Cynthia prepare produce donations for school lunches. There is also occasion kitchen tidying assistance needed.

If you can help, please let Jaci Garvey know 507.872.6391. Please watch for notices regarding when the help is needed. It is usually only for a few hours at a time.

BOXES OF JOY

It is once again it is time for the Box of Joy collection. We will be collecting until Friday, October 31. The shoebox gifts will be for children around the world that have never received a gift before.

Gift ideas could be: small balls, mini puzzles, harmonicas, jump ropes, yo-yos, little stuffed animals, small cute dolls, craft kit (bracelet, beads...), jewelry, small cross or rosary, hair accessories, hair brushes and combs, sunglasses, pencils, hand-held pencil sharpeners, erasers, small pouches, pencil cases, markers, colored pencils, water colors, small hand-held notebooks, socks, T-shirts, flip-flops, hats, LED flashlights, toothbrushes, washcloths, and/or bars of soap.

Please remember everything must fit into a shoebox. The boxes will be sent to countries that are hot or warm. We cannot send anything liquid, or war related nor chocolate or Jolly Ranchers.

Also, each box will need \$9.00 for shipping and handling. You can put money into a labelled envelope into the collection basket. A box will be set up in the back of church for the collection or you can drop of your items in the church office.

Thank you for your generosity and love for these children. If you have any questions, ask Margrit Rabaey.

THE BOOK OF THE DEAD

Parishes have a custom of giving a place of honor to a book in which members of the parish, community members and visitors write the names of their beloved dead.

The Book of the Dead will be displayed from the solemnity of All Saints until the beginning of Advent. It is left open for people 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. Remembering these men and women who have gone before us, "marked with the sign of faith," helps us better understand and appreciate our faith in the Christ our risen Lord who conquers sin and death and brings new life to all.

At this time The Book of the Dead will be placed in the back of the church and then will be placed at the front of the church during the month of November. During the All Souls Day Mass and the Masses in November, we will pray for those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith.



French Toast Breakfast

Let the Knights of Columbus cook for you and your family at an all-you-can-eat French toast & sausage link breakfast.

Sunday, November 2, 2025 St. Edward Church Basement 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.



Please join us for food and fellowship in commemoration of All Souls Day for all those who have passed away in our parish community.

Free will donation.

YEAR OF WINNING

Week 48 – Congratulations! The winner is ... Chrissy (Boulton) Olson



HAPPENINGS in our Diocese & Beyond ...

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION - October

For collaboration between different religious traditions ~ Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity.

https://www.popesprayer.va/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/ENG-HOLY-FATHERS-PRAYER-INTEENTIONS-2025-DEF.pdf

PRO-LIFE BENEFIT PANCAKE BREAKFAST

A pancake, egg, and sausage breakfast will be held Sunday, October 26, in Holy Redeemer Church basement, Marshall, sponsored by Birthright of Marshall and Choices Pregnancy Center of Marshall.

Volunteers are needed; please call Cindy at 507.828.4529.

AN INVITATION FROM HOLY REDEEMER'S CCW...

On Monday, October 27, after the 5:30 pm Mass, Deb Hadley, an inspirational speaker and author will be speaking on "Finding Hope in the Storm." Deb will share how a simple encounter opened her heart to God and transformed her perspective after the loss of her children.

Please come and attend Mass, share a meal, and enjoy fellowship followed by Deb speaking in Carlin Hall from 6:30 – 8:00 pm.

Free will offering for KT Humble Hearts. Shirts and books will be sold at this event.

WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT – November 21-23, 2025

"Come Away" with us and rediscover peace at the Abbey of the Hills Women's Fall Retreat.

As we look forward to Advent & the demands of the holiday season "Come Away" to the Abbey for a weekend of rest, worship, and quiet! This retreat comes with the invitation to give technology a pause, encounter the beauty of the Presence of Christ & coming to see His love by sharing time with other women.

Fr. Michael Kapperman will be our spiritual director. There will be time for the Sacraments & Adoration.

The retreat begins Friday, November 21, at 6:00 pm with supper. It concludes on Sunday, November 23, at noon.

This will be held at the Abbey of the Hills Retreat Center, 46561 147th Street, Marvin, SD 57251. For more information call the Abbey at 605.398.9200 or email events@abbeyofthehills.com or contact Lisa Hennen (605.391.2748) or Dawn Vlaminck (507.530.4287).

SWEDISH MEATBALL SUPPER

Minneota Hope Lutheran Church – Sunday, November 2

Swedish Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Candied Carrots, Buns, Cranberries, Pie/Dessert (Cold Stone Ice Cream Cups for dessert)

5:00 – 7:00 pm Dine-In; Take Outs Available Adults - \$15; Kids (4-10) - \$10; Kids (3 & under) – Free



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 – **November 1** Travis Welsh 507.829.0986 (Eucharist for the shut-ins will be every other week.)

Baptism Prep: To set up a baptism date, call Caren at the office. Godparent requirements are on the church website.

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

Oct. 20: In memory of Robert Bottelberghe

by David & Diane Hennen

Oct. 21: In memory Linda Oftedahl

Oct. 22: In memory of Jack Hennen by Ardyce Louwagie

Oct. 23: In memory of David Vandewiele by Doreen

Oct. 24: In memory of Irene Labat by Terry Hennen

Oct. 25: In memory of Bill & Margaret Lanners

by Cletus & Lorraine

Oct. 26: In memory of Mary Ann Alcorn by her family

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.



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