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Sunday, March 24, 2024

Passion Sunday – The Sixth Sunday of Lent – Palm Sunday

Monday, March 25

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

Tuesday, March 26

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Special Intention G & L)

3:00 pm Mass at Madison Ave. (Andrew & Marilyn Claeys)

6:30 pm Knights' Meeting

Wednesday, March 27

10:30 am Mass at St. Edward Gr. K (All CCW Ladies)

• 10:00 am Confession before Mass

12:00 pm Convent Mass (Linda Vlaminck)

5:15 pm Lenten Meditation for First Communion Families

5:30 pm RE Grades 1 – 5

6:30 pm RE Grades 6 – 11

6:30 pm Women's Bible Study – Opening Your Heart

6:30 pm Adoration at St. Edward – All are invited!

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

Thursday, March 28 – Holy Thursday

7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper – St. Eloi

Friday, March 29 – Good Friday

5:45 am That Man Is You

12:00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion – St. Eloi

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

Saturday, March 30 – Easter Vigil

8:30 pm Easter Vigil Mass – St. Edward (For the People)

Sunday, March 31 – Easter Sunday

8:30 am Mass at St. Edward

(For those celebrating the Sacrament of Initiation)

• 8:00 am Confession before Mass

10:30 am Mass at St. Eloi (For all deceased)

• 10:00 am Confession before Mass

Dear Parishioners,

Welcome to Holy Week. We enter this most holy week hopefully with hearts prepared to enter more fully into the Paschal Mystery – the life, death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

We solemnly listen to the Passion narrative (according to St. Mark on Passion Sunday and according to St. John on Friday) to remember and prepare to enter more fully into that Passion in the Mass, especially as we celebrate His resurrection next weekend. But the Passion is foreshadowed in the Last Supper, as we hear

of Jesus taking bread and wine at His Passover feast, transforming them into His Body and Blood, and transforming the Passover Feast into a New Covenant sealed in His Blood.

He is the Lamb of God, offered for our salvation. In fact, as we will hear on Holy Thursday, St. John does not record the giving of the Eucharist but rather the model of charity as Christ stoops to wash the feet of the Apostles, and He offers His life on the Cross as the Passover lambs were being sacrificed across the city in the temple.

As we enter this week, I recommend several things. First, read or reread one of the passion narratives outside of Mass or Good Friday service. Pray the Way of the Cross – we will leave the booklets out at St. Ed's through Saturday, but there are many options online – I highly recommend St. Alphonsus Liguori's Meditations

(<https://www.ecatholic2000.com/liguori/stations/cross.shtml>).

Second, pray the Rosary. On Friday, begin the Novena of Divine Mercy. You can find the novena at the website PrayMoreNovenas.com. I will also post a link on our GoodTeacherAFC.com site, as well as post the prayers daily at my blog frtodd.blogspot.com (you can sign up to have them and any other posts emailed).

If you are able, extend the fast for Good Friday into Saturday. Spend time in silence. Try to avoid unnecessary talk.

In Christ,
Fr. Todd



HOLY WEEK TRIDUUM MASS & SERVICE TIMES

March 28	Holy Thursday	St. Eloi*	7:00 pm
March 29	Good Friday	St. Eloi	12:00 pm
		St. Edward	3:00 pm
March 30	Easter Vigil	St. Edward	8:30 pm
March 31	Easter Sunday	St. Edward	8:30 am
		St. Eloi	10:30 am

*Correction from last week's bulletin

**Sisters Of Mary Morning Star
Holy Week Service Times**

March 25-27	Monday – Wednesday	12:00 pm Mass 5:30 pm Silent Prayer 6:30 pm Vespers Adoration until 8:30 pm
March 28	Holy Thursday	9:30 pm Mass Chapel will open at 9:00 pm No Vespers or Adoration
March 29	Good Friday	9:30 am Way of the Cross 3:00 pm Office of Passion 8:15 pm Office of Darkness
March 30	Easter Vigil	11:00 pm Easter Vigil
March 31	Easter Sunday	11:15 am Easter Mass 4:15 pm Silent prayer 5:15 pm Vespers 7:15 pm Mass of Emmaus

ST. ELOI

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$685.00	\$2,110.00	(\$1,425.00)
Loose plate	\$111.00	\$146.00	(\$35.00)
Commodity			
Year-to-Date	\$94,050.00	\$84,846.00	\$9,204.00

ST. ELOI LITURGY SCHEDULE

Thursday, March 28 – 7:00 pm – Holy Thursday

Sacristan: Darla Timmerman
Servers: Evan & Elise Hennen, Leo Hennen, Toby Wambeke
Lector: Doug Maeyaert, Jennifer Rabaey, Steve Van Keulen
Musicians: John Rabaey
Offertory Gifts: Mike & Bonnie DeSutter
Eucharistic Ministers: Dan Sik, Caroline Van Keulen
Ushers: Galen Boerboom, Mike DeSutter, Brian Timmerman

Friday, March 29 – 12:00 pm (Noon) – Good Friday

Sacristan: Darla Timmerman
Servers: Xavier, Mark, & Gregory Rabaey
Lector: Mike Van Keulen
Musicians: Barb & Brad Hennen
Eucharistic Ministers: Don & Monica Senden
Ushers: Galen Boerboom, Mike DeSutter, Brian Timmerman

Sunday, March 31 – 10:30 am – Easter Sunday

Sacristan: Darla Timmerman
Servers: Evan Hennen, Leo Hennen, Toby Wambeke, Tyler Welsh
Lector: Betsy Jo Kack
Musicians: Barb & Brad Hennen
Offertory Gifts: John & Karla Engels
Eucharistic Ministers: Beth Brewers, Karla Engels
Cup: Shirley Maeyaert, Sandy Nuytten
Ushers: Galen Boerboom, Mike DeSutter, Brian Timmerman

ST. EDWARD

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	DIFFERENCE
Adult	\$3,843.00	\$4,830.00	(\$997.00)
Loose plate	\$315.00	\$154.00	\$161.00
Online Giving	\$806.00	<i>*Added to the adult envelope total</i>	
Commodity	\$5,296.00		
Year-to-Date	\$213,148.00	\$198,315.00	\$14,833.00

ST. EDWARD LITURGY SCHEDULE

Friday, March 29 – 3:00 pm – Good Friday

Sacristan: TBD
Servers: TBD
Lector: TBD
Eucharistic Ministers: TBD
Ushers: Rick Bot

Saturday, March 30 – 8:30 pm – Easter Vigil

Sacristan: TBD
Servers: Piper Shoultz
Lector: TBD
Eucharistic Ministers: TBD
Ushers: TBD

Sunday, March 31 – 8:30 am – Easter Sunday

Sacristan: Ruth Bot
Servers: TBD
Lector: TBD
Eucharistic Ministers: TBD
Ushers: Rick Bot, Doug Janiszski, John Sumerfelt

ST. EDWARD SCHOOL NEWS

Principal: Jaci Garvey Secretary: Trudy Banks
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Friday, March 22 – 4:30 – 7:00 pm Fish Fry
 7:00 pm Living Stations
 March 28, 29, & April 1 – No School – Easter Break
 Tuesday, April 2 – School Resumes

Sponsorship of St. Edward School

March 4 – In memory of Shorty Jerzak
 March 10 – In memory of Don Maeyaert
 March 19 – In honor of Barb Guttormsson
 March 26 – In memory of Rich Novotny

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)

There will be a Good Friday Stations of the Cross procession with the Sisters on Friday, March 29. It will begin around 9:30 – 9:45 am and will last three to four hours. There will be 14 stops for the Stations of the Cross and includes the Word of God, singing, and prayer. Meet at the Sisters of Mary Morning Star Chapel at 9:30 am.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SYMPATHY FROM OUR PARISH

Prayers to the family of Ron Van Keulen, who passed away on Saturday, March 16, with his funeral held on Saturday, March 23, at St. Eloi in Ghent.

“He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain. All these things are gone forever.” Revelations 21:4

Prayers to the family of Bruce Gossen, who passed away on Sunday, March 17, with his funeral held on Thursday, March 21, at St. Edward in Minneota.

“God has said never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.” Hebrews 13:5

PRAYER REQUESTS & PETITIONS

Please call the church office with the names of those who would benefit from prayers.

- ★ Etien Laleman
- ★ Bernie Moore
- ★ Marilynn Pagel
- ★ Francis Rabaey
- ★ Fr. Tony Stubeda

EASTER FLOWERS

It's the time of year the churches of St. Edward and St. Eloi will be decorated for Easter. Please consider helping out by donating the cost of an Easter lily as a remembrance or in honor of a loved one.

Place your name along with the memorial names and your donation marked Easter Flowers on an envelope and place it in the collection basket.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS/SCHOOL FISH FRY

The St. Edward Knights of Columbus and St. Edward School are hosting a Fish Fry on Friday, March 22.

Serving from 4:30 – 7:00 pm.

Adults (over 12): \$15 Kids (4-12): \$10 kids (3 & under): Free
Take outs available. All are welcome.

The students will lead the Living Stations at 7:00 pm.

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The catechists of St. Edward School will be hosting a material-making morning on **Saturday, March 23, from 9:00 – 12:00 pm.**

Join us in the atria on the 2nd floor of St. Ed's School as we create new materials for the children to use.

IN ADDITION – The CGS catechists are looking for someone who can sew! We have a new model altar in our level 1 atrium, and it needs new linens.

Please contact Joy Wambeke (651.324.5996) if you are interested in helping us in this way.

SCHOENSTATT GIRLS GROUP

The Schoenstatt Group will meet Monday, March 25, at 3:00 pm in the Knights' Hall.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES – St. Edward School

For summer care, we are looking for a few new staff members to work as assistants. These employees need to be at least 15 years old, responsible and love to work with children.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES – St. Edward School

For the **2024-25 school year**, we are looking for a part-time music teacher, a part-time PE/Health teacher, and a Montessori Guide.

We will also be looking for new after-school program staff. Please share these opportunities with friends and family.

THANK YOU – Kitchen Cleaning

Thank you to Mary Myhre, Mary Jo Gillund, Stacy Josephson, Janell Laleman, Brenda Verschelde, JoAnn Coover, Carey Doyscher, Jan Bot, Sue Pohlen, Carol Janiszski, Mary Ann Sarazyn, and Kacie Jones for all the help cleaning the church kitchen and dish room. It looks absolutely amazing!

Thank you for sharing your time and elbow grease as well as your organizational skills. Thank you, Mary Myhre, for

organizing this event. You all have given such a gift and are an amazing blessing.

There has been a Mass scheduled on March 27, at 10:30 am as a THANK YOU to the CCW ladies and their intentions. God Bless you all.

THANK YOU – Lenten Food Shelf Donations

St. Edward Council of Catholic Women would like to thank everyone who generously donated to our Lenten food shelf collection.

Four trips have been made to deliver the food items as well as some monetary donations. This was a successful almsgiving for our Lenten season!

ST. ELOI COF EASTER EGG HUNT – April 7

The Annual St. Eloi COF Easter Egg Hunt (and donuts) is planned for Sunday, April 7, after our 10:30 am Mass! Everyone is invited to come and have fun and fellowship.

ST. ELOI SOUP & CHILI FEED AND SILENT AUCTION

Different day – Same time! Same place!

Sunday, April 14 11:00 am – 12:30 pm.

Serving chicken wild rice soup and chili with crackers, bread stick, and bars. Silent auction bidding will close at 12:30 pm. Free bingo with small prizes awarded starting at noon. Everyone is invited to join us for great food, fun, and fellowship.

Matching funds provided by the Catholic Order of Foresters with proceeds to assist our parish student's Catholic education.

SUMMER CARE – Summer, 2024 – Plan ahead

St. Edward School will again be offering summer care from 7:15 am – 6:00 pm for children ages 5-12. It will begin Tuesday, May 28, and end on Friday, August 12.

YEAR OF WINNING

Week 18 – Congratulations! The winner is ... Jo Coover



AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION – MARCH

For new martyrs ~

Let us pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world might fill the Church with their courage and missionary drive.

<https://www.daily-prayers.org/popes-monthly-intentions/pope-francis-2024-monthly-intentions/>

DIOCESE OF NEW ULM EUCHARISTIC RETREAT OPPORTUNITY – April 13

The Diocese of New Ulm will be hosting "A Biblical Walk through the Mass." It will be held Saturday, April 13, in Montevideo at the St. Joseph Catholic Church.

It begins with check-in at 8:30 am and concludes with the benediction at 4:30 pm. For more information call 507.233.5320 or see Diocesan Events at the New Ulm Diocese website. (dnu.org)

EUCHARISTIC VIDEO SERIES – Holy Redeemer

Holy Redeemer, Marshall will be hosting a Eucharistic video series on Sundays from 2:00 – 3:00 pm. Questions and answers follow the videos with a priest or deacon.

Sunday, March 24 – The Story of the Eucharist

ONE WORD PRAYER FOR LENT

Week 6 of Lent – one word prayer: **Need**

Among the blessings of Lent is a deeper and broader awareness of how much we need the powerful presence of Jesus in our lives. Repeating the word “need” as often as possible can become a petition for God to “meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus” (Philippians 4:19 NIV)

AREA BREAKFASTS/DINNERS – Palm Sunday

St. Mary Catholic Church, Cottonwood

March 24, 2024 – Serving from 8:00 am – 12:00 pm
Belgian Waffles, Sausage, Juice & Coffee

Free will offering to support St. Mary Youth Programs

St. Mary Catholic Church, Tracy

March 24, 2024 – Serving from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm
Roast Beef & Pork Dinner with all the trimmings

Adults: \$15 K-6th: \$5 PreSchool: Free

HOLY REDEEMER CCW INVITES YOU...

Shine through the Darkness – Reignite Christ’s light in your life on Monday, March 25.

5:30 pm Mass followed by a light meal

6:15 pm Carlin Hall – Gavin VanMoer – speaker.

American Cancer Society Relay For Life Fundraiser

The Jimmy’s J Crew/Kack Attack on Cancer Relay For Life team is hosting their *Wing & Pizza Night* and bake sale fundraiser at KB’s Ballroom on Monday, April 1, from 5:30 – 8:30 pm.

Team members will be selling luminaries & goodies as well as waiting & busing tables with all donations, tips & wages going to the 2024 American Cancer Society Relay For Life in Lyon County.

Please join us for food, fun & fundraising!

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 – **April 6** 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

Radio Rosary

Mar. 25: In memory of Vin & Judy Bot & Pam Haukom by their family

Mar. 26: In memory of Denise Timmerman by Dave & Nancy Kesteloot

Mar. 27: In memory of Mary Ann Buysse by Arlene & Mike

Mar. 28: For the intentions of Lorraine Lanners sponsored by the St. Clotilde Choir

Mar. 29: In memory of Francis Matthys by Dean & Linda Louwagie

Mar. 30: In memory of Richard Christopherson by Diane Christopherson

Mar. 31: In memory of Elaine O’Neil by Tony & Ruth Louwagie

To schedule a radio rosary, call Carol Louwagie at 507.532.6081

PRAYER CALENDAR FOR VOCATIONS – PRIESTS, DEACONS, & SEMINARIANS

Monday, March 25

Fr. Paul Timmerman
Fr. Paul VandeCrommert
Dcn. Steve Spilman
Nnoah U’Ren (Sem.)

Wednesday, March 27

Fr. Paul Wolf
Dcn. Paul Treinen
David Rabaey (Sem.)
Brent Sundve (Sem.)

Friday, March 29

The women religious in the diocese

Sunday, March 31

All deceased priests
All deceased deacons

Tuesday, March 26

Fr. Steve Verhelst
Fr. Matt Wiering
Dcn. Mike Thoennes
Matt Wood (Sem.)

Thursday, March 28

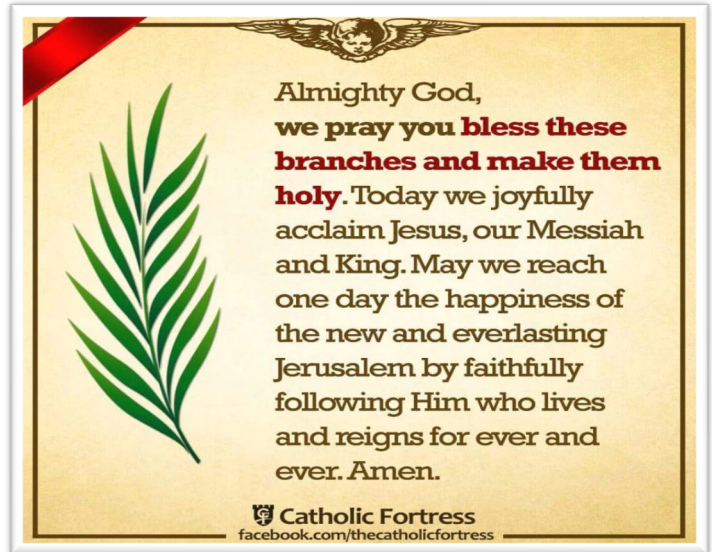
Fr. Christian Adike
Dcn. Travis Welsh
Noah U’Ren (Sem.)
Matt Wood (Sem.)

Saturday, March 30

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

“Then I will give you shepherds after My own heart, who will feed you knowledge and understanding.” Jeremiah 3:15

Prayer For the Sixth Sunday in Lent



Palm Sunday Word Search

N	S	M	E	J	K	A	C	O	L	T	S	S	H
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- PRAISE
- CHRIST
- REMEMBER
- COLT
- HOPE
- EXPECTED
- SAVIOR
- SAVES
- CHILDREN
- STONES
- PHARISEES
- JERUSALEM
- JOHN
- HOSANNA
- LUKE
- DISCIPLES
- PASSOVER
- JESUS
- MARK
- KING
- BETHANY
- LORD
- CROWD
- BRANCH

Eucharistic Miracle of **DRONERO**

ITALY, 1631



In 1631, a young farm girl foolishly kindled a fire with dry hay. Because of a heavy wind, the fire spread to the town of Dronero. Every attempt to extinguish the flames proved useless. A Capuchin friar, Maurice da Ceva, inspired by his great love of the Blessed Sacrament, took the monstrance containing the large Host from the Church of St. Brigid and in procession walked to where the fire was raging. The fire at once subsided.



The countryside around Dronero



Dronero



The chapel from which the Blessed Sacrament was taken. The stone tablet describes the miracle

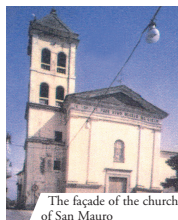
In the afternoon of Sunday, August 3, 1631, a great fire broke out in the commercial district of Saluzzo in the town of Dronero. A young farm girl foolishly kindled a fire with dry hay at the very moment an upwind was developing into a thunderstorm. The flames quickly and violently spread to the home of the Borgo Maira. The townspeople desperately attempted to extinguish the fire, but all their efforts proved useless as the fire developed further. Friar Maurice da Ceva, a Capuchin, was inspired to have recourse to the power of the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. He immediately organized a procession with the Blessed Sacrament, followed by all the townspeople, to the location of the fire. The moment the Blessed Sacrament arrived, the flames subsided and miraculously were extinguished! This miraculous event is described in details on a stone tablet in the small Church of St. Brigid. On the Feast of Corpus Christi, the citizens of Dronero keep alive the memory of this miracle with a solemn annual procession with the Blessed Sacrament.

Eucharistic Miracle of **SAN MAURO LA BRUCA**

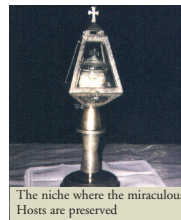
ITALY, 1969



At San Mauro la Bruca unknown thieves secretly entered the church and stole several sacred objects; one was the pyx (ciborium) that contained consecrated Hosts. The thieves threw the Hosts aside; a child discovered them. The Hosts are preserved to this day.

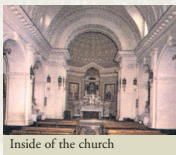


The façade of the church of San Mauro

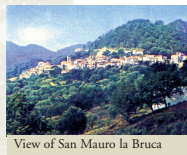


The niche where the miraculous Hosts are preserved

On the night of July 25, 1969, some thieves broke into the parish church of San Mauro la Bruca with the intention of stealing some of the more precious objects. After they had pried open the tabernacle, they took a ciborium containing many consecrated Hosts. Once they left the church, the thieves emptied the ciborium and threw the Hosts on a footpath. On the following morning a child noticed the pile of Hosts at the intersection of the road and gathered up the Holy Eucharist, immediately giving the Hosts to the pastor. It was only in 1994, after 25 years of detailed analysis, that Msgr. Biagio D'Agostino, Bishop of Vallo della Lucania, acknowledged the miraculous preservation of the Hosts and authorized the cult. The conclusion of any chemical and scientific analysis acknowledges that after just 6 months wheat flour severely deteriorates and in a few years turns gelatinous and then, finally, to dust.



Inside of the church



View of San Mauro la Bruca

Be Still and know that I am God

Psalm 46:10



Candlelit Adoration and Confession

Looking for a way to :

- *Get away from the chaos of daily life
- *Spend some time in the quiet stillness
- *Gain greater insight into your role and purpose in life
- *Nurture your relationship with Jesus
- *Prepare for Easter

Palm Sunday Evening March 24

Exposition 6:30 to 8:00pm @ St Eloi in Ghent

Come when you can, Stay as long as the Spirit moves you

'Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest'

Matthew 11:28