Good Teacher Area Faith Community

St. Edward & St. Eloi Catholic Churches

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**SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2020**

**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

***Sunday, April 26***

Fr. Craig: For the Parish Family

Fr. Zach: Henry & Marie Stoks

Fr. Keith: Urban Kack

8:30 Confession at St Edward

8:30 – 11:00 am Adoration at St Edward

10:15 am – 11:150 am Adoration at St Eloi

10:30 am Confession at St Eloi

11:30 am *LiveStream* Mass

*\*\** ***Please pray a spiritual communion prayer each day!***

***Monday, April 27***

Fr. Keith: Kristofer Hendrickson & Family

Fr. Zach: Richard McMahon

***Tuesday, April 28***

*Fr. Craig: Mary Timmerman*

*Fr. Zach: Leonard Drietz*

12:00 pm *LiveStream* Mass

***Wednesday, April 29***

*Fr. Craig: Eunice Haugen*

*Fr. Keith: Harry, Mary & Richard Buysse*

*10:30 am Confession at St Edward*

12:00 pm *LiveStream* Mass

*6:30 pm – 7:30 pm Adoration and Confession at St Edward*

***Thursday, April 30***

Fr Zach: Louis & Mary Buysse

Fr. Keith: Delmar & Irene Mamer

Fr. Craig: David, Don, Pete & Mary Longtin

12:00 pm *LiveStream* Mass

5:00 – 7:00 pm Adoration at St Edward

***Friday, May 1***

Fr. Craig: Brad Claeys

Fr. Zach: Ray Benson

Fr. Keith: Clarence Stassen & Colleen Lindstrom

12:00 pm *LiveStream* Mass

***Saturday, May 2***

Fr. Craig: Hubert J VanKeulen family and Hero Maertens family

Fr. Zach: Norbert & Phyllis Deslauriers

Fr. Keith: Vincent Bot & Pam Haukom

12:00 pm *LiveStream* Mass

5:30 pm Confessions at St Edward

***Sunday, May 3***

Fr. Zach: Evjen Family

Fr. Keith: Connie Lanners

Fr. Craig: For the Parish Family

8:30 am – 11:00 am Adoration at St Edward

8:30 am Confession at St. Edward

10:15 am – 11:15 Adoration at St Eloi

10:30 am Confession at St Eloi

11:30 am *LiveStream* Mass

***\*\*\* YOU CAN LIVESTREAM THE MASSES AT*** [***https://www.facebook.com/Fr-Craigs-Mass-112704253710133/?modal=admin\_todo\_tour***](https://www.facebook.com/Fr-Craigs-Mass-112704253710133/?modal=admin_todo_tour)

**Dear Parishioners:**

I continue praying for all of you in these days of coronavirus, especially at every Mass. This Friday, we began a two week period of staying at home for all but essential activities. This timeframe coincides with the last two weeks of Lent. I invite everyone to use this time as a real Lenten retreat! A Lenten retreat could look something like this: you take time 2 or 3 times daily to read/listen/watch a spiritual reflection/talk or read the Bible, and after each time then take 20-30 minutes to pray. In this way you will spend 2 hours or so of prayer daily. This would structure your day in prayer and allow you to enter into this Sacred time even though you can't
attend public services. And please tune in to our live streaming, or another live stream (Bishop LeVoir, EWTN, etc.) Last Sunday worked great, and many people told me how much they appreciated it. We will try to continue to bring you these beautiful liturgies.. I have had some trouble this week getting the streaming service working. We are doing our best! The schedule for streaming is:

<https://www.facebook.com/Fr-Craigs-Mass-112704253710133/?modal=admin_todo_tour>Bishop has instructed us to leave the Churches open for prayer and to be available for confessions as much as possible. So please stop in to pray while you are out for a walk, getting groceries, etc. Take advantage of the Church's great Sacrament of Mercy that you are able to receive still
in this time. Look for the signs for confession, as in some places we had to move it for safety reasons. If you know of anyone who is sick and in need of anointing, do not hesitate to call! We are allowed to anoint people.

Lastly, take time with your families, without screens! Eat together. Pray together. How often I hear families tell me how busy they are and never have time for family and God. Well, God has given us both. Don't miss the cue He is giving us! It's time to get back to these most important things that we let the world steal from us too often.

Your spiritual father in Christ, Father Craig

**SUNDAY OFFERING**

As pastor and shepherd of Good Teacher AFC, I continue to pray for all of you during these challenging times. There is no manual for leading parishes through a pandemic, and we are faced with tough decisions every day. That is why I am asking all parishioners, if you are able, please continue your financial support of your parish to help us make up for our loss of Sunday offering. All parishioners of St Edwards can give on-line here: <https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/4628>  . **St Edward and St Eloi** parishioners may bring in your donation and take it to the drop off box that has been set up in the old mail slot on the west side of the KC Hall by the side door facing Washington Street.  There is a sidewalk that leads to the door.  You can slip your envelope in that slot and it will be collected that way. You may also mail your gift to the parish office.
I want to especially thank those who are signed up for automatic giving and those who have been sending their envelopes. Your faithfulness is more important than you can imagine. Our parish staff is praying for you during this unprecedented crisis.  Please know that you can contact the parish office if you have an emergency need. We are still the Church, even when we cannot come together. Please pray that we will soon be able to resume meeting as a parish family for the Holy Sacrifice of Sunday and weekday Masses.

**Radio Rosary – Week of April 27 – May 3**

April 27: For the intentions of Pat Whitcomb by her family

April 28: Sponsored by the St. Clotilde CCW of Green Valley

April 29: In memory of Don Maeyaert by Tom and Madeline Swedzinski

April 30: For the Deceased members of the Henry Becker Family by Dan and Helen Wambeke Family

May 1: In memory of Frank and Winifred Swedzinski by Tom and Madeline Swedzinski

May 2: For an end to terrorism by the Knights of Columbus, All Saints Council Number 4912, Ivanhoe

May 3: In memory of Leo, Isabelle, Ralph, Sharon and Eric Hennen by Judy Bot and Family

To schedule a Radio Rosary – Call Carol Louwagie: 507.532.6081

***MASS READINGS & PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS***

***April 26 – May 3***

**SUNDAY, April 26 – Pray for Fr. Craig Timmerman, Fr. Paul Timmerman, Dcn. Michael Thoennes**

 **Acts 2:14, 22-33; Psalm 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; 1 Peter 1:17-21; Luke 24:13-35**

* *How do I most experience the risen Christ present in myself and in my life?*

**MONDAY, April 27 – Pray for Fr. Paul VanDe Crommert, Fr. Steven Verhelst, Dcn. Paul Treinen**

 **Acts 6:8-15; Psalm 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; John 6:22-29**

* *How has Jesus been drawing me from my false life to a new life with him?*

**TUESDAY, April 28 – Pray for Fr. Matt Wiering, Fr. Paul Wolf, Dcn Travis Welsh**

 **Acts 7:51-8:1; Psalm 31:3-4, 6-8, 17, 21; John 6:30-35**

* *How do I resist or put conditions on placing my life in God’s hands?*

**WEDNESDAY, April 29 – Pray for The Women Religious in the Diocese**

 **Acts 8:1-8; Psalm 66:1-7; John 6:35-40**

* **How have I felt most alive and well from my contact with Jesus in Word and sacrament***?*

**THURSDAY, April 30 – Pray for All Men and Women whom God is calling to the Priesthood or Religious Life**

 **Acts 8:26-40; Psalm 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; John 6:44-51**

* *How might I better share the life-giving power of the Eucharist with others?*

**FRIDAY, May 1 - Pray for Pope Francis**

 **Acts 9:1-20; Psalm 117:1-2; John 6:52-59**

* *How am I most acting as an instrument of God today?*

**SATURDAY, May 2 – Pray for Bishop John Levior**

 **Acts 9:31-42; Psalm 116:12-17; John 6:60-69**

* *What results when I try to breathe in and out loving kindness to others?*

**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 – Call the church office 872.6346

* **Baptism Prep:** To set up a baptism date, call Caren at the office. Check the church website for Godparent Requirements.
* **RCIA:** Jesus Christ came to reveal the fullness of God’s love for us and we continue to celebrate that love through praise, sacraments, service, and community. If you or someone you know is interested in joining our church or in learning more about the Catholic Church, contact Deacon Bruce Bot 507.828.7012.

***The St. Edward kitchen will continue to make lunches during the week.***

If you are in need of noon meals, please let us know.  We will be providing this service as long as we are able. If you know of anyone who is in need but doesn’t have access to email or the internet please share this information with them.

Please call Trudy (872-6391) or Caren (872-6346) if you are in need.

**POPE FRANCIS’s PRAYER TO OUR LADY FOR PROTECTION DURING covid-19 Pandemic**

Pope Francis composes a prayer to Our Lady, Health of the Sick, to implore her protection during the Covid-19 coronavirus pandemic.

In these days of trial, as humanity trembles at the threat of the [coronavirus] pandemic, I would propose that all Christians join their voices together to heaven.” – Pope Francis

*O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick.* *At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus’ pain, with steadfast faith. You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.* *Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father’s will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.*

*We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.*

*Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.*

**NOVENA FOR LIFE**

To help our church, community and country establish a culture of life for all nations, the Knights of Columbus and their families will come together in both public and private acts of prayer to promote the protection of life from conception to natural death.

To help promote this reverence toward life the Knights will have a Novena, nine days of sustained prayer. The Novena will be from Mar. 21 to Mar.29. We will be saying a prayer at all the week-day and week-end masses during this time. We will also be saying several rosaries during some of the masses and in private. We ask all parishioners to join us for this most spiritual event. Consider attending daily masses and saying an extra rosary for this noble cause.

Life is a very special gift; let us pray to protect it for everyone.

***KC MISSION***

The Knights of Columbus have initiated an Adopt a Parish Program for Christians in Iraq. Christians there have been persecuted for many years and are in great need of assistance to help them recover. Our Minneota council is 1 of 4 that have been selected in the state of Minnesota to help with this initiative.

We have adopted Mart Shmoni Chaldean Catholic Church in Perka Village, Dohuk, Iraq. Our council`s goal is to reach at least $2500 by June 30, 2020. We would like to give as many people as possible to the opportunity to help with this noble cause. If you would like to make a donation, make checks to: `***Knights of Columbus`.*** In the memo put `Adopt a Parish`.You can put it in the collection basket in an envelope marked *`Minneota Knights`* or send to:

***Brad Hennen***

***2243 330th ST.***

***Ghent, MN. 56239***

Thank-You,

Knights of Columbus council 14420

***THRIFT STORE***

One More Time Thrift Store is closed until further notice.  They will NOT be excepting any donations due to Covid 19.  We will put something in the bulletin when they are able to reopen and to start taking donations again.

***THANK YOU***

Thank you to all of you who are giving back to God some of your time, talent, and finances that God has given you. Our churches and their mission and ministry would not exist without your giving.

***ST. ELOI NEWS***

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|  | ACTUAL | BUDGETED | DIFFERENCE |
| Adult | $816.20 | $2,294.90 | -$1,478.70 |
| Loose |  | $146.15 | -$146.15 |
| Commodity |  |  |  |
| Easter | $4,375.00 |  |  |
| Year-to-Date | $89,212.75 | $117,558.45 | -$28,345.70 |

**DONATIONS**  - If anyone has an envelope for Easter and holy week it can be dropped off at the church in the baskets on the tables in the back of church.  These baskets will be checked many times during the day.  You can also mail them to 408 N Washington Minneota, MN 56254 or we do have a mail slot on the west side of the KC Hall that they may be slipped into.  As we venture into the new unknown the Church is still in need of your help.  Anything that is given is greatly appreciated.  Stay safe and healthy!

***SISTERS OF MARY MORNING STAR NEWS***

St. Eloi Convent Masses: Call 428.3919 for times.

 Masses on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

 Vespers: 6:15 pm Adoration: 7:30 – 8:30 pm

Dear Friends !

We keep praying for the world, and each one of you.

May the Lord pour out upon us his graces and gives us peace and hope.

God bless you

The sisters of Mary Morning Star

***ST. EDWARD NEWS***

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|  | ACTUAL | BUDGETED | DIFFERENCE |
| Adult | $735.00 | $4,829.92 | -$3,719.92 |
| Youth | $0.00 | $5.69 | -$5.96 |
| Loose | $0.00 | $153.85 | -$153.85 |
| Online Giving | $375.00 | *\*Added to the adult envelope total* |
| Commodity | $1,528.80 |  |  |
| Easter | $4.300.00 |  |  |
| Year-to-Date | $206,698.52 | $213,484.47 | -$6,785.95 |

**ROSARY SOCIETY MEMBERS**

Our general intention throughout the year is for world peace and an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life. March is for the return of fallen away Catholics. We need, and welcome, new members to complete our roses. If you have any questions and/or would like to join, call Judy Bot (872.6525) or Marian Laleman (872.6807).

**ONLINE GIVING**

Online giving helps you maintain your giving even if you cannot attend Mass. This helps the parish streamline our cash flow, especially during bad weather or vacation times. Go to our parish website and get started today. [www.stedschurch.com](http://www.stedschurch.com)

**HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE**

Hospitality meals are on hold until further notice. We will put an announcement in the bulletin when we are ready to resume. Thank you and we pray for health and safety to all of you.

**CDS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE**

CDs are available in the back of the church to purchase. If you don’t see something you would like contact Margrit Rabaey (872.6937).

**HOW WAS I SUPPOSED TO KNOW?**

Remember to check out our Facebook page (St. Edward Catholic Church) or the website ([www.stedschurch.com](http://www.stedschurch.com)) to keep with updated information.

***ST. EDWARD SCHOOL NEWS***

Principal: Jaci Garvey Secretary: Trudy Banks

Office: 872.6391

Good Afternoon,

I hope this letter finds you all safe and well.  While these past few weeks have seemed a flurry of activity, the activity is not the same without the children in the building.  That being said, we do have many "business as usual" topics to handle.

As of yesterday, there were officially four weeks of school left, which means that **midterms** have passed us by.  Please ensure that your children are keeping up with their studies.  The teachers have been sending reminders to those who are falling behind.  While this quarter is different than any of us has experienced, it is real and we will be issuing report cards at the end of the year.  If you are unsure about where your children stand, you can contact your child's teacher or check the RenWeb gradebook.

Due to COVID-19 we postponed our **Preschool/Kindergarten Round Up.**  Rather than wait for all of this uncertainty to clear up, we have regrouped and will be offering a Virtual Round Up on Wednesday, April 29th beginning at 4:30 pm.  I will send out the Zoom log-in information closer to that date.  Please let us know if you or anyone you know of is interested in learning more about St. Edward School and Preschool this year.

Earlier this year, a **St. Edward School garden committee**was created to further our school garden.  It is the hope of the committee that tending to the garden will become an activity that is embraced by the school students and faculty as well as the parish and the community at large.  The committee has asked that you have each of your children fill out a survey in an effort to plant the foodstuffs that the children want to see on their plates in the lunchroom.  This survey link will be sent out within the next few days.

May God Bless,

Jaci Garvey, Principal

***CAPITAL CAMPAIGN NEWS***

**Capital Campaign – THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!**

We are grateful to those who joined us the past two weekends for 20-minutes after Mass. Your cooperation enabled us to share the important information about our proposed facility repairs and improvements project. Please take time this week to review your personalized folder, reflect on your blessings and capacity to respond, prayerfully determine your financial commitment, and then return your decision to Father Craig in the confidential envelope. Thank you!

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN CABINET**

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