Good Teacher Area Faith Community

St. Edward & St. Eloi Catholic Churches

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**SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2020**

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

***Sunday, March 29***

*Fr. Craig: For the People of the Parish*

*Fr. Zach: Eunice Haugen*

*Fr. Keith: Hubert & Martha Vankeulen and family*

8:00 am – 9:30 am Confession at St. Edward

10:00 – 11:00 am Confession at St. Eloi

\*\* *Bishop has said that because of how easily this virus is spread by personal contact, we are no longer to give communion except to those who are danger of death.* ***Please pray a spiritual communion prayer each day!***

***Monday, March 30***

*Fr. Zach: Roman Bach by KC’s*

***Tuesday, March 31***

*Fr. Craig: Florence Determan*

*Fr. Zach: Parents of Dick & Evelyn Regnier*

12:45 pm – 1:00 pm Confession at St Eloi

***Wednesday, Apri 1***

*Fr. Keith: Raymond and Norma Trean*

*Fr. Zach: Louis Buysse*

*10:00 am – 10:20 am Confession at St Edward*

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

***Thursday, April 2***

*Fr. Zach: Albert & Margaret Callens*

*Fr. Craig: Bill & Dorothy Stoks*

*Fr. Keith: Audrey Kloos*

1:00 am Confession at St Eloi

5:30 – 6:30 pm Confession at St Edward

***Friday, April 3***

*Fr. Keith: Jacob & Elizabeth Bach*

*Fr. Craig: Norbert & Eugene Hoffman; Mary Lou & Ken McMahon*

6:30 pm – 6:55 pm Confession at St Edward

\*\*Books for Stations of the Cross are going to be set out for use at St Eloi and St. Edward in the back of Church

***Saturday, April 4***

*Fr. Keith: Velma Eischens*

*Fr. Craig: For the People*

*Fr. Zach: Vince LeGare*

12:45 pm – 1:30 pm Confession at St Eloi

4:30- 5:20 pm Confession at St. Edward

***Sunday, April 5 - PALM SUNDAY***

***\*PALMS WILL BE BLESSED DURING PRIVATE MASSES AND THEN PLACED IN THE BACK OF CHURCH LATER IN THE WEEK***

*Fr. Zach: Ed, Kate, & Virgil Jelen*

*Fr. Craig: Dick VanKeulen*

*Fr. Keith: Will Schmitt*

8:00 am – 9:30 am Confession at St. Edward

10:00 am – 10:30 am Confession at St Eloi

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm Confession at St. Eloi

***\*\*\*****PLEASE CHECK ST EDWARD WEBSITE or FACEBOOK PAGE FOR ALL UPCOMING CHURCH/CATHOLIC SCHOOL EVENT AND SCHEDULE CHANGES*

*\*\*\*The office is closed until further notice.  Calls will be forwarded so if you need anything don’t hesitate to call 872-6346.  When calling the office please try to limit it to office hours of 8-4:30 pm.  If it is an emergency please call Fr. Craig’s cell phone which is listed at the top of the bulletin.*

**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:

**Sunday Mass at 11:30 am**

**Daily : Mass at 12 pm**

**Rosary every day at 7 pm**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 March 30 – April 5**

March 30: In memory of Orville Hennen by Rona VanKeulen and

 Family

March 31: In memory of Lynda Schmidt Coudron by Leonard and

 Marian

April 1: In memory of Orville Hennen by Mary and Larry Sterzinger

April 2: In memory of Mrs. Andy (JoAnn) Matthys by Dennis and

 Evelyn

April 3: In memory of the deceased members of the John and

 Mary Wambeke Family by Dana and Helen Wambeke

April 4: In memory of Sister Roselle Zollar by Tom and Madeline

 Swedzinski

April 5: Sponsored by St Clotilde C.C.W. of Green Valley

To schedule a Radio Rosary – Call Carol Louwagie: 507.532.6081

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

***March 29 – April 4***

**SUNDAY, March 29 – Pray for The Women Religious in the Diocese**

 **Jeremiah 11:18-20; Psalm 7:2-3, 9-12; John 7:40-53**

* *How have I been responding to Jesus’ invitation this Lent to “Come out” of my knotted life?*

**MONDAY, March 30 – Pray for All Men and Women whom God is calling to the priesthood or religious life**

 **Ezekiel 37:12-14; Psalm 130:1-8; Romans 8:8-11; John 11:1-45**

* *What new doors seem to be opening for me because of Jesus’ forgiveness?*

**TUESDAY, March 31 – Pray for All Deceased Priests; All Deceased Deacons**

 **Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Psalm 23:1-6; John 8:1-11**

* *How have I been drawn more deeply into the mystery of Jesus suffering this Lent?*

**WEDNESDAY, April 1 – Pray for Pope Francis**

 **Numbers 21:4-9; Psalm 102:2-3, 16-21; John 8:21-30**

* *How might I commit myself to be truthful in my thoughts and words?*

**THURSDAY, April 2 – Pray for Bishop John LeVoir**

 **Genesis 17:3-9; Psalm 105:4-9; John 8:51-59**

* *In what ways do I feel most secure in God’s covenant with me?*

**FRIDAY, April 3 – Pray for Fr. Christian Adike, Fr. Garrett Ahlers, Dcn. Arthur Abel, Joshua Bot (Sem)**

 **Jeremiah 20:10-13; Psalm 18:2-7; John 10:31-42**

* *How has the Holy Spirit most been nudging me toward greater fullness this Lent?*

**SATURDAY, April 4 – Pray for Fr. James Barry, Fr. John Berger, Dcn Russell Blaschko, Carter Currans (Sem.)**

 **Ezekiel 37:21-28; Jeremiah 31:10-13; John 11:45-56**

* *What passions for God’s Kingdom like those of Jesus most animate my life?*

**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

***SCHOENSTATT GIRLS GROUP***

 Due to schools being closed and everyone's health and safety, There will be no Schoenstatt this month.

***THRIFT STORE***

Due to the coronavirus the store will close for 2 weeks starting March 18 and we will re-evaluate before we open on April 1!

***Catholic Daughters Offer Scholarship***

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas local Court St. Joan of Arc #129 is offering a $500 scholarship to a 2020 graduating Catholic girl who plans to continue her formal education. She must be a member of Holy Redeemer parish or any of the adjacent Catholic parishes that do not have a Catholic Daughter Court.

Applications are available at the Holy Redeemer Parish office or from Lois Novosad, 710 N 6th St., Marshall Mn 56258. Phone number- 532-5236. Completed forms, including letters of recommendation, must be returned to Lois Novosad no later than April 15.

***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 | $2,061.00 | $2,294.90 | -$233.90 |
| Loose | $59.00 | $146.15 | -$87.15 |
| Commodity |  |  |  |
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| Year-to-Date | $86,560.55 | $103,246.74 | -$16,868.19 |

***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 | $5,062.00 | $4,829.92 | $457.08 |
| Youth | $2.00 | $5.69 | -$3.96 |
| Loose | $205.00 | $153.85 | $51.15 |
| Online Giving | $225.00 | *\*Added to the adult envelope total* |
| Commodity | $3,863.6 |  |  |
| Year-to-Date | $189,555.14 | $187,494.65 | $2,060.49 |

**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

The St. Edward School Education Committee and the teachers have discussed the Governor's executive order to determine it means for us at St. Edward School.  The bottom line is that we are a family and we must continue to help each other in that way.

St. Edward School is providing childcare for children between the ages of 33 months - 12 years old for families in need of this service.

We are also providing noon meals for those in need.

We will begin distance learning with our students beginning on Monday, March 23.  This is a new adventure for all of us!

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!

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