Good Teacher Area Faith Community

St. Edward & St. Eloi Catholic Churches

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 Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 408 N. Washington St.

 Minneota, MN 56264

**SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2020**

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

***Sunday, May 17***

Fr. Zach: Yorkson Jeen

Fr. Keith: LeRoy & Audrey Kack – 65th Wedding Anniversary

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

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

***\*\*Please take a missalette with you and keep it to bring back and use at mass.***

***Monday, May 18***

Mass at St. Eloi Convent (*Betty Claeys*)

 \*For Mass time contact Sisters of Mary Morning Star

9:00 am Mass at St James (Presider’s Intention)

5:30 pm Confession at St Eloi and St. Leo

6:00 pm Mass at St. Eloi (Carol Perlenfein)

6:00 pm Mass at St Leo (Presider’s Intention)

***Tuesday, May 19***

7:00 am Mass at St. Edward (Albert & Margaret Callens)

8:30 am Confession at St Eloi

9:00 am Mass at St. Eloi (Presiders Intention)

12:00 pm Mass at St. Eloi Convent (*Francis, Dolores, Richard & Shirley Sussner*)

6:00 pm Mass at St. Peter (Leonard Kemig)

***Wednesday, May 20***

10:00 am – 10:15 am – Confession at St Edward

10:30 am Mass at St Edward (Frank Swedzinski)

12:00 pm Mass at St. Eloi Convent (*Presider’s Intention*)

6:00 pm Mass at St. Leo (Presider’s Intention)

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

***Thursday, May 21***

7:00 am Mass at St Peter (Presider’s Intention)

9:00 am Mass at St. Leo (Alvin, Irma, Kevin, Kenny, Kerry Kack)

12:00 pm Mass at St. Eloi Convent (Lois Chlebecek)

5:00 – 7:00 pm Adoration at St Edward

5:30 pm Confession at St Edward

6:00 pm Mass at St. Edward (*Louis & Mary Buysse)*

***Friday, May 22***

12:00 pm Mass at St. Eloi Convent (Jason Steffes)

5:30 pm Confession at St Eloi

6:00 pm Mass at St Eloi (Presiders’ Intention)

6:00 pm Mass at St James and St Peter

***Saturday, May 23***

12:00 pm Mass at St. Eloi Convent (Emil & Louise Goossens)

4:45 pm Confession at St. Edward

5:30 pm – 6:30 pm Adoration and Communion at St Edward

***Sunday, May 24***

Fr. Craig: For the Parish Family

8:30 am – 10:30 am Adoration and Communion at St Edward

9:00 am Confession at St. Edward

9:00 am Adoration and Communion at St Leo

9:30 am Confession at St Leo

10:30 am – 11:30 Adoration and Communion at St Eloi

10:30 am Confession at St Eloi

11:30 am *LiveStream* Mass

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

***\*\*\* 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 have been praying for you so much! I truly hope you have grown spiritually during this time, and that the desire to receive again the AMAZING GIFT of CHURCH and the EUCHARIST, that this desire is burning in your hearts like the disciples going to Emmaus! I am so excited that we are able to return to worship God and receive Him again, beginning **Monday, May 18th!** We already sent out the whole list of guidelines. There are some additional instructions because of the most recent order given by Governor Walz. Here are some more personal notes and instructions for our Churches. We are allowed to have religious services (Mass, baptisms, funerals, weddings, adoration) with no more than 10 unrelated people at one time with proper social distancing guidelines. This does not allow for social gatherings, small group studies or other meetings. I have increased the number of daily Masses and will be saying 2 daily Masses myself each day to try to accommodate those who would like to come to a daily Mass. Communion will be distributed AFTER Mass, so if there is anyone who was not comfortable coming into the Church, they can wait outside and come in after Mass to at least receive communion that day.

However, Masses on Sundays will still be private.

We will be going back to distributing communion on Sundays like we were before the stay- at-home order with 10 unrelated people or less in Church at one time. We will do this at the regularly scheduled Mass times, though it may take a bit longer to allow people time to come in, pray, receive and leave for others to come in.

Please get the bulletin online or if you stop into Church you can pick one up. We are listing all daily Masses, adoration and confession times that we are offering during this time.

1) **You may prepare yourself to receive communion**. You should pray, perhaps read the readings for Mass
2) **We all must still honor the Lord's day**. I recommend spending at least an hour in prayer, read the readings and pray and make a spiritual communion, stop by Church, do Stations of the Cross, Rosary, light a candle, watch Mass on T.V., refrain from all unnecessary work, etc.
3) **Priests are available to visit sick and give Anointing**. PLEASE CALL! \*\*See the numbers on the front page of the bulletin.
4) We will try to leave Church open as much as possible so you can stop in during the day. Perhaps come pray at noon, while Mass is happening at the convent, and make a spiritual communion. Pray the Stations of the Cross walking around to each station – it can be a very powerful prayer!
5) **Go to adoration**.
6) **Go to confession**!
7) **Use Holy Water**! When we bless the Holy Water, we say a special prayer that wherever this water is sprinkled it will free this place of all disease. Bring a bottle, take it home and bless your homes! The holy water font is usually in the back of Church, or just outside the side door.
8) **Ask the priest to bless you, your sacramentals, etc**. Bishop encouraged us to bless people!
Bishop said: I call on all the people of the Diocese of New Ulm to ardent prayer and fasting. A short prayer that can be prayed anytime might be: “Turn to us, Lord, and have mercy.”

I firstly encourage you to prepare yourselves spiritually to come back to Church and receive the Eucharist again. May we never take it for granted! If you need confession, please go before returning! May your first return to the Sacraments be a beautiful one, not one in the state of sin. Invite back those who have been away – you now know what their life is like without Church. Perhaps they also see it!

I want everyone to return! I really do, and I can't wait, as I know you can't either. That said, those in high risk categories – over 65, underlying health issues – are still encouraged to NOT COME. Also, if you don't think your children will be able to keep their hands to themselves, consider not coming for awhile yet. Bishop is still dispensing us from the Sunday obligation, due to the risk it still involves.

On that note, if anyone would like communion be brought to them at home, have them contact the parish office and this will be arranged. We can do that again now.

We encourage you to bring face masks and gloves with you to wear. If the health departments requires them to be used, you will be required to bring one to come in. We cannot provide masks for you. Remember all the normal safety measures – cough into your sleeve, avoid touching your face/head, etc.

You will be required to come in and go out in a very orderly fashion, maintaining 6 foot social distance the whole while. Therefore, we will ask everyone to refrain from the little conversations that often happen while coming in and leaving Church. Come in, take hand sanitizer, genuflect, enter the pew and take your spot. Maintain 6 feet between your household and the next household (to each side, in front and in back – we advise you to stagger yourselves from those ahead of and behind you). Slide in, so we use the middle of the pews as well. You may not greet each other with touching. At the end of the Mass, some may choose to stay and pray. That is fine. Those who will be leaving are asked to start with the back pew first, progressing up to the front, who will leave last (last shall be first, first shall be last! :). Use hand sanitizer again. You may not stand in the entryway or congregate outside. Even outside, please go to your cars. If people stay by the Church doors, they will create a safety hazard. I encourage you during this time to not talk in Church, but let it be a place of prayer. We have been longing to pray for so long – give that gift to one another during this time since we can't stand and talk!

**And above all, pray your way back into Church again! This time has been difficult, but, I pray, blessed!**

**In Christ,**

**Fr. Craig Timmerman**



**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 May 18 – May 23**

May 18: In memory of Leonard Bossuyt by Cletus & Lorraine Lanners

May 19: Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Bishop Grace Assembly

May 20: For Respect for all Human Life by the Knights of Columbus, All Saints Council #4912, Ivanhoe

May 21: In memory of Gary Timmerman by John and Mary Blake

May 22: In memory of Wayne Whitcomb by Pat Whitcomb

May 23: In memory of Peter and Elizabeth Leifgen and all deceased family members by Ralph Leifgen

May 24: In loving memory of Harold LaVoy by his family and friends

To schedule a Radio Rosary – Call Carol Louwagie: 507.532.6081

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

***May 17 – May 23***

**SUNDAY, May 17 – Pray for Msgr. Douglas Grams, Fr. Richard Gross, Fr. Eugene Hackert, Dcn Shawn Polman (Sem.)**

 **Acts 6A:1-7; Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; 1 Peter 2:4-9; John 14:1-12**

* *What personal changes or actions may help me enhance unity in diversity?*

**MONDAY, May 18 – Pray for Fr. Lawrence Hansen, Fr. Anthony Hesse, Samuel Rosemeier (Sem.)**

 **Acts 14:5-18; Psalm 115:1-4, 15-16; John 14:21-26**

* *What worldly ideas draw me away from witnessing to the truths of God?*

**TUESDAY, May 19 – Pray for Fr. Jeffrey Horejsi, Fr. Ronald Huberty, Tanner Thooft (Sem.)**

 **Acts 14:19-28; Psalm 145:10-13, 21; John 14:27-31**

* *What in myself most keeps me from being a peaceful person and accepting God’s gift of peace?*

**WEDNESDAY, May 20 - Pray for Fr. Aaron Johanneck, Fr. Jeremy Kucera, Dcn Anthony Grack**

 **Acts 15:1-6; Psalm 122:1-5; John 15:1-8**

* *What new thing might God be requiring of me now in our relationship?*

**THURSDAY, May 21 – Pray for Fr. Dennis Labat, Msgr. Eugene Lozinski; Dcn John Hansen**

 **Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Psalm 113:1-8; John 15:9-17**

* *How might I be more ready to give of myself to help others to have a better life?*

**FRIDAY, May 22 - Pray for Fr. Mark Mallak, Fr. Brian Mandel, Dcn Mark Kober**

 **Acts 15:22-31; Psalm 57:8-10, 12; John 15:12-17**

* *To whom am I called to share God’s Word and what will that message be?*

**SATURDAY, May 23 – Pray for Fr. Gerald Meidl, Fr. Robert Mraz, Fr. Andrew Michels**

 **Acts 16:1-10; Psalm 100:1-3, 5; John 15:18-21**

* *What person or persons are most difficult for me to recognize as having Christ within them?*

**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 5/26-6/30.***

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.

**INTERCESSIONS FOR LIFE** – For persons with disabilities: May their lives always be recognized as worth protecting and fighting for, especially during times of widespread illness; *we pray to the Lord:*

**BULLETIN BRIEFS** – Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God’s creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect.”

USCCB Respect Life flyer quoting Pope Francis’ “Day for Life Greeting”
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**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 | $1,190.00 | $2,294.90 | -$1,478.70 |
| Loose | $300.00 | $146.15 | -$146.15 |
| Commodity |  |  |  |
| Easter |  |  |  |
| Year-to-Date | $94,332.75 | $126,818.21 | -$32,485.46 |

***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 | $5,790.00 | $4,829.92 | -$3,719.92 |
| Youth | $0.00 | $5.69 | -$5.96 |
| Loose | $0.00 | $153.85 | -$153.85 |
| Online Giving | $575.00 | *\*Added to the adult envelope total* |
| Commodity | $1,407.67 |  |  |
| Easter |  |  |  |
| Year-to-Date | $220,148.19 | $230,300.03 | -$10,151.84 |

**ROSARY SOCIETY MEMBERS**

Our general intention throughout the year is for world peace and an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life. May is for all mothers & more devotion to the Blessed Mother. 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

It is hard to believe that this will be the final parent letter for the the 2019-20 school year, and what a year it has been!

Tomorrow we will conclude the school year with a “**reverse parade**”.  From 4-6 pm we will be having a time to bring the children to us to turn in their school supplies.  We ask that you pull in front of the school on 4th St, heading west. There will be several stations along school property.  At the first station you will turn in your child's electronic device, charger and case (if applicable.)  If there are any issues with the device, charger and/or case, please let us know at this point.  At the next stations you will find your child's homeroom teachers.  There you will turn in any textbooks, library books and other school supplies.  At the final station there will be a surprise and your child's report card.  On the report card, please note that there will be minimal behavior grades.  We feel that this if for you to fill in with your children.

There will be an **Education Committee Meeting**on Tuesday, May 19th at 6 pm.  We will be discussion distance learning and policy changes for the future.  As this will likely be a Zoom event, I will publish the Zoom ID and Password on Tuesday afternoon.

Our **Summer Care Program**here at St. Edward School will begin on Tuesday, May 26th.  We have been busy researching and implementing safety measures and precautions for the students in attendance.  We currently have space available, but are receiving new participant applications daily.  Please spread the word.  Registration forms are available on our web-site @ [www.stedscatholicschool.com](http://www.stedscatholicschool.com/).  We will be posting more information on Facebook as it becomes available.

Also on Tuesday, May 26th, the St. Edward school cafeteria will provide free meals to **all children 18 and under** who want or need a noon meal.  This is provided under the USDA Summer Food Program.  Please call the school office for more information or to register.

As the Governor slowly opens the state back up for business, please keep Scrip in mind.  Right before we shut things down, **Larson's Home Furnishings of Marshall** joined the Scrip team.  Thank you Larson’s!

At the direction of USCCB and the MN bishops, the diocesan Economic Impact Task Force is urging all Catholics to contact their congressional representatives to advocate for inclusion of assistance for nonpublic schools (Catholic and other private) in this stimulus package.  This assistance will help us to overcome some of the extra expenses that COVID-19 has and will continue to cause in our school.

Please date the correspondence and include your name and address. You can send correspondence to any members of congress but especially those who represent our district.  - Collin Peterson (District 7).  The following link will take you to the email address for Mr. Peterson.  <https://collinpeterson.house.gov/zip-code-lookup?form=/contact/email-me>  Thank you for responding to this effort to secure relief for our Catholic schools!

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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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