

Saint Edward Catholic Church
Lake Odessa, Mi ASCENSION OF THE LORD



MAY 24, 2020

SACRED SCRIPTURE

MAY 24: THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Acts 11:1-11 Ps 47:2-3, 6-9 Eph 1:17-23 Mt 28:16-20

A Perspective by Bud Ozar Family

As Jesus appointed apostles, he also appoints parents to represent Him in the family; “make disciples of your children, baptizing and teaching them all I have taught you. Don’t worry, I am with you always.”

MAY 25, Monday: Easter Weekday; St. Bede the Venerable, Priest, Doctor of the Church; St. Gregory VII, Pope; St. Mary Magdalene de Pazzi, Virgin

Acts 19:1-8 Ps 68:2-5acd, 6-7b Jn 16:29-33

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Our decisions create our style of living and what kind of person we are. That’s the awesome power of free will. As we celebrate Memorial Day it is a good time to ask ourselves; “How do I want to be remembered?” The power is in your hands, or rather in your decisions.

MAY 26, Tuesday: St. Philip Neri, Priest

Acts 20:17-27 Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 Jn 17:1-11a

MAY 27, Wednesday: Easter Weekday; St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

Acts 20:28-38 Ps 68:29-30, 33-36a, 35bc-36b Jn 17:11b-19

MAY 28, Thursday: Easter Weekday

Acts 22:30; 23: 6-11 Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11 Jn 17:20-26

MAY 29, Friday: Easter Weekday; St. Paul VI, Pope

Acts 25:13b-21 Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20b Jn 21:15-19

MAY 30, Saturday: Easter Weekday

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 Ps 11:4-5, 7 Jn 21:20-25

MAY 31: PENTECOST SUNDAY

Acts 2:1-11 Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34 1Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13
Jn 20:19-23

The church is open for private prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament in the tabernacle. Daily 9AM-8PM.

Confessions every Thursday from 6:30-7:30PM

Office hours: Tues., Wed. & Thurs. 10AM-3:30PM

Phone 616-374-7253 stedwards@wwowway.biz

Our prayers and congratulations go out to our new Deacon Noah Thelen, ordained on May 16, 2020.

Cards and letter will reach Noah at:

home address is: 15703 Kitchel Ln Grand Haven, MI 49417

I’ll be moving to St. Stephen’s parish in Grand Rapids the week after ordination. St. Stephen

750 Gladstone Dr SE

East Grand Rapids, MI 49506

Parishioner Guidelines For Returning to Public Mass

ATTENDANCE WILL BE LIMITED-

You are encouraged to attend a **weekday Mass at 9:00AM Monday-Friday (sign up)**

Churches will remain open at a 25% seating capacity (**30 people per Mass**). With fewer people at each mass it may not be possible for you to attend with regularity for the first few weeks, or even to attend on Sunday. The diocese has extended the dispensation for attending Mass for all Catholics through June 30.

As we begin to resume the gathering for Mass, we are asking everyone who can, to attend weekday Mass to accommodate all those in the parish. **Call the office to reserve a seating at a Weekend or Daily Mass by noon on Thursday, May 28. (Office is closed on Friday)** You are welcome to leave a message and I will return your call with a confirmation of your Mass day. We will need the number in your household that will be attending and the day of the week. Sign-up sheets will be in the office.

For those receiving the bulletin through the mail, please let me know if you are continuing to stay at home and I will mail you the bulletin.

SOCIAL DISTANCING WILL BE PRACTICED

Pews will be taped off to achieve proper social distancing. Individuals who are not members of the same household will need to sit at least 6’ away in all directions.

MASKS/FACE COVERINGS WILL BE REQUIRED

All members of the faithful who are 2 years and older will need to bring and wear their own appropriate face covering to attend Mass. Holy Communion may not be received if you are wearing gloves.

MASS WILL LOOK DIFFERENT

No personal greetings, temporary suspension of distribution of Precious Blood, collection basket will be placed at the altar.

Father Tom will have Mass live streamed, **Wednesdays at 6:00PM** and **Sunday Mass at 9:30AM**. Join Father Tom and others of the parish as we gather together in our homes for the Holy Mass on the Saint Edward Lake Odessa facebook page.

Wishing you a peaceful and blessed Memorial Day

The Story of the Poppy

The poppy flower only grows in the absence of other flowers and only in ground that has been churned. In perhaps the best known poem of World War I, when Dr. John McCrae observed poppies growing between the crosses on the soldiers' graves, it inspired him to write the poem *In Flanders Fields*. The poppy has since become known as "The Flower of Remembrance" and is worn in memory of our veterans.

I'm sharing this poppy in remembrance of the veterans as well as the active service members and wishing you a beautiful Memorial Day weekend.

Spiritual Communion is a Christian practice of desiring union with Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. It is used as a preparation for Holy Mass and by individuals who cannot receive Holy **Communion**.

A Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

Please call the office to have a mass offered for your intentions.

OUR PARISH OFFERING – May 16/17, 2020

Adults	\$	4335.00
Loose:	\$	100.00
Total receipts:	\$	4435.00
Budgeted Weekly	\$	3600.00
Overage	\$	835.00

July 1, 2019 – May 17, 2020 Fiscal YTD Offertory

Collections

Year-to-Date	\$162410.00
Budgeted Year-to-Date:	\$165600.00
Overage Year-to-Date:	(\$ 3190.00)

*Please note that "Our Parish offering" reflects the income from Sunday and Holy day offertory **only**.*

Thank you for your continued support of the Church during this Stay at Home order. We await the time we can gather together at the Holy Mass.

Your weekly offering envelopes can be dropped off at the office (or placed in the locked black mail box beside the office door) or sent through the mail to: St. Edward Church
531 Jordan Lake St. Lake Odessa, Mi 48849

St. Edward's Preschool Open Enrollment for 2020-21

Our preschool is now enrolling students in our 3 and 4 year old programs for the 2020-21 school years. If you would like more information or an enrollment application, please contact us at 616-374-7253.



*"May the angels welcome you into paradise.
May the martyrs greet you on your way.
May you see the face of the Lord this day."*

Please pray for the souls of **Lois Peacock**, sister of Dick Peacock, **Wilma Horwood**, mother of Doug Hoort, and **Shirley King**, mother of Bill King, who passed from death to life.

*"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
may they rest in peace."*

5-15-2020

Hi St. Ed's people,

Praying for all the people at St. Ed's! I think about you all and miss you all. Hang in there and stay strong. We need to be all united at this time. Better days ahead!

God Bless!

Randy

Catholic Christian Men-join your brothers and renew your spirit--Men's Retreat 2020

Wednesday, June 22, 2002 9:00AM-5:00PM

Franciscan Retreat Center, Lowell

Registration: \$70 (includes lunch)

For more information call 6116-897-7842

Senior Scholarship

The St. Edward's Scholarship was established in memory of Virginia Crockford and Mary Bippley. An initial scholarship in the amount of \$1000 can be awarded to high school graduating seniors who regularly participated in religious education and regularly attend Mass at St. Edwards. A scholarship in the amount of \$500 can also awarded to those who received the initial scholarship and are now in college and continue to practice their Catholic faith. Please contact the office for an application. (stedwards@wowway.biz or 374-7253) Deadline is June 14, 2020.

Seniors- Please send your bio and a picture to the office so we can share this information with your parish family. Deadline is June 1.