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Virtue of the Month: Patience

*We have never so much cause for consolation,  
as when we find ourselves oppressed by  
sufferings and trials; for these make us like Christ  
our Lord, and this resemblance is the true mark  
of our predestination.---St. Vincent de Paul*

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Let us Pray  
with our  
Mother Mary  
for our Priests  
and our Church



When you know how much  
GOD IS IN LOVE WITH YOU  
then you can only live your life radiating that love.  
-ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA-



St. Edward  
Knights of  
Columbus

Council #14404

Greg Zuver, Grand Knight

Meetings are the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday  
of the Month.

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Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., & Sat. 8:00A-12:00P

Mon., Tues., & Thurs., 3:00P-8:00P Closed: Wed. & Sun.



Pray for  
the Unborn

## Saint Edward the Confessor Catholic Church

### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

April 11, 2021

Saint Edward Church

531 Jordan Lake St. Lake

Odessa, MI 48849

Pastor: Father Tom Brown

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### OFFICE HOURS:

Mon., Wed., Fri. 8AM-2PM

Thurs.: 10:00 AM- 3:30 PM

### MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil 6:00PM

Sunday 9:45 AM & 1:30PM

Weekday Masses:

Mon., Tues., Wed., & Fri.

9:00AM

Thurs. 12:10PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Thursday 6:30PM-7:30PM

and by appointment

Connie Goble, Business Manager  
616-374-7253

Dan Shields, Bookkeeper

DRE: Fredia Prysock

616-374-7253 ext 202

Hall Manager: Fredia Prysock

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Prayer Chain: Gayle Peacock

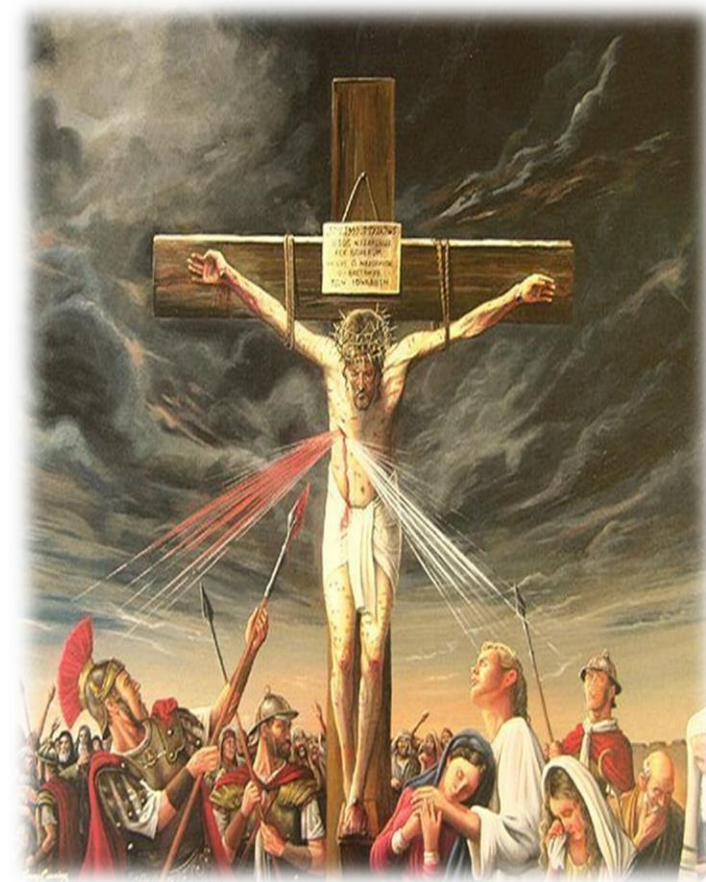
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**Pastoral Council:** Diane Haskin, George  
Thelen, Mark Denda, Dee Manshum, Janice  
Fyan

**Financial Council:** Andrew Snider,  
Adam Fyan, Robin Michalski, Jerry  
Tomandl, Allen Hamp, Diane Updyke

### MISSION STATEMENT

We, St. Edward's parish, joyfully experience  
life in Christ through the celebration of the  
sacraments and dedicate ourselves to faith  
formation. Our parish is devoted to inspiring  
youth to become active followers of Christ.  
We live to promote love within the church  
and community according to the Gospel.



### SACRED SCRIPTURE

**11 SUNDAY: SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE  
MERCY SUNDAY)**

Acts 4:32-35 Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 1Jn 5:1-6 Jn 20:19-31

**12 MONDAY:** Easter Weekday

Acts 4:32-35 Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 1Jn 5:1-6 Jn 20:19-31

**13 TUESDAY:** Easter Weekday

Acts 4:32-37 Ps 93:1-2, 5 Jn 3:7b-15

**14 WEDNESDAY:** Easter Weekday

Acts 5:17-26 Ps 34:2-9 Jn 3:16-21

**15 THURSDAY:** Easter Weekday

Acts 5:27-33 Ps 34: 2, 9, 17-20 Jn 3:31-36

**16 FRIDAY:** Easter Weekday

Acts 5:34-42 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Jn 6:1-15

**17 SATURDAY:** Easter Weekday

Acts 6:1-7 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 Jn 6:16-21

**18 SUNDAY: THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 Ps 4:2, 4, 7-9 1 Jn 2:1-5a Lk 24:35-48



HE IS ALIVE! HE IS RISEN! ALLELUIA! It has been a week since we celebrated that Jesus Christ is risen and alive. He appears to his apostles who at first don’t believe. They think they are seeing a ghost. But they are not. He really is alive. They see him, touch him, watch him eat and converse with him. This faith of ours is not subjective but objective. It is a real, deep and practical relationship with our living Lord who died and then rose for us.

The Apostles had gone to Galilee where Jesus would meet with them. They were excited to see Jesus but also, I believe, fearful. Peter because he had denied even knowing Jesus. The others because they had fled when he was arrested. The same is true for us. We have done things that offended Jesus. We love him but we are embarrassed. We want to see him and yet we stay at a distance. We wonder what his first words to us will be.

This is why we have the feast day of Divine Mercy. It is the very first Sunday after our Lord’s Resurrection. Jesus proclaims that his mercy is unlimited and available even to the greatest sinners. He invites us to trust him. “Jesus, I trust in you,” he taught us. To Sr. Faustina Kowalska, a Polish nun who Jesus appointed to proclaim his great mercy, Jesus said, “Do you think you have written enough about my mercy? What you have written is but a drop compared to the ocean. I am Love and Mercy itself. There is no misery that could be a match for my mercy; neither will misery exhaust it, because as it is being granted---it increases. The soul which will trust in my mercy is most fortunate, because I myself take care of it.”

So, Jesus’ love for us is infinite. But He does not force himself on us. He invites us, He pleads with us to come and seek his mercy. He also invites us, as believers, to invite others to trust in him. “Today I am sending you with my mercy,” says our Lord, “to the whole world. I do not want to punish aching mankind, but I desire to heal it, pressing it to my merciful heart. I use punishment when they themselves force me to do so; my hand is reluctant to take hold of the sword of justice. Before the day of justice, I am sending the day of mercy.”

Jesus sends us his mercy. Remember the story of Jesus about the prodigal son? How the youngest went off, wasted his inheritance and decided to return home? He did not yet have mercy. First, he had to return home. We return home when we come to the sacrament of confession. Second, he spoke asking for forgiveness and being treated as a slave. We come and acknowledge our sins with “Forgive me for I have sinned. My sins are...” It was then that the father gave forgiveness and clothed his son and put a ring on his hand. Jesus grants us his forgiveness. He clothes us and puts a ring on our hands by proclaiming us a child and filling us with grace.

Let us proclaim his love and his mercy for us and for all.

Jesus, I trust in you!

Father Tom

MASS INTENTIONS AND MINISTERS

**Sunday, April 11: 9:45 AM MASS**  
Parish

**1:30 PM MASS**  
Father Oscar by Jerry & Diane Tomandl

**Monday, April 12: 9:00AM MASS**  
Carol Fust by Jerry & Diane Tomandl

**Tuesday, April 13: 9:00AM MASS**  
Living & Deceased Members of the Walliczek Family

**Wednesday, April 14: 9:00AM MASS**  
Parish

**Thursday, April 15: 12:10 PM MASS**  
Ron Holmes by Jerry & Diane Tomandl

**Friday April 16: 9:00AM MASS**  
Randy Armstrong by Jerry& Diane Tomandl

**Saturday, April 17: 6:00PM Vigil MASS**  
+ Austin Pol by James Stebbins  
**Lector:** A. Haskin

**Sunday, April 18: 9:45 AM MASS**  
Lisa Nelson  
**Lector:** A. Adams  
**1:30 PM MASS**  
+Jennifer Menefee by Grief Group  
**Lector:** A. Snider

**CONFESSION TIME** will be from 7-8:00PM on Thursday, April 15. Regular Confession times will resume next week.

PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS

Gracious God,  
You sent Jesus to proclaim salvation to the world. Make us mindful of those who have not heard the Gospel and bless the efforts of all missionaries. May more of our sons and daughters seek and follow your call to discipleship.  
Amen.

Logan McGahan  
St. John Vianney  
2115 Summit Ave. ,St. Paul Mn 55105



Easter Flowers 2021

Judy Lyson, Mr. & Mrs. Ryan King,  
Al & Mary Hamp, Bill King, Tidd Family,  
Agostinelli Family, John & Mary Black,  
Pat Drake, Carnegie/Kirkwood Families,  
Baillageon Family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Neely,  
Chris & Darla Vinton, Zuver Family,  
Katherine Possehn, Agatha Nurenborg, Robin Michalski,  
George & Carole Heinze for Family Members,  
Jerry & Diane Tomandl for Family

In Memory: Patrick & Helene Cabinaw, Michael & Helen Smith,  
Mary Smith & Jessica Smith by Mr. & Mrs, Michael Smith  
In Memory: Gene Carr, Randy Carr, Bernard & Uceba Thomas,  
Doug & Marge Thomas by Bernadine Carr

By Jim & Pat Saint Amour for Deceased Members of the  
Diamante & Hickey Families, David Whittemore, Cynthia Hollis,  
Bob Weiss



Faith Formation

Sunday

11:00AM to 12:30PM

Faith Formation resumes Sunday, April 11. We are all looking forward to gather and share the Catholic faith with the children and youth of the parish. Masks are required. Please call Fredia if you have any questions (374-7253).

PLEASE PRAY for Randy Armstrong.



Grief Support Group **will not meet in April and will meet on May 6th** (the first Thursday) at 12:45 in the family center library. If you would like information call Marsha @269-367-4403.

**St. Edward’s Preschool Open Enrollment for 2021-22**

Our preschool is now enrolling students in our 3- and 4-year-old programs for the 2021-22 school years. If you would like more information please contact us at 616-374-7253.



**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER EXPERIENCE**

Ever thought about making a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend, but can't seem to find the time? The 3 RE is all the content of a weekend presented in weekly sessions over a 7-week period. This spring, grow your marriage and your faith by attending the Virtual 3RE (Restore Rekindle, Renew)! Apply today at wwme.org and put Michigan in the search bar. For questions, contact Terry & Cathy Hirsch at 888-322-9963.

**2021 Scholarship**

The St. Edwards’s Scholarship was established several years ago in memory of Virginia Crockford and Mary Bippely. An Initial scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 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 be awarded to those who received the initial scholarship and are now in college and continue to practice their Catholic faith. Applications are available through the parish office. Deadline for applications is April 31, 2021.

**St. Edwards High School Seniors:** We as a parish are proud of your accomplishments during these past years. We would love to hear what your plans are for the future. Please take a moment to write a short biography to be printed in the bulletin. Tell us about your family, your interests and accomplishments during the school years & your future plans and dreams. Please enclose a wallet size picture- keeping in mind that a light background will copy best. Deadline April 31, 2021.



*"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 soul of Jennifer Menefee, daughter of Bob & Carole Rasche, who passed from death to life this past week.

*“Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord,  
may she rest in peace.”*

**OUR PARISH OFFERING – April 3/4, 2021**

Adults	\$	4061.00
Loose:	\$	65.00
<b>Total receipts:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4126.00</b>
Budgeted Weekly	\$	3600.00
<b>Overage</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>526.00</b>

**July 1, 2020 – April 4, 2021 Fiscal YTD Offertory Collections**

Year-to-Date	\$124982.00
Budgeted Year-to-Date:	\$143400.00
<b>Overage Year-to-Date:</b>	<b>( \$ 18418.00)</b>

Please note that "Our Parish offering" reflects the income from Sunday and Holy day offertory **only**.  
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  
*Thank you for your continued support of the church*

**Finance Meeting:** There will be a finance meeting on Monday April 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the family center.



Next week, we begin our annual Catholic Services Appeal. Your support of CSA benefits both parish and diocesan ministries, including formation of our future priests, the ongoing education of teachers and faith formation staff, proclaiming Christ’s message through the media, evangelizing our youth, and aiding members of our community struggling with family issues, hunger, and homelessness.

Please prayerfully consider how sharing your gifts will benefit many – in our parish and far beyond. Next week, we will highlight some of the specific programs CSA supports. I look forward to your participation and working together to accomplish more of our Lord’s work.



The Knights of Columbus are continuing the can drive to benefit those in need in our community. If you have aluminum cans (returnable or non-returnable), returnable plastic or glass bottles, you can drop them off at the trailer in the parking

lot South of the Family Center. If the trailer isn't open you can place them in one of the trash cans at the rear of the trailer. We are still collecting through May. Thank You for your support!

Are you discerning the priesthood?  
‘Exploring the Priesthood’ is a discernment opportunity sponsored by the diocesan Office of Priestly Vocations. Time for prayer and reflection will be held monthly for young men (ages 16 – 35) to discern God’s will for their lives.  
This year’s discernment opportunities will be offered on the following Sundays at noon: April 18, and May 16. If you are interested in joining these events, please email Pattie Reynolds in the Office of Priestly Vocations at [preynolds@grdiocese.org](mailto:preynolds@grdiocese.org).

A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar  
In today’s gospel Jesus teaches, “Blessed are those who have not seen and believe.” Accepting someone as they are, without demanding they prove themselves or meet our expectations, creates a rich relationship. Without acceptance a home is only a house and a family is just a group of house mates.