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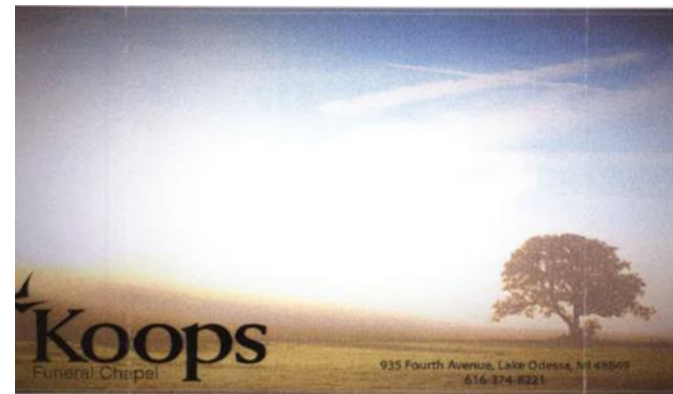
Virtue of the Month: Simplicity
“Our Lord needs from us neither great deeds or profound thoughts. Neither intelligence nor talents. He Cherishes simplicity.”
Saint Therese of Lisieux

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Grand Rapids, MI 49504
info@helppregnancy.org
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St. Edward Knights of Columbus

Council #14404
Joe Hickey, Grand Knight
Meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of the Month.

Would you like to advertise your business?

Bulletin spaces are available.

Please contact the office for more information.



Pray for the Unborn

Saint Edward the Confessor Catholic Church

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 18, 2021

Saint Edward Church
531 Jordan Lake St.
Lake Odessa, MI 48849

Pastor: Father Tom Brown
ftombrown@ssppcatholic.com

Associate Pastor:
Father Oscar Londoño, mxy

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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday
8 AM-2 PM

Closed Tuesdays & Thursdays

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil 6:00 PM

Sunday 9:45 AM

Weekday Masses:

Mon., Tues., Wed., & Fri. 9:00 AM

Thursday 12:10 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Thursday 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

or by appointment

Katherine Martin, Secretary
616-374-7253

Dan Shields, Bookkeeper
DRE: Fredia Prysock
616-374-7253 ext. 202

Hall Manager: Fredia Prysock
616-374-7253 ext. 201
Prayer Chain: Gayle Peacock
616-374-8274

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

18 SUNDAY: SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jer 23:1-6 Ps 23:1-6 Eph 2:13-18 Mk 6:30-34

19 MONDAY: Weekday

Ex 14:15-18 (Ps) Ex 15:1b-6 Mt 12:38-42

20 TUESDAY: Weekday; Saint Apollinaris, Bishop, Martyr

Ex 14:21—15:1 (Ps) Ex 15:8-10, 12, 17 Mt 12:46-50

21 WEDNESDAY: Weekday; Saint Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest, Doctor of the Church

Ex 16:1-5, 9-15 Ps 78:18-19, 23-28 Mt 13:1-9

22 THURSDAY: Saint Mary Magdalene

Sg 3:1-4a Ps 63:2-6, 8-9 Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

23 FRIDAY: Weekday; Saint Bridget, Religious

Ex 20:1-17 Ps 19:8-11 Mt 13:18-23

24 SATURDAY: Weekday; Sint Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest

Ex 24:3-8 Ps 50:1b Mt 12:14-21

25 SUNDAY: SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2 Kgs 4:42-44 Ps 145:10-11, 15-18 Eph 4:1-6 Jn 6:1-15

I typically stay away from political issues. There is so much to say about our faith and belief in God. But there are times when social justice issues become very important that we must speak out. One of those times is now in the issue of our prayers and work for the protection of human life. Beginning in 1976, members of Congress and the White House have consistently supported the Hyde Amendment, a federal policy which has prevented taxpayer dollars from paying for elective abortions. This language has been approved every year since then, regardless of which political party has been in control of Congress or the presidency. In addition to wide legislative support, the general public is highly favorable of the Hyde Amendment and similar provisions. Many public opinion surveys demonstrate that a strong majority of individuals—including those of different income levels, races, and positions regarding abortion—in the country oppose using tax dollars to pay for abortion.

Despite public opinion, pro-abortion groups and certain elected officials are campaigning to rescind the Hyde Amendment and to instead implement a policy that would require every federal health program to cover, and every federal health facility to provide, elective abortions. If adopted, the new policy would go as far as to nullify state and local policies against abortion coverage, rescinding the compromise policy agreed to by President Obama and Congressional Democrats in the Affordable Care Act of 2010.

The stakes are high, as the Hyde Amendment saves the lives of mothers and children and respects the consciences of the American people. It is estimated that over 2.4 million children are alive now due to the Hyde Amendment. If Hyde and similar measures are not approved in this year's appropriations process, billions of taxpayer dollars could start being used for elective abortions in this country. If you have not yet signed the petition for no tax payer funds for the abortion industry please do so now. It is at www.NoTaxpayerAbortion.com. In addition please contact your representatives and voice your opposition to this grievous assault on human life. Here in our area it is Representative Peter Meijer, Senator Debbie Stabenow and Senator Gary Peters. Please encourage other family and friends to join with you. The House Committee on Appropriations is finalizing their work on the Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies appropriations bill. As it stands now, the Hyde Amendment and other longstanding, bipartisan provisions are not included.

Please voice your opposition today. Don't leave it for tomorrow. Let our voices be in favor of God's gift of life.

Thank-you and May God bless you.

Fr. Tom

MASS INTENTIONS AND MINISTERS

Sunday, July 18: 9:45 AM MASS

All Seminarians

Monday, July 19: 9:00 AM MASS

Parish

Tuesday, July 20: 9:00 AM MASS

Living & Deceased members of Walliczek Family

Wednesday, July 21: 9:00 AM MASS

Living & Deceased members of John & Carol Warnes Family

Thursday, July 22: 12:10 PM MASS

Parish

Friday, July 23: 9:00 AM MASS

+Jan McNamara by Beckwith Family

Saturday, July 24: 6:00 PM Vigil MASS

+Tom Swift by Greif Support Group

Lector: K. Sipperly

EOM: M. Sutton

Sunday, July 25: 9:45 AM

Juergen Walliczek

Lector: K. Carnegie

EOM: K. Carnegie

Televised Sunday Mass:

Join us each week for the live broadcast of 10 a.m. Sunday Mass from the Cathedral of Saint Andrew. Begun more than 65 years ago, the broadcast of Mass is a ministry to those who are unable to attend weekly services in-person including those who are homebound, hospitalized or incarcerated. Watch on TV on FOX 17, or online at grdiocese.org or the diocesan Facebook page (Diocese of Grand Rapids). Questions about the broadcast may be directed to the diocesan Office of Communications by emailing alaumeyer@grdiocese.org or calling 616-551-5629.

“Amoris Laetitia Family” Year

Much of Pope Francis' papacy has been focused on the family – relationships within the family, as well as the pastoral care of marriage. On March 19, 2021, the Church celebrated the fifth anniversary of the pope's post-synodal Apostolic Exhortation on the beauty and joy of love in the family, Amoris Laetitia. On that day, Pope Francis launched the year “Amoris Laetitia Family” which will conclude June 26, 2022 during the X World Meeting of Families in Rome with the Holy Father. As We continue to celebrate the Year of the Family, focusing on familial relationships. Pope Francis brings to life the path of love in families in Wisdom on Love. Read a tip a day together with your family. Put into practice the helpful advice that corresponds to your heart!

<https://store.usccb.org/collections/pope-francis/products/pope-francis-wisdom-on-love-practical-advice-for-families>

A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar

In today's gospel “the apostles gathered around and told Jesus all they had done.” Listening allows the other person to express, understand and appreciate their experiences. Whether it is the excited chatter of a young child or the repetitious stories of an aging grandparent, listening is important. It is not just time well spent; it is sacred time.

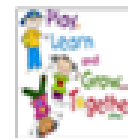
The Lansing Lugnuts will be having a Family Faith Night on September 17th. If you would be interested in go as a group and we have 10 or more the tickets are \$11.00 per person. Please call Katherine at 616-374-7253 by August 13th.

PLEASE PRAY for Randy Armstrong and Lisa Nelson.



Cards and letters can be mailed to Lisa at 11148 Vermontville Hwy, Vermontville, MI 49096

Grief Support Group **will meet on August 5** (the first Thursday) at **1 pm** in the family center library. If you would like information call Marsha @269-367-4403.



St. Edward's Preschool Open Enrollment for 21-22

Our preschool is now enrolling students in our 3 and 4-year-old programs for the 2021-22 school years. We believe that this age is a very important time for learning. Our preschool gives children plenty of hands-on opportunities to explore their world while in a Christian environment. Class size is small, which provides your children a better chance to develop socially as well as academically. If you would like more information or an enrollment application, please contact us at 616-374-7253.

FAITH FORMATION TEAM NEEDS YOU!

Through our baptism, we are all called to ongoing lifelong Faith Formation. Our children's Faith Formation program can help you continue on this journey by your active participation in volunteering to be a Faith Formation leader. You will deepen your relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church, as well as deepen the faith and strengthen our parish children's relationship with Christ, as you lead them in the classroom. We are in need of 3 classroom team leaders for this Fall. Our Faith Formation program grows with your help; help from parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles, and other members of our parish family who take the time in and out of the classroom to teach, live, and talk about our Catholic faith. This is why we need you! Our Sunday Faith Formation Team's key role is to support parents as primary educators of our faith and to lead the classroom students to grow in their faith and their knowledge of our Catholic Church. You don't have to be a "teacher" to join our team, you need to be a faith filled Catholic leader... a disciple of God who is willing to share HIS words and stories with our parish children. If you would like to get involved and don't know where to start, just give me a call or shoot me an email. Please pray about this great opportunity and hopefully you will be called to join us on this Faith Formation journey which you were called to do at your baptism!

If you are interested in joining the St. Edward Faith Formation Team, please contact Fredia at 374-7253 x 208 or via email fredia@wowway.biz.

St. Edward Family Center is in need of a Janitor.

Are you looking for a part time job that has some flexibility and a rewarding connection to our church? We are looking for someone who can perform cleaning duties such as cleaning floors, restrooms, hallways, kitchen, classrooms, etc. This would include emptying trash, sweeping and using a scrubber machine, cleaning surfaces in the gym, classrooms, bathrooms, and kitchen. You would be waxing floors, repairing and doing general maintenance throughout the building, and shoveling the entry ways. This position would include setting up and tear down for events in the gym. You must be 18yrs of age or older and willing to work 12-15hrs a week. We need someone to keep our building in clean and orderly condition. If you are interested, please contact Fredia or the Parish Office at 374-7253 for more information.

OUR PARISH OFFERING – July 10/11, 2021

Adults	\$	3200.00
Loose:	\$	187.00
Total receipts:	\$	3387.00
Budgeted Weekly	\$	3,250.00
Overage/Shortage	\$	137.00

July 1, 2021 – July 11, 2021 Fiscal YTD Offertory Collections

Year-to-Date	\$5729.00
Budgeted Year-to-Date:	\$6500.00
Overage/Shortage Year-to-Date:	(\$ 771.00)

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

Money Counters for the weekend of July 25, 2021
Pat Drake & Betsy Wieland

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:

The next Finance meeting is yet to be determined.

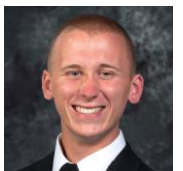
The Finance Council is looking for new members. We meet 3-4 times a year to review the financial status of our parish. If you are interested, please see Dan Shields or email the office.

PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS

Almighty and everlasting God, you are the source of all life. We praise you for the beauty of creation and the gifts that surround us. During these summer days, bless us with an enduring sense of your presence and protection. May more young people answer your call to ordained and consecrated life. Amen.

St. Joseph, pray for us.

Jeffrey Devlin
St. John Vianney College Seminary
2115 Summit Ave.
St. Paul, MN 55105



What is expected of Catholics?

Every household has basic ground rules: “Be Respectful”, “Clean up your messes,” etc. This way, everybody benefits. Like every family, the Catholic Church has “house rules” as well:

Come home every weekend: “You shall attend Mass on Sundays and on holy days of obligation and rest from servile labor.” God wants to see us back in person- often!

Take responsibility: “Your shall confess your sins at least once a year.” Since we are prone to sin, we're obligated to reconcile with God at least once a year.

Reconnect: “You shall receive the sacrament of the Eucharist at least during the Easter season.” In the Eucharist, Jesus nourishes us with his Body and Blood at every Mass!

Practice detachment: “ You shall observe the days of fasting and abstinence established by the Church.” Fasting helps us free our hearts for God's love.

Help around the house: “You shall help to provide for the needs of the Church.” Whether we donate money, time or resources, every little bit helps. (CCC,#2042-2043)