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Saint Edward the Confessor Catholic Church

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

November 21, 2021
 Saint Edward Church
 531 Jordan Lake St.
 Lake Odessa, MI 48849

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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

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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.



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Virtue of the Month: Charity

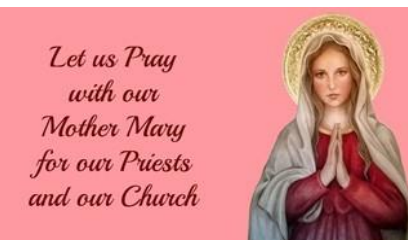
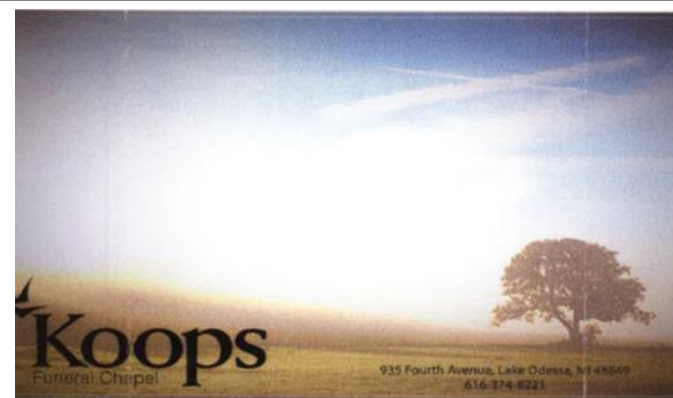
It is worthwhile to reflect that God, Who has commanded us to love our neighbor, has also prescribed the manner in which we are to love Him, that is, as ourselves. This is the rule which cannot be transgressed without fault; and it is so essential that unless our love comes up to this measure, it is not sufficient.

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 Grand Rapids, MI 49504
info@helppregnancy.org
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Special walk-in hours for free pregnancy test and limited ultrasound Wed. & Thurs. 2:00-5:00pm or by appointment.



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

Saint Edward Family Center
 741 Washington Blvd.
 Lake Odessa, Mi 48849
 Available for rent (max. 330 People)
 For Information call 616-374-7253
 EMAIL fredia@wowway.biz



St. Edward Knights of Columbus

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



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 7857 Velte Road Lake Odessa, Mi 48849
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 Mon., Tues., & Thurs., 3:00P-8:00P Closed: Wed. & Sun



Pray for the Unborn

SACRED SCRIPTURE

21 SUNDAY: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Dn 7:13-14 Ps 93 1-2, 5 Rv 1:5-85 Jn 18:33b-37

22 MONDAY: Saint Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr

Dn 1:1-6, 8-20 (Ps) Dn 3:52-56 Lk 21:1-4

23 TUESDAY: Weekday: Saint Clement I, Pope, Martyr; Saint Columban, Abbot; Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest, Martyr

Dn 2:31-45 (Ps) Dn 3:57-61 Lk 21:5-11

24 WEDNESDAY: Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest and companions, Martyrs

Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28 (Ps) Dn 3:62-67 Lk 21:12-19

25 THURSDAY: Weekday: Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin, Martyr: Thanksgiving Day

Dn 6: 12-28 (Ps) Dn 3: 68-74 Lk 21:20-28

26 FRIDAY: Weekday

Dn 7:2-14 (Ps) Dn 3:75-81 Lk 21:29-33

27 SATURDAY: Weekday

Dn 7:15-27 (Ps) Dn 3:82-87 Lk 21:34-36

28 SUNDAY: FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Jer 33:14-16 Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 1Thes 3:12—4:2 Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

A reflection on Thanksgiving and the Mass, based on the writings of St. Albert the Great

In just a few days it will be Thanksgiving. A day where most of us will be off work, a day of gathering with family and friends, a day of good food and of watching football and parades. Yet all of this is secondary. It is first and foremost a day of giving thanks to God. He has given us so much. It is a day to observe his commandment: *Do this in remembrance of Me!*

Do this in remembrance of Me! There are two things for us to keep in mind. The first is that we should use this sacrament, this Mass, when He says “*Do This.*” The second is that this sacrament commemorates our Lord’s going to death for our sake. Do this. Certainly, God would demand nothing more profitable, nothing more pleasant, nothing more beneficial, nothing more desirable, nothing more similar to eternal life.

This sacrament is profitable because it grants the remission of sins. It is most useful because it bestows the fullness of God’s grace on us in this life. Our Father instructs us in what is useful for our sanctification. And his sanctification is in Christ’s sacrifice when He offers Himself to the Father for our redemption. He gives it to us for our use. It is said, “*I consecrate myself for their sakes. Christ, who through the Holy Spirit offered Himself up without blemish to God, will cleanse our consciences from dead works to worship the living God.*”

Nor can we do anything more pleasant. For what is better than God manifesting his whole sweetness to us? *You gave them bread from heaven, not the fruit of human labor, but a bread endowed with all delight and pleasant to every sense of taste. For this substance of yours revealed your kindness toward your children, and serving the desire of each recipient, it changed to suit each one’s taste.*

God could not have commanded anything more beneficial, for this sacrament is the fruit of the tree of life. Anyone who receives this sacrament with the devotion of sincere faith will never taste death. *It is a tree of life for those who grasp it, and blessed is the one who holds it fast. The person who feeds on Me shall live on account of Me.*

Nor could God have commanded anything more lovable, for this sacrament produces love and union. It is characteristic of the greatest love to give itself as food. “*Had not the people of my tent exclaimed: Who will feed us with his flesh to satisfy our hunger?*” It is the same to say: I have loved them and they have loved Me so much that I desire to be within them, and they desire to receive Me so that they may become my members. There is no more intimate or more natural means for them to be united to Me and I to them.

Nor could God have commanded anything which is more like eternal life. Eternal life flows from this sacrament because God with all sweetness pours Himself out upon all the blessed who come to receive Him.

We will see you at Mass!

Fr. Tom

MASS INTENTIONS AND MINISTERS

Sunday, November 21: 9:45 AM MASS

+ John Lyson by Judy Lyson

Monday, November 22: 9 AM MASS

+ Living & Deceased member of Walliczek Family

Tuesday, November 23: 9:00 AM MASS

John Verner by Dee Manshum

Wednesday, November 24: 9:00 AM MASS

Our Parish

Thursday, November 25: 9:00AM MASS

(THANKSGIVING DAY)

Our Parish

Friday, November 26: 9:00 AM MASS

+Hertha Walliczek by Norbert Walliczek

Saturday, November 27: 6:00 PM Vigil MASS

+ Nancy Hickey by Maurice Hickey

Lector: P. St. Amour

EOM: Y. McCall

Sunday, November 28: 9:45 AM

+ Bob Stadel by Marsha Stadel

Lector: A. Brodbeck

EOM: C. Vinton

PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE FOR THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

Mass Intentions- Having a Mass said for the needs of a special person, for a special request, or in thanksgiving has a long history in the Catholic Church. If you would like a Mass said for a special intention, please contact the office.

- R** It is with great pleasure that we announce the schedule for
- C** RCIA! We hope to see those interested in learning about our
- I** Catholic faith. We will meet on Wednesday nights.
- A** If you know someone who might “make a good Catholic”, please call Anne Adams at 616-374-8340

RCIA Schedule

- 12-01 Liturgical Seasons/Holy Days: Jerry
- 12-08 The Mass
- 12-15 The Mass
- 12-22 The Mass

Preventing the spread of illness during cold and flu season: During cold and flu season, and in general throughout the year, please follow these basic guidelines to help prevent the spread of illness in our parish: If you suspect you have the flu or are suffering from a serious cold, please stay home. Your Sunday obligation is waived.

- Wear a mask
- Cover your mouth/nose when coughing or sneezing.
- Wash hands frequently and for the appropriate length of time using soap and water, or hand sanitizing products.
- Please do not hold hands during the “Our Father.”
- Instead of shaking hands during the sign of peace, clasp your hands together, make eye contact with those around you, and say “Peace be with you,” or “Peace of Christ.”
- If you are feeling sick, please receive Holy Communion in the hand, rather than on the tongue, and refrain from receiving Communion from the cup.

For additional information, visit: <https://grdiocese.org/flu-and-mass-guidelines>



PLEASE PRAY for:

Randy Armstrong, William Fyan, George Heinze, and Lisa Nelson.



Grief Support Group will meet on December 2nd (the first Thursday) at 1 pm in the family center library. If you would like information call Marsha @269-367-4403.

Memory Tree

The memory tree will be in the back of the Church during the month of November. To remember our loved ones who has died. If you would like the name of your loved one who has died added to the tree, please write their name on the list next to the tree. A ball will be made for them and hung on the tree. For question contact Marsha Stadel at (269)367-4403 or email: marshastadel@gmail.com.

PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS

Thomas Curry
University of St Thomas
2115 Summit Avenue
St. Paul, MN 55105



Heavenly Father,
We give you thanks and praise for your son, Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit to inspire holy, faithful men to minister as priests. Lord, we pray for our seminarians, especially Thomas. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Are you discerning the priesthood?

The Explore Priesthood Group is a discernment opportunity sponsored by the diocesan Office of Priestly Vocations. Each month, young men (ages 16 – 35) are invited to gather and discern God’s will for their lives. Time for prayer and reflection will be held monthly at St. Stephen Parish in East Grand Rapids beginning at 12:30 p.m. This year’s discernment opportunities are offered on the following Sundays: Dec. 12, Jan. 9 (2022), Feb. 13, March 13, Apr. 24 (Divine Mercy Sunday), and May 15. Please call/email Pattie Reynolds, administrative assistant, to let her know you are coming at 616-288-0910 or (preynolds@grdiocese.org).

Televised Sunday Mass: Join us each week for the live broadcast of 10 a.m. Sunday Mass from the Cathedral of Saint Andrew. 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.

Ecumenical Prayer Service with Bishop Walkowiak during Restorative Justice Week in November

The Prison and Jail Ministry Office invites you to join them Nov. 22 at 6:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Andrew during Restorative Justice Week, Nov. 21 - 28. Bishop David Walkowiak will preside at the annual ecumenical “Restoring, Reconciling and Healing Prayer Service” to pray for incarcerated individuals, prison and jail volunteers and chaplains, employees of correctional facilities, associations offering assistance to our prisons and jails, and victims of crimes and their families.

OUR PARISH OFFERING – Nov 13/14, 2021

Adults	\$ 4,225.00
Loose:	\$ 179.00
Total receipts:	\$ 4,404.00
Budgeted Weekly:	\$ 3,250.00
Overage/Shortage:	\$ 1,154.00

July 1, 2021 – Nov 14, 2021 Fiscal YTD Offertory Collections

Year-to-Date:	\$ 69,352.00
Budgeted Year-to-Date:	\$ 65,000.00
Overage/Shortage Year-to-Date:	\$ 4,352.00

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.
2Lake Odessa, MI, 48849

Thank you for your continued support of the church.

Counters: November 28- Vinton -Andrew Snider

Finance: The next Finance meeting is January 17, 2022.



The next K of C meeting is December 13th at 7 pm. Meetings are on the second Tuesday of each month.

The Knights’ can drive last day will be on December 18th. They are collecting aluminum cans (returnable/non-returnable), returnable plastic & glass bottles can be dropped off at the trailer in the parking lot south of the Family Center. If trailer is not open, place cans in one of the trash cans at the rear of the trailer. Some of the charities that the pop money will be used to help are: Manna’s Market, Lakewood Community Christmas Basket, Seminarians, K of C Disaster Relief Fund, Boys town, Coats for Kids, Make-a-Wish, LEF, Special Olympics, Holy Family Radio, Ultrasound machines, PSIC and others. Thank you for your support!

The Knight have put out the balance of the Christmas Cards that we sell each year. Due to supply chain shortages, we are unable to get more this year. Thank you and sorry for the inconvenience.

During the month of November, we take extra time to remember & thank our military veterans. On November 13-14 and 20-21, the Knights of Columbus will be collecting items for the Veterans Facility in Battle Creek. We ask your assistance in providing items that these veterans need. We will have totes in the back of the church after each weekend mass or drop item off at the office. Items in need: Deorderant, body wash, lotions, small packages of tissue, tooth paste, shower shoes, pens, playing card, shaving cream, ankle socks, chap stick and mouth wash. We Thank you, KofC 14404.

A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar

When we are young, our parents “tell us about Jesus” and we believe what our parents believe. At some point we must leave our parents faith and ask Pilate’s question: “Are you the King?” Pilate is just asking these questions on our behalf.

Advent Adoration

We will be having Adoration this advent season. Adoration will be from 6pm-8pm on Thursdays starting on December 2nd through December 30.