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*Saint Edward the Confessor Catholic Church*

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 7, 2022  
 Saint Edward Church  
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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:**

Tuesday **8 AM – 9AM**

Thursday **6:30 PM-7:30 PM**

or by appointment

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Marty Kretovic

**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.



Stay awake and be ready!

For you do not know on what day your Lord will come.

Mt. 24: 42a,44

*SACRED SCRIPTURE*

**07 SUNDAY: NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Wis 18:6-9 Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22 Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 Lk 12:32-48

**08 MONDAY: Saint Dominic, Priest**

Ez 1:2-5,24-28c Ps 148:1-2, 11-14 Mt 17:22-27

**09 TUESDAY: Weekday; Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin, Martyr**

Ez 2:8—3:4 Ps 119:14,24,72,103,111,131 Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

**10 WEDNESDAY: SAINT LAWRENCE, DEACON, MARTYR**

2 Cor 9:6-10 Ps 112:1-2, 5-9 Jn 12:24-26

**11 THURSDAY: Saint Claire, Virgin**

Ez 12:1-12 Ps 78:56-59, 61-62 Mt 18:21—19:1

**12 FRIDAY: Weekday; Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious**

Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 (Ps) Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 Mt 19:3-12

**13 SATURDAY: Weekday; Saint Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, priest, martyrs**

Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32 Ps 51:12-15, 18-19 Mt 19:13-15

**14 SUNDAY: TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

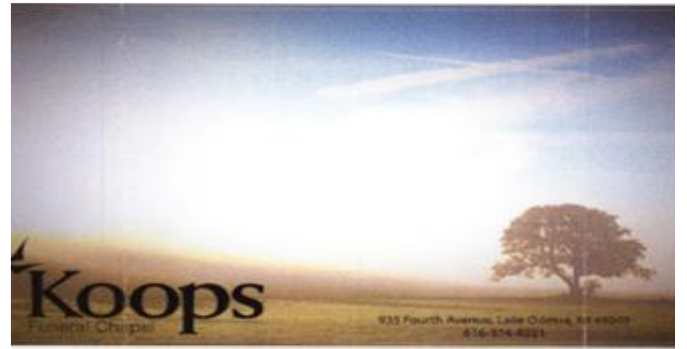
Jer 38:4-6, 8-10 Ps 40:2-4, 18 Heb 12:1-4 Lk 12:49-53

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

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**St. Edward Knights of Columbus**

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



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Pray for the Unborn

On the first day of August, we celebrated the feast day of St. Alphonsus Liguori, a Bishop and Doctor in our Catholic Church. A renowned doctor of both Canon and Civil Law, he left the legal profession and entered the priesthood. He lived during a period of history in which Christianity was in decline. Our Lord led him into contact with the culturally impoverished and spiritually needy by the way of very popular missions. He devoted himself to preaching and writing books on the Blessed Virgin, the Holy Eucharist and Moral Theology. He preached tirelessly, giving doctrine and encouraging everyone to personal prayer through his words and writings. We are the recipients of these gifts. Great among these gifts is this piece he wrote on the Love of Jesus Christ:

All holiness and perfection of soul lies in our love for Jesus Christ our God, who is our redeemer and our supreme good. It is part of the love of God to acquire and to nurture all the virtues which make us perfect.

Has not God in fact won for himself a claim on all our love? From all eternity he has loved us. And it is in this vein that he speaks to us: "O mankind, consider carefully that I first loved you. You had not yet appeared in the light of day nor did the world exist, but already I loved you. From all eternity I have loved you."

Since God knew that we are enticed by favors, he wished to bind us to his love by means of his gifts: "I want to catch people with the snares, those chains of love in which they allow themselves to be entrapped, so that they will love me." And all the gifts which he bestowed on us were given to this end. He gave each of us a soul, made in his likeness, and endowed with memory, intellect and will; he gave each of us a body equipped with the senses; it was for us that he created heaven and earth and such an abundance of things. He made all these things out of love for us, so that all creation might serve us, and we in turn might love God out of gratitude for so many gifts.

But he did not wish to give us only beautiful creatures; the truth is that to win for himself our love, he went so far as to bestow upon us the fullness of himself. The eternal Father went so far as to give us his only Son. When he saw that we were all dead through sin and deprived of his grace, what did he do? Compelled, as the Apostle says, by the superabundance of his love for us, he sent his beloved Son to make reparation for us and to call us back to a sinless life.

By giving us his Son, whom he did not spare precisely so that he might spare us, he bestowed on us at once every good: grace, love and heaven; for all these goods are certainly inferior to the Son. He who did not spare his own Son, but handed him over for all of us; how could he fail to give us along with his Son all good things?

St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop

**MASS INTENTIONS AND MINISTERS**

Sunday, August 07: 9:45 am

+ Donald Spitzley by Janice Fyan

Monday, August 08: 9:00 am

Living & Deceased members of the Walliczek family

Tuesday, August 09: 9:00 am

St. Edward's Parish

Wednesday, August 10: 9:00 am

+Peg Hubbard by Ralph & Michelle Westbrook & Lillian Overbeck

Thursday, August 11: 12:10pm

+Steve Goble by Bert Walliczek

Friday, August 12: 9:00 am

+David Fillion by Grief Support Group

Saturday, August 13: 6:00 pm

+ Celia & Eliel Gomez by the Gomez Family

Lector: Al H.

EOM: Volunteer

Greeters: Al & Daine H.

Sunday, August 14: 9:45am

+ Clarence Spitzley by Janice Fyan

Lector: Alan B.

EOM: Cindy G.



**The distribution of the Precious Blood will begin on August 20.**

We will be in need of more Extra Ordinary Ministers. If you have been an EOM, Lector, Altar Server or Greeter and would like to do so again please contact the office at 616-374-7253.



Diocesan Assembly 2022: Witness

Saturday, September 24

9:30 am to 2:30 pm

Register now for this in-person and online event.

We received the call to be a witness to the Good News in our baptism when we received the grace of new life in Christ. Being a witness means reflecting Christ's presence in our actions and in our words.

**Keynote Presenter:** Kathryn Angulo is the program director of the Thriving in Ministry Initiative. In her role, she works to prepare lay pastoral leaders for long-term ministry in the Church and directs the Bishop John M. D'Arcy Program in Priestly Renewal. For more information: [grdiocese.org/diocesan-assembly](http://grdiocese.org/diocesan-assembly)

**SENSORY-FRIENDLY MASS AUGUST 7 AT 2PM ST. JOHN PAUL II PARISH, CEDAR SPRINGS**

A special invitation is extended to any person with a disability. This Mass held on the Sunday of each month will include dimmer lights, quieter music, and no incense. Families are encouraged to bring materials that can assist with comfort during the liturgy: noise-cancelling headphones, fidgets, wiggle seats, etc. Contact Katie Mendenhall with questions at 616-696-3904 or [kmendenhall@jp2-mqa.org](mailto:kmendenhall@jp2-mqa.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](http://grdiocese.org) or the diocesan Facebook page (Diocese of Grand Rapids).

**Please Pray for:**

Randy Armstrong, Lisa Nelson  
And for all born & unborn children.



Grief Support Group will meet on **September 1st** (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 2022-23**

If you would like more information, please contact us at 616-374-7253 x4, email [fredia@wowway.biz](mailto:fredia@wowway.biz), or stop by the St. Edward Family Center. Enrollment applications are located in the south entrance of the church.

**Faith Formation Update:**

RCIA coming soon!!! Classes start Sept. 7 at 7:00 p.m. at 753 5th Ave., Lake Odessa. The schedule will be printed later. Please give this information to anyone you know considering our faith practice. Please call 616-374-8340 for more information or to let us know to you want a seat.

**PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS - Workers for the Harvest**

God our Father,

You made each of us to use our gifts in the Body of Christ. We ask that you inspire young people whom you call to priesthood and consecrated life to courageously follow Your will. Send workers into Your great harvest so that the Gospel is preached, the poor are served with love, the suffering are comforted, and your people are strengthened by the sacraments.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

**Discerning God's Will – Growing in Faith**

Do you have a big decision to make? It can be difficult to hear God's voice just when you need it most. Asking the right questions and looking for signs you are on track can help you make the right choice.

**"Will it help me get to Heaven?"** Answering this question first will weed out extraneous options quickly. Then, when deciding between two good choices, consider which one makes best use of your strengths, gifts, and your state in life.

**Deep peace.** In heartfelt prayer, you'll likely experience a deep peace for one of your options. Only God gives this kind of peace (John 14:27). It's a good sign when that peace lasts throughout the decision process. Lack of peace is usually God saying, "no."

**Good fruits.** These are easiest to see after you have taken steps toward your decision. If you see spiritual fruits like generosity, joy, patience, and self-control growing in your soul, you're on the right track. Anxiety, turmoil, anger, tension are sighs that you made a misstep.

**A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar**

In today's gospel a servant WAITED for the master to return. Waiting is a normal part of family life. We wait for a child's birth, then for small legs to catch up. Later we wait for teenagers to return home safely. Finally, we wait alone anticipating a call or visit from an adult child. Waiting is sacred time, for even in the waiting we are connected.

**OUR PARISH OFFERING – July 30/31, 2022**

Adults	\$ 2,285.00
Loose:	\$ 301.00
<b>Total receipts:</b>	<b>\$ 2,586.00</b>
Budgeted Weekly:	\$ 3,650.00
<b>Overage/Shortage:</b>	<b>\$ (1,064.00)</b>

**July 1, 2022 – July 31, 2022 Fiscal YTD Offertory Collections**

Year-to-Date:	\$ 17,128.00
Budgeted Year-to-Date:	\$ 18,250.00
<b>Overage/Shortage Year-to-Date:</b>	<b>\$ ( 1,122.00)</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.  
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Thank you for your continued support of the church.

**Counters: August 14- Betsy Weiland & Vinton**



K of C: Next Meeting will be on **August 9<sup>th</sup>** at 7pm.



Alpha Care Center- 5K Run / Walk  
August 13 at 9 am- \$25  
(\$ 60 Max/ Family)  
Jordan Lake Trails and Park, Lake Odessa  
Registration: 8:45 am  
Start Time: 9 am

Join nearly a hundred walkers and Runners from our community in honor of life! Take the challenge, join in, and walk or run with a purpose! Can't attend- you still can collect pledges and walk or run on a different day! Every dollar you raise will help the Alpha Care Center provide free medical and support services to individuals and families in our community. For more information, visit:

[www.alphacarecenter.org/getinvolved/events-campaigns](http://www.alphacarecenter.org/getinvolved/events-campaigns)

**Michigan Catholic Women's Conference** taking place on Saturday, October 15 from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at the Lansing Center in Lansing.

The conference theme is "For Such a Time as This" and is based on the book of Esther, verse 4:14, "PERHAPS YOU HAVE COME TO YOUR ROYAL DIGNITY FOR JUST SUCH A TIME AS THIS."

The conference will feature two wonderful Catholic speakers, talks from diocesan priests, testimonies from women across the state, a time of Eucharistic Adoration, and the day will culminate with Mass celebrated with bishops from Michigan.



To registrater scan QR code or go to: [www.Michigancwc.org](http://www.Michigancwc.org)

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Tickets are \$75

Seniors (62+) & Student are \$65.