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Saint Edward the Confessor Catholic Church

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 6, 2022
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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.



06 SUNDAY: THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14 Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15 2Ths 2:16—3:5 Lk 20:16—3:5

07 MONDAY: Weekday

Ti 1:1-9 Ps 24:1b-4b, 5-6 Lk 17:1-6

08 TUESDAY: Weekday

Ti 2:1-8, 11-14 Ps 37:3-4, 18, 23, 27, 29 Lk 17:7-10

09 WEDNESDAY: The Dedication of The Lateran Basilica

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17
Jn 2:13-22

10 THURSDAY: Saint Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church

Phlm 7-20 Ps 146:7-10 Lk 17:20-25

11 FRIDAY: Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop

2 Jn 4-9 Ps 119:1-2, 10-11, 17-18 Lk 17:26-37

12 SATURDAY: Saint Josaphat, Bishop Martyr

3 Jn 5-8 Ps 112:1-6 Lk 18:1-8

13 SUNDAY: THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mal 3:19-20a Ps 98:5-9 2 Thes 3:7-12 Lk 21:5-19

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Pray for the Unborn

We are in the last month of our Church year as November 27th is the First Sunday of Advent. During this final month, we take a look back to consider our past with all its ups and downs. For some, it is a year when we have lost our focus. Some aren't even sure why they are here on this planet. What's the meaning of life? Why am I here? Where do I go? What's next? For all of us who are baptized, the meaning is clear. It is found in Jesus Christ. In Him, we are saved. In Him, we are called to follow to eternal glory. How do we do that? With Jesus, we are focused on the Eucharist, the Body and Blood of our Savior. He is our center. He is our reality.

Unfortunately, many don't see that reality. When we look around the world, life is filled with confusion and conflicting messages. We see Russia's "special military occupation" being fought and its impact on nations throughout the world. We see crime rates going up with murder, theft, suicide, and other activities. We see families being broken as people forget their promises and seek pleasure with other people. The divorce rate among Catholics is the same as the rest of the world. Priests and religious leave their vows behind to return to secular life. We see abortion continuing to spread as restrictions are loosened or done away with altogether. Our proposed new laws will allow abortion up to the point of the birth of the baby. Minors will be able to abort without the consent or even the knowledge of parents. Abortions will be able to be committed by non-medical personnel. When we consider all of these things and more, we feel like giving up. But make no mistake. We are at war. Much more than physical, it is a moral war. It is a spiritual war. Just as God broke the bonds of slavery and led the people out of Egypt to freedom, Jesus redeemed us on the Cross and set us free from spiritual and moral slavery.

Jesus Christ set us free and calls us to follow Him. He gives us strength through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and the gift of the Eucharist. How well are we using God's gifts? These final weeks of the year are a time set aside for preaching about heaven, hell, purgatory, and final judgment. No one wants to talk about them. But they are real. Oh, not in a negative way. In a very positive way. God loves us. He desires all of us to be saved. Every man, woman, and child is greatly loved by God, and He wants all of us in heaven. To do this, we are called to follow Jesus Christ. In Him, we have redemption. In Him, we have hope. Yes, life is tough. We work hard. We will either be a winner or a loser. We may lose at many things. We may lose our job, our company, our house, our marriage, even our family. But ultimately, we are a winner or a loser depending on whether we enter into heaven. There is one way to do this. Not many ways. One way. And that way is a person. It is Jesus Christ. It is through Him that we enter into union with the Most Holy Trinity.

Let us remember to pray. Let us remember to worship. Let us remember to receive Jesus in the Eucharist. He is our life.

God bless you!

Fr. Tom

MASS INTENTIONS AND MINISTERS

Sunday November 06: 9:45 am

+ Donald & Ruth Spitzley by Janice Fyan

Monday, November 07: 9:00 am

For Charity

Tuesday, November 08: 9:00 am

Public Officials

Wednesday, November 09: 9:00 am

+ Steve Johnson

Thursday, November 10: 12:10pm

+ Living & Deceased members of the Walliczek Family

Friday, November 11: 9:00 am

Unborn Children

Saturday, November 12: 6:00 pm

+ Lawrence Edres by Mary Endres

Lector: Kathy S.

EOM: Yvonne M. Bill S.

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Sunday, November 13: 9:45am

St. Edward Parish

Lector: Anne A.

EOM: Mary H., Kathy C.,

Altar Servers: Marjorie Brodbeck, Dylan Snyder

Adoration



Thursdays evenings from 6 to 8 pm in the Church.

November 3, 10, 17

December 1, 15, 23,30

A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar

The question of the Sadducees to Jesus is framed in a story about a family with seven brother and their sister-in-law. Through the story telling families to remember their shared past and expose the companionship of God in your family from generation to generation.

Christmas Basket Donations Needed!

Our Parish is once again partnering with other area churches to support the Lakewood Community Council Christmas Basket Program. This program provides food, winter gear, and children's gifts to families in need in the Lakewood area.



Our Church has been asked to provide \$10- \$12 gifts for 3-year-old boys (8 needed) and 9-year-old girls (7 needed). If you are able, please place your donation in a gift bag. We are also in need of new hats, socks, and water-resistant gloves/mittens of all sizes. All donations need to be left in the back of the church by November 27. Please pray for the families receiving these baskets, that their hearts will be touched.

To let us know that you plan to purchase a child's gift or if you are in need of an application to receive a basket, please contact Karen Halanski (847-404-1887) or Gayle Peacock (616-374-8274). Thank you for your continued generosity to this program!

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).

Please Pray for:

Robert Rasche, Randy Armstrong, Lisa Nelson, and Maurice Hickey.



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

"**The Memory Tree** will be in the back of Church during the month of November when we remember all souls. Each ball on the tree has the name, from the previous years, of deceased loved ones. If you have a loved one who has died during the past year, please write the name on the pad next to the tree, and a ball will be made for them."

St. Edward's Preschool Christmas Wreath Sale Pick up November 17th.

Contact 374-7253 X4 from more info if needed. Thank you for your support to our Preschool!

Faith Formation All Saints Day Carnival -

Approx. 25 children and their families had lots of fun last Sunday at our All Saint Day Carnival. There were 12 different activities plus "Tell Satan No Kickball". The children left with lots of candy and learned about 10 different Saints. The Faith Formation Department would like to thank The Knights of Columbus for their donation as well as Parishioners who gave money and time to make this activity a success! God Bless each and every one of you!!

RCIA is 6:30 p.m. Wednesday nights at 753 5th Ave., Lake Odessa. Please give this information to anyone you know considering our faith practice. Please call Anne at 616-374-8340 for more information or to let us know to you want a seat.

Schedule:

- 11-09 Prayer – Andrew
- 11-16 Liturgy- Anne
- 11-30 Liturgical Seasons & Holy Days- Jerry
- 12-07 Mass
- 12-14 Mass
- 12-21 Mass

PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS

Jeffery Davlin
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God our Father,

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

A Pro-Life Prayer Vigil for the Election

Monday, November 7, 2022 from 8 – 9 p.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church (1935 Plymouth SE, Grand Rapids).

Join Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish on the evening before the election to pray for life. The evening will include hymns, a pro-life litany, and pro-life intercessions.

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:

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Thank you for your continued support of the church.

Counters: November 13- Pat Drake & Betsy Wieland



K of C: Next Meeting will be on **November 8** at 7pm.

Responding to arguments made for Proposal 3- Focus

They say: "This Amendment stops the government from prosecuting women who experience miscarriages or ectopic pregnancies".

We Respond: Abortion is an intentional act to destroy a life, while a miscarriage is spontaneous action within a woman's body. An ectopic pregnancy is when a fertilized egg implants outside the uterus, where it cannot survive. A woman receiving treatment for an ectopic pregnancy or suffering a miscarriage is not the same as choosing to undergo an abortion. Both state law and the Michigan Supreme Court are clear that women rightfully cannot be prosecuted for an abortion.

Effective Prayer is humble, yet bold

Jesus said, "Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you receive it, and you will" (Mark 11:24). The best prayers require the boldness to ask for what we want and the humility to surrender to God's will. Try these tips to pry with humility and boldness:

Seek reconciliation: the most common reason for ineffective prayer is an confessed sin. Start with a thorough examination of conscience to see what needs confessing. Seek forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation regularly. Ask for the grace to improve.

Step aside: sometimes our prayers become lists of demands instead of conversations with our beloved Father. Put the focus back on Him. Choose a Scripture verse, Biblical image, or a mystery of the Rosary, for example. Meditate on it and talk with him about it. We learn humility by lessening the focus on ourselves.

Give thanks: Each day, honor God as the source of all that is good in your life. Think of four or five of your favorite blessings and thank Him for them. Doing this daily strengthens our faith in His care. Act in faith: "Cast all your anxieties on him, for he cares for you." (1 Peter 5:7). Asking God for help with all your concerns – which is different demanding – is a sign of humility and bold faith.

40 Hours of Devotion- St. Mary Catholic Church in Lowell will be having 40 hours of devotion starting on Sunday, November 6 at 11:45 am (following the 10:30 Mass) and ending on Tuesday November 8 at 9 am. This is for the Protection of Human Life & Rejection of Proposal 3. If interested in sign up for an hour and / or leading prayer call the office (616) 897-9820 Or <https://bit.ly/StMary40hours>.

"All life has inestimable value even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect." ~ Pope Francis