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Saint Edward the Confessor Catholic Church

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 22, 2023
 Saint Edward Church
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 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.



22 SUNDAY: THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 8:23—9:3 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17 Mt 4:12-23

23 MONDAY: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children; Saint Vincent, Deacon, Martyr; Saint Marianne Cope, Virgin

Heb 9:15, 24-28 Ps 98:1-6 Mk 3:22-30

24 TUESDAY: Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

Heb 10:1-10 Ps 40:2,4ab, 7-8a, 10-11 Mk 3:31-35

25 WEDNESDAY: The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle

Act 22:3-16 Ps 117:1-2 Mk 16:15-18

26 THURSDAY: Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops

2 Tm 1:1-8 Ps 96:1-3, 7-8, 10 Mk 4:21-25

27 FRIDAY: Weekday; Saint Angela Merici, Virgin

Heb 10:32-39 Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40 Mk 4:26-34

28 SATURDAY: Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Doctor of the Church

Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 (Ps) Lk 1:69-75 Mk 4:35-41

29 SUNDAY: FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 8:23—9:3 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17 Mt 4:12-23



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February 17, 2023



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

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Pray for
 the Unborn



12 January 2023

Statement regarding the Education Choice Petition Drive

I want to provide you with an update regarding the Let MI Kids Learn (LMKL) drive which Michigan Catholic Conference (MCC) supported last year on behalf of Michigan's Catholic bishops, to improve access and choice for education in Michigan and to help more public and private low-income students afford the education resources they need.

Thanks to the efforts of many volunteers across the state, LMKL successfully collected more than the minimum number of signatures to get the scholarship proposal to the Legislature, which could have approved it without the Governor's signature. This was necessary because the Governor had vetoed similar legislation in 2021, which prompted the signature-gathering drive to commence in 2022. LMKL submitted the petitions for validation to the state in August 2022, past the deadline for consideration for the 2022 ballot, which is where the petition would have gone if the Legislature did not approve it. Because of that, the state had until June 2024 to evaluate the signatures.

Since the submission of the signatures, the November election changed control of the Legislature from Republicans – who have previously signaled their support to approve the education scholarship program—to Democrats. Despite efforts by LMKL to persuade the state to finish evaluating the signatures and allow the proposal to go before the previous Legislature, the legislative majority changed hands and the state did not finish evaluation of the signatures.

It is unlikely that the new legislative majority would approve the program, meaning the proposal would go to the ballot in 2024. That would require millions of dollars in resources to try to get it approved by the voters. Because of this reality, the LMKL committee made the decision to withdraw the signatures submitted to the state, which has been granted, thus ending the initiative to implement the scholarship program.

While this is disappointing outcome, MCC will continue to work toward and look for opportunities to improve education choice in Michigan and to aid parents in their roles as the primary educators of the children. I am grateful for the effort that parishes and Catholic Schools provided. Please convey my gratitude to those in your community who assisted in this cause. I wish you the best in the New Year.

Sincerely,

Paul A. Long
President and CEO

MASS INTENTIONS AND MINISTERSSunday, January 22: 9:45 am

+ Cody Everett

Monday, January 23: 9:00 am

For the intentions of Nuala Williams

Tuesday, January 24: 9:00 am

Ruth O, Mara by Diane Tomandl

Wednesday, January 25: 9:00 am

St Edward Parish

Thursday, January 26: 12:10 pm

+ Living & Deceased Members of the Walliczek Family

Friday, January 27: 09:00am

+Living & Deceased Members of the Gerhards Family

Saturday, January 28: 6:00 pm

+Maurice Hickey by Marsha Stadel

Lector: Kathy S.

EOM: Yvonne M., Bill S., & Mary S.

Altar Servers: Emma Tidd

Sunday, January 22: 9:45am

For the intentions of Connie Goble & her family

Lector: Dee M.

EOM: Chris V., Lynn F., & Mary H.

Altar Servers: Chase Barry, Connor P

Greeters:

Request a Mass Intention

Those wishing to honor a loved one during the celebration of Mass please contact the parish office. Intention may be for the living and deceased and provide opportunities for prayerful remembrance of anniversaries, birthdays, and other special intentions.

Adoration

Thursday evenings from 6 to 8 pm in the Church.

January 5, 12, 19, 26

February 2, 9, 16, 23

Adoration sign-up sheets are located at the entrances of the Church.

MASS FOR LIFE MONDAY, JAN. 23

Catholics throughout the diocese are invited to join Bishop Walkowiak for the Mass for Life on Monday, Jan. 23. Attendees are asked to bring a donation for baby pantries in Grand Rapids and Muskegon run by Catholic Charities West Michigan (CCWM).

The evening will begin with a 6:30 p.m. presentation from CCWM on how the Catholic Church has and will continue to support expectant mothers and their children. The presentation will take place at Catholic Central High School, 319 Sheldon Blvd. SE, Grand Rapids.

Mass with Bishop Walkowiak to pray for the legal protection of unborn children will follow at 7 p.m. next door at the Cathedral of Saint Andrew, 301 Sheldon Blvd. SE.

Catholics also are encouraged to participate in the Nine Days for Life novena beginning Thursday, Jan. 19. Find the daily intentions in English and Spanish at usccb.org/resources/9-days-life-novena.

Please join us in praying for an end to abortion. Resources to support women in choosing life may be found at grdiocese.org/walking-with-moms.

Please Pray for:

Robert Rasche, Randy Armstrong,
Lisa Nelson, & those who are alone.



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

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 if you want a seat.

RCIA Schedule Jan-March 2023

1-25 Confession Fr. Tom

2-01 Confirmation Alan

2-08 Holy Orders and Anointing of the Sick Fr. Tom

2-15 Eucharist Andrew and Gary

2-22 Ash Wednesday NO CLASS

3-01 Eucharist Andrew and Gary

3-08 Marriage Suzanne

3-15 Mary and the Communion of Saints Anne

3-22 Social teaching, faith into practice, being part of the Church and the precepts of the Church all staff

3-29 Paschal Mystery Gary

PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS

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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 Hunter. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

MONTHLY SENSORY- FRIENDLY MASS

Feb. 5 | 2 PM | ST. JOHN PAUL II PARISH, CEDAR SPRINGS

A special invitation is extended to any person with a disability. This Mass 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 kmendenhall@jp2-mqa.org or 616-696-3904

Why do Catholics believe things that aren't in the Bible?

Catholics recognize the Bible as the inspired, inerrant Word of God, and we reject beliefs that contradict Scripture. Long before the Gospels were written down, the Apostles passed on to their disciples all that Jesus taught and did. This is what we call, "Tradition," or what was "handed on." Not everything that was handed on could be written down. It was impossible to include everything Jesus did (John 21:25).

Catholic beliefs don't depart from Scripture, but delve deeper into it.

OUR PARISH OFFERING – Jan 14/15, 2023

Adults	\$ 4,651.00
Loose:	\$ 216.00
Total receipts:	\$ 4,867.00
Budgeted Weekly:	\$ 3,650.00
Overage/Shortage:	\$ 1,217.00

July 1, 2022 – Jan 15, 2023 Fiscal YTD Offertory Collections

Year-to-Date:	\$ 110,676.00
Budgeted Year-to-Date:	\$ 105,850.00
Overage/Shortage Year-to-Date:	\$ 4,826.00

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.
Lake Odessa, MI, 48849

Thank you for your continued support of the church.

Counters: January 29: Greg Zuver & Joe Hickey

Finance council meeting will be on Jan. 23 at 6:30 pm in the Family Center.

The 2023 contribution envelopes have yet to arrive. Please use the envelopes that have been placed at the church entrances or in pews. Make sure you put your name on the envelope. Thank you for your patience.



K of C: Next Meeting will be on
Tuesday, February 14, 2023 at 7pm.

The winners of the "Lucky 300" Drawing for the week of 1-15-23 were:

1st Place - \$175.00 - Charles Ost2nd Place - \$ 50.00 - Lori Snider3rd Place - \$ 25.00 – Jeff Vander Bom**First Converging Roads health care ethics conference:**

The St. John Paul II Foundation, in collaboration with the Diocese of Grand Rapids and Aquinas College, invite all healthcare professionals to the first Converging Roads health care ethics conference on March 4, 2023 from 8:00 am – 7:15 pm at Aquinas College in Grand Rapids, MI.

The conference theme is Catholic Fundamental Health Care: From the Beginning to the End of Life, and continuing education credits for healthcare professionals will be offered.

Topics include: When Does Life Begin: The Science, Vocation of the Health Care Professional, Redemptive Meaning of Human Suffering, and more!

For more information, please visit convergingroads.com or email cameron@forlifeandfamily.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).