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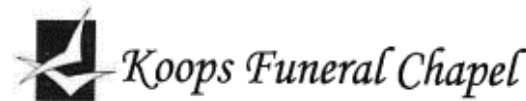
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Let us Pray with our Mother Mary for our Priests and our Church

Saint Edward Family Center
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 Available for rent (max. 330 People)
 For Information call 616-374-7253
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Council #14404
 Joe Hickey, Grand Knight
 Meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of the Month.

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Pray for the Unborn

Saint Edward the Confessor Catholic Church

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

March 5, 2023
 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 616-374-7253 ext. 202

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Pastoral Council: Diane Haskin, George Thelen, Mark Denda, Dee Manshum, Janice Fyan

Financial Council: Andrew Snider, Jerry Tomandl, Allen Hamp, Joe Coates, Chris Vinton, Mary Gillette & 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.



05 SUNDAY: SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Gn 12:1-4a Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22 2Tm 1:8b-10 Mt 17:1-9

06 MONDAY: Lenten Weekday

Dn 9:4b-10 Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13 Lk 6:36-38

07 TUESDAY: Lenten Weekday: Saints Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs

Is 1:10, 16-20 Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23 Mt 23:1-12

08 WEDNESDAY: Lenten Weekday; Saint John of God, Religious

Jer 18:18-20 Ps 31:5-6, 14-16 Mt 20:17-28

09 THURSDAY: Lenten Weekday: Saint Frances of Rome, Religious

Jer 17:5-10 Ps 1:1-4, 6 Lk 16:19-31

10 FRIDAY: Lenten Weekday

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a Ps 105:16-21 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

11 SATURDAY: Lenten Saturday

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 Ps 103:1-4, 9-12 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

12 SUNDAY: THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Ex 17:3-7 Ps 95:1-2, 6-9 Rom 5:1-2, 5-8 Jn 4:5-42

On February 26 the newest Catechumens and Candidates of St. Edward gathered at the Cathedral of St. Andrew in Grand Rapids to publicly express their desire to enter into full communion with our Catholic faith. Lent is a period of preparation marked by prayer, study, and spiritual direction for the Elect. Prayers for them by our parish community is requested. The Celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation will take place during the Easter Vigil Liturgy on Holy Saturday when the Elect receives the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. It is then that they will be fully initiated into the Catholic Church.

Pictures are of Mike Fetterhoff, Evan Coates, Nicholas Braelandt



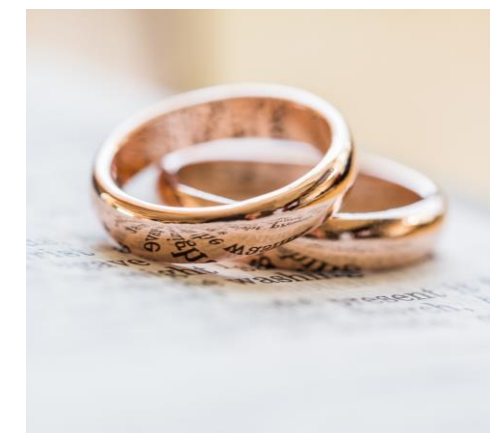
HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 3-4 Judith Rodriquez
- 3-4 Mark Barbour
- 3-8 Caleb Coates
- 3-9 Leigh Hoffman-Wisniewski
- 3-9 Lynne McClure
- 3-9 Norbert Michalski
- 3-14 Richard Peacock
- 3-14 Hannah Fyan
- 3-17 James Maurer
- 3-17 Kathleen Hengesbach
- 3-18 Amber Fetteroff
- 3-19 Christopher King
- 3-27 Grace Clark
- 3-27 Jodey Lafler
- 3-27 Garrett Zuver
- 3-28 Grace King
- 3-28 Benjamin Halanski
- 3-30 Vincent Gale



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- 3-8 Jacob & Heather Matthews
- 3-19 John & Melissa Holtforth
- 3-28 William & Kaylah Fyan
- 3-31 Tom & Kathy Carnegie



“Come, you who are blessed by my Father.”

**“For I was hungry and you gave Me food . . .
I was thirsty and you gave Me drink.”**

This passage was a part of the reading from the Gospel of Matthew that we listened to at Mass last Monday. It has stuck with me all week. These few words say many things to us.

We begin with the fact that our very existence comes from God. The air that we breathe, the beat of our hearts, the wisdom in our minds – all comes to us from God. He has given us dominion over all the other animals, both wild and tame, for food, work, and recreation. We also have a wide variety of vegetables and fruit trees, plus all the other plants. God has made us lord and master of everything on the earth. With all these gifts, what does God ask of us?

Is it not God who asks us to show ourselves generous above all other creatures, and for the sake of all other creatures? Because we have received from Him so many wonderful gifts, would we not be ashamed to refuse Him this one thing, our generosity? God is our Father. Shall we on our part reject Him? Let us never allow ourselves to misuse the gifts that God has given us. Let us not labor to heap up and hoard riches while others remain in need. We have so many gifts!

This season we have many opportunities to share, to help others. We have the Catholic Relief Services collection coming up. We have Operation Rice Bowl for helping the poor in the world and closer to home. And we have needs right here in our parishes. At St. Edward, we use funds to help local people in need of assistance. At SS. Peter and Paul, we administer the Ionia Ministerial Association Fund. Area churches, including SS. Peter and Paul, contribute to this fund to support local people in need. We help to the extent we are able, but the need is growing. Adam used to receive an average of about 24 help calls a month, and now it is up to around 72. Most calls are seeking help with shelter, followed by calls for utility help. Food is also right up there, but lower because other organizations are assisting with food. Right now, it is still cold outside, so shelter remains high on people’s need to seek help.

Every day we get calls for help. We try to help even when the fund is depleted. As we go through this season of Lent preparing for the great celebration of Easter, can you help us to help others? Donations may be sent to the parish office and should be made payable to “Ionia Ministerial Association.” Any assistance you can give us is greatly appreciated.

May God bless you this Lenten season!

Fr. Tom

MASS INTENTIONS AND MINISTERS

Sunday, March 05, 9:45 am
+ Don & Gert Arens by Family
Monday, March 06, 9:00 am
+Cathy Keusch by Connie Goble
Tuesday, March 07, 9:00 am
+ Living & Deceased Members of the Walliczek Family

Wednesday, March 08, 9:00 am
Communion Service

Thursday, March 09, 12:10 pm
+ Geraldine Hodge by Irene Miller

Friday, March 10, 09:00am
St. Edward Parish

Saturday, March 11, 6:00 pm
+ Maurice Hickey by Barbara Hickey

Lector:
EOM:

Altar Servers:

Sunday, March 12, 9:45am
+ James Miller by Irene Miller

Lector:
EOM:

Altar Servers:

Greeters:

Adoration

Thursday evenings from 6 to 8 pm in the Church.
March 2, 9, 16 and 30

No Adoration on March 23rd.

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



Stations of the Cross –

Fridays in Lent at 6:30pm

February 24

March 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31



Sunday Reconciliation in Lent

3 – 5 pm

March 5 & 19

April 2



Taizé Prayer – March 5, 19 & April 2

Taizé prayer is a simple, repetitive, and meditative form of prayer that calls us to dwell deeply in Christ through prayerful silence and mantra like songs combined with brief scripture readings, Psalms and a candle lit environment. Taizé prayer is offered Sundays at 3:00pm concurrently with the beginning of confessions. **St. Edward** dates are March 5, 19 & April 2 while SSPP will host on March 12 & 26.

Taizé prayer is named for the ecumenical Christian community formed in Taizé, France during World War II. Today the Taizé community includes brothers from all Christian denominations, including Protestant, catholic and Orthodox traditions.

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, & for all our children.



-Grief Support Group will meet on **March 2nd** (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 2023-24**



We are now planning for the 2023-24 preschool year and are accepting applications from families who would like their child to attend our program this Fall. If you would like more information, please contact us at 616-374-7253 x4, email fredia@wowway.biz, or stop by the St. Edward Family Center. Enrollment applications are located in the south entrance of the church.

Blessings,
Ms. Fredia /Program Director of St. Edward’s Preschool

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.

RCIA Schedule 2023

- 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

Alex Urbanski
University of St. Thomas
2115 Summit Ave
St. Paul, MN 55105



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 Alex. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

A Steubenville experience in West Michigan!

Join us for a Steubenville Parish Mission on March 12, 13, and 14 from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at St. Mary Catholic Church in Lowell (402 Amity St.). One of only 15 locations nationwide to carry this event.

Enter into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through inspiring talks by renowned speaker, Chris Padgett, powerful praise, and worship music and come face to face with Jesus in Adoration.

Hurry! Limited tickets are available - \$25 covers all three nights. Visit saintsanthonymary.org and click ‘Steubenville Parish Mission’ in the header to buy yours today.

“The life of a Christian is nothing but a perpetual struggle against self; there is no flowering of the soul to the beauty of its perfection except at the price of pain.”

St. Padre Pio

OUR PARISH OFFERING – Feb 25/26, 2023

Adults	\$ 3,420.00
Loose:	\$ 166.00
Total receipts:	\$ 3,586.00
Budgeted Weekly:	\$ 3,650.00
Overage/Shortage:	\$ (64.00)

July 1, 2022 – Feb 26, 2023, Fiscal YTD Offertory Collections

Year-to-Date:	\$ 130,825.00
Budgeted Year-to-Date:	\$ 127,750.00
Overage/Shortage Year-to-Date:	\$ 3,075.00

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 mailbox 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 March 12: Greg Zuver & Larry Adams

Finance Council Meeting: March 20 at 6:30pm

The 2023 contribution envelopes have arrived and the are in your mailbox. If you need a box of envelopes, please contact the office.



Next Meeting will be on
Monday, March 14, 2023 at 7pm.

were: s of the “Lucky 300” Drawing for the week of 2-12-23

- 1st Place - \$175.00 – Frank Pytlowany
- 2nd Place - \$ 50.00 – Diane Zinser
- 3rd Place - \$ 25.00 – Chris Pyryt

Knights of Columbus Pie Sale



Back by popular demand and in time for your Easter celebration, Pie. Please find the sign-up sheets at the church exits. We are offering: Apple, Cherry and Blueberry pies \$12 each or 3 for \$30.

Delivery will take place on Saturday, March 18th after Mass, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. and on Sunday, March 19th after Mass, 11:00 – 12:00 a.m. in the Family Center.

Proceeds from this event provide funding for charitable work of K of C Council 14404 and/or St. Edward’s Preschool.

It’s Show time!

Please join us for a mid-day showing of Mother Teresa: No Greater Love. The movie will be on **March 26 at 2 pm** in the Family Center. The movie is rated PG. Popcorn and drinks will be provided.

RSVP by signing up on the sheets at the entrances of the church or by calling 374-7253 x4.