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Saint Edward the Confessor Catholic Church

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024
 Saint Edward Church
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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday
 8 AM-2 PM

Closed Tuesdays & Fridays

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**
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Pray for
 the Unborn

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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.

21 Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:8-12 Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 28-29 1 Jn 3:1-2 Jn 10:11-18

22 Monday: Easter Weekday

Acts 11:19-26 Pss 42:2-3; 43:3-4 Jn 10:1-10

23 Tuesday: Easter Weekday; Saint George, Martyr;

Saint Adalbert, Bishop, Martyr

Acts 11:19-26 Ps 87:1-7 Jn 10:22-30

24 Wednesday: Easter Weekday; Saint Fedelis of Sigmaringen,

Priest, Martyr

Acts 12:12—13:5a Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8 Jn 12:44-50

25 Thursday: Saint Mark, Evangelist

1 Pt 5:5b-14 Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17 Mk 16:15-20

26 Friday Easter Weekday

Acts 13:26-33 Ps 2:6-11 Jn 14:1-6

27 Saturday Easter Weekday

Acts 13:44-52 Ps 98:1-4 Jn 14:7-14

28 Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:26-31 Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 1 Jn 3:18-24 Jn 15:1-8

Save the date 6/2/24 – Let's talk about the Eucharist!

When is the last time you sat down to enjoy a meal with your family or close friends – not just to eat food in close proximity to each other, but to bask in each other's presence and to grow in love for one another? This is the kind of meal God wants to share with us and what the apostles took part in. This is the kind of meal HE has prepared for us and invites us to participate in through the Sacrament of the Eucharist. On Corpus Christi Sunday, June 2, 2024 at 11 am, we invite our parish family to share in the love of the Eucharist and to learn more on what the apostles came to know at the Last Supper by watching, "Presence – THE MYSTERY OF THE EUCHARIST", in the family center. The retreat will include a FREE lunch along with 3 video presentations explaining THE MYSTERY OF THE EUCHARIST and a short discussion to follow. This will take place in the Family Center and conclude at 1:30 pm. Limited seating so RSVP today! Sign-up sheets are located at each church entrance.



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Think Green - Save the Date!

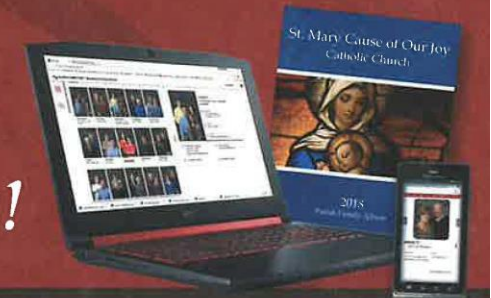
31st Annual Golf Outing

SATURDAY, JUNE 1
Centennial Acres Golf Course
8:30am shotgun start

SCAN CODE FOR DETAILS → 

For questions and sponsorship call 517-732-4423 or email stmichaelgolfouting@gmail.com

Dear Church family, It's time for a New Directory!



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When people enter the doors of our church they are looking for a place to belong. Our directory brings us together to develop new relationships, connect with our own families, and reconnect with those we haven't seen in a while. Join us for this "Connections Event" and be part of what God is doing right here at our church!

Directory Committee

Connections Event

Our church directory will not be complete without you. Join us to celebrate faith and family with our new church family album.

- Schedule your professional photography session when you stop by the sign-up table at the church or simply go online and follow the instructions below. If we don't see your name on our list of appointments, you will receive a phone call inviting you to participate.
- Everyone who is photographed by Universal will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and a directory!
- Universal provides a complete professional portrait studio right here at our church! You'll enjoy a variety of poses, backgrounds, portrait sizes, finish and framing options AND have the opportunity to purchase portraits to give to family and friends.

Set your appointment with Universal today!



*Gathering families,
Connecting generations.*



Online Scheduling Available!

To schedule your photography appointment online, simply go to www.ucdir.com, click on photography appointment scheduling login on the right side, enter mi1920_ in the Church Code field and enter **photos** in the Church Password field. Follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment time. If you have 6 or more in your family please use 2 consecutive time slots. The online scheduling option is available Monday through Friday. **Appointments fill up quickly, so schedule as soon as possible to secure your preferred date and time.**



DIOCESE OF GRAND RAPIDS

Office of the Bishop

Dear Friends in Christ,

World Day of Prayer for Vocations is today, April 21, and is liturgically known as Good Shepherd Sunday. The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2).

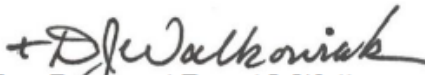
Every vocation that comes from God is a blessing and a pathway toward holiness and fruitfulness on behalf of His kingdom. While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention on this day to vocations to ordained ministries (priesthood and diaconate), consecrated life in all its forms (male and female religious life, societies of apostolic life, consecrated virginity, secular institutes), and to the missionary life.

We are beginning a prayer initiative in the Diocese of Grand Rapids to encourage discernment to the vocations of the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life. In particular, our diocese is in desperate need of more priests. The number of priests retiring in the future is higher than the number of projected priestly ordinations. There will be one priestly ordination this year. In 2025, there will be none.

I am asking each pastor to lead his congregation in reciting the Prayer for Vocations at the end of every Mass. I am also asking each of you to find additional times when you can recite the prayer in support of vocations in our diocese. We need the Holy Spirit to move our young people to humbly place himself or herself before God and to have the confidence to follow wherever He may lead them.

On this Good Shepherd Sunday, as we commence this campaign of prayer, join me in thanking the Lord for the clergy who serve you. The Eucharist is the foretaste of Heaven, and we can only have the Eucharist when we have priests.

Sincerely yours in Christ,


 Most Reverend David J. Walkowiak
 Bishop of Grand Rapids

MASS INTENTIONS AND MINISTERS

Sunday, April 21, 9:45 am

+ Lico & Becky Galaviz by Scott & Monica Lewis and David & Kristine Galaviz

Monday, April 22, 9:00 am

+Jill VanDeVelde by Charles VanDeVelde

Tuesday, April 23, 9:00 am

For all Priest

Wednesday, April 24, 9:00 am

Saint Edward Parish

Thursday, April 25, 12:10 pm

+Living & Deceased Members of the Walliczek Family

Friday, April 26, 9:00 am

Unborn Children

Saturday, April 27, 6:00pm

+ Irma Galaviz by the Grief Support Group

Lector: Greg H.

EMHC: Yvonne M., & Carole H.

Sunday, April 28, 9:45 am

+ Marian Gillette by Cindy & Mary Gillette

Lector: Alan B.

EMHC: Alan B., Janice F., & Chris V.

Request a Mass Intention

Intention may be for the living or deceased and provide opportunities for prayerful remembrance of anniversaries, birthdays, and other special intentions.
 Call the Office: 616-374-7253

Adoration



Thursday Evenings - 6 to 8 pm in the Church.
 April 4, 11, 18 & 25

Adorers Needed!!

We needed subs on the 1st Thursdays at 6-7pm.

Contact Suzanne King at 269-271-6406 for more information.



"May the angels welcome you into paradise,
 May the martyrs greet you on your way,
 May you see the face of the Lord this day."

Please Pray for the soul of Irma Galaviz, who passed from death to life April 16, 2024.

"Eternal rest grant unto her, Oh Lord, may she rest in peace."

Women's Day of Reflection

Join women from throughout the diocese for a day of reflection as we enter spring. The event will be held at St. Mary Parish, Spring Lake, on April 27 from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Please join us as we welcome special guest, Kathryn Mulderink, for this special day of prayer, reflection, and confession. Registration fee is \$15, morning reception and lunch included. Tickets are available at stmarysl.org or on the parish Facebook page.

Please Pray for:

Robert Rasche, Randy Armstrong, Manuel and Betty Rodriguez, Julie Sutton VanLiew, those who have asked for prayers, & all unborn Children.

If you would like to add a name, please call or contact the office. Be sure you have the consent of the person of a family member.



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

K-12 Faith Formation Classes- Sunday 11am

Classes are held in the Preschool class rooms.
 April 14, 21 & 28



R.C.I.A.

We meet from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in an informal atmosphere at 753 5th Avenue, Lake Odessa. Please call with questions 616-374-8340.

New Pictorial Directory

Just let families know you, we will be taking photos for our new pictorial directory on May 30 through June 1. To schedule an appointment, see the sign-up sheet in the side entrance to Church or go to ucdir.com, church code: mi1920 and password: photos. Thank you.

Men of the Eucharist:

Strengthened in Christ – Responding with Joy

Pray for Vocation

O God, hear our prayer and let our cry come to You. Bless the Diocese of Grand Rapids with many vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life.

Give your sons and daughters the confidence to accept Your call, and the love to follow always in the footsteps of Your beloved Son with courage and dedication to Your will.
 Amen

Catholic Service Appeal-

This week, you will receive a letter from Bishop Walkowiak asking you to make your commitment to support the work of your diocesan programs and ministries through the CSA. These are ministries that benefit us all but are difficult for any one parish to provide on its own. Your gift to the CSA enables the Catholic Church to reach out to people in our 11 counties in a variety of ways, including through seminarian and deacon formation; youth programming; support for the homebound and incarcerated; families who are struggling; the hungry; and the homeless. Through the CSA, we all work together to care for the Church by sharing the gifts God has granted us. Our parish goal for 2024 is \$33,191 and 100% participation, which means every parishioner should return their pledge card. Anything above our goal is returned to the parish.

Please join us in this important work!

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).

OUR PARISH OFFERING – Apr 13/14, 2024

Adults	\$ 4,435.00
Loose:	\$ 149.00
Total receipts:	\$ 4,584.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 3,950.00
Overage/Shortage:	\$ 634.00

July 1, 2023 – Apr 14, 2024 Fiscal YTD Offertory Collections

Year-to-Date:	\$ 162,527.00
Budgeted Year-to-Date:	\$ 165,900.00
Overage/Shortage Year-to-Date:	\$ (3,373.00)

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.

Counter April 28: Cindy Gillette & Joe Hickey



Next Meeting will be on
Tuesday, May 13, 2023 at 6:30 pm.

Cor Prayer Group - Next Meeting Saturday May 11

Cor is a men's group that meets on the **second Saturday** of every month at 8 am in the church basement. If you're a Catholic man seeking to deepen your prayer life, your knowledge of the faith, and brotherhood with your fellow Catholic men, join us for a time of fellowship and prayer. Coffee and donuts will be provided. Contact Andrew Coates with questions (269) 838-4418.

Let Your Marriage Bloom!

Let your marriage bloom this spring at a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience! Attend in-person: June 11-13 Maryville Retreat Center – Holly
 For in-person, apply today at wwme.org or call Chris and Darla Vinton at 517-667-0433.

Or try the new virtual experience via Zoom. 7 sessions once a week on Thursday evenings beginning April 11 and concluding on May 23. Virtual sessions start at 7 p.m. and last approximately 2 - 2 1/2 hours. For virtual registration, call Chuck & Mary Jane Young at 646-642-7463.

WME Sharing Group-

If you have ever attended a Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience in the past, we would like to invite you to join our sharing group. We meet at St. Edward's on May 10, the 2nd Friday of the month, at 7 pm in the parish basement. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Chris and Darla Vinton at 410-487-5226.

Do you have a desire to grow in your relationship with God?

A Cursillo weekend could be the thing you need!
 Men's Cursillo Weekend on April 25 – 28 at Holy Family Catholic Church, Sparta. For more information, visit grcursillo.org or call Rose at 616-824-0701