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*Saint Edward the Confessor Catholic Church*

**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**July 14, 2024**

Saint Edward Church  
 531 Jordan Lake St.  
 Lake Odessa, MI 48849

**Pastor:** Father Tom Brown  
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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**  
 or by appointment

**Secretary:** Katherine Martin 616-374-7253

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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.



**14 Sunday: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Am 7:12-15 Ps 85:9-14 Eph 1:3-14 Mk 6:7-13

**15 Monday: Saint Bonaventure, Bishop, Doctor of the Church**

Is 1: 10- 17 Ps 50:8-9,16-17, 21, 23 Mt 10:34—11:1

**16 Tuesday: Weekday; Our Lady of Mount Carmel**

Is 7:1-9 Ps 48:2-8 Mt 11:20-24

**17 Wednesday: Weekday**

Is 10:5-7, 13b-16 Ps 94:5-10, 14-15 Mt 11:25-27

**18 Thursday: Saint Camillus de Lellis, Priest**

Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19 Ps 102:13-21 Mt 11:28-30

**19 Friday: Weekday**

Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8 (Ps) Is 38:10-12, 16 Mt 12:1-8

**20 Saturday: Weekday; Saint Apollinaris, Bishop, Martyr**

Mi 2:1-5 Ps 10:1-4, 7-8, 14 Mt 12:14-21

**21 Sunday: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Jer 23:1-6 Ps 23:1-6 Eph 2:13-18 Mk 6:30-34

**Most Precious Blood of Jesus Christ**

The month of July is dedicated to the Most Precious Blood of Jesus. There are several prayers about his precious blood. One very short one is the **Most Precious Blood of Jesus Christ, save us and the whole world!** It is easily memorized and you can pray it at different times throughout the day.

Remember that Jesus Christ loves you so much that He willingly died, and shed His Blood, for you! Just to save us. He did this out of his great love. He who is God could have easily just let us die in our sins and created other people to take our place. But in His great love, He became a human being and died for us that the doors of heaven would be opened to us so that we could hear his call and follow him into heaven.

The shedding of blood has a long history. Think of Cain who killed his very own brother, Able. When the Lord asked Cain where his brother was, Cain lied, saying "I do not know. Am I my brother's keeper?" God then said, "What have you done? Your brother's blood cries out to Me from the ground!" In killing his brother and lying about it, Cain was banned.

At other times we are saved by it. At the instruction of God to Moses, the enslaved Israelites applied the blood of the Lamb to their lintels and door posts. Seeing the blood, the Lord passed over that door and did not let the destroyer come into the house and strike them down. They were saved by the blood of the lamb.

Years later, Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God, died at Calvary. His blood, spilled out on the cross, is for the salvation of the whole world. We have been saved and now have the opportunity to hear His call and follow Him. Will we hear and follow? Or will we choose instead our own path which leads to destruction?

Some will insist that their path does not lead to destruction. Yet Jesus, in establishing the Eucharist insists on it. Jesus said, "Let Me solemnly assure you, if you do not eat the Flesh of the Son of Man and drink His Blood, you have no life in you. He who feeds on my Flesh and drinks my Blood has life eternal, and I will raise him up on the last day. For my Flesh is real food and my Blood is real drink. Whoever eats my Flesh and drinks my Blood remains in Me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent Me and I live because of the Father, so the one who feeds on Me will live because of Me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Your ancestors ate manna and died, but whoever feeds on this bread will live forever."

Let us then continue to honor and thank God for this gift of eternal life. It is the gift of the Eucharist, of His Body and Blood which He gave to us out of his infinite love. It is the gift that will bring us to eternal life in heaven.

May God bless you.

Fr. Tom

**MASS INTENTIONS AND MINISTERS****Sunday, July 14, 9:45 am**

+ Don & Gert Arens by Ann Radamacher

**Monday, July 15, 9:00 am**

For all Priest

**Tuesday, July 16, 9:00 am**

For the poor

**Wednesday, July 17, 9:00 am**

+ Uwe Walliczek by Bert Walliczek

**Thursday, July 18, 12:10 pm**

For the Sick

**Friday, July 19, 9:00 am**

Unborn Children

**Saturday, July 20, 6:00 pm**

+ William Edward Hickey by Rosemary Hickey

**Lector:** Rosann S.

**EMHC:** Yvonne M., & Pat S.

**Sunday, July 21, 9:45 am**

Saint Edward Parish

**Lector:** Dee M.

**EMHC:** Cindy G., Dee M., & Carole H.

**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

**Office Closure-**The office will be closed on July 11 and July 15.

**Adoration**

Thursday Evenings - 6 to 8 pm in the Church.

July 11, 18, & 25

*Adorers Needed!!*

We needed subs on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursdays at 6-7 pm.

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

**Major Life Changes? New phone Number?**

If you have had a major life change, marriage, divorce, a new child, or a change in your contact information, please contact the office so that we can keep our records up to date. Thank you.

**Televised Sunday Mass:**

Join us each week for the live broadcast at 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).

**A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar**

(Mark 6:7-13)

Jesus sent out His apostles without a lot of "things" because THINGS distract. We collect, argue about, and protect our "things." Garage sales only transfer "things." We even ignore each other because we have "things" to do. What "things" are separating you from your family?

**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**

The next meeting will be on **Thursday, August 1** at 1:00 in the library. If you would like information call Marsha at 269-367-4403.

**Cor Prayer Group -**

Cor group will be taking the next few months off. Enjoy your summer and look here for further announcements. Contact Andrew Coates with questions at (269) 838-4418.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences**

Add a little spring to your marriage on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience! Grow your marriage and your faith! Apply today at [www.me.org](http://www.me.org) or contact Chris & Darla at 517-667-0433.

**Sept. 6-8 in Holly, MI      August 2-4, or Oct. 4-6 in Petoskey**

**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 August 9, the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

**Summer Opportunities for Children**

This summer, bring your children to the Franciscan Life Process Center, Lowell Campus, 11650 Downes St. NE.

**Genres & Jammin'** August 5-7

**Pioneer Days** August 5-8

**Summer Art Experience** July 29-31.

Go to [www.lifeprocesscenter.org](http://www.lifeprocesscenter.org) to learn more.

**A vacation is no vacation without Mass- Growing in Faith™**

Does your summer vacation sometimes include taking a vacation from Mass? Finding a Mass when you are away from home, or fitting it into a summer schedule can mean making special efforts. Here are four reasons to fit Mass into your summer routine:

Wherever Mass is said anywhere in the world, millions of people you don't know are praying for you and with you. Where else can you get that kind of help?

Attending Mass connects you to the Communion of Saints – the saints in heaven, the souls in purgatory, and believers on earth. That's powerful company.

After Jesus ascended to Heaven, His followers formed the early Church to keep His message alive. Every time you attend Mass, you help to keep Jesus' message alive.

God commanded us to keep holy the Sabbath and Mass is the way a Catholic fulfills that requirement. If God tells you to do something, it's a good idea to do it.

**Note:** to find a church or Mass time anywhere in the country, see [masstimes.org](http://masstimes.org).

**OUR PARISH OFFERING – July 6-7, 2024**

Adults	\$ 3,725.00
Loose:	\$ 534.00
<b>Total receipts:</b>	\$ 4,259.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 3,850.00
<b>Overage/Shortage:</b>	\$ 409.00

**July 1, 2024 – July 7, 2024 Fiscal YTD Offertory Collections**

Year-to-Date:	\$ 4,259.00
Budgeted Year-to-Date:	\$ 3,850.00
<b>Overage/Shortage Year-to-Date:</b>	\$ 409.00

*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, 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.*

**Counter July 14: Cindy Gillette & Carole Heinze**

**Thank you for your gifts to the 2024 Catholic Services Appeal!**

Your generous support funds essential diocesan ministries that strengthen us in Christ.

To date, 67 families, representing 42% of our parish households have contributed \$38,870 (117%) to our parish goal. Please keep in mind that any amount raised over our goal is returned 100% to the parish.

Thank you for your generosity!



The next Meeting will be on  
**Tuesday, August 13, 2023, at 7 pm.**

The Knights of Columbus Recycling Trailer is open for business. Please drop off your pre-sorted glass bottles, aluminum cans, and Michigan-approved recyclable plastic bottles (check the label).

**Support CCWM's Confident Kids**

The Confident Kids Back to School event on Aug. 14 celebrates the diverse collective and individual identities of Catholic Charities West Michigan's 300 children in foster care by providing free haircuts, styling, and braiding as well as hair care products and back-to-school supplies. Through community partnership, we can support each other!

Get involved in Confident Kids through sponsorship, volunteering, and donating school supplies. If you are interested in contributing, contact Karol Maurer at [kmaurer@ccwestmi.org](mailto:kmaurer@ccwestmi.org) or 616.356.6207.

**Volunteers needed!**

St. Gianna's No Cost Baby Boutique in Grand Rapids needs volunteers on Thursdays! Volunteers help our families shop for clothing, check shoppers in, sort clothing, and stock our shelves. **We need your help from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. on Thursdays.**

More than 100 families are served every week at our Grand Rapids location. You can make a difference in your community by volunteering on Thursdays at St. Gianna's!