



935 Fourth Avenue
Lake Odessa, MI 48849
(616) 374-8221 Main Office
(616) 374-7383 Fax
www.koopsfc.com



7857 Velte Rd
Lake Odessa, MI 48849
Mon., Tues., & Thurs.,
8-12 & 3- 7
Fri., & Sat., 8-12
Phone (616) 374-7880



Owners: Allen & David Haskin
7775 Clark Rd.
Lake Odessa, MI 48849
Ph# 616-374-8851

Call us for all of your ready-mix concrete, aggregate and construction needs!

Open Monday – Friday 8am – 5pm
Saturday 8am -12 pm (seasonal)



Clark's
Custom Cabinets and Furniture
Refacing and Installation
Owner : Eric Clark
269-838-3771

Email: clarkscustomcabinets1@gmail.com



Council #14404
Joe Hickey, Grand Knight
Meetings are the 2nd Tuesday
of the Month.

SAINT EDWARD FAMILY CENTER

741 Washington Blvd.
Lake Odessa, MI 48849

Available for rent (max. 330 People)
For Information call 616-374-7253
EMAIL fredia@wowway.biz

Saint Edward Preschool
616-374-7253 ext.201



STAIRLIFTS OF MICHIGAN

RALPH RUSSEL (517) 202-3254

Stairlifts Wheel Chair Ramps
Tub Conversions Bathroom Conversions

Email: ralph@stairliftsofmichigan.com
Website: stairliftsofmichigan.com

Lifetime Warranty Made in America

Saint Edwards sites, please scan the QR code for each.



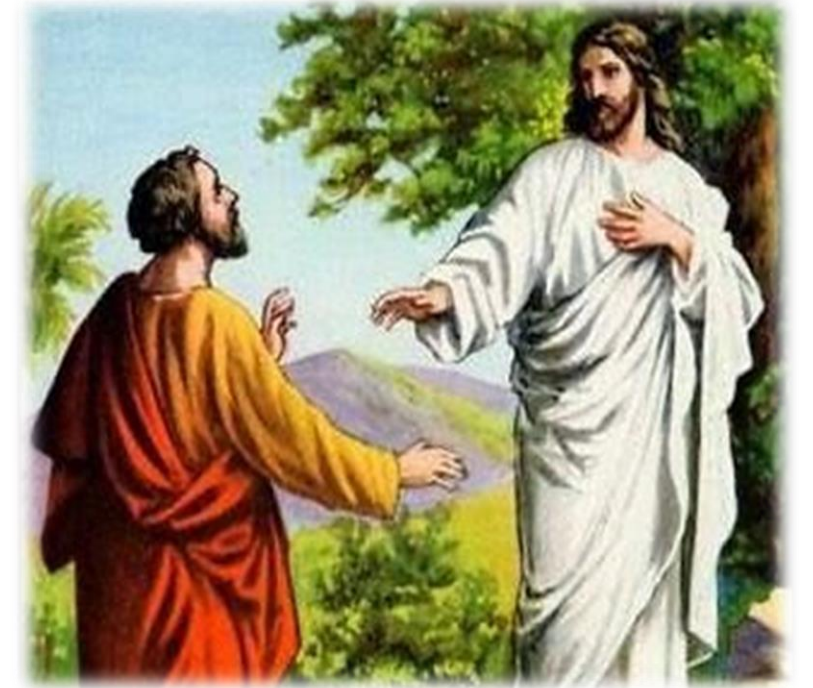
Facebook



website

Saint Edward the Confessor Catholic Church

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



September 15, 2024
Saint Edward Church
531 Jordan Lake St.

Lake Odessa, MI 48849

Pastor: Father Tom Brown
frtombrown@sspccatholic.com

Website: www.stedwardslakeodessa.org

Office: 616.374.7253

stedwards@wowway.biz

Facebook: Saint Edward the Confessor Catholic Church

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

Bookkeeper: Dan Shields

DRE: Fredia 616-374-7253 ext. 202

Hall Manager: Fredia 616-374-7253 ext. 201

Prayer Chain: Gayle Peacock 616-374-8274

Pastoral Council: Kathy Carnegie, Colleen King, and Fredia Wernette

Financial Council: Andrew Snider, Jerry Tomandl, Allen Hamp, 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.

15 Sunday: Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 50:4c-9a Ps 116:1-6, 8-9 Jas 2:14-18 Mk 8:27-35

16 Monday: Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

1 Cor 11:17-26, 33 Ps 40:7-10,17 Lk 7:1-10

17 Tuesday: Weekday: Saint Hildegard of Bingen, Virgin, Doctor of the Church

1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a Ps 100:1-5 Lk 7:11-17

18 Wednesday: Weekday

1 Cor 12:31—13:13 Ps 33:2-5, 12, 22 Lk 7:31-35

19 Thursday: Weekday; Saint Januarius, Bishop, Martyr

1 Cor 15:1-11 Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28 Lk 7:36-50

20 Friday: Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gön, Priest, Paul Chöng Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs

21 Saturday: Saint Mathew, Apostle and Evangelist
Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Ps 19:2-5 Mt 9:9-13

22 Sunday: Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 2:12, 17-20 Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 Jas 3:16—4:3 Mk 9:30-37

Eucharist and Confessions

For the last several weeks we have thought and prayed about the greatest gift of the Body and Blood of Jesus given to us. It is such a tremendous gift! How do I prepare for it? Michael Brown has much to say. "One very important gift is the presence of confession in our lives. He writes: "It is through the radiance, the fire of Jesus, that our sins are burned away. That is why so many envision fire falling from the sky. The Lord 'purifies with heavenly flames that issue from his heart. They come from the furnace of his love. Our evil is evaporated in the Presence of Christ and is especially dispelled through Confession.

Confession prepares the way for the Eucharist and breaks the bonds of Satan. In verbally admitting our faults, we are declaring a humility that immediately chases away Satan. He cannot stand to be in our midst. He is the prince of pride. He cannot bear to stand in the presence of humility. He is powerless when a person is humble. He has no legal right to hold terrain. When we confess sins, we are renouncing sins, which means we are renouncing the devil. When we renounce the devil in the Name of Jesus, he has no choice but to leave. His chains are broken. His hold on our minds and hearts is lessened or expelled altogether.

During Holy Communion, demonic infestations are often chased from our very bodies or from around our family and friends. The stronger the confession, the more demonic resistance is cleared. The more demons that are expelled, the more peace we have. That is why before receiving Holy Communion, we should pray to the Holy Spirit to reveal any hidden faults we have never acknowledged and then take these to the confessional. A good time for such soul searching is during Adoration or on our knees before the Blessed Sacrament. We should ask the Holy Spirit to allow us expiation of the slightest sins. Go back to Scripture and note the many things that are listed by St. Paul as infractions, things we don't usually take to be of much consequence. Jealousy. Outbursts of anger. Selfishness. They are listed for us in Galatians 5:19-21 along with lewd conduct. After we remember all of our past transgressions and after we pray to heal all those we have hurt, we must maintain vigilance against repeating them. Confession should be a practice to keep ourselves pure because when we are pure, when Christ has wiped the slate clean of those many sins, Holy Communion and Adoration become even more potent. They take on a special radiance. They sweep to the very bottom of existence and purge faults that will otherwise cause a long purgatory.

There is nothing more enjoyable than the experience of being spiritually clean. Nor is there anything more important for a soul's destiny. At least once a year, during Lent, we should prepare for a special confession and search for hidden faults we did not realize during the year. When we finally recognize that we have been doing something offensive to God, we confess and are given a new inner peace. That peace comes through liberation from past bondages. Holy Communion becomes a powerful tool of deliverance. It's like the Lord snipping a rope that had been tying up part of us. There is a feeling of strength and cleanliness. There is liberation. Jesus said, "If you live according to my teaching, you are truly my disciples. Then you will know the truth and the truth will set you free."


---from Secrets of the Eucharist by Michael Brown

MASS INTENTIONS AND MINISTERS

- Sunday, September 15, 9:45 am**
 + Damian Joel Moesta (Alan Brodbeck)
Monday, September 16, 9:00 am
 + Larry O'Mara (Ruth O'Mara)
Tuesday, September 17, 9:00 am
 + Living & Deceased Members of the Walliczek Family
Wednesday, September 18, 9:00 am
 Saint Edward Parish
Thursday, September 19, 12:10 pm
 + William Helsper (Ruth O'Mara)
Friday, September 20, 9:00 am
 + Mike Price (Norbert Walliczek)
Saturday, September 21, 6:00 pm
 + Gilbert Cron by Chris & Darla Vinton
Lector: Pat St. A.
EMHC: Yvonne M. & Carolyn M.
Sunday, September 22, 9:45 am
 Saint Edward Parish
Lector: Anne A.
EMHC: Mike R., Janice F. & Chris V.

No Daily Mass on September 24-26.
 Father Tom will be attending the Dioceses Convocation during that time. Also, No Adoration or Confession on September 26.


Adoration
 Thursday Evenings - 6 to 8 pm in the Church.
 September 5, 12, & 19
 No Adoration on September 26



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

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 or the diocesan Facebook page: www.facebook.com/DioceseofGrandRapids/.

Men of the Eucharist
 Strengthen by CHRIST- Responding with Joy



Pray for Seminarian:
 Logan M. McGahan
 Mundelein Seminary
 1000 E. Maple Avenue
 Mundelein, IL 60060

Oh God, hear our prayer for the men you have chosen to follow in your Son's footsteps.
 Teach them humility and fidelity to unselfishly help others.
 May their devotion to Our Blessed Mother, Queen of Vocations increase, enabling them to do your will.
 Strengthen their prayer life so that they may grow spiritually without worldly distractions.
 Give them courage and perseverance in their studies.
 May the Holy Spirit lighten their struggles with their vocations, until they know the joy of being a priest.
 We ask this through Christ your Son.
 Amen.

Please Pray for:

Robert Rasche, Randy Armstrong, Manuel Rodriguez, Julie Sutton VanLiew, the Grieving, And those who have asked for our prayers.
If you want 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, October 3**, at 1:00 pm, in the library. If you would like information, please call Marsha at 269-367-4403.


K-12 FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION

Faith Formation will be at 11 am on September 15. Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation is underway and we invite all 7th and 8th graders between the ages of 13 and 15+, as well as any Faith Formation student that missed out on the last class. Parent and Candidate meeting on 9/29/24 at 11 am in the Family Center library. This is a **MANDATORY** meeting to take part in the Confirmation ceremony in the Fall of 2025. Please mark your calendars and RSVP (if you haven't already) by calling Fredia at 374-7253 x4.

RCIA 2024-2025

R.C.I.A.'s next meeting will be September 18th at 753 5th Avenue. R.C.I.A. is for Baptized adults who haven't received all the Sacraments, spouses of Catholics who would like to enter the Church and any adult who wants to learn about Catholicism and all it offers. We meet from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in an informal atmosphere. Below is the schedule through Christmas.
 Please call with questions. 616-374-8340
 09-18 Divine Revelation, Scripture, and Tradition (Jerry)
 09-25 Trinity and the Incarnation (Andrew)
 10-02 Grace, Merit and Salvation (Gary)
 10-09 Church and the 4 marks of the Church (Anne)
 10-16 Commandments 1-3 (Suzanne)
 10-23 Commandments 4-5-6 (Jerry)
 10-30 Commandments 7-8-9-10 (Alan)
 11-06 Prayer (Anne)
 11-13 The Creed (Alan)
 11-20 Tour of the Church
 12-04 The Mass Bishop Barron
 12-11 The Mass Bishop Barron
 12-18 The Mass Bishop Barron

Special Mass for couples celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries
 Together with your families, the Diocese of Grand Rapids honors the faithful witness to your vocation of marriage and wishes to celebrate with you. Bishop Walkowiak is inviting **all couples celebrating milestone anniversaries** to join him on **Sunday, October 20 at the 10 a.m. Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Andrew** (301 Sheldon Blvd., Grand Rapids) for this annual celebration. A simple reception will immediately follow. Please RSVP by scanning the QR code or calling Paloma Olvera at 616-288-0908.



OUR PARISH OFFERING –Sept 7-8, 2024

Adults	\$ 2,440.00
Loose:	\$ 271.00
Total receipts:	\$ 2,711.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 3,850.00
Overage/Shortage:	\$ (1,139.00)
July 1, 2024 – Sept 8, 2024 Fiscal YTD Offertory Collections	
Year-to-Date:	\$ 38,527.00
Budgeted Year-to-Date:	\$ 38,500.00
Overage/Shortage Year-to-Date:	\$ 27.00

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 September 22: Cindy Gillette & Mike Hickey

Next Finance Meeting is November 11 at 6:30 pm
The Finance Council is looking for new members.
 If you are interested or just want more information, see Dan Sheilds.



The next meeting will be on **Tuesday, October 8, 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).

Pray for our Priests

The priests of the diocese attend a retreat together every fall. Let us gather as a Catholic community during this time to pray for our shepherds. On **Wednesday, Sept. 25th**, the following parishes in our county will be open for prayer.

St. John the Baptist, Hubbardston (9 – 10 a.m. and 6-7 p.m.)
 St. Joseph, Pewamo (6-7 p.m.)
 Check GRdiocese.org for a complete list.

Cor Men's Group- The next meeting: October 12

Join us as the Cor Men's Group resumes on Saturday, October 12, at 8:00 AM. This is a great opportunity to deepen your faith and build strong connections with other Catholic men in our parish community.
 For more information contact Andrew Coates at (269) 838-4418.

WME Sharing Group- The next meeting: October 11

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 on the 2nd Friday of the month, at 7 pm in the basement.
 If you have any questions, please feel free to call Chris and Darla Vinton at 410-487-5226.