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Saint Edward the Confessor Catholic Church

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

September 14, 2025
Saint Edward Church
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OFFICE HOURS:
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday
8 AM-2 PM
Closed on Wednesday & Friday

MASS SCHEDULE:
Saturday Vigil **6:00 PM**
Sunday **8:00 AM**

Weekday Masses:
Tuesday **12:10 PM**
Friday **9:00 AM**
First Saturday only 8:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Thursday **6:30 PM-7:30 PM**
First Friday **After 9 AM Mass**
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.



14 Sunday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Num 21:4b-9 Ps 78:1b-2, 34-38 Phil 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17

15 Monday: Our Lady of Sorrows
1 Tm 2:1-8 Ps 28:2, 7-9 Jn 19:25-27

16 Tuesday: Saint Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs
1 Tm 3:1-13 Ps 101:1b-3b, 5-6 Lk 7:11-17

17 Wednesday: Weekday; Saint Robert Bellarmine, Bishop, Doctor of the Church
1 Tm 3:14-16 Ps 111:1-6 Lk 7:31-35

18 Thursday: Weekday
1 Tm 4:12-16 Ps 111:7-10 Lk 7:36-50

19 Friday: Weekday; Saint Januaris, Bishop, Martyr
1 Tm 6:2c-12 Ps 49:6-10, 17-20 Lk 8:1-3

20 Saturday: Saint Andrew Kim Tae-Gön, Priest, And Paul Chông Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs
1 Tm 6:13-16 Ps 100:1b-5 Lk 8-13

21 Sunday: Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Am 8:4-7 Ps 113:1-2, 4-8 Tm 2:1-8 Lk 16:1-13

The Call to Sainthood

On September 7, 2025, the Catholic Church celebrated a significant moment in its history by canonizing two remarkable individuals: Carlo Acutis and Pier Giorgio Frassati. Their elevation to Sainthood was a testament to their extraordinary lives of faith, dedication, and love for God.



Carlo Acutis, a young Italian boy who lived in the late 20th century, exemplified his devotion through his enthusiastic embrace of the Eucharist and his deep understanding of technology, using it to spread the Gospel message to young people. He demonstrated that holiness can be achieved in our modern world, serving as a beacon of faith for many.

Pier Giorgio Frassati, known for his adventurous spirit and commitment to social justice, dedicated his life to serving those in need. He embodied the teachings of Christ through his compassionate actions and tireless advocacy for the marginalized and the poor. His joyful demeanor and active participation in the Church's mission was an inspiration to all.



Both saints embody what it means to say "yes" to God daily, striving to follow the path laid out by Jesus Christ. They serve as role models, demonstrating how to fully surrender oneself to God's will and mission. Saints play a crucial role in our spiritual lives, interceding on our behalf and guiding us through their lived examples and teachings. Through their stories, we are reminded of the call to holiness and the joy of living a life devoted to God and others.

La Llamada A La Santidad

El 7 de septiembre de 2025, la Iglesia católica celebró un momento significativo en su historia al canonizar a dos personas extraordinarias: Carlo Acutis y Pier Giorgio Frassati. Su elevación a la santidad fue un testimonio de sus extraordinarias vidas de fe, dedicación y amor a Dios.



Carlo Acutis, un joven italiano que vivió a finales del siglo XX, ejemplificó su devoción a través de su entusiasta aceptación de la Eucaristía y su profundo conocimiento de la tecnología, que utilizó para difundir el mensaje del Evangelio entre los jóvenes. Demostró que la santidad se puede alcanzar en nuestro mundo moderno, sirviendo de faro de fe para muchos.

Pier Giorgio Frassati, conocido por su espíritu aventurero y su compromiso con la justicia social, dedicó su vida a servir a los necesitados. Encarnó las enseñanzas de Cristo a través de sus acciones compasivas y su incansable defensa de los marginados y los pobres. Su actitud alegre y su participación activa en la misión de la Iglesia fueron una inspiración para todos.



Ambos santos encarnan lo que significa decir «sí» a Dios cada día, esforzándose por seguir el camino trazado por Jesucristo. Son modelos a seguir, que demuestran cómo entregarse plenamente a la voluntad y la misión de Dios. Los santos desempeñan un papel crucial en nuestra vida espiritual, intercediendo por nosotros y guiándonos a través de sus ejemplos y enseñanzas. A través de sus historias, se nos recuerda la llamada a la santidad y la alegría de vivir una vida dedicada a Dios y a los demás.

MASS INTENTIONS AND MINISTERS

Sunday, September 14, 8:00 am

Saint Edward Parish

Tuesday, September 16, 12:10 pm

+Ray Dietrich (Father Brown)

Friday, September 19, 9:00 am

+ Virginia Vipond (Bert Walliczek)

Saturday, September 20, 8:00 am

+Living & Deceased Members of the Walliczek Family

Saturday, September 20, 6:00 pm

+ Bertha Meier (Father Brown)

Lector: Pat St. A.

EMHC: Carolyn M. & Yvonne M

Sunday, September 21, 8:00 am

+ Vernon Brown (Father Brown)

Lector: Anne Adams

Annual Priest Retreat-

Father Eugene will be attending the annual Priest retreat on September 22-26, 2025. No Masses will be offered during that time. On September 25, there will be **no** adoration or confession.

Adoration

Thursday Evenings - 6 to 8 pm in the Church.

September 4, 11, & 18
Adorers' Schedule for September 11
6-7 C/M Gillette and Mary Endres
7-8 Andrew Coates/ OPEN

NO Adoration on September 25

Thank you to all who have signed up for adoration. If you need more information or have questions, please get in touch with Suzanne King at 269-271-6406.

Donuts and Coffee

Come over to the Family Center after 8 am Sunday Mass for fellowship, donuts & coffee.
Ven al Centro Familiar después de la misa dominical de las 8 a. m. para compartir, disfrutar de donas y café.

Altar Servers Needed

St. Edward's is having altar server training on **September 21**. This training is open to all who want to become altar servers and all current altar servers.

Please RSVP by signing up on the Altar Server training signup sheet located at the entrances. If you have any questions, you may contact Suzanne King at 269-271-6406 or Fredia at 616-374-7253 ext4.

Office hours-

The office hours will be changing on October 6. These hours are to align with Father Eugene's Schedule. The new hours will be Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 8 am - 2 pm.

El horario de oficina cambiará a partir del 6 de octubre. Este horario se ajustará al horario del padre Eugene. El nuevo horario será martes, jueves y viernes de 8:00 a 14:00.

Please Pray for:

Robert Rasche, Randy Armstrong, Jake Jacobson, Julie Sutton VanLiew, Marlene Harkin Family & 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 or family member.

Grief Support Group

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DAY

The next meeting will be on **TUESDAY**, Oct. 7, at 1:00 pm in the library. All meetings will now be on the first Tuesday of the month. For more information, please call Marsha, 269-367-4403.

Saint Edward's Faith Formation 2025-2026

Classes will be on Sunday from 9:15 am to 10:30 am. Faith formation is for all students from kindergarten through twelfth grade. Contact Fredia at 616-374-7253 x4 or at fredia@wowway.biz.

OCIA schedule –

Catechumenate Segment September 24
October 1, 8, 15, & 29

All sessions are on Wednesday evenings from 6:30–8:00 p.m., at Anne's house (753 5th Ave., Lake Odessa).

Come hungry—Anne always treats us to an amazing spread of food and drink! The atmosphere is casual, welcoming, and full of good conversation. If you have any questions, email annea54@yahoo.com—we're happy to help.

In Christ,

St. Edward Catholic Church OCIA Team
Anne, Jerry, Alan, and Andrew

Cor Men's Group

Our Cor Men's Group meets every second Saturday of the month in the Family Center Library at 9:00 AM. If you're looking to grow in faith and fellowship with your fellow Catholic men, please join us. Contact Andrew Coates for more details.

Grupo de Hombres de Cor

Nuestro Grupo de Hombres de Cor se reúne el segundo sábado de cada mes en la Biblioteca del Centro Familiar a las 9:00 a. m. Si buscas crecer en la fe y la comunión con otros hombres católicos, únete a nosotros. Contacta a Andrew Coates para más información.

Our Lady of the Rosery

October is the month dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary. We will be saying the rosary 30 minutes before Saturday Vigil and Sunday Mass. Volunteers are needed to lead the rosary. Please call the office to volunteer to lead the rosary. If you call outside of office hours, leave a message with your name and Mass time. Please join in his beautiful prayer to Our Blessed Mother.

Nuestra Señora del Rosario

Octubre es el mes dedicado a Nuestra Señora del Rosario. Rezaremos el rosario 30 minutos antes de la Vigilia del sábado y la Misa del domingo. Se necesitan voluntarios para dirigir el rosario. Por favor, llamen a la oficina para ofrecerse como voluntarios. Si llaman fuera del horario de oficina, dejen un mensaje con su nombre y la hora de la misa. Por favor, únanse a esta hermosa oración a Nuestra Santísima Madre.

OUR PARISH OFFERING – Sept 6/7, 2025

Adults	\$ 4,805 .00
Loose:	\$ 208.00
Total receipts:	\$ 5,013.00
Budgeted Weekly:	\$ 4,000.00
Overage/Shortage:	\$ 1,013.00

July 1, 2025 – Sept 7, 2025 Fiscal YTD Offertory Collections\

Year-to-Date:	\$ 52,366.00
Budgeted Year-to-Date:	36,000.00
Overage/Shortage Year-to-Date:	\$ 16,366.00

*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.

Next Finance Meeting- October 28 at 6:30 pm

Counter September 24- Greg Zuver & Bill Sutton



The next Knights of Columbus meeting will be on.
Tuesday, October 14

The Family of the Month

The David and Kris Galaviz family has been selected for the Knights of the Columbus Family of the Month. David was baptized at St. Edward. Kris was baptized in Berkley, MI, and grew up in Ann Arbor. The couple met in Woodland at a graduation open house in 1980. David and Kris were married on August 22, 1981, in Ann Arbor. They raised two children, Carlos and Andrea. They have four grandchildren: Mila, Nora, and twins Eli and Jude. David and Kris appreciate how their faith has provided them with an immediate connection to their communities. They have lived in Ypsilanti, MI, Decatur, AL, Schoolcraft, MI, Clarkston, MI, and their current residence in Lake Odessa.

David joined the Knights of Columbus in Decatur, AL, in 1986. They believe in the value of offering their personal time, talent, and treasure to the church. They currently host coffee and donuts at St. Edward after Sunday morning mass.

Please take time to congratulate them for their recognition as Family of the Month.

Family Perspective by Bud Ozar

Parents are like that shepherd in today's gospel for they don't give up and can't rest if one of their children has wandered away. A parent's persistent love provides a glimpse of the unconditional love for each of us by God, Our Father. A parent is a window to the Divine.

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 (Diocese of Grand Rapids)