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# Saint Edward the Confessor Catholic Church

## The Twenty-Seventh Sunday

### In Ordinary Time

**October 5, 2025**  
Saint Edward Church  
531 Jordan Lake St.  
Lake Odessa, MI 48849

**Pastor:** Father Eugene Batungbacal, C. Ss. R.  
[Freugene@ssppcatholic.com](mailto:Freugene@ssppcatholic.com)

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**OFFICE HOURS:**  
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday  
8 AM-2 PM  
Closed on Monday & Wednesday

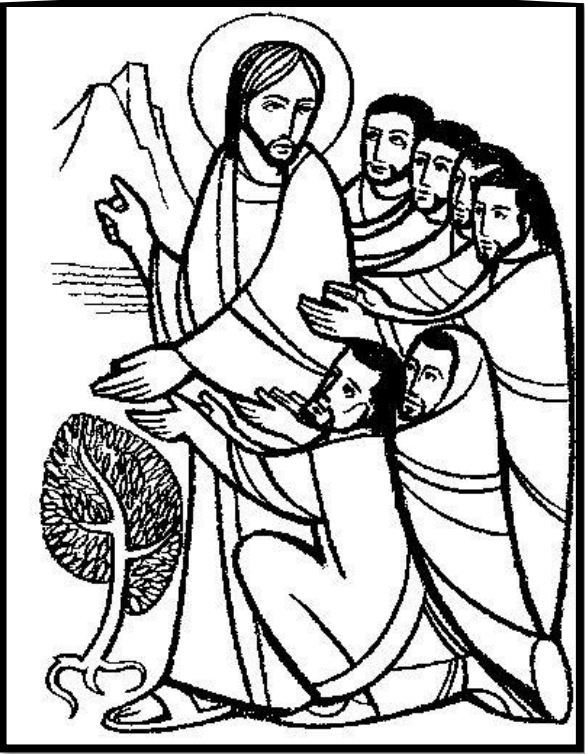
**MASS SCHEDULE:**  
Saturday Vigil 6:00 PM  
Sunday 8:00 AM

**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

**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, 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: Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4 Ps 95:1-2, 6-9 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14 Lk 17:5-10

**06 Monday:** Weekday: Saint Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin  
Jon 1:1—2:2,11 (Ps) Jon 2:2-5, 8 Lk 10:25-37

**07 Tuesday:** Our Lady of the Rosary  
Jon 3: 1-10 Ps 130:1b-4ab, 7-8 Lk 10:38-42

**08 Wednesday:** Weekday  
Jon 4:1-1 Ps 86:3-6, 9-10 Lk 11:1-4

**09 Thursday:** Weekday; Saint Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs  
Mal 3:13-20b Ps 1:1-4, 6 Lk 11:5-13

**10 Friday:** Weekday  
JL 1:13-15; 2:1-2 Ps 9:2-3, 6, 8-9, 16 Lk 11:15-26

**11 Saturday:** Weekday  
JL 4:12-21 Ps 97: 1-2, 5-6, 11-12 Lk 11:27-2

**12 Sunday: Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
2 Kgs 5:14-17 Ps 98:1-4 2 Tm 2:8-13 Lk 17:11-19

**Opportunity to venerate the relics of St. Thérèse of Lisieux**

**Oct. 1-8**

**National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica**

**2100 W. 12 Mile Road, Royal Oak, MI 48073**

In the 100<sup>th</sup> year of St. Thérèse’s canonization, her relics will visit 11 states starting on her feast day, Oct. 1. The first stop is at the National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica, where St. Thérèse is the patroness.

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED:** Sign up to venerate her relics or attend Mass at [shrinechurch.com/relics](http://shrinechurch.com/relics)

**Mass for God’s Children**



**Nov. 3 | 7 p.m.**

**Cathedral of Saint Andrew**

The Diocese of Grand Rapids invites anyone who has experienced the loss of a child before baptism to this special Mass, including parents, grandparents, siblings, relatives and friends. A memorial rose with a naming card will be provided for families who have lost a child(ren). If you would like to reserve a memorial rose, scan the QR code or reach out to Lauren Vandervort at 616.288.0588 or [lvandervort@grdiocese.org](mailto:lvandervort@grdiocese.org).

**Misa por los Hijos de Dios**

**Lunes 3 de noviembre | 7 p.m.**

**catedral de san andrés**

La Diócesis de Grand Rapids invita a los padres, familiares, y amigos que han experimentado la pérdida de un hijo a esta Misa especial. Se proporcionará una rosa conmemorativa y una tarjeta con el nombre del niño(s) para las familias que han perdido un hijo(s). Si gusta reservar una rosa y que su hijo(s) sea recordado en una tarjeta, favor de escanear el código qr. Para más información, favor de comunicarse con Rev. Fr. Cesar Cayetano, CR, al 616-333-1178 o [carras@grdiocese.org](mailto:carras@grdiocese.org)

**Trinitarians of Mary**

As previously announced by the diocese in 2022, at the conclusion of a three-year visitation, the Apostolic See (specifically the then-Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life) by means of a Decree dated May 12, 2022, and approved in forma specifica by Pope Francis, suppressed the religious institute formerly known as the Trinitarians of Mary. With this suppression, the former members of the Trinitarians were automatically dispensed from their vows and are no longer permitted to present themselves as religious. There is no right of appeal, and the Trinitarians have ceased to exist as a religious institute recognized by the Catholic Church.

**Exploring priesthood?**

Annual Seminary Visit is **Nov. 13-15**

The Diocese of Grand Rapids and St. John Vianney College Seminary are offering men who are juniors or seniors in high school and want to discern their vocation an opportunity to take a closer look at the priesthood. Travel with Father Rob Mulderink, director of the Office of Priestly Vocations, to experience a few days at St. John Vianney College Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota. Transportation, accommodations, and meals are provided at no cost. Space is limited. Register by Oct. 17 by contacting Pattie Reynolds, [preynolds@GRdiocese.org](mailto:preynolds@GRdiocese.org).

**JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE FOR YOUNG ADULTS AND COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY STUDENTS**

**NOV. 2 | 3 p.m.**

Cathedral of Saint Andrew, 301 Sheldon Blvd. SE, Grand Rapids

This pilgrimage, which will take place on All Souls Day, offers an extra special opportunity to receive a plenary indulgence. Join with young adults and college/university students from across the diocese to celebrate our faith in Christ Jesus together. Although local pilgrimages, like this one, seek to draw together certain groups of pilgrims under a theme, all are welcome.

**Men’s Cursillo Weekend**

October 9-12, 2025

Thursday 7 p.m. thru early Sunday evening

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church, 2929 McCracken St. Norton Shores

This experience is open to Catholic men seeking a spiritual encounter with oneself, Christ and community - a short course in Christianity. For further information contact Rose Compo at 616-824-0701 or Ron Moore at 248-212-1284. [www.grcursillo.org](http://www.grcursillo.org)

**Women’s Cursillo Weekend**

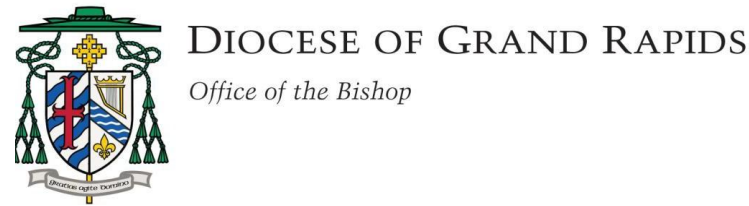
October 16-19, 2025

Thursday 7 p.m. thru early Sunday evening

Holy Family Catholic Church, 425 S. State St, Sparta

This experience is open to Catholic women seeking a spiritual encounter with oneself, Christ and community - a short course in Christianity. For further information contact Rose Compo at 616-824-0701 or Ron Moore at 248-212-1284. [www.grcursillo.org](http://www.grcursillo.org)





October 5, 2025

Dear Friends in Christ,

Fear, sadness, uncertainty—these are just a few of the many emotions that a woman with an unplanned pregnancy or someone recently diagnosed with a terminal illness may feel. In these moments, we as the Body of Christ are called to be beacons of hope to these individuals. Through our conversations, advocacy efforts, and acts of service, we bear witness to God’s love and inspire hope for those whose hearts are burdened.

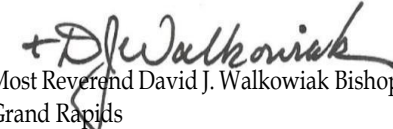
As we celebrate Respect Life Month, I want to share some of the ways the Church brings hope to those facing life’s most difficult challenges:

- Catholic Charities West Michigan served more than 7,600 families last year through its St. Gianna’s No Cost Baby Boutiques.
- More than 40 Catholic parishes across the diocese provide diapers, wipes, and other essential supplies through the Walking with Moms in Need initiative.
- The Church’s Project Rachel Ministry offers support and Rachel’s Vineyard Retreats to help women and men find healing after abortion.
- The Michigan Catholic Conference advocates for laws that protect the dignity of human life from conception to natural death and assists in organizing the State March for Life.

Christian hope is never meant just for us; it is a light we must share with others. I encourage you to volunteer at a St. Gianna’s boutique or in your local parish, bring a meal or offer support to someone facing health challenges, or join me at the State March for Life on November 6 in Lansing. Through these acts, we proclaim the goodness, value, and dignity of every person, especially those whose lives society too often disregards.

During this Respect Life Month, let us reflect more deeply on the sacredness of every human life. Please visit the diocesan website (grdiocese.org) for resources to guide your prayer, study and action. May Christ transform our hearts to protect and cherish all who are most vulnerable. Saint Maximilian Kolbe, pray for us!

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Most Reverend

  
Most Reverend David J. Walkowiak Bishop of  
Grand Rapids

## MASS INTENTIONS AND MINISTERS

Sunday, October 5, 8:00 am

+ Manuel Rodrigues (Marsha Stadel)

Tuesday, October 6, 12:10 pm

Saint Edward Parish

Friday, October 10, 9:00 am

+ Bob Stadel (Marsha Stadel)

Saturday, October 11, 6:00 pm

Diane Tomandl (Prayer Partner)

Sunday, October 12, 8:00 am

+ Tom Rademacher (The Rademacher Family)

## Adoration

Thursday Evenings - 6 to 8 pm in the Church.

September 4, 11, & 18

Adorers' Schedule for October 9

6-7 Frank & Sherri Agostinelli

7-8 Jamie & Darren Schafer

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.

## Office hours

Starting this week the office will be open on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 8 am to 2 pm. On Monday and Wednesday the office will be closed. This better aligns with Father Eugene’s schedule.

## Holy Rosary: A Prayer of Love

Growing up, when someone asked me how to define love, I would always respond, “Love is like a rosary that is full of mystery. Sometimes it's joyful. Other times, it's filled with sorrow. But to experience love is always glorious.”

The Holy Rosary, in like manner, is an act of love. It is a devotion relegated to contemplating a love so deep that it enlightens and brightens your life. Praying the rosary draws you to the inner sanctum of Mary's fiat, giving all of herself to the will of the Father.

October has been designated as the month of the Holy Rosary by Pope Leo XIII. It is celebrated on October 7, when the Battle of Lepanto was fought in 1571.

Pope Pius V called on Western Catholics to pray the Rosary for divine protection from the advancing threats against Christianity. On October 7th, the outnumbered Christian fleet secured a miraculous victory, which was believed to result from the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary through the power of the Rosary.

## Santo Rosario: Una oración de amor

Al crecer, cuando alguien me preguntaba cómo definir el amor, siempre respondía con: "El amor es como un rosario lleno de misterio. A veces es alegre. Otras veces está lleno de dolor. Pero experimentar el amor siempre es glorioso".

El Santo Rosario, de manera similar, es un acto de amor. Es una devoción relegada a contemplar un amor tan profundo que ilumina e ilumina tu vida. Orar el rosario te atrae al santuario interior de la fiat de María, dándote todo a la voluntad del Padre.

El mes de octubre ha sido designado como el mes del Santo Rosario Papa León XIII. Celebrado el 7 de octubre, cuando en 1571 se libró la Batalla de Lepanto.

El Papa Pio V pidió a los católicos occidentales que rezaran el Rosario para la protección divina de las amenazas avanzadas contra el cristianismo. El 7 de octubre, la flota cristiana superada en número obtuvo una victoria milagrosa, que se creía que era el resultado de la intercesión de la Santísima Virgen María a través del poder del Rosario.

## 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.

## Anointing Mass

There will be an anointing Mass on Thursday, October 9 at 4:00 pm in the hall, followed by a soup supper. Adoration is cancelled on that evening.

## 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 October 8, 15, & 29

Anyone who needs to complete their initiation into the church is invited to attend. If you or someone you know hasn’t received First Communion or Confirmation, now is the time to complete your catechesis. We meet at 6:30 p.m. at 753th Ave. every Wednesday night.

Call with questions: 616-374-8340

In Christ,

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

## Men of the Eucharist- Strengthened in Christ- Responding with Joy



**Pray for Seminarian:  
Luke R. Cunningham**

**Mundelein Seminary  
750 N. Wabash Ave,  
Chicago, IL 60611**

O Lord Jesus Christ, great High Priest, lead our seminarians in Your unerring footsteps; so that they may become priests who are models of purity, possessors of wisdom and heroes of sacrifice. Teach them generosity and detachment from worldly good; but above all, teach them to know You and to love You, the One and Only Eternal Priest.

**Amen**

## Donuts and Coffee

In the Family Center after 8 am Sunday Mass.



Ven al Centro Familiar después de la misa dominical de las 8 a. m.

## OUR PARISH OFFERING – Sept 27/28, 2025

Adults	\$ 3,654 .00
Loose:	\$ 306.00
<b>Total receipts:</b>	<b>\$ 3,960.00</b>
Budgeted Weekly:	\$ 4,000.00
<b>Overage/Shortage:</b>	<b>\$ ( 40.00)</b>

## July 1, 2025 – Sept 28, 2025 Fiscal YTD Offertory Collections

Year-to-Date:	\$ 62,176.00
Budgeted Year-to-Date:	48,000.00
<b>Overage/Shortage Year-to-Date:</b>	<b>\$ 14,176.00</b>

*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 October 12- Janice Fyan- Bill Sutton**



The next Knights of Columbus meeting will be on.

**Tuesday, October 14**

## Family of the Month

The Mike & Julie Smith Family is the Family of the Month. You will often see Mike & Julie at Saturday mass. The couple celebrated twenty-five years of marriage this summer. They pride in their three children, two of which are adopted, and several grandchildren. They also take joy in seeing the pews at Saint Edward filled with young families.

## Family Perspective

**by Bud Ozar**

Faith is one of those things we just can’t get enough of! In today’s gospel the apostles asked Jesus to “Increase our faith.” It is faith in ourselves, our spouse, our children and our parents which equips us to overlook annoyances helps us to forgive and urges us to ask forgiveness. “Lord, increase our faith!”

## Cor Men's Group

Our Cor Men's Group meets every **first** Saturday of the month in the Family Center Library at 9:00 am. The next meeting will be on **October 4**. If you're looking to grow in faith and fellowship with your fellow Catholic men, please join us. Contact Andrew Coates for more details.

## 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 join in his beautiful prayer to Our Blessed Mother.

## 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)