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<div><p>SAINT EDWARD FAMILY CENTER</p><p>741 Washington Blvd. Lake Odessa, MI 48849</p><p>Available for rent (max. 330 People) For Information call 616-374-7253 EMAIL fredia@wowway.biz</p></div>		<div><p>Saint Edwards sites, please scan the QR code for each.</p><div><p>Facebook</p></div><div><p>website</p></div></div>

Saint Edward the Confessor Catholic Church

Second Sunday of Advent

December 7, 2025
Saint Edward Church
531 Jordan Lake St.
Lake Odessa, MI 48849

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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:

Tuesday	11:00 AM-12:00 PM
Thursday	6:00 PM- 8:00 PM With Adoration

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.



07 Sunday: Second Sunday of Advent
Is 11:1-10 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 Rom 15: 4-9 Mt 3:1-12

08 Monday: The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary, Patron Feast Day of the United States of America
Gn 3:9-15, 20 Ps 98:1-4 Eph 1:3-6, 11-12 Lk 1:26-38

09 Tuesday: Advent Weekday; Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin
Is 40:1-11 Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13 Mt 18:12-14

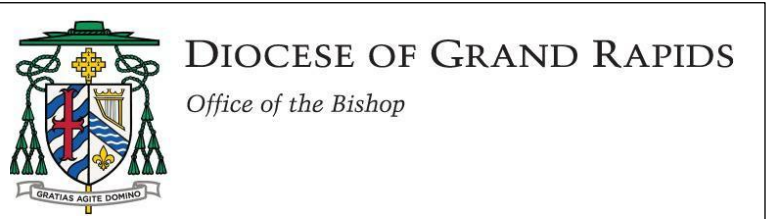
10 Wednesday: Advent Weekday; Our Lady of Loreto
Is 40:25-31 Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10 Mt 11:28-30

11 Thursday: Advent Weekday: Saint Damasus I, Pope
Is 41:13-20 Ps 145:1, 9-13ab Mt 11:11-15

12 Friday: Our Lady of Guadalupe
Zec 2:14-17 (Ps) Jdt 13:18bc, 19 Lk 1:26-38

13 Saturday: Saint Lucy, Virgin, Martyr
Sir 48:1-4, 9-11 Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19 Mt 17:9a, 10-13

14 Sunday: Third Sunday of Advent
Is 35:1-6a, 10 Ps 146:6-10 Jas 5:7-10 Mt 11:2-11



December 6/7, 2025

Dear Friends in Christ,

Women and men religious have ministered in parishes, schools, and organizations bringing the Gospel to life for decades. I am grateful for the impact these women and men religious have had on the faith of people here in West Michigan.

In their years of ministry, they often served for little to no pay without retirement benefits. Today, only 4 percent of communities reporting to the National Religious Retirement Office have the assets necessary to fund eldercare, and many rely on donor support to bridge the gap.

You can help by donating to the annual Retirement Fund for Religious collection next weekend, Dec. 13 - 14.

The 2024 collection was the 37th annual and raised more than \$28.1 million. The generosity of the Catholic laity remains strong through the (arch)diocesan national collection, which is evidenced here in the Diocese of Grand Rapids. You contributed \$257,586.63 during the in-pew collection last year. Your gift had a local impact, with several religious orders in Michigan receiving financial support made possible because of the Retirement Fund for Religious collection

We have certainly been blessed by the ministry of many religious orders here in the Diocese of Grand Rapids. Now we have an opportunity to show our appreciation for their witness and ministry. The men and women religious are thankful for your support. You can make your gift through your parish's second collection next weekend or online at GRdiocese.org.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ David J. Walkowiak

Most Reverend David J. Walkowiak
Bishop of Grand Rapids

MASS INTENTIONS AND MINISTERS

Sunday, December 07, 8:00 am

+Tom Rademacher (Rademacher Family)

Monday December 08, 9 am & 6:30 pm

Saint Edward Parish



Tuesday, December 09, 12:10 pm

Saint Edward Parish

Friday, December 12, 9:00 am

+ Rudolf Walliczek

Saturday, December 13, 6:00 pm

+ Manuel Rodriguez (Norbert Walliczek)

Lector: Pat St. A EMHC: Bill s. and Mary S.

Sunday, December 14, 8:00 am

+ Christine Bouthiette (Grief Support Group)

Lector: Alan B. EMHC: Alan B., Cindy G., & Yvonne M.

Adoration



Thursday Evenings - 6 to 8 pm in the Church
Every First Friday 9:30 am – 12 Pm

December 4, 11, & 18

Adorers December 11

Frank & Sherri Agostinelli (6-7)

Darren & Jamie Schager (7-8)

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.

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 January 3. If you're looking to grow in faith and fellowship with your fellow Catholic men, please join us. Contact Andrew Coates for more details.

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



Pray for Seminarian:

Dawson S Morrissey

University of St. Thomas

2115 Summit Ave

St. Paul, MN 55105

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.

Mass booklets, to follow along with the Holy Mass, have been donated to the parish and are located at the entrances to the church. There are books for both Adults and children. Please return books to location from which you picked them up from before you leave. Thank you.

Special Mass Schedule through January 1, 2026

Saint Edward Church

Immaculate Conception Holy Day

Monday, December 8 9:00 a.m. Mass

6:30 p.m. Mass

Christmas Holy Day

Wednesday, December 24 7:30 p.m. Mass

Thursday, December 25 10:00 a.m. Mass

Mary, Mother of God Holy Day

Wednesday, December 31 7:00 p.m. Mass

Thursday, January 1 10:00 a.m. Mass

Saints Peter & Paul Church

Immaculate Conception Holy Day

Monday, December 8 12:10 p.m. Mass & 7:00 p.m. (bilingual)

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Friday, December 12 6:00 a.m. Mañanitas (Spanish)

7:00 p.m. Mass (Spanish)

Christmas Holy Day

Wednesday, December 24 4:00 p.m., & 10:00 p.m.(bilingual)

Thursday, December 25 10:00 a.m. Mass

Mary, Mother of God Holy Day

Wednesday, December 31 5:00 p.m. Mass

Thursday, January 1 10:00 a.m. Mass

Please Pray for:

Eric Clark, Robert Rasche, Randy Armstrong,

Jake Jacobson, Marlene Harkin Family,

Julie Sutton VanLiew, Angie Raymond,

& 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

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, January 6, 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.

The Memory Tree

The Memory Tree is in the back of the Church. The balls on it have names on them of our deceased loved ones. If you would like to have one for your deceased loved one, please write their name on the pad next to the tree, and one will be made for you. Names from past years are already on the tree.

Saint Edward's Faith Formation 2025-2026

Classes: December 7 & 14

January 4, 11 & 25

Classes will be on Sundays 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.

Faith Formation is selling Advent Wreaths and sets of 4 Candles after the Sunday Masses over in the Family Center.

Cost: Wreath \$ 5.00 each

Set of 4 Candles \$5.00 each

OCIA schedule

Catechumenate Segment December 10, 17 & 31

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.

Donuts and Coffee in the Family Center after 8 am Sunday Mass.

OUR PARISH OFFERING – Nov 29/30, 2025

Adults \$ 3,085.00

Loose: \$ 329.00

Total receipts: \$ 3,414.00

Budgeted Weekly \$ 4,000.00

Overage \$ (586.00)

July 1, 2025 – Nov 30, 2025 Fiscal YTD Offertory Collections

Year-to-Date \$ 94,377.00

Budgeted Year-to-Date: \$ 84,000.00

Overage Year-to-Date: \$ 10,377.00

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.

Counters December 14: Cindy Gillette and Bill Sutton



The next Knights of Columbus meeting will be on.

Tuesday, December 9

Exploring Priesthood Discernment Meetings

Discernment is a time of obtaining spiritual guidance and understanding. If you are considering the priesthood, the Diocese of Grand Rapids invites you to meet with other young men (ages 16+) to gather and discern God's will for your life.

Meetings will take place from 12:30-1:30 p.m. at St. Luke University Parish, 10144 42nd Ave., Georgetown Twp. and are offered on the **following Sundays in 2025/2026: Jan. 18, Feb. 15, March 22, Apr. 19, May 17**

Just show up or email Pattie Reynolds, preynolds@grdiocese.org, to RSVP or with questions.

2026 Contribution Envelopes-

Contribution envelopes will be mailed to your home address every 3 months. The first set of envelopes is expected to be delivered around December 24. Please contact the office to update your parish records if you are new, moved recently, or have any changes to your information. Thank you.