

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Saint Edward

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Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 24, 2019

Séptimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario, 24 de Febrero, 2019

PARISH DIRECTORY

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8am-12pm,
12:30—4:30 pm

St. Edward School 815.398.2631

Religious Education 815.229.8914

Weekend Mass Schedule

English: Saturday 4:30 pm,

Sunday 7:30 am, 9 am, 5:30 pm

Español: Domingo 10:30 am & 12 pm

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday - Thursday 7 am,

Wednesdays School Mass 8:45am

Saturday 8am

Holy Day Vigil 5:30 pm

7am, 9am, 5:30 pm English

7pm Spanish

Confessions:

Wednesday 6-7pm

Saturday 3:30-4:15 pm

or by appointment

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesdays 5-7pm

Baptism Class

1st Saturday (English) 9-10:30 am

4th Saturday (Spanish) 8:45-10:30 am

Community Center.

No children allowed.

Baptisms 9:30am

1st Saturday English

2nd & 3rd Saturday Spanish

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Website: www.stedwardrockford.org



Mission Statement: The Catholic Community of St. Edward Parish will continue to evangelize and proclaim the Good News that Jesus Christ is Lord. We, as a catholic parish, through the Holy Mass, strive to be better Christians in faith, hope, love and mercy, to serve the family of God, and to grow in our relationship with Him.

FROM THE PASTOR...

Dear St. Edward's Family,

The Gospel of St. Luke, chapter six, makes me think about Jesus' question. If we love and do good to people who love and do good to us, what is extraordinary about that? What Jesus says makes sense; there is nothing extraordinary to love and do good to those who love us. Of course, loving and doing good to our own is right and necessary, but there is no much sacrifice on doing so. Jesus invites us to take the experience of love to a different level. But how can we do that?

Jesus invites us to extend our love and kindness toward people we have difficulties with. It is precisely there when our love becomes extraordinary because it is not easy to love someone we have differences with. In fact, this type of love demands effort and sacrifice. Most likely, at certain point of our lives, we have had serious difficulties with someone or someone have hurt us.

If it is the case, I invite you to have an act of love toward that person. Pray for that person. Prayer is indeed an act of love. In your prayer, ask the almighty God to bless that person with good health, with peace and any other good wish. You might notice that at the beginning the prayer is not coming out of your heart, that it is a bit forced but be persistent. With time you might notice the change, you might notice that you are truly praying from your heart for that person. Prayer as an act of love becomes a blessing for the recipient. It is also transformed into healing grace for the one praying.

God bless you all,
Fr. Lopez



Querida Familia de San Eduardo,

El evangelio de Lucas, capítulo seis, me hace reflexionar con la pregunta de Jesús. Si nosotros amamos y hacemos el bien a las personas que nos aman y nos tratan bien ¿Qué hay de extraordinario en ello? ¿Qué tiene de extraordinario eso? Tiene razón el maestro. No hay mucho de extraordinario en amar y hacer el bien a aquellas personas que nos aman. Claro, amar a los nuestros es bueno y necesario, pero no hay mucho sacrificio en ello. Pero Jesús nos invita a que llevemos la experiencia del amor a otro nivel. Me pregunto, ¿Cómo lograr llevar la experiencia del amor a otro nivel?

Jesús nos invita a que tengamos expresiones de amor, de generosidad o compasión hacia las personas con las que tenemos dificultades. Ahí si hay algo extraordinario porque no es fácil amar a aquel con quien tengo dificultades, de hecho se requiere de esfuerzo y sacrificio. Seguramente en el transcurso de nuestra vida hemos tenido grandes diferencias con alguien o alguien nos ha herido profundamente.

Si así es, te invito a que tengas un acto de amor hacia esa persona. Has oración por esa persona. En tu oración, pídale a Dios que bendiga a esa persona con salud, con paz, con tranquilidad u otros buenos deseos. Al comienzo, puedes sentir que tu oración no sale del corazón, es un poco forzada. Pero si persiste en tu oración notarás el cambio. La oración como acto de amor se convierte en bendición para la persona por quien se ora y gracia de sanación para el orante.

Bendiciones,
Padre Lopez



March 6th

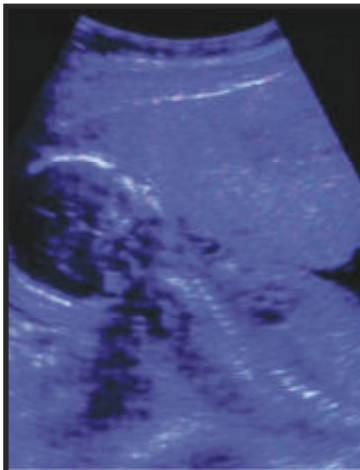
- 8:00 a.m. Mass with Ashes in English
- 9:00 a.m. School Mass with Ashes in English
- 12:00 p.m. Ash Service English
- 5:30 p.m. Mass with Ashes in English
- 7:00 p.m. Ash Service in Spanish

There will be no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament or confessions this day.

**Religious Education Announcement:
Second Confirmation make up meeting
Monday, February 25
5:30-7:30 pm**

**Anuncio de Educación Religiosa:
Segunda reunión de confirmación
Lunes, 25 de Febrero
5:30-7:30 pm**

Take Action!



EXTREME Abortion Bills Introduced in IL Legislature

House Bill 2467 & Senate Bill 1594:

Repeals Illinois Parental Notification of Abortion Act

Current law requires a parent or legal guardian be notified when a minor seeks an abortion. Includes a waiver for children physically or sexually abused. Passed in 1995 but not implemented until 2013 by a unanimous Illinois Supreme Court ruling.

House Bill 2495 & Senate Bill 1942:

- **Repeals** current state ban on partial-birth abortions.
- **Defines** abortion as a fundamental right.
- **Removes** abortion clinics from regulations for serious medical procedures.
- **Removes** the requirement that only doctors can perform abortions.
- **We are studying the bill for further impact.**

February 2019



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and via emails sent through our
Illinois Catholic Advocacy Network (I-CAN).

Sign up for I-CAN at:
www.ilcatholic.org/take-action/join-i-can

Contact your state House and Senate lawmakers
and urge them to vote "no" on
HB 2467, SB 1594, HB 2495 & SB 1942.
Go to www.ilcatholic.org for more info.

If you would like to send
Father William an email,
please do so at:
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St. Patrick Parish



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Mass Intentions

Sunday, February 24

- 7:30 am † Marjorie Coleman by family
9:00 am † Frank Gerl by Dolores Gerl
† John Benney by Carol Benney
10:30 am † Sergio Quiroz by Alejandro y Blanca Quiroz
Por el retiro de mujeres emaus
Por el bien estar de la familia Vargas Vilchis
12:00 pm † Placido Minuiz de la familia Minuiz Hernandez
† Juanita Gomez by family
† Jose Rodriguez by his family
5:30 pm † Mike Crane by Gerry & Donna Crane

Monday, February 25

- 8:00 am † Jose Rodriguez by his family
† Bertha Barraza by family

Tuesday, February 26

- 8:00 am † Jose Rodriguez by his family
† Maria de los Angeles Armenta by family

Wednesday, February 27

- 8:00 am † All deceased members of Cervantes family
8:45 am † Jose Rodriguez by his family
† All deceased members of Barraza family

Thursday, February 28

- 8:00 am † Jose Rodriguez by his family
Fr. William Vallejo

Friday, March 1

- 8:00 am NO MASS

Saturday, March 2

- 8:00 am † Jose Rodriguez by his family
4:30 pm † Kim Dien Nguyen by her family
† Edmund
Joy Salsbury by Mary & Dick White

Sunday, March 3

- 7:30 am
9:00 am † Roman Gerl by Dolores Gerl
† Marjorie Coleman by family
Living & deceased members of the Richard
DeSanti family
† Richard Heaslip, Katy Peterson & Steve
Heaslip by their family
10:30 am † Sergio Quiroz by Alejandro y Blanca Quiroz
† Ana Laura Alvarado by Maria Myers
† Sergio Quiroz by Alejandro y Blanca Quiroz
12:00 pm † Placido Minuiz de la familia Minuiz
Hernandez
5:30 pm † Mike Crane by Gerry & Donna Crane



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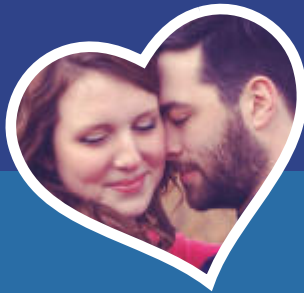
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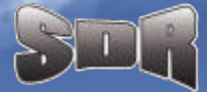
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