

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Saint Edward

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Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 31, 2019

Cuarto Domingo de Cuaresma, 31 de Marzo, 2019

PARISH DIRECTORY

Parish Office Hours

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

St. Edward School 815.398.2631

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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 8 am,

Wednesdays School Mass 8:45am

Saturday 8am

Holy Day Vigil 5:30 pm

8am, 9am, 5:30 pm English

7pm Spanish

Confessions:

Wednesday 6-7pm

Saturday 3:30-4:15 pm

Thursdays for Lent 8:30-9:30 am

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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"His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'let us celebrate with a feast because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again.'" - Lk 15:21-22a, 23b-24a



"El muchacho le dijo: 'Padre, he pecado contra el cielo y contra ti; ya no merezco llamarme hijo tuyo'. Pero el padre les dijo a sus criados: 'Comamos y hagamos una fiesta, porque este hijo mío estaba muerto y ha vuelto a la vida'". - Lc 15, 21-22, 23-24

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...

Greetings,

We have journeyed already four weeks of Lent. For this Sunday, we read from the gospel of Luke the story of a father and his two sons. The younger son asked for his inheritance and sought to live an independent life away from his father. Without the care and protection of his father, he began to live in a very immoral way and wasted all his money. In a great moment of need, he repents and comes back to his father. The father, out of his unconditional love for his son, not only forgives him but welcomes him with open arms and calls for a big celebration. It is an amazing story of repentance, forgiveness and compassion.

Have you even been tempted to seek independence from someone or from something? There is nothing wrong in trying to be self-dependent. What is wrong is trying to detach ourselves from something that is essential for one's wellbeing. Many people try to ban God from their lives either because they think God's Divine Law is too much a burden or because in a great loss or suffering they thought God did not care about them. And yet, we know that God in our lives is not an option. We need God!

There is also a turning point in this. We might come to realize, just like the prodigal son, how much we need God in our lives, or how important it is to be in communion with the Church. If at any given moment, we find ourselves in a similar situation, know that it is never late. In an act of humility, let us express our sorrow to God. He is a forgiving and compassionate Lord, always willing to embrace us back.

Blessings, Fr. Lopez



Saludos,

Ya hemos recorrido cuatro semanas de Cuaresma. Para este domingo, leemos del Evangelio de Lucas la historia de un padre y sus dos hijos. El hijo menor pidió su herencia y trató de vivir una vida independiente lejos de su padre. Sin el cuidado y la protección de su progenitor, comenzó a vivir de una manera bastante inmoral y desperdició todo su dinero. En un gran momento de necesidad, se arrepiente y vuelve a su padre. El padre, por su incondicional amor a su hijo, no solo lo perdona sino que lo recibe con los brazos abiertos y pide una gran celebración. Es una increíble historia de arrepentimiento, perdón y compasión.

¿Te has sentido tentado a buscar la independencia de alguien o de algo? No hay nada malo en tratar de ser independiente. Lo que está mal es tratar de separarse de algo que es esencial para el bienestar de uno. Muchas personas intentan expulsar a Dios de sus vidas ya sea porque piensan que la Ley Divina de Dios es una carga demasiado grande o porque, en una gran pérdida o sufrimiento, pensaron que a Dios no le importaban. Y sin embargo, sabemos que Dios en nuestras vidas no es una opción. ¡Necesitamos a Dios!

También hay un punto de inflexión sobre esto. Podríamos darnos cuenta, al igual que el hijo pródigo, de cuánto necesitamos a Dios en nuestras vidas, o cuán importante es estar en comunión con la Iglesia. Si en un momento dado, nos encontramos en una situación similar: sabemos que nunca es tarde. En un acto de humildad, expresemos arrepentimiento a Dios, sabiendo que Él es un Señor compasivo y misericordioso siempre dispuesto a recibirnos con sus brazos abiertos.

Bendiciones, Padre Lopez

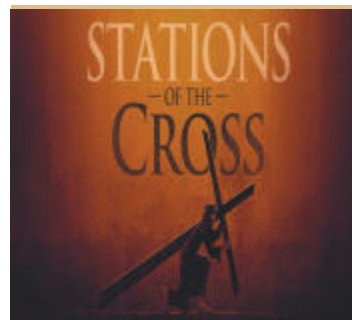
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Friday, April 5th through
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Confessions

Wednesday - 6-7:00 p.m.
Thursday during Lent—8:30-9:30 am
Saturday—3:30—4:15 pm



Fridays during Lent
5:00 pm (English)
6:30 pm (Spanish)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Wednesday 5-7pm

Be Reconciled
 Come to Confession
April 10
 10AM-7PM



Ven a confesarte
el 10 de abril
 10AM-7PM
Reconcíliate

Parish Secretary Position

St. Edward Catholic Church in Rockford, IL is seeking a self-starting, self-motivated person of the Catholic faith to work as a full time or part time secretary. Requisites: Bilingual: speak and write both Spanish and English

Be familiar with Microsoft Word and Publisher
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Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 31

- 7:30 am Mark Berthiaume
- 9:00 am † Joan Gaines by Jack & Elaine Grygiel
- 10:30 am † Sergio Quiroz by Alejandro y Blanca Quiroz
Family Ortiz Paredes
Santos Ortiz
- 12:00 pm Por la salud de Jorge Abdul López
† Rafael Reyes Mora y Martha Sánchez
† Rafael Reyes Sánchez
- 5:30 pm Jon Swanson

Monday, April 1

- 8:00 am † Mike Stahl by Kathy Overton
† Kim Dien Nguyen by her family

Tuesday, April 2

- 8:00 am Cindy Robinson & Jeff Robinson by Don & June Robinson

Wednesday, April 3

- 8:00 am † Joan Gaines by the Ladies Guild
- 8:45 am Fr. William

Thursday, April 4

- 8:00 am Lisa Steffen by Don & June Robinson
Jeffrey Bowers by Don & June Robinson

Friday, April 5

- 8:00 am NO MASS

Saturday, April 6

- 8:00 am † Herman Reis
- 4:30 pm Jay Salsbury by Mary & Dick White
† Mike Crane by Jerry & Donna Crane

Sunday, April 7

- 7:30 am Don & June Robinson by Bonita Stahl
- 9:00 am † Mike Stahl by Reis & Starnes Families
† Roman Gerl by Dolores Gerl
- 10:30 am † Ana Laura Alvarado by Maria Myers
† Elvira Rivera by Maria Myers
- 12:00 pm In celebration of Roberto Garcia's birthday
In celebration of Juan Manuel Ruiz' birthday
Family Perez for their welfare
- 5:30 pm



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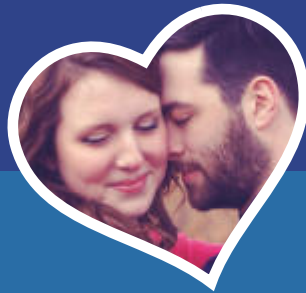


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