

2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine."

- Jn 2:1-3



Ramblings of a Parish Priest:

Check out more at www.frdominic.com

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

This coming Saturday, January 22, is the National Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children (join us for Holy Mass that morning at 8:30am). It's a bittersweet day where Catholics across the country join together and pray for an end to the unjust act of abortion. It's bittersweet because it's a worthy cause for everyone to rally behind; but also devastating to be reminded how many innocent children are murdered because our country allows for abortions.

It is my hope, and I know many of you share this same hope with me, that very soon we will see the end of our federal government allowing for abortion. I'm not hopeful we will see the end of abortion in the State of Illinois but ending it on the federal level is a huge start. Hopefully people's hearts will open and hear the truth that life begins at conception and that the human in a woman's womb has the same rights as the woman carrying the child.

Many unfortunately still believe the lie that pro-life groups fail to offer resources after the child is born. At least we here at St. Edward know that's not true since we have a great connection with the Women's Center on Elston and Cicero; as well as other organizations our parishioners serve at like The Well of Mercy (a maternity home). When we proudly say that we're pro-life, we mean that we're PRO-LIFE. It's frustrating when others ignorantly assume "you stop caring for life at birth" and that couldn't be further from the truth. As Catholic disciples of Jesus, we're pro-life in every sense of the phrase: we care and pray for the protection of all human life from conception through natural death. I'm very proud that our own pro-life group here at St. Ed's organizes the monthly food drive for the poor, our Christmas Giving Tree, 40 Days for Life, and fundraisers for the Women's Center.

Another common argument from pro-abortion supporters is to allow exceptions in the law for victims of rape and any other sexually violent acts done to someone. To quote one of my favorite TV shows, *Law & Order*, the character Ben Stone famously said, "we can never lower the standard of justice to make it equitable, rather we must raise everyone to the same standard." We cannot take the rights away from the unborn because an injustice was forced upon their mother. I don't mean to diminish anyone's suffering, but no matter the injustice done to one person, that cannot be used as a reason to take away someone

else's rights. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion are all hot buzz words these days in government and the workplace. How can we set the standard for these three important goals if we're not willing to include the unborn? Anyone who promotes abortion is anti-diversity, anti-equity, and anti-inclusion because they don't recognize the inherent human dignity of children who are alive in their mother's womb. For these same reasons we cannot allow for euthanasia and the death penalty. All human life is sacred regardless of a person's stage of life, the sins they've committed, and their health.

My sisters and brothers in Christ, we must be strong advocates for the safety and protection of all human life. Our unborn brothers and sisters are absolutely the priority since they are the most defenseless. Prisoners awaiting the death penalty have their own voice and defense lawyers; victims of euthanasia have their own voice, doctors, and lawyers; victims of sex trafficking, racism, sexism, and other violent crimes have their own voice and social justice groups; but the unborn have no voice of their own. We must be their voice.

While I am hopeful that federal abortion laws will soon be over, I'm not hopeful for our state. Never hesitate to reach out to our local government leaders, especially your State Representatives and Senators, and tell them they need to change the laws of our state to protect **ALL HUMAN LIFE FROM CONCEPTION TO NATURAL DEATH!** Removing justice from any person is not equity, we must raise up everyone to the same standard of justice so that we can truly have "liberty and justice for all."

In Christ,

Fr. Dom

NEXT WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

MASS		PRESIDER	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	SERVERS
Saturday January 22	4:30 PM	Fr. Clemente & Dn. Seth	Laura Quigley	James K. Sattler Antonio Cabilao Christine Geraghty	No Servers
Sunday January 23	8:00 AM	Fr. Clemente & Dn. Seth	Jenny Snyder Marty Lane	Barbara Sapp	No Servers
Sunday January 23	9:30 AM	Fr. Kalas	Lizbeth Heinrich Mary Ann Dardugno	Bernadette Brosnan Elsa Aguirre	S. Bender A. O'Donnell
Sunday January 23	11:00 AM	Fr. McIlhone & Dn. Seth	Tony Weyers Sarah Pelrine	John C. Elakkatt Wendy Shear	I. Kopecky G. Kopecky

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- ▶ Grow closer to God.
- ▶ Take control of your life.
- ▶ Become a better man.

EXODUS

EXODUS 90

This 90-day spiritual exercise program is open to all men of the parish. The program is based on the principals of fraternity, prayer, and sacrifice/asceticism. It is not easy, but it will make you holier and a better man for going through this journey with other men in our parish.

The journey begins Monday, January 17,
and ends on Easter Sunday, April 17.

There will be an informational pre-Exodus meeting on Sunday, January 16, at 6:00pm in Unity Hall. If you have any questions, reach out to Fr. Dom. You're also encouraged to go to www.exodus90.com for more information.

Youth Ministry Schedule



January 16
Mass & Discussion

January 23
NET mini-Retreat, 6:00-9:00pm

January 30
Prayer & Discussion (No Mass)

Youth Group meets in the Oratory of the Blessed Trinity and Unity Hall. Any teen in 8th through 12th grade are welcome.

Masks are to be worn inside at all gatherings.



Baptism



**Congratulations
Elaine Virginia**
on your Baptism!
Welcome to the Body of Christ!



**Congratulations
Skylar Rose**
on your Baptism!
Welcome to the Body of Christ!

SAVE THE DATE!

FEBRUARY 26, 2022



Adult and Youth Chili Chefs
and Brew Masters register online.
Purchase tickets and volunteer
at <https://stedparish.org/chili-cook-off>

TICKETS

Adults: \$10; 12 and Under: \$5
Includes Chili - Nachos - Hot Dogs



The Women's Center wishes you a Happy New Year with many blessings! Thank you for all of the support with our Client Christmas Parties, they were wonderful! Please consider continuing to give by donating online or on the phone. You can donate today at www.GoTWC.org or by calling 773-794-1313.

THE WOMEN'S CENTER IS HIRING!

(Please see our website, www.GoTWC.org, for further details)

CLIENT ADVOCATE (Evergreen Park Office):
Polish or Spanish is a plus. Please send resume and cover letter to pbrunk@gotwc.org.

CLIENT ADVOCATE (Cicero Avenue Office):
Please send resume and cover letter to pbrunk@gotwc.org.

DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES: Please send cover letter and resume to kconmey@gotwc.org.

FUNDRAISING MANAGER: Please send cover letter and resume to kconmey@gotwc.org.

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 SPLIT-THE-POT RAFFLE




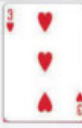

TICKETS
 \$5 Each or 5 for \$20
NEXT DRAWING
 will be
WEDNESDAY
 January 19, 2022 at 8 pm
 at O'Donnell's on Elston



Tickets are available after weekend Masses,
 at O'Donnell's on Elston, the Rectory Office, or online at
www.stedparish.org.
 Online sales end at 9 am on the day of the drawing.

JACKPOT: \$25,000

AVAILABLE NUMBERS

1	2	3		5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25		27	28	29	30	31	32
33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
49	50	51		53	54		

Congratulations to the Morgans, this week's \$100 winner with Card #52, the 3 of Hearts. Get tickets for next week's drawing at the rectory, after the weekend Masses, at O'Donnell's on Elston, or online at <https://stedparish.org/king-of-hearts>

 **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Sunday, January 16
 4th Grade Basketball Practice, 1:00pm
Buckley Hall
 Exodus 90 Meeting, 6:00pm
Unity Hall
 Youth Ministry, 7:00pm
Oratory of the Blessed Trinity & Unity Hall

Monday, January 17
 Scouts BSA Meeting, 7:00pm
Unity Hall

Tuesday, January 18

Wednesday, January 19
 Legion of Mary Meeting, 9:00am
Rectory Hall

Thursday, January 20
 Knights of Columbus Social, 7:00pm
Unity Hall

Friday, January 21
 Cub Scout Pack Night, 7:00pm
Unity Hall

Saturday, January 22
 First Reconciliation Retreat,
 2:30-4:30pm
Unity Hall & Church

Sunday, January 23
 Family Faith Formation Community
 Meeting, 10:30am
Unity Hall
 Knights of Columbus Free-Throw
 Tournament, 12:00pm
Buckley Hall
 Youth Ministry, 7:00-8:30pm
Oratory of the Blessed Trinity & Unity Hall



OPEN HOUSE

SUNDAY, JANUARY 30, 2022
10:30 AM - 1:00 PM
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ACADEMICS: Awarded a Blue Ribbon in 2017 for academic excellence, our students attend select high schools including DePaul Prep, Loyola Academy, St. Pat's, St. Ignatius, Lane Tech, and Walter Payton.

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STEM LAB: Designated classroom for STEM

EXTRACURRICULAR: Athletics, Scouts, Chess, Musical Theatre, Art Classes, etc.

COMMUNITY: St. Edward parents encourage new families to participate in school events.

SOCIAL WORKER: Promoting social-emotional development

EXTENDED CARE: Before and after school programs.



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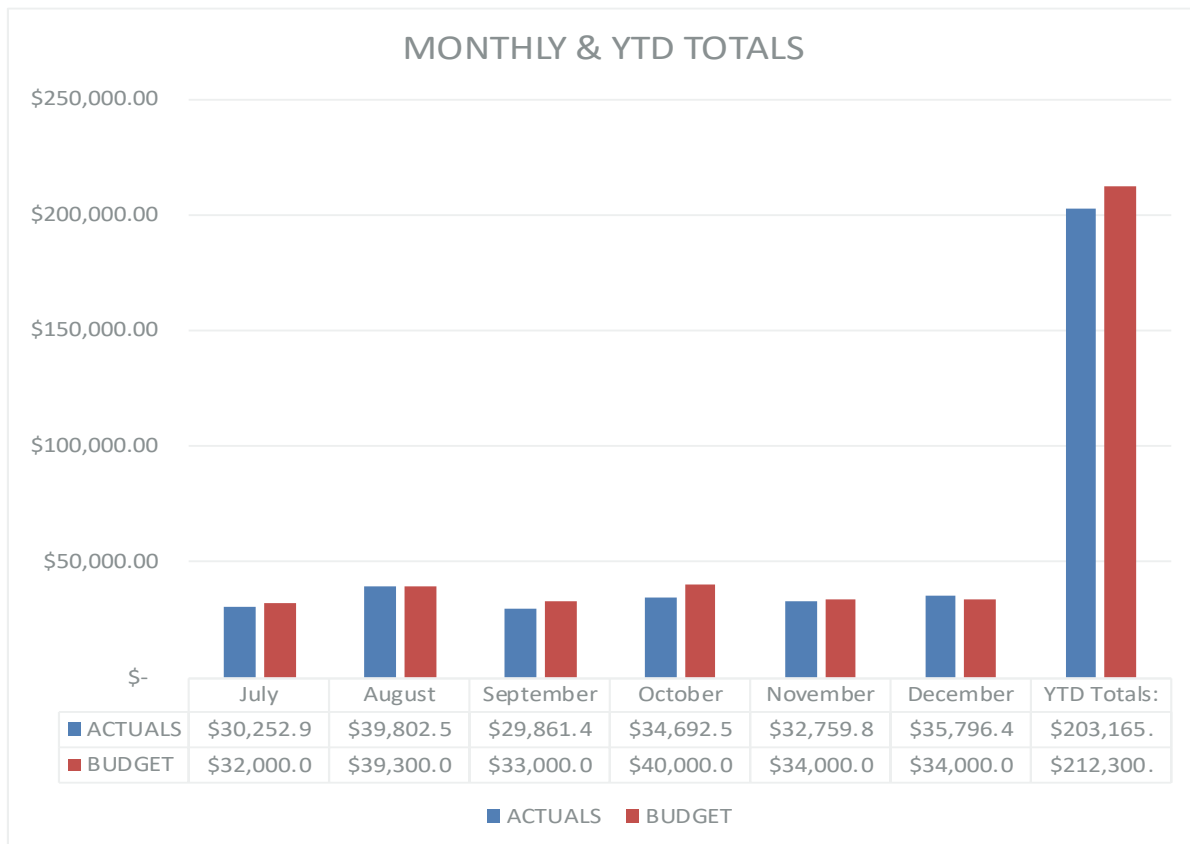
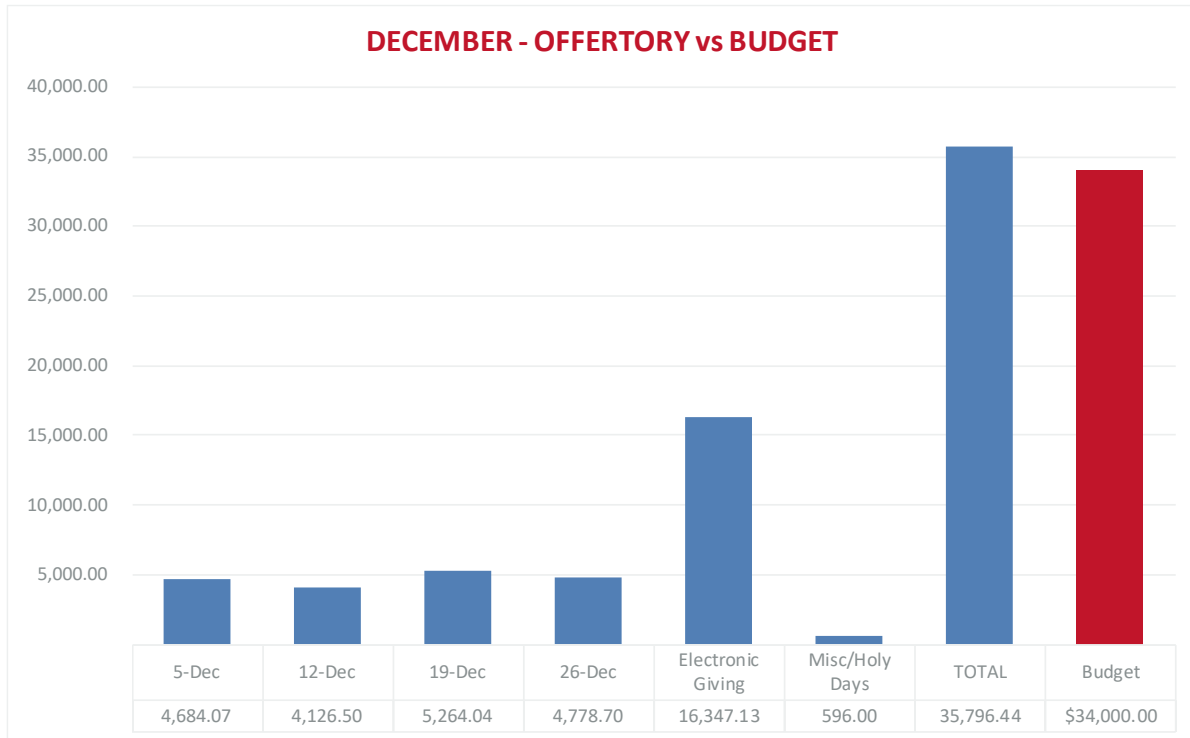
FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

SUNDAY CONTRIBUTIONS: January 9, 2022

\$4,895.00

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION: (against Christmas Budget of \$36,500)

\$35,469.00





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2022 FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP

Who: Boys and Girls
Ages 10 -14

What: Local Free Throw Championship

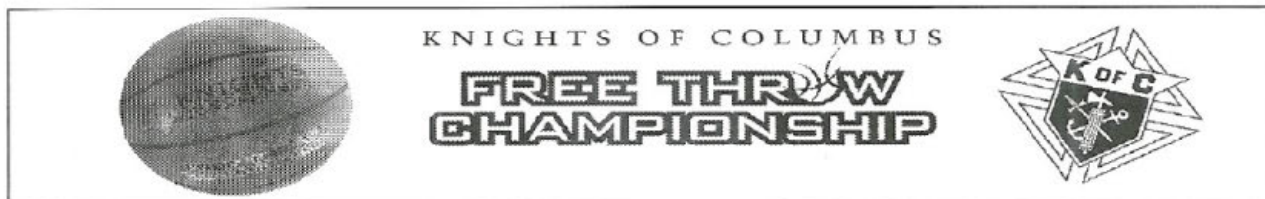
When: January 23th, 2022
12pm - 3pm

Where: St. Edwards Gym
Buckley Hall · Chicago, IL

Why: It's Fun!

The Free Throw Championship is sponsored annually, with winners progressing through the local, district, and state competitions. International champions are announced by the K of C Headquarters based on scores from the state-level competitions. Last year more than 179,000 sharpshooters participated in over 3,000 local competitions.

All contestants on the local level are recognized for their participation in the event. Participants are required to furnish proof of age and written parental consent. For additional information contact: **Kurt Sedlacek 773-318-3608.**





ALIVE IN YOU

2022 YOUTH GROUP SUMMER MISSION TRIP

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- **WHAT?** Hundreds of Catholic teens gather for an incredible week of serving the poor and growing in faith.
- **WHO?** You! As long as you are entering 8th grade or in high school.
- **WHEN?** Tuesday, July 12 thru Sunday, July 17.
- **WHERE?** Chicagoland.
- **WHY?** Because St. Edward teens are aspiring saints who inspire saints to build the Kingdom of God.
- **HOW?** Register by March 1st with Paul Minarik paul@stedparish.org
- **HOW MUCH?** Each teen pays \$125 for transportation, room and board; our generous parishioners will take care of the rest.



For more information, visit www.stedparish.org
Questions? Email Paul@stedparish.org



Saturday, January 15

Weekday

8:00AM †Mariam Elakakatt
63rd Birthday Joan
Bernadette Micelli
4:30PM Elsie Adam

Sunday, January 16

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM Norma Nodzanski
9:30AM †Stanley Zachar
11:00AM †Joseph Garcia

Monday, January 17

St. Anthony, Abbot

8:30AM †France Puc
All Souls

Tuesday, January 18

Weekday

8:30AM †Carmelita & Eugenio
Licardo
Scott B. Gillespie,
65th Birthday

Wednesday, January 19

Weekday

8:30AM †Marcella Krzysko

Thursday, January 20

Weekday

8:30AM †Gail & Anthony Clemente
†France Puc

Friday, January 21

St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr

8:30AM †Landy Aponte
†Elsie Adam

Saturday, January 22

**Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of
Unborn Children**

8:00AM †France Puc
End to Legal Abortion
4:30PM Nancy Corpolongo

Sunday, January 23

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM †France Puc
Norma Nodzanski
9:30AM †Stephanie Trotter
11:00AM †Eric Rusch, Jr.
†Miguel Guzman

Prayer REQUESTS

*Pray for the sick of our
parish family:*

Roger Africa
Mary Lou Agronomoff
Nathan Devan Arceo
Mary Anne Asakura
William Finkenstadt
Fr. Erwin Friedl
Henry Hammersten
Maureen Hughes
Agnes Keresztes
Marianne Kramer
Elizabeth Rose Lyuksemburg
Gloria Mercado
Richard Pasierbowicz
Margaret Pitts
Kathy Schreiber
Kathy Sugars
Lourdes Vidal

*And those serving our
country:*

Juan Hernandez
Collin John Jones
1st Lt. Randall Kester
Craig Lensegrav,
Ryan C. Loy
Daniel McCright
Joselito R. Mercado
Shane Murray
Sean Mayerbock
Sean O'Connor
Gretel Ypil, Odon
Matthew Olker
Danny Oresky,
Gavin Sustek SFC
Edward Swartz
Danielle Ulrich
Rachel Vega
Brian West



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Worship Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:30 pm
(Church open at 4:00 pm)

Sunday Masses at 8:00, 9:30 & 11 am
(Church open at 7:30 am)

Monday-Saturday: Mass at 8:30 am
(Church open at 8:00 am)

Confessions Saturday:
12:00-1:00 pm



MAKING ST. EDWARD CHURCH ACCESSIBLE TO ALL WE ARE ALMOST THERE!

If you have not donated to the Elevator Fund and are able to, now would be a good time to do so. Any amount that you can give will help us reach our goal. You can donate by check or online by visiting the parish website at www.stedparish.org. As the work progresses, we will continue to keep you updated. For more information, contact Fr. Dominic at 773-545-6496 or email frclemente@stedparish.org.

NOTE TO DONORS...

If you have already donated to the Elevator Campaign... **THANK YOU!**

Last week, we sent out forms to those who have made donations to the Elevator Campaign. We are asking for verification of the names of donors and dedications that will appear on the donor plaque. The plaque will be placed in the main lobby at the entrance to the elevator. To those donors who wish to remain anonymous, please check that box and return the form. Please return the form with any changes or corrections by the end of the month. If you made a donation to the Elevator Campaign and did not receive a letter, please contact the rectory at 773-545-6496.

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