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May 16, 2021

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Jesus said to his disciples, "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved." - Mk 16:15-16A

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REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

Noon Wednesday**
5:30pm Thursday
9:00am Friday
5:00pm Saturday**
9:30am Sunday

**These Masses are live streamed to our website and our YouTube channel

Drive-Up Holy Communion

10:30am Sunday, lower level parking lot

Eucharistic Adoration

3:00pm Sunday in the Chapel

Rosary

6:00pm Thursday in the Church

Reconciliation

Contact Fr. Rick to request a confession.

Sacrament of Anointing

Contact Fr. Rick to request an anointing.

If you or a family member are ill contact Mia Ah Sani, Director of Pastoral Care.

Baptism

Call Donna Rubio, Director of Community Life, to register for Baptism preparation.

Marriage

Contact Donna Rubio, Director of Community Life; six months to one year preparation time required.

Parish Leadership

Molly Mitch, *Trustee*
Peter Smyth, *Trustee*

Parish Council

Chair Steve Madej
Vice Chair Michele Cowling, *Social Justice*
John Cotter, *Worship*
Angie Dunbar, *Faith Formation*
Randy Jenniges, *At-Large*
Tom Kent, *Administration*
Maureen Larson, *Pastoral Care*
Patsy Murphy, *Community Life*
Fr. Rick Banker, *Pastor*
Mike Petruconis, *Parish Administrator*

LITURGY & MUSIC



Prayer for an End to the Sin of Racism in Our Land

Leader:

Pope Francis exhorts us with these words: "My friends, we cannot turn a blind eye to racism and exclusion of any form and yet claim to defend the sacredness of every human life." (Message to the U.S. June 3, 2020)

And so we pray:

Community:

God of Heaven and Earth, you created the one human family and endowed each person with great dignity. Aid us, we pray, in overcoming the sin of racism. Grant us your grace in eliminating this blight from our hearts, our communities, our social and civil institutions. Fill our hearts with love for you and our neighbor so that we may work with you in healing our land from racial injustice. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

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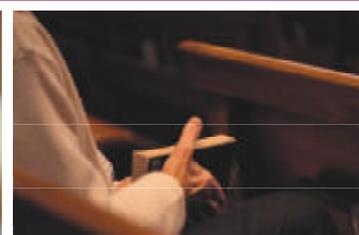
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CELEBRATE MASS AT ST. EDWARD



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Choose the "Watch Mass Online" button at stedwardschurch.org or watch on social media:



IN PERSON

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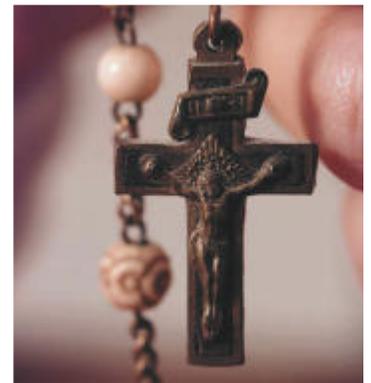
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NO SIGN-UP REQUIRED

DRIVE-UP HOLY COMMUNION

Sundays, 10:30-11:00am in the lower level parking lot

THE MONTH OF MAY IS DEVOTED TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



ADORATION

Join us for an hour of Eucharistic Adoration, Sundays in the chapel from 3:00 to 4:00pm

ROSARY

Join us in praying the Rosary on Thursdays at 6:00pm in the church, following evening Mass

WEEK OF MAY 16

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 9:30am ----- Brian Lutgens †
Wednesday, noon ----- Brian Erickson †
Thursday, 5:30pm ----- Bob Weber †
Friday, 9:00am ----- Harriet Petersen †
Saturday, 5:00pm ----- Claude Christian †
Next Sunday, 9:30am ----- Richard Pieper Jr. †

READINGS

Sunday Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20
Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab [33a]/Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 [33a]/Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68: 29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab [33a]/Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Jn 17:20-26
Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab [19a]/Jn 21:15-19
Saturday: Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7 [7b] Jn 21:20-25
Next Sunday Vigil: Gn11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27 Jn 7:37-39 **Extended Vigil:** Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15 Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Dn 3:52, 52, 53, 55, 56 or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 **Day:** Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 [cf. 30]/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Criteria for Membership on the Parish Council

Last Sunday's bulletin described the important role of the Parish Council in the life of our parish community. This week's focus is on the criteria for Council membership.

There is no particular background or experience necessary for service in this vital ministry. On the contrary, the Council is comprised of members of varying occupations and with differing interests and skill sets.

What all Council members should possess are certain qualities that will help increase their effectiveness in this role. One is the ability to see the big picture of the entire parish, rather than concentrating on a single ministry area or issue. As the Council's primary job is to look ahead and plan for our parish's future, a Council member must be able to dream and envision what that future might and should look like. Also important is a willingness and ability to listen to others, to get involved in one of the six parish commissions, and to collaborate in consensual decision-making. Parish Council members should also have an active prayer/spiritual life and possess an enthusiasm about St. Edward. Finally, they must be at least eighteen years of age, be willing to attend the monthly Council meetings, and be willing to serve a three-year term.

If you possess these qualities and feel called to serve your parish, please consider nominating yourself for our Parish Council. You may also nominate someone else you believe would be right for this ministry.

Parish Council Nomination & Discernment Process: Discernment is a way of decision-making that calls on the Holy Spirit to lead or show the church and its members what God wants them to do and be.

Take time to reflect on the information included in this and past bulletins. Consider your own gifts for service to the parish and prayerfully consider if you are being called to serve on our Parish Council.

STEP 1: Call from St. Edward's Community for nominees to become Parish Council candidates; ends May 16

STEP 2: Discernment Process for candidates answering the call

STEP 3: Ritual to select new Parish Council members at Pentecost Masses

Blank nomination cards and drop boxes for completed cards are available in the chapel vestibule and church foyer. Completed cards may also be placed in the collection basket during Mass. If you prefer, you may fill out an online form on our website. (Find the Parish Council Discernment Process article on our home page under News & Announcements.) Or email your nomination to Mike Petruconis, Parish Administrator at mpetruconis@stedwardschurch.org.

SOCIAL JUSTICE & CHARITY

GRIEF TO GRACE Retreat

June 6 - 11

Are you or someone you know hurting from the trauma of sexual, emotional, physical, or spiritual abuse suffered during childhood, adolescence or as an adult? Rachel's Vineyard offers a healing retreat with therapeutic staff, self-compassion, and hope; and to explore an intimate encounter with Christ.

For more information about this 5-DAY OVERNIGHT retreat, please contact Diane@griefftogracemn.org or Deacon Marty Meyer: deaconmeyer@outlook.com.

Or visit the website: griefftogracemn.org

Want more information on Rachel's Vineyard Twin Cities?

- ♥ call: 763-250-9313
- ♥ email: rachels@rvineyardmn.org
- ♥ visit: rvineyardmn.org

40 Days for Life Update

God is using the witness of pro-life people to save innocent unborn lives! Throughout Lent, many people praying outside hundreds of abortion clinics across the world led to **755 babies being saved**. After talking with sidewalk counselors and deciding against abortion, the mothers were referred to pregnancy resource centers for ongoing support. **Also during the campaign, seven abortion workers quit, and three abortion clinics closed.** To watch videos of the vigils, and hear interviews, visit: www.40daysforlife.org.

A Thank You from Catholic Charities:

We are so thankful for your recent gift of \$861...Our campuses, built for communal dining and housing, have needed to completely revamp our service delivery to meet recommended safety guidelines.

Your generosity keeps our entire community safe. The men, women, and children who come to us each day have relied on your compassion to shelter them from the winds of poverty, homelessness, mental illness, and racism...Thank you again for your continued thoughtfulness and support.

Michael Goar, President and CEO

For more about these donations at work during the pandemic, visit: cctwincities.org/blog

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

DUDLEY FUND UPDATE This emergency fund is used to help people who are in a financial crisis to pay a bill. It helps with things like rent, utility bills, medical bills, fixing a car, medical expenses, and various other necessary expenses. Through very generous donations from parishioners, we have continued to help many people make ends meet during the pandemic. Since December 1, we have paid out over \$37,000 in bills. The balance of the Dudley Fund is currently \$23,000.

If you would like to contribute to this emergency fund, or if you need help, contact Mia Ah Sani at 952-835-7101.

LENTEN ALMSGIVING Special gifts collected during Lent raised \$1,780 for **Oasis for Youth**, and another \$1,780 for **VEAP**.

COMMUNITY LIFE

Your Time and Talents are Needed!

GATHER 2021 is planned for Sunday, September 19.

The Community Life commission is looking for volunteers interested in becoming co-chairs and helping plan the next GATHER event.

Contact Donna at 952-835-7101 ext. 219 or drubio@stedwardschurch.org for more information.

Gather
at St. Edward

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

SPRING STUDY SERIES

Week Six: A Catholic Moral Vision

Wednesday, May 19, 6:30pm

God placed in the human heart a desire for beatitude—for true happiness—which is found

only in him. His moral law is the pathway to happiness. Virtue brings true freedom because it helps a person rise above his selfish desires and give the best of himself to God and others. Reconciliation and grace offer the strength necessary to overcome sin and grow in virtue. With the Church, it is not difficult to become a saint. Do we believe it?

Two options to access Zoom meetings:



Call in on any phone for audio only by dialing 1-312-626-6799. Meeting ID: 875 8224 6487



Use your computer, tablet or smartphone (with or without video) Meeting ID: 875 8224 6487

Visit our [Adult Faith](#) page for the registration link!



Faith Sharing Groups

Women's Group, Mondays, 7:00pm

The women's group has wrapped up for the year. We will begin a book discussion beginning in June. More details coming soon.

Men's Group, Thursdays, 7:30pm Meeting ID: 823 0252 7143

The Men's Group will meet through the end of May.

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Enter the Meeting ID for the group you want to join, or use the Zoom links on the [Adult Faith](#) page.

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

Synod Update

How can we as a Church better pass-on our beautiful Catholic faith whether in our homes or in the broader world?

The Archdiocesan Synod kicks into high gear this fall and your input is needed to help Archbishop Hebda chart the course for this local Church.

St. Edward will be forming small groups to discuss and give feedback on priorities within each Synod focus area. Each group will meet for six sessions between September 19 and November 14. Look for more information in upcoming bulletins or visit archspm.org/synod.



PASTORAL CARE

PASTORAL CARE REMINDERS

Funerals are being scheduled with limited capacity. Due to COVID, viewing the livestream on our Funerals page instead of attending in person is encouraged.

Prayer Shawls can be requested. If you or someone you know would like a prayer shawl please let us know.

Stephen Ministers are allowed to meet with their care receivers in person following social distancing.

For information or assistance, please call the parish office at 952-835-7101 or email mahsani@stedwardschurch.org.

Grief Support Virtual Spring Series

Speakers and support sessions from the Bloomington-Richfield Grief Support Coalition will be on Zoom from 4:30 to 6:00pm.

May 20: How to Go Back to Familiar Places *Rev. Kenneth DeFore*

Questions? Contact Barb at kaminskibd@gmail.com

PRAY FOR THE SICK, THOSE NAMED BELOW & ALL LISTED IN THE BOOK OF PRAYER

Brian Brixius

Scott Ingram

Donald Rebertus

Sally Burns

Joan Jensen

Carol Reichow

Pat Determan

Maureen Johnson

Carol Sausser

Mary Holmay

Nancy Osterling

Mollie Sherry

Note: Names are removed from this list after three months. Call the parish office add or request a name remain on the list.

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation Year-End Wrap Up

SUNDAY MORNINGS

Sunday School meets with Coordinator Bridget Grotins at 10:30am on Zoom through the month of May.

For questions or more information about Faith Formation contact the parish office or visit the Faith Formation youth page: stedwardschurch.org/faith-formation

ADMINISTRATION & STEWARDSHIP

Debt Reduction Update

The Church of St. Edward is blessed in many ways, one of which is that we have very little debt. There were two projects for which we borrowed funds. One was the worship technology upgrades and worship space reconfiguration. Partially financed through the Catholic Finance Corporation, the current balance is approximately \$245,000. The other project was the parking lot lighting upgrade, with a current balance of approximately \$20,500.

Beginning in March, a quarterly envelope marked "Debt Reduction" was added. This option also appears on our online giving page. Donations we receive with this designation will be used to accelerate our debt payments. Since the lighting loan carries no interest, it makes sense to focus on paying down the worship technology loan. Thanks to everyone who has made a contribution towards this loan in the last two months, we have been able to pay down almost \$4,800 of additional principal on the loan. This will save us money on interest payments over time.

Please consider donating to help St. Edward pay off its debt faster. In an effort to encourage parishes to pay down debt, the Archdiocese does not assess any donations designated for this objective. We thank you for your generosity!

Stock Gifts

Looking for a way to rebalance your stock portfolio, but are concerned about the capital gains tax you would incur? Are there stocks that you have held for many years and have appreciated to the point that selling them would bring on a large tax bill?

These situations can be a great opportunity for both charitable giving and tax savings. Did you know that you can donate shares of stock directly to St. Edward? By doing so, you pay no capital gains at all. And, depending on your tax situation, you might be able to take a charitable tax deduction for the stock's PRESENT appreciated value.

Questions? Contact Mike Petruconis at **952-835-7101 ext. 222** or email: mpetruconis@stedwardschurch.org.

Reception Volunteers

St. Edward is currently looking for a few interested volunteers to be "on call" as backup reception assistance. The role would involve general reception duties such as answering the phone, sorting mail, and greeting visitors at the main office. Typical opportunities for service are times when a staff person has a medical appointment, is out sick, or is on vacation. It is a great way to stay connected with fellow parishioners and to be a part of the daily goings-on. Training will be provided. If you are interested, please contact Diane Swenson at 952-835-7101 or at receptionist@stedwardschurch.org. Thank you for your consideration.

Join the Finance Council!

The Church of St. Edward is seeking one or two new members for our Finance Council. The Council is a consultative body which makes recommendations to the Pastor concerning the temporal goods of the parish. The Council usually meets about once per month except for July. The parish is seeking those who might have skills and gifts concerning financial matters, such as finance professionals, business owners, managers, accountants, and even those who might be beginning their journey into such fields. However, one does not have to be a financial professional in order to bring a balanced and wholistic perspective to the Finance Council. If you or someone you know has an interest or "knack" for financial matters, please consider volunteering for this important role. Contact Mike Petruconis at mpetruconis@stedwardschurch.org for more information.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekly Offertory May 8/9 Sunday offertory funds all ministries, operations, and pays for repairs.	Envelope	\$ 14,102
	Electronic	9,697
	Plate	457
	Weekly Total	\$ 24,256
	Special Gifts	\$ 135

FY21 Annual Budgeted Revenue \$1,355,742

March 2021		Year-to-Date*	
Offertory	\$ 73,635	Actual	\$ 1,039,487
Electronic Offertory	27,115	Budgeted	\$ 1,017,742
Monthly Total	\$ 100,750	Difference	\$ 21,745
Special Gifts	\$ 50,048	Special Gifts**	\$ 172,212

*Current as of 3.31.21 **Not budgeted

The leadership and staff remain committed to supporting you on your spiritual journey and keeping you spiritually connected to the parish and each other.

Stay involved by monitoring our parish website and social media for news and event updates, online Masses and more!

If you need to make an appointment with a member of the staff, contact them using these emails or call the parish office.

- **Pastor**
- Fr. Rick Bankerrbancker@stedwardschurch.org
- **Parish Administrator**
- Mike Petruconis ..mpetruconis@stedwardschurch.org
- **Administrative Assistant**
- Diane Swenson ...receptionist@stedwardschurch.org
- **Liturgy Coordinator**
- Mary Kay Hirdmkhird@stedwardschurch.org
- **Director of Communications**
- Celeste Morris.....cmorris@stedwardschurch.org
- **Director of Pastoral Care, Social Justice**
- Mia Ah Sanimahsani@stedwardschurch.org
- **Director of Community Life & Adult Formation**
- Donna Rubiodrubio@stedwardschurch.org
- **Director of High School & Digital Ministries**
- Patrick Smalleypsmalley@stedwardschurch.org
- **Director of Faith Formation: Birth to Gr. 8**
- Nicole Smalleynsmalley@stedwardschurch.org
- **Director of Music**
- Andrew Walkerawalker@stedwardschurch.org
- **Facilities Maintenance Manager**
- Tommy Polsontpolson@stedwardschurch.org
- **Accountant**
- Linda Voslvos@stedwardschurch.org

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