

ST. EDWARD THE CONFESSOR CATHOLIC CHURCH



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Journeying as a Catholic community, we embrace the mission of Jesus Christ, striving to live and spread Jesus' message of love, sharing our gifts through discipleship, liturgical celebration, spiritual formation, and outreach.

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 22, 2022

Come, Holy Spirit!

Congratulations to our 2022 Confirmation Candidates!

Confirmation Mass will be held on May 26th, 7p.



Jacob Adair
Arianna Altadonna
Joseph Bampton
Riley Bane
Alexandra Bender
Carly Bigger
Alice Bowman
Carleigh Brescia
Emerson Brown
Robert Casanova
James Lucas Clark
Dorian Colina
Tiberius Colina
Emily Comer
Hannah Comer
Katherine Copi
Grace Cosby
John Cranston
Colin Dart
Nolan Davenport
Alexis Dinora
Megan Dwyer
Ava Eliasek
Michael Falcone
Eva Forsythe
Felicia Franco
Sophia Franco
Patrick Goldman
Benjamin Gozzi

Emma Grace Gregory
Isabelle Haer
Emma Hendrick
Catherine Hoyt
Savannah Karabinos
Declan Keith
James Keith
Katherine Keith
Madeline Keifer
Callista Kurek
Cooper Kurek
Megan Lamberson
Meredith Laufer
Max Law
Skyelar Law
Isabella List
Elizabeth Maahs
Erin Maloney
Chase Matheny
Colleen Maynes
Gabriel Mayor-Mora
Harry Mayor-Mora
Taylor McCabe
James McGivern
Bernard McNamee
Leah Mercado
Joshua Miller
Conner Munoz

Matthew Nuckols
Ian O'Hallaron
Quinn Parrish
Clare Patterson
Grace Phan
Maria Cecilia Phillips
Kate Precopio
Tatum Previterra
Sloane Price
Nicholas Romano
Sophia Rusin
Sofia Sammartino
Bridgette Schallmo
Sean Selfe
Shannon Selfe
Timothy Semisch
Brooke Simon
Caitlyn Smith
Ellis Strausburg
James Thelen
Elizabeth Townsend
Henry Vazales
Jackson Wheeler
Calvin Wiley
Leah Winder
Chloe Wolf

WELCOME TO ST. EDWARD CHURCH!

If you have moved into the area from another Catholic Church or have found St. Edward to be the parish in which you choose to worship, consider registering. Pick up a registration packet at the Parish Life Desk in the Commons after any weekend Liturgy, Parish Center during office hours, 9am-4pm, Monday-Friday, or Go to our website, www.stedchurch.com/ Important Forms. Questions? Call 272-2948. Not of the Catholic faith? To learn more, call Sherri at 864-4706.

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ST. EDWARD CHURCH IS COMMITTED TO PROVIDING A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE, AND VULNERABLE INDIVIDUALS. Visit our website, <https://stedchurch.com>, and follow the link under PROTECTING CHILDREN.

PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

9:00am-4:00pm Monday-Friday.

AFTER HOURS EMERGENCIES

Call 272-2948 and follow prompts.

**See page 4 for full details concerning Liturgies and Reconciliation **

EUCCHARISTIC LITURGIES

Saturday: 5:00pm (Vigil of Sunday)
Sunday: 7:15am, 8:45am, 11:15am, & 5:00pm
Weekday: Monday-Friday 9:00am

RECONCILIATION

Monday-Friday 9:30am
Saturday 4:00pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

In the Church: Fridays, 9:30am-10:30am
Last Wednesday of every month, 7:00pm
For information, contact Andrew at 864-4715.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

In the Healing Chapel by appointment.

BAPTISM

To schedule or for parent classes, call Peggy at 864-4714.

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST

For information, call Peggy at 864-4714.

CONFIRMATION

For information, call Andrew at 864-4715.

ADULT SACRAMENTS

Inquiries about initiation sacraments for adults, call Sherri at 864-4706.

MARRIAGE

Registered parishioners are to contact Pat 864-4701 at least six months prior to setting a date. Pre-marriage formation is required.

PASTORAL CARE

Call Pat at 864-4701 when you or a family member is admitted to the hospital or local care facility, when you need a weekly visit with Communion, or to add someone to our weekend prayer list for the sick or deceased.

IN SERVICE TO OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

Pastor	Rev. Donald H. Lemay	272-2948
Parochial Vicar	Rev. Paul Kkonde	272-2948
Deacon	Rev. Mr. Bob Ewan	379-5920
Deacon	Rev. Mr. James D. Greer	372-6080
Deacon	Rev. Mr. Kevin Hogan	864-4707
Deacon	Rev. Mr. Gregg Whisler	564-2125
Business Administrator	Jan Webb	864-4704
Pastoral Care Coordinator	Pat Plonski	864-4701
Receptionists	Miriam Grau & Lisa Mizell	272-2948
Pastoral Assistant	Anita McCabe	864-4712
Director, Evangelization of Young Families	Joan Nelson	864-4708
Religious Education Coordinator	Peggy Byers	864-4714
Youth Ministry Coordinator	Andrew McCarthy	864-4715
Edge Coordinator	Rachael Mattio	864-4719
Director, Social Ministry	Jennifer Bousquet	864-4718
Director, Music	Liz Goodwin	864-4717
Associate Director of Music	Joe Guardino	864-4710
Communications/Parish Registration	Kathleen Wood	864-4711
Columbarium	Anita McCabe	864-4712
Business Manager/Adult Formation	Sherri Gravins	864-4706
Custodian for Church Building	Bob Oliver & Mac Boneparte	
Pastoral Council Chairperson	Nghia Nguyen	878-0325
Finance Council Chairperson	Robert Kuzemchak	276-0463
St Edward-Epiphany Catholic School	Tracy Hamner	272-2881
Knights of Columbus, Grand Knight	Tom Shepley	396-0169
St. Edward Ladies Auxiliary, President	Marilyn Mare	379-9505

MEMORIAL GARDEN &

COLUMBARIUM

Anita McCabe, 864-4712, anitam1@stedwardch.org or Jan Webb, 864-4704, jan.webb@stedwardch.org.



HEARING LOOP SYSTEM

If your hearing aid or cochlear implant has an activated T-coil, you may access our hearing loop system. Not sure? Ask your audiologist.



AUTOMATIC DOOR

We have an automatic door on the far left side of the Church.

PARISH BULLETIN

Bulletin info should be submitted two weeks in advance of publication date and is subject to approval and space availability. Email: kathleen.wood@stedwardch.org.



Take Me Out to the Ball Game

St. Edward Music Ministry

Youth Choir & Schola

will sing the

Star Spangled Banner at the Diamond

Tuesday, June 7, 6:30pm

Tickets (804)359-3866



JUNE 4/5

re:connect

PRAY.SERVE.LEARN.MEET



PRAYER REQUESTS



THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

SUNDAY, MAY 22 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

7:15, 8:45, 11:15 am Eucharistic Liturgies..... Church
 10:00 am Sunday Morning Rel Ed..... School
 1:00 pm The Bible Timeline..... Chapel
 3:00 pm Families of Faith..... Sanctuary
 5:00 pm Eucharistic Liturgy..... Church
 6:30 pm Edge/LifeTeen..... Church

MONDAY, MAY 23

9:00 am Daily Morning Mass..... Church
 6:00 pm Girl Scout Troop 329..... Pavilion
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts #1893..... Cafeteria

TUESDAY, MAY 24

9:00 am Daily Morning Mass..... Church
 10:00 am Bible Chicks..... Nursery
 5:30 pm Spirit Song Rehearsal..... Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25

9:00 am Daily Morning Mass..... Church
 7:00 pm XLT..... Church

THURSDAY, MAY 26

9:00 am Daily Morning Mass..... Church
 10:00 am Morning Praise Choir Rehearsal..... Choir Room
 6:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal..... Choir Room
 6:00 pm KofC Exemplification Training..... FHH Music
 7:00 pm Confirmation Mass..... Church

FRIDAY, MAY 27

7:00 am Men of St. Joseph..... Chapel
 9:00 am Daily Morning Mass-Full Communion..... Church
 9:30 am Friday Adoration..... Chapel

SATURDAY, MAY 28 FEAST OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD SECOND COLLECTION - DIOCESAN HOME MISSIONS

4:00 pm Reconciliation..... Healing Chapel
 5:00 pm Eucharistic Liturgy..... Church
 6:00 pm Date Night-Celebration of Marriage... Comm Center

SUNDAY, MAY 29 FEAST OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD SECOND COLLECTION - DIOCESAN HOME MISSIONS

7:15, 8:45, 11:15 am Eucharistic Liturgies..... Church
 5:00 pm Eucharistic Liturgy..... Church



Please pray for those associated with our parish who are sick or unable to worship with us, that they experience strength in the Lord's unending compassion and love

Jamie Aguilar, Jennifer and Madlynn Ferhenbacher, Brian Gentilini, Chelsea McCabe, Theresa McKinnon and all victims of the coronavirus, war, terrorism, violence, and natural disasters.

Lord, hear our continued prayers for those dealing with an on-going illness, may they experience fortitude and peace

Jamie Aguilar, Cathy Alden, Chris Ballalo, Nanci Bolling, Mike Bonner, Mary Jane Burke, James Butler, Sherry Cart, Cathy Casey, Mary Alice Christie, Ryan Colavita, Regina Corcoran, Bobbi Daniello, Mike & Diana Dougherty, Josephine Douglas, Sue Driscoll, Donald Fields, Samantha Finnegan, Nicole Florio, Wayne Frith, Kathy Galligan, Emily Gardener, Angela Gardner, Verena Goins, Mary Grace Greer, Jeff and Spencer Hamm, Tom Hammerstone, Thomas Hardy, Hartwell Harrison, Neico Hayden, Grover Helsley, Rich Hoho, Rita Holloman, Grant Ilkani, Graham Jennings, Melissa Jennings, Joseph Jones, Sr., Marlene Kacmar, Uni and Robert Kemp, Oliver Khoury, Fr. Dan Klem, Kim Lourenco, Margaret Day Magno, Marg Mayer, Connie Mikuski, Daniel Miller, Rick Mizell, Lando Mojica, Vera Mulherin, Marie Oliver, Lois Pearn, Brian Pickral, Marian Piracci, Rose Marie Pulleyblank, Dan Raible, Grant Rake, Jean Raugh, Bob Rice, Pat Rollins, Kaeden Ross, David Russ, Sam Sponeybarger, Kelly Shanahan, Beau and Suki Simpson, Tony Stanton, Garry Stelmach, Michelle Stelmach, Grace Stivers, Greg Stivers, Laura Sullivan, Barbara Swan, Ashley Talley, Tony Toler, David Turner, Billy Vogelson, Tracy Waldo, Benjamin Weldon, Marie Wilborn, Ella Wilkinson, Barbara Williams, Donna Wilson, and Sam Young.

Lord, hear our prayers for all the souls of the faithful departed

**Michael Kohl, husband of Mary Kohl;
Margel Prince, sister of Byron Barnes;
Mary Kathleen Little, cousin of Margaret Preitz.**

Please pray for the parishioners of Holy Trinity cluster and bless the works of their outreach

**St. Anthony in Norton; Holy Spirit in Jonesville;
Sacred Heart in Big Stone Gap; and St. Joseph in Clintwood.**

Please pray for those service men and women who fight for our freedom

Yasmin Acevedo, A1C; Taylor Armstrong, US Army; 2nd Battalion 505 Parachute Infantry Regiment; Daniel Beirne; Major David Bhatta-US Army; Richard Currie Braun, Air Force; LTJG Ian Burke, USN; Joseph Brandon Butler; Ross Butler; LT Jimmy Callahan, USN; LCDR Michael Callahan, USN; Capt. Scott P. Campbell; Matthew Coccia, Army; SSGT. John Maxwell Coper and Unit, US Army Special Forces; Rear Adm. Mike Curran, USN; Major Spencer D. Curtis, Judge Advocate, National Guard; Col. Seth Enterline; Navy Lt. Coleen Fagan; Capt. Leroy O. Flynn; SSgt Brad Freda, Air Force; Capt. Peter Fritz; PFC Jose Luis Garcia, National Guard; Spec. April Garrett; LCpl Kevin Hackman, Marines; Diana Honings USCG; Matt Horansky; Capt. Katie Hulcher; 2nd Lt. Megan Hulcher, RN; Capt. Thomas Hulcher; Capt. Renee Kane, Army; Major Nathan Kane, Air Force; Lt. Col. David Kaulfers, Army Corps of Engineers; Sgt. A. David Kelly; Staff Sgt. Steven Kelly, US Army; Josh Kozup, Army; Ryan Larson, Army; Grayson Larus, Lieutenant, US Navy; Nicole Lee; Stacey Lee; Clara Mailloux, Navy Airman; Bryan J. McCabe U.S.C.G.; Sean McHugh, Army; Brendan Meadows, Pvt. US Army; Christine Michel; SFC Richard Molnar, US Army Reserves; Kevin Morrison; Major Jon Mueller, Air Force; Capt. Quentin Mueller; Wilson Mustian, Army; Adam Peers, Army; Capt. Leru Remias; Sgt. Jared Roussell; Capt. Javone Seaborn; Jonathan Schulte; Jobon Seaborn, Army; Lt. Curren D. Shorte; Vincent Stransky; Sgt. Christopher Sturtevant; Major Thomas Tombes, Chandra Weatherell; Cpt. Matthew Weisner; Brennan Wilkes, US Navy; Justin Wolfe, Lt. Col., Air Force; Phillip Wood; and Steve York.

Reflection



Today's Reading
SUNDAY, May 22
 Acts 15:1-2, 22-29
 Revelation 21:10-14,
 22-23
 John 14:23-29

Jesus tells his disciples, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you." The peace that Jesus gives is far different than the kind that comes from the absence of war, conflict, or affliction. The peace that God offers is found alongside suffering and hardship, not necessarily in their absence. St. Teresa of Avila offers us a bit of wisdom regarding peace: "May today there be peace within. May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be. May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith. May you use those gifts that you have received and pass on the love that has been given to you. May you be content knowing you are a child of God. Let this presence settle into your bones and allow your soul the freedom to sing, dance, praise, and love. It is there for each and every one of us." In order for us to experience the divine peace that Jesus offers, we have to allow God's presence to settle into our bones! It is only when this happens that we can be truly taught by the Holy Spirit to discern the true path to peace and find ourselves with untroubled hearts. The world and our lives are so unpredictable and changeable. If we look for a source of lasting and real peace only there, our search will never be satisfied. Something will always unsettle and disturb us. The Jewish disciples could really relate to what Jesus was saying about peace (shalom). They already knew that it was more a matter of achieving wholeness and wellbeing than anything else. Wholeness and wellbeing are precisely what is uncovered when we begin to really see and know the height, depth, and breadth of God's presence and promise. The elegance of God's Divine life flows through our blood and the marrow in our bones. It is that close and deep. As we breathe in and exhale God's life, peace becomes what we know within and what is exhaled out. This remains in the midst of intense conflict, persecution, suffering, rejection, and even death. @LPi

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Day and Readings	Time and Intentions
MONDAY, May 23 Acts 16:11-15 John 15:26--16:4	9:00 am Eucharistic Liturgy <i>-livestreamed-</i> Christine Maniaci †
TUESDAY, May 24 Acts 16:22-34 John 16:5-11	9:00 am Eucharistic Liturgy <i>-livestreamed-</i> Richard Johns †
WEDNESDAY, May 25 Acts 17:15, 22--18:1 John 16:12-15	9:00 am Eucharistic Liturgy <i>-livestreamed-</i> Lynn & Mila Lofgren
THURSDAY, May 26 Acts 18:1-8 John 16:16-20	9:00 am Eucharistic Liturgy <i>-livestreamed-</i> William C. Digilio †
FRIDAY, May 27 Acts 18:9-18 John 16:20-23	9:00 am Eucharistic Liturgy <i>-livestreamed-</i> Patricia B. Kennedy †
SATURDAY, May 28 Acts 18:23-28 John 16:23-28	5:00 pm Eucharistic Liturgy <i>-livestreamed-</i> Frederick William Shillinger †
SUNDAY, May 29 Acts 1:1-11 Hebrews 9:24-28; 10:19-23 Luke 24:46-53	The Ascension of the Lord 7:15 am Eucharistic Liturgy Gregory Horgan † 8:45 am Eucharistic Liturgy Parishioners, Living & Deceased † 11:15 am Eucharistic Liturgy <i>-livestreamed-</i> Jeanette Thompson † 5:00 pm Eucharistic Liturgy James Chirayath Francis †

offertory collections

Fiscal Year: July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

Month	Budget	Actual as of	Over	Under
July-Apr	\$ 1,479,243	\$ 1,737,865	\$ 258,622	
May	\$ 147,860 (5/16)	\$ 107,413	\$ <40,447>	

Note: We show the total budget for the month rather than each week.

A very heartfelt thank you for your generosity!

Liturgy team

Fr. Don Lemay, Pastor
Anita McCabe, Coordinator
Sherri Gravins, Ministry Schedule

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Prayer for the Holy Spirit

Holy Spirit, fan into flame the gifts I received
in my Baptism and Confirmation.

I want to receive the fire of Your love as Your disciples did at Pentecost.
Come with wonder and awe, with wisdom, understanding, and counsel,
with courage and faith in You.

Holy Spirit, may my actions witness to Your presence in my life.
Help me to see the ways my strengths can serve others in their weakness.
In all my interactions, I want to radiate love, joy, peace, patience, kindness,
generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.
Breathe new life into the world through me.

Amen.

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Music Ministry

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Join Us!
Youth Choir & Schola Camp
August 15-18 2022
Schola Rehearsal Dinners throughout Summer
Morning Praise & Adult Choir
Thursday Rehearsals, Sunday Mornings
Jubilee Ringers, Bell Canto Handbells
Contact Liz.Goodwin@stedwardch.org

Since Love is Lord of Heaven and Earth,
How Can I Keep From Singing?

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Jennifer Bousquet

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HAITI MINISTRY

The next meeting Haiti Committee meeting will be June 20 at 6:15pm, in person at the parish center and on Zoom.



HAITI SOLIDARITY WEEKEND June 11 and 12

Mark your calendars for June 11 and 12! There will be Haitian coffee for sale and opportunities to talk with committee members about sponsorship.



Due to civil unrest and the lingering pandemic in Haiti, the pastor of our twin parish, Fr. Alphonse, will not be joining us this year. Please continue to keep Holy Family in your prayers.

WESTOVER HILLS



THANK YOU to all parishioners who helped with the teacher appreciation luncheon on May 4th. The team provided mason jar salads, homemade desserts, drinks, and some gift cards as raffle prizes for the teachers. If you are interested in being a volunteer with Westover Hills Elementary, email aliciabmeyer@comcast.net.



APPALACHIA MINISTRY

Fill a Book Bag!

Once again, St. Edward Appalachia Ministry would like to help the residents of far southwest Virginia by purchasing and filling book bags for students. This year, the need is greater than ever before. We will be working with parishioners of St. Anthony's in Norton on this project to help support their outreach to their neighbors and to help increase the Catholic presence in the community.



We will be collecting monetary donations toward this effort for the next few weeks, then purchase the items online for local pick-up in Wise County. This benefits their local economy and saves us from transporting everything 360 miles by car.

What will we purchase?

- Backpacks
- Pens/pencils/erasers
- Colored pencils/markers/ crayons
- Scissors
- Glue sticks & highlighters
- Composition notebooks & paper



\$40 will purchase a filled backpack!

Any donation is greatly appreciated. Drop checks in the collection basket made out to "St. Edward Church" with "Appalachia" in the memo. Cash donations should be placed in a labeled envelope. You can also go to the parish website and donate on WeShare Online. Our goal is 300 backpacks.

Stop by the table in the community center June 4 and 5 at Community Weekend to talk to parishioners involved in this ministry. Questions? Contact jennifer@stedwardch.org. Thanks!

POPE FRANCIS ON TWITTER

@Pontifex 5/12/22

"A better future can exist only if it is built by everyone. No one must be excluded! I dedicated my Message for the 108th World Day of Migrants and Refugees to this #BuildingtheFutureTogether."

office of evangelization of youth & young families

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

REGISTRATION COMING SOON

We are working on improving our online registration process. As soon as we're up and running, we will notify you that registration for 2022-2023 programs are open!

- Summer Family VBS July 18-22
Sunday morning Religious Ed. PK-5th 10-11am
Sunday morning MS/HS 10-11am
Edge & Life Teen 6:30-8pm Sundays
HS Connect Small Group 6-8:15 Tuesdays
Families of Faith in person/Zoom hybrid



SACRAMENTS

Baptism

For the complete schedule, see our website, www.stedchurch.com. Click on Sacraments, then Baptism. Contact peggy.byers@stedwardch.org to schedule or for info.

First Penance and First Holy Communion Sacrament preparation information will be mailed to families this summer. Be sure your mailing address is up to date!

Confirmation

Please pray for our teens being Confirmed on Thursday!

TEENS



SUNDAYS 6:30- 8PM

Life Teen (High School) and Edge (Middle School) are the catechetical programs offered for our teens. The full schedule is posted on our website, www.stedchurch.com. Click on Ministries, then Evangelization to view the dates.

Service | Prayer | Community | Fun

Youth Activities @ St. Edward

HIGH SCHOOL YM ROSARY WEDNESDAYS 6PM
HS YOUTH GROUP WEDNESDAYS 6:30-8:00PM
9th grade-recently graduated seniors

office of pastoral care

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SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading: 'It is the decision of the Holy Spirit and of us not to place on you any burden beyond these necessities.' (Acts 15:28)

Psalm: O God, let all the nations praise you! (Ps 67)

Second Reading: The angel took me in spirit to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. (Rev 21:10)

Gospel: "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you." (Jn 14:26)

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK - REFLECT & RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

First Reading: Today's reading offers an excerpt from the "dissension and debate" taking place at the first Church council in Jerusalem over the question of male circumcision. How often do you experience conflict within your faith community?

Second Reading: One of John's final visions depicts the heavenly Jerusalem where God's presence is fully known in all its splendor. Why do you think this vision of heaven was revealed to John?

Gospel: During his farewell discourse, Jesus reassured the disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit and the promise of divine peace. When do you experience God's presence this way in your life? ©LPi

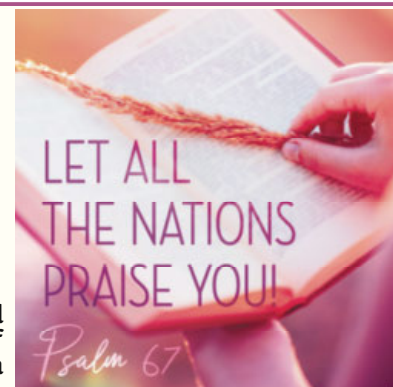
LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Everyone wants to experience peace. When we look to the world to provide this for us, we can easily get disappointed. We associate peace with an absence of war and conflict, good relationships between neighbors and coworkers, the achievement of success and even the absence of noise! While all of these are worthy endeavors, pursuing them exclusively as a path to experiencing peace sets us up for failure. When we look for peace outside of ourselves, it will never be found. True and lasting peace is something that comes from within and not something we can produce on our own or receive from others. Peace is discovered when we experience an inner wholeness and harmony. It is born of a sense of connectedness with a God who is larger and greater than ourselves, gifting us with His presence. It is the only peace offered by the Risen Christ that can settle our hearts and calm our fears. Regardless of the degree of turmoil around us, this sense of completeness that Jesus gives anchors our boats and prevents us from sinking. ©LPi

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Management According to the Apostles

If you've ever worked in any kind of organization, for-profit or not-for-profit, I'm sure you have attended a conference or two. Whatever our expectations going in, I usually find these conferences expose me to communication and problem-solving styles that are different from my own, nudging me into a little unexpected self-discovery. And it's a great opportunity to meet new people and do something different. Here's my idea for a leadership conference: The Management Style of the Apostles. Think about it, the only thing the Apostles had more abundantly than holiness was problems. Lots and lots of problems ... most of them of the human resources variety. It's no small feat, starting Christ's Church on earth. I wouldn't want to be project manager of that endeavor. The Acts of the Apostles is, in some ways, a big book full of problems and ways to solve them. It's a blueprint for tackling interpersonal issues in the manner of a true steward, who encounters every problem starting from the same place: What would my Master want? It's a question we should be asking ourselves every time we, too, encounter a problem - especially problems relating to other people. What is the truth in this situation, and how would God have me communicate it? How could I handle this in a way that is worthy of the name of my Master? In Acts, we see a lot of characteristics of everyday stewardship. We see the Apostles mindfully acknowledge the lack of peace that is posed by problems like false teachings, this Gospel's problem du jour. They prayerfully confront the obstacles to salvation posed by these issues. Always, always, always, their main objective is to reveal the will of God, remaining committed to the truth while helping newcomers find avenues to salvation. Maybe I'm just saying it because it's my idea - but it sounds like a conference we could all use. - Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi



May 22, 1:00-2:30pm

19. Messianic Fulfillment - Part 2 *Luke*

May 29 - NO CLASS - Happy Memorial Day Weekend

June 5, 1:00-2:30pm

20. Messianic Fulfillment - Part 3 *Luke*

June 12, 1:00-2:30pm

21. The Church - Part 1 *Acts*

June 19, 1:00-2:30 pm

22. The Church - Part 2 *Acts*

June 26, 1:00-2:30 pm

23. The Church - Part 3 *Acts*



LET ALL THE
NATIONS
PRAISE YOU!

Psalm 67

Emotionally Naked® Truth About Suicide
Free event at St. Gabriel Catholic Church:
**Saturday, June 4, 2022 | 10:00 am - 12 Noon |
8901 Winterpock Road, Chesterfield, VA 23832**

Join us for a compelling discussion on the devastating reality of suicide and what we can do to help loved ones facing this life-and-death crisis. Chesterfield County Sheriff Karl S. Leonard, Tom Leahy of Beacon Tree Foundation, and keynote speaker Anne Moss Rogers, certified suicide prevention trainer and emotionally naked® motivational speaker, will guide us through the most taboo of subjects – suicide – including the mental illness and addiction that often trigger it.

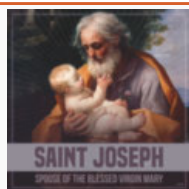
Although optional, registration is encouraged at RespectLifeEvent@gmail.com to ensure enough seating.

**SPANISH and FRENCH STUDENTS
NEED HOST FAMILIES IN JULY!!!**

Share your heart and home this summer! Host a student from Spain or France (ages 13-17) in your home for 3-4 weeks. Learn about their culture while he or she learns about living in an American family just being a part of what you regularly do. We have a variety of programs to suit your family's work or non-working schedule. Families receive stipends to help out with expenses. We can help work out transportation or vacation concerns. This will be a treasured memory for your family!

Contact Debbie Hardy 909-3190,
debbiehardy2003@yahoo.com

The St. Edward Retired Men's Breakfast Group meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7:30am. For more information, call Bill Heipp at 804-794-3749 or Dave Mueller at 804-639-5885.



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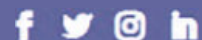


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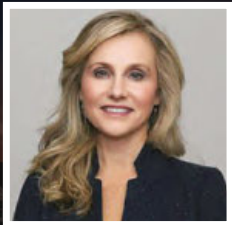


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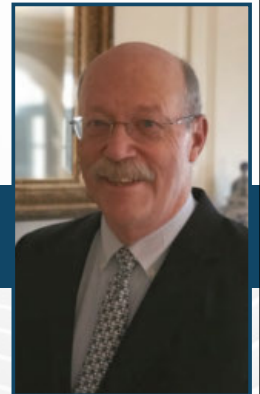
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