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Saint Edward the Confessor Catholic Church

October 20, 2024
 Saint Edward Church
 531 Jordan Lake St.

Lake Odessa, MI 48849

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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday
 8 AM-2 PM
 Closed Tuesdays & Fridays

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil **6:00 PM**
 Sunday **9:45 AM**

Weekday Masses:

Mon., Tues., Wed., & Fri. **9:00 AM**
 Thursday **12:10 PM**

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Thursday **6:30 PM-7:30 PM**
 or by appointment

Secretary: Katherine Martin 616-374-7253

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MISSION STATEMENT

We, St. Edward's Parish, joyfully experience life in Christ through the celebration of the sacraments and dedicate ourselves to faith formation. Our parish is devoted to inspiring youth to become active followers of Christ. We live to promote love within the church and community according to the Gospel.

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



20 Sunday: Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Is 53:10-11 Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22 Heb 4:14-16 Mk 10:35-45

21 Monday: Weekend
 Eph 2:1-100 Ps 100:2-5 Lk 12:13-21

22 Tuesday: Weekday; Saint John Paul II, Pope
 Eph 2:12-22 Ps 85:9-14 Lk 12:35-38

23 Wednesday: Weekday; Saint John of Capistrano, Priest
 Eph 3:2-12 (Ps) Is 12:2-6 Lk 12:39-48

24 Thursday: Weekday; Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop
 Eph 3:14-21 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19 Lk 12:49-53

25 Friday: Weekday
 Eph 4:1-6 Ps 24:1-6 Lk 12:54-59

26 Saturday: Weekday
 Eph 4:7-16 Ps 122:1-5 Lk 13:1-9

27 Sunday: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Jerv 31:7-9 Ps 126:1-6 Heb 5:1-6 Mk 10:46-52

“...whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many...” (Matt 26:26-28).

To be a Christian is to be a follower of Jesus Christ. As his disciples, we are to learn from him and follow his example of how to live. We are, therefore, called to be of service. Just as God sent his Son into the world with a mission, each one of us has a mission, a purpose in life. This mission is our vocation. It doesn't matter if we are young or old, lay or ordained, single or married. Each one of us has a mission, a job God created us to do. God created you in a specific time and a specific place with a set of gifts and talents to accomplish a specific mission. No one else can do it for you. Only you! This vocation you have has many responsibilities but it also has its rewards as well. One is the wholesome feelings of self-worth that should be yours. Since you are important to God, you are indeed a very important person! Others may not rate you as such. Others may not see you as gifted and blessed. They may see you as just average. Your job may be relatively humble. You may be tempted to feel inferior from time to time. Yet remember that money, position, popularity---all these measures the world uses to measure success--- are nothing to God. If you are seeking to do his will, then every least action you do has everlasting value. No matter how the world sees you, every breath you draw is precious to God.

Because you were created by God out of great love and given a mission, a purpose in his plan, you are very important to God. In a human sense...God needs you. A sense of personal worth, our view of human life is sacred. For every human life. It is not pride. It is not vanity. Pride is declaring my independence from God and proclaiming that I am responsible for my own achievements. Vanity is a stupid preoccupation on God's lesser, natural gifts of looks or talents. It is not humility to pretend that we are of little importance, or that life is meaningless, or that I would not matter if I never existed. It would be belittling God's wisdom and goodness. Yes, without God we can do nothing. It is just as true that God's love has made us great. He has raised us up, given us a share in his divine life and an important role in life. Such is the greatness of God's endless love.

Your mission, your vocation has another benefit. It is freedom from serious worry. If you believe that God really loves you (He does!) and that He wants what is best for you (He does!) and that He is all powerful (He is!) then you cannot worry very much or for very long. God already knows what is best and is able to accomplish anything. As St. Paul wrote, "If God is for us, who can stand against us?" So, you cannot lose as long as you put your faith in God and try to do our best with the knowledge and the gifts God has given to you.

God bless you!
Fr. Tom

MASS INTENTIONS AND MINISTERS

- Sunday, October 20, 9:45 am**
+ Betty Rodriguez (Marty & Gayla Kretovic)
Monday, October 21, 9:00 am
Special Intentions by Carole & George Heinze
Tuesday, October 22, 9:00 am
+ Living & Deceased Members of the Walliczek Family
Wednesday, October 23, 9:00 am
The Sick
Thursday, October 24, 12:10 pm – NO Mass
No Mass
Friday, October 25, 9:00 am
Saint Edward Parish
Saturday, October 26, 6:00 pm
+ Morris Hickey (Bill & Mary Sutton)
Lector: Pat St. A
EMHC: Yvonne M. & Carolyn M.
Sunday, October 27, 9:45 am
+ Bill Helsper (Marty & Gayle Kretovic)
+ **Lector:** Dave B.
EMHC: Cindy G., Carole H. & Dave B.



Adoration
Thursday Evenings - 6 to 8 pm in the Church.

October 3, 10, & 17
No Adoration or Confession 24 & 31

Contact Suzanne King at 269-271-6406 for more information.

Televised Sunday Mass:

Join us each week for the live broadcast of Sunday Mass at 10 a.m. from the Cathedral of Saint Andrew. Watch on TV on FOX 17, or online at grdiocese.org or the diocesan Facebook page: www.facebook.com/DioceseofGrandRapids/.

Men of the Eucharist
Strengthen by CHRIST- Responding with Joy



Pray for Seminarian:
Alex Paiz
Mundelein Seminary
1000 E. Maple Avenue
Mundelein, IL 60060

Oh God, hear our prayer for the men you have chosen to follow in your Son's footsteps.
Teach them humility and fidelity to unselfishly help others.
May their devotion to Our Blessed Mother, Queen of Vocations increase, enabling them to do your will.
Strengthen their prayer life so that they may grow spiritually without worldly distractions.
Give them courage and perseverance in their studies.
May the Holy Spirit lighten their struggles with their vocations, until they know the joy of being a priest.
We ask this through Christ your Son.

Amen.

Please Pray for:

Robert Rasche, Randy Armstrong, Manuel Rodriguez, Julie Sutton VanLiew, Emma Tidd, the grieving, and those who have asked for our prayers.



If you want to add a name, please call or contact the office. Be sure you have the consent of the person of a family member.

Grief Support Group

The next meeting will be on **Thursday, November 7**, at 1:00 pm, in the library. If you would like information, please call Marsha at 269-367-4403.

K-12 FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION

Faith Formation will be at 11 am on Sunday.

October

- 06. Faith Formation Class
- 13. Faith Formation Class
- 20. Faith Formation Class
- 27. No Faith Formation Class

November

- 03. Faith Formation Class
(First Communion Parent Meeting)
- 10. Faith Formation Class
- 17. Faith Formation Class
- 24. No Faith Formation Class

RCIA 2024-2025

R.C.I.A. is for Baptized adults who haven't received all the Sacraments, spouses of Catholics who would like to enter the Church or any adult who wants to learn about Catholicism and all it offers. We meet in an informal atmosphere from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at 753 5th Avenue. Below is the schedule through Christmas. Please call with questions. 616-374-8340

- 10-23 Commandments 4-5-6 (Jerry)
- 10-30 Commandments 7-8-9-10 (Alan)
- 11-06 Prayer (Anne)
- 11-13 The Creed (Alan)
- 11-20 Tour of the Church
- 12-04 The Mass Bishop Barron
- 12-11 The Mass Bishop Barron
- 12-18 The Mass Bishop Barron

Living and Loving the Faith

Join us on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 pm – 8 at 753 5th Ave. Lake Odessa. In this weekly class, we'll uncover the great spiritual treasure within our Catholic faith and learn how to live that faith boldly in an increasingly secular culture.

Please call 616-374-8340 with any questions.

- October 23 The Call to Holiness
- October 30 The Nicene Creed: What We Believe
- November 06 Church Authority: The Pope and Magisterium
- November 13 The Bible and Tradition
- November 20 The Paschal Mystery: Passion, Death, and Resurrection
- December 04 The Role of the Holy Spirit
- December 11 Mary, the Mother of God
- December 18 The Communion of Saints

OUR PARISH OFFERING –Oct 12/13, 2024

Adults	\$ 4,375.00
Loose:	\$ 295.00
Total receipts:	\$ 4,670.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 3,850.00
Overage/Shortage:	\$ 820.00

July 1, 2024 – Oct 6, 2024 Fiscal YTD Offertory Collections

Year-to-Date:	\$ 59,140.00
Budgeted Year-to-Date:	\$ 57,750.00
Overage/Shortage Year-to-Date:	\$ 1,390.00

Please note that "Our Parish offering" reflects the income from Sunday and Holy Day offertory only.

Your weekly offering envelopes can be dropped off at the office, placed in the locked black mailbox beside the office door, or sent through the mail to: St. Edward Church

531 Jordan Lake St.
Lake Odessa, MI, 48849

Thank you for your continued support of the church.

Counter October 27: Betsy Weiland & Mike Hickey

Next Finance Meeting is November 11 at 6:30 pm

The Finance Council is looking for new members.

If you are interested or want more information, see Dan Sheilds.



The next meeting will be on
Tuesday, November 11, at 7 pm.

The Knights of Columbus Recycling Trailer is open for business. Please drop off your pre-sorted glass bottles, aluminum cans, and Michigan-approved recyclable plastic bottles (check the label).

Cor Men's Group- The next meeting: November 9

Join us as the Cor Men's Group at 8:00 AM. This is a great opportunity to deepen your faith and build strong connections with other Catholic men in our parish community.

For more information contact Andrew Coates at (269) 838-4418.

WME Sharing Group- The next meeting: November 8

If you have ever attended a Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience in the past, we would like to invite you to join our sharing group. We meet at St. Edward on the 2nd Friday of the month, at 7 pm in the basement.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call Chris and Darla Vinton at 410-487-5226.

Exploring Priesthood - Discernment Opportunities 2024-2025

Discernment is a time of obtaining spiritual guidance & understanding. If you are considering the priesthood, the Diocese of Grand Rapids invites you to come and discern God's will for your life. Feel free to just show up or email at preynolds@grdiocese.org or Fr. Stephen Durkee, sdurkee@grdiocese.org, Director of Priestly Vocations or Associate Director Fr. Rob Mulderink at frrob@lukespot.com if you have questions.

Next Discernment Meeting Date: December 1, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

St. Luke University Parish
10144 42nd Ave.
Georgetown Twp., MI 49428