

# Our Lord's Presence

Our Lord is not in the Blessed Sacrament as dead or asleep, not simply there to receive your love and adoration. But just as the most blessed Virgin had her divine Son's life, and His holy examples, and words, and actions before her eyes, even so we have her Son's life and example going on before our eyes, in all their stages, which we can study to our immense profit and advancement in grace. The life of our dear Lord in the Sacred Host is most active. He remains still in the tabernacle, it is true, but graces are flying forth from His Heart in inconceivable abundance. From the tabernacle, Our Lord works miracles both in souls and bodies, as He did of old in Galilee and Judea.

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The Bishops of the United States are calling for a three-year grassroots revival of devotion and belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. They believe that God wants to see a movement of Catholics across the United States, healed, converted, formed, and unified by an encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist—and sent out in mission “for the life of the world.” The third year of the revival – the year of parish renewal – began on June 11, 2023. The goal of the revival is “renew the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist.” These three years will culminate in the first National Eucharistic Congress in the United States in almost fifty years. Almost a hundred thousand Catholics will join together in Indianapolis in 2024 for a once-in-a-lifetime pilgrimage toward the “source and summit” of our Catholic faith.

# St. Edward and St. Stephen Catholic Churches

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 13, 2023

Rev. Father Charles Anyaoku, Pastoral Administrator

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Deacon David Mills, Permanent Deacon

## St. Edward Catholic Church

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New Parishioners register at Parish Office  
Please send bulletin information to the parish office  
by noon on Wednesdays.

Parish Secretary: Diana Zurliene  
PSR Coordinator: Jen Wellen  
RCIA Co-Coordinator: Ginny Barrett  
Music Director: Linda Keck

Trustees: Don Zurliene  
Jay Fyie

Finance Council: David Cavanaugh  
Jay Fyie  
Don Zurliene  
Teresa Williams  
Jen Wellen  
Ken Nordmann

Parish Council: Diana Zurliene  
Linda Keck  
David Cavanaugh  
Tim Schoenborn  
Libby Pond  
Kent Ochs  
Mike Oppenheimer  
Scott Merkle

## In Case of Emergency Contact:

Father Charles: 618-641-8978  
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## St. Stephen Catholic Church

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Bulletins and special reminders can be sent to  
your cell phone or email via Flocknote.  
Contact the parish office to sign up.

New Parishioners register with Fr. Charles,  
Parish Office or Dorothy Uebinger (662-3711)

## Parish Office Contact Information

Laura Anderson  
618-599-6786 (cell) or 618-662-8121 (office)  
[laura.whitehead.91@gmail.com](mailto:laura.whitehead.91@gmail.com) or [ststephen\\_flora@yahoo.com](mailto:ststephen_flora@yahoo.com)  
Wednesday & Thursday Mornings  
Submit bulletin information by Wednesday at noon.

Parish Secretary: Laura Anderson  
PSR Coordinator: Paul Duquaine  
RCIA Co-Coordinator: Cheryl McCarty  
Music Director: Diane Briscoe

Trustees: Randy Wells  
Susan Schroeder

Finance Council: Jesse Harvey  
Trudi Herdes  
Dorothy Uebinger  
Krista Weidner  
Deb Zimmerman  
Ted Zimmerman

Parish Council: Cory Anderson  
Laura Anderson  
Justin Fleener  
Pat Greenwood  
Mary Beth Lancaster  
Andrew Vahling

St. Stephen Liturgical Schedule

Nineteenth Week in Ordinary Time

Saturday, August 12:	4:30pm	Mass	<i>In thanksgiving – Beth and Lou Sulsberger 35<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary For the living &amp; deceased of the parish</i>
Sunday, August 13:	8:00am	Rosary	/ Confession
	8:30am	Mass	+Noah Guerrettaz
Tuesday, August 15:	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary		
	6:00pm	Rosary	
	6:30pm	Mass	+Kenny, Evelyn, & Connie Myers
	7:00pm	Adoration until midnight	
Wednesday, August 16:	7:30am	Rosary	
	8:00am	Mass	+Dominic & Mary Talmant
Thursday, August 17:	7:30am	Rosary	
	8:00am	Mass	+Al Winka
	8:30am	Confession	
Friday, August 18:	8:30am	Adoration until 3:15pm	
	12:00noon	Servite Rosary	
	3:00pm	Chaplet of Divine Mercy	
Saturday, August 19:	4:30pm	Mass	+Robert & Agnes Feldhake
Sunday, August 20:	8:00am	Rosary	/ Confession
	8:30am	Mass	<i>For the living &amp; deceased of the parish</i>

Weekly Contribution: 8-6-23		Attendance: 8-6-23	
Envelope:	\$	Saturday:	55
Loose:	\$	Sunday:	65
TOTAL:	\$	Total:	120
Weekly Budget		\$1,731.00	

Ministers for August

<u>Saturday, August 19:</u>	
Lectors: Jim Fehrenbacher	Eucharistic Ministers: Emily Milner, Robin Lipka, Beth Sulsberger
Servers: Volunteers	Ushers: Jerry Price & Mark Winka
<u>Sunday, August 20:</u>	
Lector: Justin Fleener	Cantor: Andrew Vahling
Eucharistic Ministers: Beth Fancher, Phil Fancher, Trudi Herdes	
Servers: Xander & Sophie Johnson, Landon Thompson	
Ushers: Cory Anderson & Jerod Fleener	

Happy Birthday:

Jill Fehrenbacher: August 12	Cory Anderson: August 12	Jordan Winka: August 14	MaryBeth Lancaster: August 17
Kim Fleener: August 20	Phil Fancher: August 22	Beth Fancher: August 27	Jessica Crawford: August 29

<b>Happy Anniversary:</b>	Beth & Lou Sulsberger – August 13	Mark & Janet Winka – August 15
	Cory & Laura Anderson – August 15	Father Charles – August 16
	Tom & MaryBeth Lancaster – August 23	Jim & Jill Fehrenbacher – August 21

Prayer Intentions

Linda Griffy, Bill Marks, Nicole Wheaton, Velma Oliver, Clara Wilson, Ray Vaughn, LaVonne Kemmerer, Patience McKnight, Mildred Garrison, Irene Winka, Mary Wilson, Celeste Replogle, Luke Miller, Ralph & Georgianna Weber, Marie Elwat, Kennah Hiestand, Harrison Hilliard, Becky Dulaney, Mary Patridge, Chris Niebrugge, Margaret Bateman, Helen Wilkins, Fern Ketzner, Paul Birk, Gerald Klein, Dale Jennings, Bob Porter, Lisa Schimp, Jane Henson, Tammy Lough, John D., Bobby Wilkin, Emma Winslow, Justin Traub, Lois Lewis, Galen Gill, Matt Kuenstler, Sydney Knott, Shallon Booth, Smitty, Pat Ridgeway, Mary McPeak, Asher Stevens, Josh Burroughs, & nursing home residents.

St. Edward Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, August 13, 2023 10:30 am- Aaron Crosby+  
Tuesday, August 15, 2023 5:00 pm – Garland Keck+  
Thursday, August 17, 2023, 6:00 pm – Sam Ochs+  
Friday, August 18, 2023, 8:00 am – Shirley Clark+  
Sunday, August 20, 2023 10:30 am-Jerry Zurliene +

Weekly Contributions

8/6/2023	
Envelopes	\$2840
Loose	\$35
Total	\$2875
We Need	\$1,873
Mass Stipends	\$30
Building Fund	\$152
Food Pantry	\$648
Candles	\$20
Donation for	
Keyboard	\$100
Assumption of	
Mary	\$15

Attendance 80

Prayer Intentions

Kim Buchanan, Lanora Neavill, Robyn Meagher, Donna Turner, Marilyn Butler , Michelle Dalton, CeCe Coorapi, , Margaret Thompson, Richard Rennier, Lee Bouldin, Fr. Ray, Marty Hawkins, Spencer Meagher, Judy Maguire, Fr. Jim Daugherty, Ray Glover  
Let the office know if names need to be added or removed from our prayer list.

Our Scripture Readings

Sun - Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a Rom 9:1-5 Mt 14:22-23  
Mon - St. Maximillian Kolbe, Priest, Martyr  
Dt 10:12-22 Mt17:22-27  
Tues - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin  
Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab 1Cor 15:20-27  
Lk 1:39-56  
Wed - Weekday  
Dt 34:1-12 Mt 18:15-20  
Thurs- Weekday  
Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17 Mt18:21-19:1  
Fri - Weekday  
Jos 24:1-13 Mt 19:3-12  
Sat - Weekday  
Jos 24:14-29 Mt 19:13-15  
Sun - Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Is 56:1, 6-7 Rom 11:13-15,29-32  
Mt 15:21-28

## St. Stephen News

On August 15, the Catholic Church celebrates The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We celebrate Mary being taken up body and soul into heaven, foreshadowing the joy that awaits all the just at the resurrection of the dead. This is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be at St. Edward at 5pm and at St. Stephen at 6:30pm on Tuesday, August 15.

Please rejoice and pray with Father Charles as he celebrates his 20<sup>th</sup> priestly anniversary on August 16, 2023.

Parish School of Religion: **PSR will begin Sunday, September 10.** It is time for registration for the 2023-204 PSR year. Parents are asked to register their kids with Deb or Paul Duquaine. The diocese has recommended the text “Word of Life” for the children’s faith formation for this year. Father Charles would like to meet with the PSR teachers after Mass on Sunday, August 20. Thank you!

The next rotating chairmen are MaryBeth Lancaster/Susan Schroeder, Berenice Mary Brown, & Donna Myers

St. Anne’s Altar Society will have a meeting on Sunday, September 3 after mass.

St. Stephen Finance Council will have a meeting on Wednesday, August 16<sup>th</sup>.  
St. Stephen Parish Council will have a meeting on Wednesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Summer Cash Raffle: Guadalupe Project’s annual Summer Cash Raffle is underway. Two \$100 winners will be drawn each week from Memorial Day – Labor Day, with a \$500 and \$1,000 Grand Prizes drawn after Labor Day. Winners will be announced each Wednesday on WNOI 103.9. Tickets are \$20 each. Week 11 Winners are Jim Sulsberger & Jerod Fleener. Thank you!

Extra bulletins are in the mailbox on the south door. You can also receive the bulletin by email or text each week. Contact the parish office to sign up. Thanks!

Facebook: Remember to like and follow St. Stephen’s page on Facebook!

## St. Edward News

Food Pantry –  
Thank you to everyone that helped with the food pantry on Friday and Saturday.

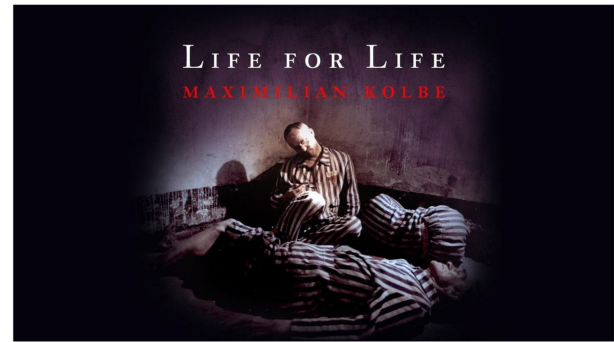
20<sup>th</sup> Jubilee  
Today we are celebrating Father Charles’ 20<sup>th</sup> Jubilee. Congratulations !

Assumption of the Virgin Mary  
Tuesday is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary. Mass will be celebrated at St. Edward at 5:00 pm. This is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Upcoming Events  
Sunday, Aug 13 – Celebration Dinner for Fr. Charles after 10:30 am Mass  
Tuesday, Aug 15 5:00 pm – Mass for the Assumption of the virgin Mary  
Thursday, Aug 17 – August Parish Council meeting after 6:00 pm Mass  
Sunday, Aug 20 – First PSR class  
Sunday, Sept. 17 – Celebration Dinner for Fr. Mark Reyling Silver Jubilee

Thank You  
A big thank you to Diana Zuliene for her outstanding job as church secretary. We pray for you in your new position.

Help Wanted  
Anyone interested in the position of church secretary, please contact Father Charles.




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### Life for Life: Maximilian Kolbe

After escaping from Auschwitz, a man hears the tragic news about ten random inmates sentenced by the Nazis to death as a punishment for his escape—one of whom is Fr. Maximilian Kolbe.

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## **Eucharistic Revival: Let's Make it Matter at our Sister Parishes.**

The American Catholic Church is engaged in a multi-year Eucharistic Revival. 2023-2024 is the second year and focuses on grassroots "Year of Parish Revival." In this spirit, Deacon David Mills invites parishioners of St. Edward-Fairfield and St. Stephen-Flora to participate in an eight month book study of *"Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist"* by Brant Pitre leading up to Easter next March 2024. Critics acclaimed Pitre, *"Inspiring and informative, this groundbreaking work illuminates one of the greatest mysteries of the Christian faith: the mystery of Jesus' presence in 'the breaking of the bread.'"*

Meetings will take place on Sunday afternoons from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. It will begin with Eucharistic Adoration set to the Liturgy of the Hours in the church and transition to a group discussion in the parish hall. There are eight chapters in Pitre's book and here's the proposed schedule: 9/24 at St. Edward, 10/29 at St. Stephen, 11/19 at St. Edward, 12/17 at St. Stephen, 1/28 at St. Edward, 2/25 at St. Stephen, 3/24 at St. Edward, and 4/28 at St. Stephen.

Light refreshments will be served and Deacon Mills will facilitate a focused conversation from established study guides with the participants in a small group format. Results from the focused conversations about Pitre's book will be documented and shared.

Pitre's book was gifted to parishioners a couple of years ago, so copies should be readily available. If you are willing to donate your copy for the use of this book study please drop them off at your parish office.

In order to plan for both refreshments and books, Deacon Mills is asking for parishioners to RSVP by Sunday, 9/10 by contacting him directly via phone or email: 618-599-4683 or [dm.doc.mills@gmail.com](mailto:dm.doc.mills@gmail.com). Please include your name, parish, mobile phone number, email address, and whether or not you need Pitre's book in all messages. A message thread will be created from information gathered to keep our book club informed and on the same page moving forward.

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