# Church of Saint Edward the Confessor

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SATURDAY: 5:00 р.м. SUNDAY: 8:15 а.м. 10:45 а.м.

HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE: TBA in bulletin

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE: MONDAY-FRIDAY: 9:00 A.M.

 ADORATION:

 MONDAY:
 9:30 a.m.-12:00 NOON

 FRIDAY:
 9:30 a.m.-12:00 NOON

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SATURDAY: 4:00-4:30 p.m. BULLETIN SUBMISSION

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# MASSES THIS WEEK

# TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME October is the Month of the Rosary

Sunday, October 10

8:15 a.m. Intentions of Mark & Paula Coleman (Wedding Anniversary) by Maggie Barno

10:45 a.m. Teresa Rincon (RIP) by Maria McDermott

Monday, October 11 – St. John XXIII, Pope 9:00 a.m. Ronald Lehman (RIP) by John & Marilyn Jauch

Tuesday, October 12 9:00 a.m. Larry & Gary Looker (RIP) by Dale & Linda Panko

Wednesday, October 13 –

# ST. EDWARD THE CONFESSOR FEAST DAY

9:00 a.m. John Crecca (RIP) by Robert & Nellie Pallagi

Thursday, October 14 – St. Callistus I, Pope & Martyr 9:00 a.m. Elizabeth Rose Sheldon (RIP) by Ron Sheldon Friday, October 15 –

St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church 9:00 a.m. In Honor of Holy Angels by Kim Chupka

Saturday, October 16

5:00 p.m. Joseph Halla by Joan Halla Family Sunday, October 17 –

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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:15 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of

St. Edward Parish

**10:45 a.m.** Oliver (Steve) & Ollie Stevenson (RIP) by Rose Ann Stevenson and Family

# NOTES FROM THE LOFT

"Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Sing to the Lord, bless his name." Psalm 96



□ Last weekend, we resumed using the "Mass of Christ the Savior" music for the Gloria, Holy, When We Eat, Amen, and Lamb of God. We will continue using this Mass setting until Advent.

~ Paul Radkowski, Music Director music@saintedwards.org, 740-587-3254

## 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 10, 2021 – YEAR B

Music and readings are printed in the worship aid for this weekend's Masses.

#### CANTORS

5:00 p.m.	Kayce Long
8:15 a.m.	Kevin Skinner
10:45 a.m.	Randy Kerr



"I rejoiced when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord." Psalm 122:1

# WELCOME OUR NEW PARISHIONERS:

- · Mark and Andrea Belles, Moira, Theodore and Caroline
- Dan and Angela Cornelius
- Steven Arias-Mosquera
- Matthew and Emily Rees, Luke, William, John and Maxwell

We welcome all visitors and parishioners who have come to worship at St. Edward the Confessor Church today. To our visitors, you may have come as a stranger to us, yet you are known to Our Lord, Jesus Christ. In His name we pray you will find peace, hospitality and friendship with us.

# SUPPORTING ST. EDWARD CHURCH

"Each one must do as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7

#### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Offertory for the week of October 3	\$ 7,532.00
Online Giving	\$ 5,130.00

Special collection for Louisiana is today.

If you no longer need envelopes, please contact the Parish Office. Online Offertory and donating to SVDP is easy to do. Go to the St. Edward website <u>www.saintedwards.org</u> and click on the "DONATE ONLINE" button. **Note:** With any changes to your credit card, please login to update your online account for making online contributions. As a safeguard, the program automatically suspends your contributions if changes have occurred to your card. For help, contact Cheryl Boggess at the Parish Office.

#### Thank you for your generous support of St. Edward Church!

# SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR LOUISIANA October 10

Hurricane Ida was even more destructive than Hurricane Katrina. To contribute to this fund, please go to <u>www.</u> <u>catholiccharitiesusa.org</u>.

# **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, LECTORS AND ALTAR SERVERS**

#### **OCTOBER 9-10: 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

	EUCHARISTIC MINISTER	LECTOR	ALTAR SERVER
Saturday,	Leann Kirchner	Barb	Andy Sanchez
5:00 p.m.	Cliff Kirchner	Mattei-Smith	Julie Sanchez
Sunday,	Suzanne Fox	Jason	Eli Winterhalter
8:15 a.m.	Leo Fox	Winterhalter	Seth Winterhalter
Sunday,	Emily Dunbar	Rose Ann	Landon Elder
10:45 a.m.	Chandra Elder	Stevenson	Cooper Lake

# **A WORD FROM YOUR PASTOR**

#### "Oh, happy day"

I had a wonderful day last Monday and I just wanted to share that with you, because many days are not so wonderful for all of us. The day began with a beautiful funeral Mass at St. Catharine Church in Bexley for the repose of the soul of Katherine lannarino, who died at the age of 102. Her son, Deacon Frank, is the head of the diaconate program of our diocese and the man I hired at Bishop Watterson High School in the early 1970s. He currently serves as the administrator of St. John the Baptist Italian Parish and remains at Watterson. The funeral was lovely with great-grandchildren present, along with a goodly number of deacons and concelebrating priests. Msgr. John Cody delivered a great homily. It was a wonderful celebration of Catholic Faith over several generations.Frank was also my deacon at St. Brigid of Kildare, dating back to our first Christmas Eve Mass in the stable, with all the horses present (they weren't supposed to be there!). Following that, I received a phone call from an Ohio Wesleyan University alumni from my days in Delaware. We spoke for a half an hour and it was a real joy for me to have been a part of his life during his college days and to share his journey and successes.Monday evening was our Annual Blessing of the Animals in honor of St. Francis of Assisi. There was a great crowd of happy owners, cats, dogs and one horse from the neighborhood. There were smiles all around and much joy (The Walking With Purpose group joined us for prayer, too). The weather was perfect with the help of St. Francis. To cap this happy day off, a child handed me a lovely note of gratitude from his young family. It made my day, my week, my year! Praise God for His goodness to me on October 4, 2021!

# SUNDAY CATECHISM CLASS –4 parts

Who: Parishioners who want to know more about Our Faith and Catechism, Learn and Review Catechism of the Catholic Faith. This is a 4-part program taught by Dcn. John Barbour in the Parish Lounge from 9:25-10:40 a.m. on Sundays beginning October 24th. For more information, please contact Dcn John Barbour at <u>barfamilybour@yahoo.com</u>.

Week 1 - October 24: Part 1: The Profession of Faith - Our Creed – The "I Believe" will be broken down line by line.

Week 2 - October 31: Part 2: The Celebration of the Christian Mystery - the Sacraments and the Liturgy

Week 3 - November 7: Part 3: Life in Christ - The Beatitudes and the 10 Commandments

Week 4 - November 14: Part 4: Christian Prayer - the Our Father - broken down line by line

#### **OCTOBER 16-17: 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

	EUCHARISTIC MINISTER	LECTOR	ALTAR SERVER
Saturday,	S A Beaver	June McCarthy	Jude Long
5:00 p.m.	Sandy McCullough		Dean Long
Sunday,	Martin Flautt	Jason	Bryan Harms
8:15 a.m.	Sharon Martin	Winterhalter	Andrew Harms
Sunday,	Noelle Gremling	Robin Krempel	Leah Moberg
10:45 a.m.	Joe Krempel		Peter Moberg

#### **CEMETERY SUNDAY**

Prayer Services are cancelled for this year at St. Joseph, Resurrection, Holy Cross and Mt. Calvary cemeteries, due to COVID-19 resurgence.

#### FEAST OF ST. EDWARD THE CONFESSOR



October 13th is the Feast of St. Edward the **Confessor, our patron saint.** The following is a prayer taken from a St. Edward prayer card:

"Most glorious St. Edward, you showed your devotion to God with patience, gentleness and generosity. Like wou, may I serve to strengthen the kingdom of God through patient prayer and charity. Amen."

Also, a prayer for the youth of St. Edward Parish:

O, Lord, we entrust to You our families, children and all the youth of our parish under the patronage of your servant, St. Edward the Confessor. For Your Word testifies, "Let the children come to me and do not prevent them; for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." (Luke 18:16). Inspired by our patron Edward, who, with fervent devotion, retained his innocence, we ask his intercession for our children and the youth of our parish. May the great gift of Your Spirit they have received in Baptism and Confirmation set their hearts afire and fill them anew with faith, hope and love. For this we pray: "Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of Your love. Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be created, and You shall renew the face of the earth." St. Edward the Confessor, pray for us!

### REAL PRESENCE, REAL FUTURE PRESENTS PARISH CONSULTATION SESSIONS

Our Parish Consultation Session dates are November 2nd and November 4th. Registration is required by logging onto www.realpresencerealfuture. org. Even if you are not able to participate, register anyway. All registrants will receive a link to the recording via email after the session.

#### WOMEN OF ST. EDWARD

#### **BE A PART OF THE WOMEN'S MINISTRY!**

ALL women of St. Edward are invited to become a part of the Women of St. Edward Ministry. The monthly meeting is on the second Thursday of the month, September through May. The next meeting is at 6:00 p.m. on October 14 in the lounge. We will be making Thanksgiving Cards for our homebound parishioners. Questions? Call president, Annie Lach at 502-541-1715.

Ministry Scheduler Pro

# WALKING WITH PURPOSE

# **BEHOLDING HIS GLORY - SIGN UP OCTOBER 9-10**

As we look at Old Testament people and events, we'll encounter problems that only Christ will solve, needs that only He will satisfy and promises that only He can deliver. This nine-lesson study, Beholding His Glory, shows us how all Scripture points us to our Redeemer, Jesus Christ. We'll learn to recognize and appreciate God's plan for our own lives, His awe-inspiring majesty and His desire for personal intimacy with each one of us. We began this book study in the Spring of 2020 and only met one time. We will reboot on Monday evening, November 8, and Wednesday morning, November 10. You are invited to join us for an overview of Salvation history. Sign up after all Masses in the Gathering Space, October 9 and 10. If you have a book, great. If not, we will order one for you for a \$23.00 fee.



You are invited to join us in the Parish Hall on Fait ful funday, October 18 at 7:00 p.m. or Wednesday, October 20 at 9:40 a.m. for a WWP Connect Coffee, video and refreshments. Are you curious about Walking With Purpose Bible Study sessions? We would love to have you join us as

we complete our Reclaiming Friendship Study with a video talk: Friendship and the Kingdom of God. No homework required. There will be a discussion handout for you. Come hear God's plan in the Bible for all of us to have faithful friendships. For more information, contact: Monica Addis at 740-927-3913 or monica.addis@icloud.com; Noelle Gremling at 614-323-8335 or ngremling@gmail.com; Barb Hinterschied 740-403-3736 or <u>bhinterschied@gmail.com;</u> or Janice Schroeder at 419-265-0266 or sischroed313@gmail.com.

Walking with Purpose transforms the hearts and lives of women by providing Bible Studies that enable women to know Christ through Scripture and the teachings of the **Roman Catholic Church.** 

#### **BLESSED SACRAMENT WOMEN'S MINISTRY**

You are invited to our new study about the Doctors of the Church. We begin the 4-part series this week with Saint Catherine of Siena. The events are free, open to all women in our community, and don't require any homework. We meet in Shepherd Hall, 394 E. Main Street, Newark, on Monday evenings from 7:00-8:30 p.m. You may enter through the main double doors of the school. Pre-registration is available on our website at blsac.net/womens-ministry or by contacting Meghan Svatora at faith@blsact.net or 740-258-4443. We hope you can join us!

October 11 - Saint Catherine of Siena

October 18 - Saint Hildegard of Bingen

October 25 – Saint Teresa of Avila

November 8 – Saint Therese of Lisieux



#### **YOUTH GROUP**

Dear Youth of St. Edward,

You are invited to join us for youth group this Sunday, October 10

from 6:00-8:00 p.m. We are going to have a discussion on Discipleship and Social Media Consumption. I encourage you to invite a friend. Food and beverages will be provided.

Steven Arias, Youth Coordinator



# **"THE VISION OF** MAN FULLY ALIVE"

Saturdays at 7:00 a.m., in the Parish Hall. Coffee & Donuts!

All men in the parish are invited to attend THAT MAN IS YOU - an interactive men's program focused on the development of male leadership in the modern world. It combines the teachings of the Catholic faith and the wisdom of saints to develop the vision of authentic men capable of transforming themselves, their families and greater society. The theme, "The Vision of Man Fully Alive," enables men to experience authentic freedom as sons of God. Through living the three-fold mission of 1) abiding presence, 2) joyful service and 3) loving sacrifice, their hearts and homes will experience the joy that God desires. To sustain them on their spiritual journey, the men will be led directly to the three spiritual foods that Christ Himself proclaims: the Eucharist, the Word of God and the Will of God. For more information, contact Tim Collins at tmc8004@gmail.com or Deacon John Barbour at <u>barfamilybour@yahoo.com</u>.

#### RESPECT LIFE MONTH EVENTS **Heartbeats Bottles For Life**

In case you didn't get your Bottle For Life last weekend, please pick one up as you leave church today. Heartbeats of Licking County uses these donations to support their ultrasound imaging program. Mothers who see images of their babies choose life. Please be generous. Return your Bottle for Life on the weekend of October 30-31. Thank you for your support.

### Congratulations to our Pro-Life Poster Contest Winners:

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Kindergarten-2nd Grade:	6th-8th grade:		
First Place Award:	First Place Award:		
Sydney Miller	Julie Sanchez		
Second Place Award:	Second Place Award:		
Evelyn Kirian	Jacob Kirian		
3rd-5th Grade:	9th-12th Grade:		
First Place Award:	First Place Award:		
Avery Miller	Grady Kirian		
Second Place Award:	Second Place Award:		
Sophie Ebner	Victoria Helgerman		
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Thank you very much to everyone who participated! Most of all, Thank You, Almighty God, Who makes all things and everyone!

#### UNPLANNED: the movie!

Mark your calendar for October 21, 2021 for the 7:00 p.m. showing of "Unplanned" in our Parish Hall. The St. Edward Council of the Knights of Columbus are hosting a free presentation of Abbie Johnson's epic departure from the abortion industry. Even if you have seen her story before, you should consider viewing it again considering current events. We hope to see you there!

#### **Bethesda Healing Ministry**

October is Respect Life Month in the Catholic faith. It is not uncommon for post-abortion pain to be triggered by things seen and heard. We deliver HOPE and want to reach out to those who still suffer. We currently have two in-person meetings per month and two virtual meetings per month.

Bethesda Healing Ministry - 614-718-0277.



"What page, what passage of the inspired books of the Old and New Testaments is not the truest of guides for human life?" ~Saint Benedict, from the *Rule of Saint Benedict* (73:3)

The Month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary.

"Remember that you have only one soul; that you have only one death to die; that you have only one life, which is short and has to be lived by you alone; and there is only one Glory, which is eternal. If you do this, there will be many things about which you care nothing." ~ SAINT TERESA OF JESUS

# Monday, October 11 ~ Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time Saint John XXIII, Pope

**Holy Gospel: Luke 11:29-32** While still more people gathered in the crowd, Jesus said to them, "This generation is an evil generation; it seeks a sign, but no sign will be given it, except the sign of Jonah. Just as Jonah became a sign to the Ninevites, so will the Son of Man be to this generation. At the judgment the queen of the south will rise with the men of this generation and she will condemn them, because she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon, and there is something greater than Solomon here. At the judgment the men of Nineveh will arise with this generation and condemn it, because at the preaching of Jonah they repented, and there is something greater than Jonah here."

**Meditation:** In the busyness of our lives, jumping from one thing to another, sometimes with the attention span of a gnat, multi-tasking all throughout the day, do you pay attention to warning signs? Much harm could be avoided if people took the warning signs seriously. When the religious leaders in today's Gospel demanded a sign from Jesus, he gave them a warning to avert spiritual disaster. It was characteristic of the Jews that they demanded "signs" from God's messengers to authenticate their claims. When the religious leaders pressed Jesus to give proof for his claims he says in so many words that he is God's sign and that they need no further evidence from heaven than his own person.

**Prayer:** Almighty and eternal God, who in the Pope, Saint John XXIII, gave to the whole world the shining example of a good shepherd, grant that, through his intercession, we may with joy spread abroad the fullness of Christian charity. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** The Lord Jesus came to set us free from slavery to sin and hurtful desires. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit he pours his love into our hearts that we may understand his will for our lives and walk in his way of holiness. God searches our hearts, not to condemn us, but to show us where we need his saving grace and help. He calls us to seek him with true repentance, humility, and the honesty to see our sins for what they really are - a rejection of his love and will for our lives. God will transform us if we listen to his word and allow his Holy Spirit to work in our lives. Ask the Lord to renew your mind and to increase your thirst for his wisdom. James says that "the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, without uncertainty or insincerity" (James 3:17). A double-minded person cannot receive this kind of wisdom. The single of heart desire one thing alone - God's pleasure. God wants us to delight in him and to know the freedom of his truth and love.

# Tuesday, October 12 ~ Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

**Holy Gospel: Luke 11:37-41** After Jesus had spoken, a Pharisee invited him to dine at his home. He entered and reclined at table to eat. The Pharisee was amazed to see that he did not observe the prescribed washing before the meal. The Lord said to him, "Oh you Pharisees! Although you cleanse the outside of the cup and the dish, inside you are filled with plunder and evil. You fools! Did not the maker of the outside also make the inside? But as to what is within, give alms, and behold, everything will be clean for you."

**Meditation:** After hearing Jesus preach, the Pharisee in today's Gospel invited Jesus to dinner, no doubt, because he wanted to hear more from this extraordinary man who spoke the word of God as no one else had done before. It was not unusual for a rabbi to give a teaching over dinner. Jesus, however, did something which offended his host. He did not perform the ceremonial washing of hands before beginning the meal. Did Jesus forget or was he deliberately performing a sign to reveal something to his host? Jesus turned the table on his host by chiding him for uncleanness of heart. Which begs the question (and a simple one at that!): which is more important to God - clean hands or a clean mind and heart?

**Prayer:** May your grace, O Lord, we pray, at all times go before us and follow after and make us always determined to carry out good works. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** Jesus chided the Pharisees for harboring evil thoughts – greed, pride, bitterness, envy, arrogance, and the like – which can be sinful in and of themselves, but can also lead us to commit sins. Why does he urge them – and us – to give alms? When we give freely and generously to those in need we express love, compassion, kindness, and mercy. And if the heart is full of love and compassion, then there is no room for envy, greed, bitterness, and the like. So you might ask yourself today: Do I allow God's love to transform my mind, my heart, and thus undertake actions toward my neighbor? If not, why not?

# Wednesday, October 13 ~ Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

**Holy Gospel: Luke 11:42-46** The Lord said: "Woe to you Pharisees! You pay tithes of mint and of rue and of every garden herb, but you pay no attention to judgment and to love for God. These you should have done, without overlooking the others. Woe to you Pharisees! You love the seat of honor in synagogues and greetings in marketplaces. Woe to you! You are like unseen graves over which people unknowingly walk." Then one of the scholars of the law said to him in reply, "Teacher, by saying this you are insulting us too." And he said, "Woe also to you scholars of the law! You impose on people burdens hard to carry, but you yourselves do not lift one finger to touch them."

Meditation: Why did Jesus lament and issue such a stern rebuke? Jesus was angry with the religious leaders because they failed to listen to God's word and they misled the people they were supposed to quide in the ways of God. The scribes devoted their lives to the study of the Law of Moses and regarded themselves as legal experts in it. They divided the Ten Commandments and precepts into thousands of tiny rules and regulations. They were so exacting in their interpretations and in trying to live them out, that they had little time for anything else. By the time they finished compiling their interpretations it took no less than 50 volumes to contain them! In their misguided zeal, they required unnecessary and burdensome rules which obscured the more important matters of religion, such as love of God and love of neighbor. They were leading people to Pharisaism rather than to God. Jesus used the example of tithing to show how far they had missed the mark. God had commanded a tithe of the first fruits of one's labor as an expression of thanksgiving and honor for his providential care for his people (Deuteronomy 14:22; Leviticus 27:30). The scribes, however, went to extreme lengths to tithe on insignificant things with great mathematical accuracy. They were very attentive to minute matters of little importance, but they neglected to care for the needy and the weak. Jesus admonished them because their hearts were not right. They were filled with pride and contempt for others. They put unnecessary burdens on others while neglecting to show charity, especially to the weak and the poor. They meticulously went through the correct motions of conventional religion while forgetting the realities.

**Prayer:** May your grace, O Lord, we pray, at all times go before us and follow after and make us always determined to carry out good works. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** Always remember that the essence of God's commandments is love - love of the supreme good - God himself and love of our neighbor who is made in the image and likeness of God. God is love (1 John 4:8) and everything he does flows from his love for us. God's love is unconditional and is wholly directed towards the good of others. True love both embraces and lifts the burdens of others. Paul the Apostle reminds us that "God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given us" (Romans 5:5). Do you help your neighbors carry their burdens? God gives each of us sufficient grace for each day to love as he loves and to lift the burdens of others that they, too, may experience the grace and love of Jesus Christ.

# Thursday, October 14 ~ Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time Saint Callistus, Pope and Martyr

**Holy Gospel: Luke 11:5-13** The Lord said: "Woe to you who build the memorials of the prophets whom your fathers killed. Consequently, you bear witness and give consent to the deeds of your ancestors, for they killed them and you do the building. Therefore, the wisdom of God said, 'I will send to them prophets and Apostles; some of them they will kill and persecute' in order that this generation might be charged with the blood of all the prophets shed since the foundation of the world, from the blood of Abel to the blood of Zechariah who died between the altar and the temple building. Yes, I tell you, this generation will be charged with their blood! Woe to you, scholars of the law! You have taken away the key of knowledge. You yourselves did not enter and you stopped those trying to enter." When Jesus left, the scribes and Pharisees began to act with hostility toward him and to interrogate him about many things, for they were plotting to catch him at something he might say.

**Meditation:** How can God's wisdom free us from being double-minded and spiritually blind? God sent his prophets to open the ears of his people to hear and understand God's word and intention for their lives. God's wisdom is personified in the voice of the prophets, a voice that often brought rejection and death because they spoke for God rather than for human favor and approval. Jesus chastised many of the religious leaders of his day for being double-minded and for demanding from others standards which they refused to satisfy. They professed admiration for the prophets from the past by building their tombs while at the same time they opposed the message that the prophets spoke in God's name. They rejected the prophets' warnings and closed their ears to the word of God. Are you guilty of doing the same?

**Prayer:** O God, who raised up Pope Saint Callistus the First to serve the Church and attend devoutly to Christ's faithful departed, strengthen us, we pray, by his witness to the faith, so that, rescued from the slavery of corruption, we may merit an incorruptible inheritance. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** The religious lawyers and scribes held the "key of knowledge" since they were the official interpreters of the Scriptures. Unfortunately their interpretation of the Scriptures became so distorted and difficult to understand that others were "shut off" to the Scriptures. They not only shut themselves to heaven - they also hindered others from understanding God's word. Through pride and envy, they rejected not only the prophets of old, but God's final prophet and Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus is the "key of David" (see Isaiah 22:22; Revelations 3:7) who opens heaven for those who accept him as Lord and Savior. He is the "Wisdom of God" and source of everlasting life. Only the humble of heart - those who thirst for God and acknowledge his word as truth - can truly understand the wisdom which comes from above [see Psalm 119:99ff: "I have more understanding than all my teachers, for your testimonies are my meditation."]. God is ever ready to speak his word to us and to give us true wisdom and understanding so that we make seek perfection as did Saint Teresa of Jesus. These well-known lines she composed are worth contemplating: "Let nothing disturb thee, nothing dismay thee. All is passing, God ever remains. Patience obtains all. Whoever possesses God cannot lack anything for God alone suffices."

## Friday, October 15 ~ Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

**Holy Gospel: Luke 12:1-7** At that time: So many people were crowding together that they were trampling one another underfoot. Jesus began to speak, first to his disciples, "Beware of the leaven-that is, the hypocrisy of the Pharisees. "There is nothing concealed that will not be revealed, nor secret that will not be known. Therefore whatever you have said in the darkness will be heard in the light, and what you have whispered behind closed doors will be proclaimed on the housetops. I tell you, my friends, do not be afraid of those who kill the body but after that can do no more. I shall show you whom to fear. Be afraid of the one who after killing has the power to cast into Gehenna; yes, I tell you, be afraid of that one. Are not five sparrows sold for two small coins? Yet not one of them has escaped the notice of God. Even the hairs of your head have all been counted. Do not be afraid. You are worth more than many sparrows."

**Meditation:** What does leaven have to do with hypocrisy? To the Jews leaven was a sign of evil. It was a piece of dough from left-over bread which fermented. Fermentation was associated with decay and rotting - the state of foul-smelling decomposition. Why did Jesus warn his disciples to avoid the ways of the Pharisees? The Pharisees wanted everyone to recognize that they were pious and good Jews because they meticulously and scrupulously performed their religious duties. Jesus turned the table on them by declaring that outward appearance doesn't always match the inward intentions of the heart. Anyone can display outward signs of goodness while inwardly harboring evil thoughts and intentions. The word "hypocrite" means "actor" - someone who pretends to be what he or she is not. But who can truly be good, but God alone? Hypocrisy thrives on making a good appearance and masking what they don't want

others to see. The good news is that God's light exposes the darkness of evil and sin in our hearts, even the sin which is unknown to us. And God's light transforms our hearts and minds and enables us to overcome hatred with love, pride with humility, and pretense with integrity and truthfulness. God gives grace to the humble and contrite of heart to enable us to overcome insincerity and hypocrisy in our lives.

**Prayer:** O God, who through your Spirit raised up Saint Teresa of Jesus to show the Church the way to seek perfection, grant that we may always be nourished by the food of her heavenly teaching and fired with longing for true holiness. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** What is godly fear? It is reverence for the One who made us in love and who sustains us in mercy, compassion, love and kindness. The greatest injury or loss which we can experience is not physical but spiritual - the loss of one's soul and life to the power of hell. A healthy fear of God leads to spiritual maturity, wisdom, and right judgment and it frees us from the tyranny of sinful pride, deceit, and cowardice - especially in the face of evil, falsehood, and deception. Do you trust in God's grace and mercy and do you submit to his life-giving word of truth and righteousness? Why settle for anything less?

## Saturday, October 16 ~ Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin; Saint Gerard Majella, Religious

**Holy Gospel: Luke 12:8-12** Jesus said to his disciples: "I tell you, everyone who acknowledges me before others the Son of Man will acknowledge before the angels of God. But whoever denies me before others will be denied before the angels of God. Everyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but the one who blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven. When they take you before synagogues and before rulers and authorities, do not worry about how or what your defense will be or about what you are to say. For the Holy Spirit will teach you at that moment what you should say."

**Meditation:** There are no limits to the mercy of God, but we can reject his mercy by refusing to ask God's pardon for our wrongdoing and by refusing to accept the help he gives us to turn away from sin and from whatever would keep us from doing his will. God gives sufficient grace (his favor and mercy towards us) and he gives sufficient help (his wisdom and strength) to all who humbly call upon him. God never turns a deaf ear to those who seek his help and listen to his words of hope, of pardon, and of deliverance.

**Prayer:** Pour out on us, we pray, O Lord, the spirit with which you so remarkably endowed Saint Margaret Mary, so that we may come to know that love of Christ which surpasses all understanding and be utterly filled with your fullness. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Prayer** ~ **Saint Gerard Majella:** Great Saint Gerard, beloved servant of Jesus Christ, perfect imitator of Jesus, and devoted child of the Mother of God, enkindle within my heart one spark of that Heavenly fire of charity which glowed in yours. Because you bore, without murmur or complaint, the calumnies of wicked men when falsely accused of crime, you have been raised up by God as the patron and protector of expectant mothers. Preserve me/her in the dangers of motherhood, and shield the child I/she now bear(s), that it may be brought safely to the light of day, and receive the sacrament of baptism. Amen.

**Contemplation:** Among the many Letters of Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, who helped to firmly establish the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, this excerpt is worth contemplating in relation to today's Gospel: "The adorable Heart of Jesus wishes to establish His reign of love in the hearts of all, to destroy and bring to ruin the kingdom of Satan. It seems to me He has so great a desire of doing this that He promises great rewards to men of good will who work for it with all their heart according to the strength and lights He gives them. Do not be afraid, then, of the difficulties and sufferings you will have to put up with in this holy undertaking. Rather we ought to think ourselves fortunate that He considers us worthy to work for so noble a cause. Yes, I say we ought to be willing to bear every kind of trial, contradiction, calumny, and suffering. The more of these I find the more encouraged I feel and the greater is my hope that this enterprise will succeed for the glory of this lovable Heart and the salvation of many souls. But this is the kind of devotion that cannot be forced or imposed on anyone. It is enough to make it known and then leave to this divine Heart the work of entering the souls He has prepared by His grace. Fortunate indeed are these. We must love this divine Heart, beloved Sister, in such a way that we no longer live except for Him and through Him." (*Letter to Sister Jeanne-Madeline Joly, April 10, 1690*)

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# This Week at St. Edward

# October is the Month of the Rosary

#### Sunday, October 10 ~ TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass – 8:15 a.m. Mass – 10:45 a.m. PSR – 9:30-10:30 a.m. Pre-K/K, 1st, 5A, 6A, 7th, 8th/Confirmation; No Family Reconciliation class – moved Wednesday, October 3 Youth Group – 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Monday, October 11 Mass – 9:00 a.m., Adoration after Mass until noon Walking With Purpose – 7:00 p.m. in Parish Hall



Tuesday, October 12 Mass – 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, October 13 – Feast of St. Edward Mass – 9:00 a.m. Walking With Purpose – 9:40 a.m. All women welcome. PSR – 6:30-7:30 p.m. – Family PSR – Followed by 1st Reconciliation Q & A

Thursday, October 14 Mass – 9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal – 7:00 p.m. Women of St. Edward Meeting – 6:00 p.m. in Lounge

**Friday, October 15** Mass – 9:00 a.m., Adoration after Mass until noon



Saturday, October 16 That Man Is You – 7:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall. All men welcome. Confession – 4:00-4:30 p.m. Mass – 5:00 p.m.

#### Parish School of Religion CLASS TIMES & DATES Watch *Flocknote* and PSR website for updates

Sunday, October 10, 9:30-10:30 a.m. Pre-K/K, 1st, 5A, 6A, 7th,8A/Confirmation. No Family PSR today. Please join us on Wednesday, October 13

Wednesday, October 13, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Family PSR – followed by a Parent Q&A for Reconciliation Zoom available! 2nd Grade Parent Q&A 2nd, 4th, 6B, 8B/Confirmation. 5B meets at 5:30-6:30 p.m.



# SUPPORT OUR SEMINARIANS (SOS)

Donation envelopes are located in the Gathering Space. Please make checks payable to Knights of Columbus 10876. Place donations in the Donation Box as you exit.

Thank you so much for your generous support. Questions? Contact Von Downing at 740-814-0753.

# SANTA'S ATTIC 2021 IS ONLY 4 WEEKS AWAY!!

This year's sale will be held Saturday, November 6, 2021, from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Donations will be accepted beginning Saturday, October 30, 2021 and continue all week from 9:30 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.

Please spread the word!

**Calling all TEENS** who need volunteer hours for Confirmation or National Honor Society, we would LOVE your help. **Many Volunteers are needed.** Please consider joining in this joyful ministry! Any amount of time you are able to offer is greatly appreciated. Questions? Please send an email to santas. attic4st.eds@gmail.com.



# SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17 AFTER BOTH MASSES

Join your fellow parishioners for a great breakfast of pancakes, sausage, coffee, tea and juice.



DONATIONS RECEIVED WILL HELP SUPPORT OUR COUNCIL'S WORKS OF MERCY!



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE

Thank you to everyone who donates to the Food Pantry and teams who prepare dinners for Haven residents! Food Pantry requests are granola bars, apple juice and laundry detergent. (Hamburger Helper is always needed at the Food Pantry.)

# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Thrift Store, Cooking Teams, Stock Shelves, Assist Food Pantry Guests, Phone Helpline, Clean Food Pantry. For information, call Barb Scholten at 740-258-3230.

# Know Your Saints

St. John XXIII. Pope ~ was born in the small village of Sotto il Monte in Italy, in 1881. He was the fourth of 14 children born to poor parents, who made their living by sharecropping. He would become one of the most influential popes in recent history, changing the Church forever. He was ordained a priest in 1904 and appointed to be secretary to Bishop Radini-Tedeschi until 1914, when the Bishop died. In 1914, he was drafted into the Italian Army as a chaplain. Discharged in 1919, he was appointed to be the Italian president of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, handpicked by Pope Benedict XV. In 1925, he became archbishop, Beginning in 1935, racial tensions and anti-Jewish sentiment began to explode into actual acts of violence against the Jews and other ethnic minorities. Roncalli started using his influence to save what people he could from the depredation of both local authorities and later the Nazis. During his tenure as archbishop, Roncalli saved thousands of Jews, and was named a "Righteous Gentile" following the war. In 1952, Roncalli was offered a new position as Patriarch of Venice and became the Cardinal-Priest of Santa Prisca. In 1958, he was summoned to Rome to participate in the process of selecting a new pope. The College eventually elected him as Pope and he accepted, saying "I will be called John." As Pope John XXIII, he immediately began to change the culture in the Vatican. His most influential decision was the call for an ecumenical council known as Vatican II. As a result of this council, many practices of the classic Church would be altered with a new emphasis on ecumenism and a new liturgy. Pope John XXIII died in his bed at age 81. The world mourned John XXIII and he was posthumously awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom by President Johnson in December, 1963. On September 3, 2000, Pope John Paul beatified him. Miracles were attributed to him and his body was found to be in an uncorrupted state, a phenomenon consistent with sainthood. His body was put on display for the veneration of the faithful. Pope Francis approved John XXIII for canonization on June 3, 2013, the 50th anniversary of his death.

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#### **BAPTISM PREPARATION**

Congratulations on the upcoming birth of your child! To prepare for a Baptism, first-time expectant parents attend the Baptismal Preparation Class and choose godparents for their child. Godparents are models of faith for their godchildren. A godparent must be a fully initiated Catholic who is *actively* living a life of faith and is at least 16 years old. For information about Baptismal Preparation and godparents, contact Cheryl Boggess in the Parish Office at 740-587-3254.

#### **PRAYER CHAIN**

Parishioners are ready to pray for you, a family member, or a friend. Contact Cindy Kendrick at 740-366-2871 or email ckk1@att.net to be covered in prayer. Would **you** like to pray for others? Please contact Cindy for information.



# STEWARDSHIP TIME ~ TALENT ~ TREASURE OCTOBER 10, 2021 — TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <u>WIS 7:7-11; PS 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17;</u> <u>HEB 4:12-13; MK 10:17-30 OR 10:17-27</u>

In our Gospel today, we hear the story of a man who ran up to Jesus and asked Him what he must do to reach eternal life. Jesus said, "You are lacking in one thing. Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me."

It says the man went away sad because he had much.

We might cringe when we hear this story because it is sad – this man was so close to becoming an active disciple of Jesus, but instead turned away. We also might cringe because it could be deeply applicable to our lives.

Jesus states that "It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God."

One of the metaphors for the "eye of a needle" was a tight passageway into Jerusalem that people had to enter to get into the city. In order for their camels to pass through, they had to remove whatever the camel was carrying; only then, could they enter.

If we look at our own lives, we can most likely think of something that we tightly carry with us. Maybe it is possessions – material goods or money – like Jesus references in our Gospel. Or maybe it is something less material – like status, pride, or control.

Jesus doesn't want our stuff – our job promotions, our designer house, or our bank account. He just wants us. So, we need to be willing to strip those things from our lives in order to reach Him.

It might seem difficult, but the outcome will be more than we could have ever imagined – peace on earth and treasure in heaven.

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