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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT + 18 FEBRUARY 2024+

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"Rend your hearts and not your garments." (Joel 2:13) With these penetrating words of the Prophet Joel, we began our Lent, pointing to conversion of heart as the chief characteristic of this season of grace. The prophetic appeal challenges all of us without exception, and it reminds us that conversion is not to be reduced to outward forms or too vague intentions, but engages and transforms one's entire existence beginning from the center of the person, from the conscience. We are invited to board upon a journey on which, by defying routine, we strive to open our eyes and ears, but especially to open our hearts, to go beyond our own "backyard." (Pope Francis)

With its invitations to conversion, Lent comes fortunately to awaken us, to rouse us from inactivity, from the risk of moving forward by inaction. The appeal which the Lord addresses to us through the prophet Joel is strong and clear, "Return to me with all your heart." (Joel 2:12) Why must we return to God? Because something is not right in us, in society, and in the Church so we need to change and give it a new direction. And this is called the need to convert! Once again, Lent comes to make its prophetic appeal, to remind us that it is possible to create something new within ourselves and around us, simply because God is faithful, always faithful, for He cannot deny Himself. He continues to be rich in goodness and mercy, and he is always ready to forgive and start afresh. With this filial confidence, let us set out on the journey!

God bless you,

*Father Thomas*



## PHYSICAL AND SPIRITUAL NOURISHMENT FOR LENT

### Eucharistic Adoration:

Sign up sheets are in the narthex.

Please sign up for an hour with our Lord.

### Fish Fry Fridays:

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting Fish Fry Fridays during Lent from **5:00 PM-7:00 PM in the PLC**. Please join us to share food, faith, and fellowship this Lenten season! Dine in and take out orders will be available. **Fish Frys will take place every Friday of Lent except Spring Break, March 15th.**



# LENT & EASTER

St. Edward Catholic Church

## LENT & EASTER SCHEDULE

### February 14: Ash Wednesday

#### Mass and Ashes

6:30AM, 8:30AM, and 7:00PM

#### Liturgy of the Word and Ashes

12:10PM and 5:00PM

### February 26-28: Parish Mission With Bishop Guillory

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 7-8 pm

### March 19: Combined Lenten Reconciliation Service

At St. Edward 6:00PM-8:00PM with St. James and Christ the Good Shepherd

### Eucharistic Adoration (Extended)

Thursday: 7:00PM-10:00PM

There will not be 24 hr adoration during Lent.

### Fish Fry & Stations of the Cross

Fridays in the PLC from 5:00PM-7:00PM

Except March 15th

Stations of the Cross at 7:00PM

### March 24: Palm Sunday

5:30PM Vigil, 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM, 5:00PM

### March 28: Mass of the Lord's Supper

7:00PM and Holy Thursday Adoration in the PLC from 8:00PM-Midnight.

### March 29: Good Friday

3:00PM and 7:00PM



## EASTER

**March 30: Easter Vigil**  
8:30PM

**March 31: Easter Sunday**  
7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM, 5:00PM



# PARISH LIFE

## STITCHES OF PEACE

The next Stitches of Peace meeting will be on **Saturday, February 17th from 9:30AM to 1:00PM in the Annex.**

There's room for you in our group and we welcome you to join us. Bring your projects or sort through our stash and find something new to spark your creativity.

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Saturday

8:30AM & 5:30PM

### Sunday

7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM,  
& 5:00PM

### Weekdays

Monday-Friday 8:30AM

Tuesday & Wednesday 6:30AM

Friday 12:10PM

### Rosary

Monday-Saturday 8:00AM

Friday 11:30AM

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Thursday 7:00PM

1st Friday 9:00AM-6:00PM

Benediction at 5:45PM

## CONFESSIONS

### Thursday

5:30-6:30PM

### Saturday

4:00-5:00PM

*or call office for appointment*

## SACRAMENT PREP

### Infant Baptism

Contact Eileen Hubbard

ehubbard@saintedward.org at least 4 months before due date or before desired baptism date.

### Marriage

Contact Jane Truttier at

jtruttier@saintedward.org at least 6 months prior to the desired wedding date.

### Anointing of the Sick

Contact the parish office.

### Christian Initiation

Contact Matthew Crews at

[mcrews@saintedward.org](mailto:mcrews@saintedward.org).

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday

9:00AM-4:00PM

## MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

Mon	February 19	8:30AM †	Theodore J. Pettek	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
Tues	February 20	6:30AM † 8:30AM †/LV	Maria Vasquez Padilla Robillard Family	Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wed	February 21	6:30AM † 8:30AM †	Jesus Vasquez Padilla Caetano & Rosa Joanes	Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Jl 2:12-13; Lk 11:29-32
Thurs	February 22	8:30AM LV	Samantha Epstein	<b>Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter, Apostle</b> 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6; Mt 16:18; Mt 16:13-19
Fri	February 23	8:30AM LV 12:10PM †	Diana Skouby Samuel C. Ciarella	IEz 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8; Mt 5:20-26
Sat	February 24	8:30AM † 5:30PM LV	Judith Brown Joseph Graham Family	Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Sun	February 25	7:30AM † 9:30AM † 11:30AM † 5:00PM	Winona Tevington Edgar & Mary Marquis Mary Haranda People of St. Edward	<b>Second Sunday of Lent</b> Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Delynne Cheyney, Wilfred Broussard, Jr., Jennifer Donaldson, Wayne Wohlferd, Deanna Bashinski, Rich Laboda, Geoff Gribble, Shirl Hahn, Nancy Gallegos, Alexis Valencia, Nancy Ruiz, Walter Davis, Sarah Lejeune, Frank Carrabine, Nanda Havemann, Charlie Brossman, Susie Herrin, Sue Epstein, Ophelia Starr, Joe Brown, The Rocco, Traewick, Oberdick & Parsons Families, Simon Joseph, Yogi & Rosie Ybarra and Family, Fred White, Seth Auzenne, Charlotte McGinness, Tri Nguyen, Huong Bui, Bac Bui, Nhan Nguyen, Nhiem Nguyen, Dan Pham, Phuong Nguyen, Elena Davillier, Yolanda Cueno, Leon Cheyney, John Sullivan, Allen Stoute, Buzz Herrin, Vicky Arechiga, Marie Braun

To make a request to add someone to the prayer list, please email us at [info@saintedward.org](mailto:info@saintedward.org) or call the Parish office before Monday to have their name in for the following week.

The prayer list changes every 8 weeks.

## PARISH LIFE

Last date for registration is February 20th! We need a few more pilgrims to make this pilgrimage possible.

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## CHILD FRIENDLY STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Join us for an enriching experience! Calling all families with small children! Embrace the Lenten season with your little ones at our Child Friendly Stations of the Cross. Mark your calendars for **March 1st and March 22nd at 5:30 PM in the plaza**. Let's walk the path together in a nurturing environment tailored for our youngest members. See you there!



## OFFICE CLOSURE DATE

The parish office will be closed on **Monday, February 19th.**

## MEET OUR COUNCILS

### Pastoral Council

Sarah Alaniz, Deana Felan, Jim Caldwell, Regina Charpentier, Manny Payan, Ruth Hutyr, Rachel Ziaja, Anthony Enechukwu, Jennifer Roberts



### Finance Council

Aaron Lange, Michael Hancock, John Williams, Jonathan Wasielewski



### School Board

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## EVANGELIZATION & CATECHESIS

### Lenten Parish Mission

Join us on **Monday - 2/26, Tuesday - 2/27, and Wednesday - 2/28** to dive into the Lenten season through the lens of three particular miracles in John's Gospel.

**We will gather in the Church from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm each night.**

Come once, twice, or all three times!

### come to me women's renewal retreat

ST. EDWARD CATHOLIC CHURCH



### commuter full weekend retreat schedule

**Friday, April 26- 5:00pm-9:30 pm**, includes dinner

**Saturday, April 27- 9:00am-9:30 pm**, includes lunch, dinner, & snacks

**Sunday, April 28- 9:00am to 3:00pm**, includes lunch & snacks

### registration & details

**\$65 per person**

**Registration opens on February 10th and closes on March 17th.**

This retreat will offer time for silence, personal reflection, small group sharing, and will include a variety of prayer experiences and talks.

We will attend the 5:30pm Mass and the opportunity to go to confession will be made available.

Interested in attending?

Contact Annette at

[aodriscoll@saintedward.org](mailto:aodriscoll@saintedward.org)

Register by

scanning  
the QR code!



### Adult Faith Formation

From **February 25th-March 17th**, we will host a three-part series about the priesthood, the Eucharist, and the Mass.

Join us on **Sundays from 3:30 pm to 4:45 pm in the Youth Room** and let's explore our faith further with Colleen Stokes, parishioner and catechist.

### PART 1: THE CATHOLIC PRIESTHOOD

### Vacation Bible School

### SAVE THE DATE

June 10-14, 2024

Interested in being on team?

Contact Eileen Hubbard at  
[ehubbard@saintedward.org](mailto:ehubbard@saintedward.org).

## GOALS AND GIVING



### Parish Goal:

\$1,366,739

### Total Amount Paid to

Date:

\$1,213,371



### Scan to Give



2024 DSF Goal: \$142,300



You can visit [faith.direct/TX603](https://faith.direct/TX603) & enroll securely online or text "Enroll" to 281-767-4313.

### July 2023-December 2023

Budget: \$840,000 Actual: \$871,523

1/07/24 Budget: \$23,333 Actual: \$15,123

1/14/24 Budget: 17,500 Actual: \$13,567

1/21/24 Budget: \$15,000 Actual: \$15,412

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## Middle School Spring Dance



Thank you to everyone who made our Spring Dance a success for our sixth, seventh, and eighth graders!

Our elementary hallway is bursting with our students' work, including Coats of Arms, inspiring words for 2024, and research about penguins in conjunction with reading the novel, Mr. Popper's Penguins. It's always so exciting to see the creative and innovative lessons our teachers develop!



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Join us in prayer as we begin the new DSF for 2024. Loving Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, with grateful hearts, we acknowledge that we are the Lord's. In sending your beloved Son, you made us your sons and daughters and summon us to respond in thanksgiving as we help those in need. Inspire us to give generously to the Diocesan Services Fund, so that the saving mission of Jesus may be continued in the world. Bless this campaign which we undertake in your name, and grant that by serving you in those most in need, we may show forth the power of Christ in all that we do. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

To give to this year's DSF, scan the QR code in the Goals and Giving section of the bulletin.

## ST. JOSEPH'S ALTAR

Join us for a rosary, procession, and potluck brunch in honor of St. Joseph. If possible, please bring a dish to share and/or a non perishable food donation for the St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank.

March 16, 2024  
8:00 AM: Rosary  
8:30 AM: Mass  
Procession, Blessing of the Altar, & Potluck Brunch to follow in the PLC

FOR QUESTIONS CONTACT  
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