TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"You cannot serve both God and mammon," we hear Jesus tell his disciples in today's Gospel. He challenges us to decide where our priorities lie. Which do we spend more time and energy building up: our faith or our wealth? It is difficult to ignore the need for money, if we only have enough to get by, let alone pursuing more so that we can live a comfortable life. But we believe our treasure can be found in the kingdom of God, in which money is irrelevant. May today's liturgy remind us of that truth.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH					
Mon. (9/22)	6:00 PM	Bible Study at St. Martin			
Tues. (9/23)	9:00 AM	Mass 🕆 Joshua Klein			
		(Gary & Sandy Klein)			
Thurs. (9/25)	9:00 AM	AM Mass & Dennis Komarck			
		(The Komarck Family)			
Sat. (9/27)	2:30-3:30 PM	Confession			
	4:00 PM	Mass & Vincent Klein			
		(St. Monica Catholic School			
		8 th Grade Class of 2021)			
Sun. (9/28)	9:30 AM	Mass For the People			
	10:35-11:45 AM	Religious Ed for K-8th			

WORD OF LIFE

"Throughout salvation history, God has welcomed repentant sinners with special joy. Jesus concludes the parable of the lost sheep with these words: 'there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance' (Lk 15:7)*." *NABRE © 2010 CCD. Used with permission.

.....USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Life Matters: Forgiveness and Healing After Abortion".....

2025 LIFE CHAIN

October 5 - Life Chain Sunday. 2:30-3:30pm. The first Sunday in October is Life Chain Sunday. Those participating in Life Chain are attempting to prayerfully witness to passers-by that the unborn child is valuable and that there is help for women with unplanned pregnancies. This year we have additional new signs including "Women Deserve Better Than Abortion" and "Choose Life: Love Them Both". Please mark your calendars and make a commitment to join us in praying to change hearts and save lives. Thank you!

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS OCTOBER 5

The Diocesan Celebration of Wedding Anniversaries will take place Sunday, October 5 honoring couples celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th anniversaries. Mass will be celebrated at St. Augustine Cathedral at 2 p.m. with a reception following in the Fr. Crowley Center on the Cathedral grounds. Contact Socorro Truchan, struchan@diokzoo.org for more information and to

CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPEMENT

Please be generous in this week's special collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. In the United States, over 11% of the population lives in poverty. Through this collection, you support programs that address the root causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect remain in our diocese to fund local antipoverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and those working on the margins. More information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd.

WELCOME TO GOD'S FAMILY THROUGH BAPTISM

Emersyn Rose Mullin daughter of Hayden and Ashton Mullin who were baptized here on September 13, 2025!!!

Next Week's:	Readers	Ushers
Sat. (9/27)	Bonnie Heflin-Moyer	J. Zubryd/K. Wesoloski
Sun. (9/28)	Amy Cupp	Jack/Cindy VanderKley

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, 9:30 AM Saturday, 4:00 pm Weekdays: Tues. & Thurs. 9:00 AM Confessions: Saturday, 2:30-3:30 PM

LIVESTREAMING... Sunday Mass is Livestreamed weekly and alternates between St. Edward at 9:30 AM and the 8:00 or 11:00AM Mass at St. Martin of Tours. Viewing is available at www.stedwardmendon.org or the St. Martin of Tours Vicksburg Facebook Page

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education for students in grades K-8 begins today, September 15th! <u>Thank you</u> to our catechists for volunteering their time to serve the children of our parish!

Let Us Pray For Those Who Are Sick **Or Have Special Needs**

Oliver Ray Terry Collins Phil Kramer

Lyn Wilson Jane Evans Margie Klein Pat Kramer

WALK FOR THE POOR

St. Vincent de Paul 5th Annual Walk for the Poor Come join us on Sunday, September 28 at 1:30 for our 5th annual Walk for the Poor at the Vicksburg Recreation Area & Trail at 12538 S. Sprinkle Rd, Vicksburg. Registration starts at 1:00 pm with a welcome by Msgr. Thomas Martin. Our goal is to increase our donations from St. Martin's and St. Edward's by 20%. Please consider coming out for ½ mile to 3 mile walk with us. If you cannot walk, please be part of this worthwhile effort by donating or sponsoring another walker. Pledge sheets are available at www.stmartinvicksburg.org.

COME AND PLAY PURSE BINGO

Come and play PURSE BINGO with us... Saturday, October 11, 2025 11:30 a.m. St. Martin of Tours, Vicksburg, Michigan Sponsor: HALOS of St. Martin's Ticket Donation: \$12.00 Includes: Lunch (Win a PURSE with a SURPRISE inside) or other prizes. Tickets will be available in the St. Martin's church office and at St. Martin's weekend Masses.





Created. Captured. Rescued. Response

For parishioners of St. Edward and St. Martin, The Rescue Project will be held for five Sundays at 4:00 - 7:30 pm in the St. Martin Parish Hall.

Oct 5, Oct 12, Oct 19, Oct 26, Nov 2

More than 70 persons from our two parishes have participated in our first three series.

Sign-up forms are available in the entryways at both churches.

There is no cost to you, just a commitment to attend the full five-Sunday series.

MEAL | EPISODE | DISCUSSION

Collection: Sept. 13-14, 2025 47 Env.			
Weekly: \$3,531/\$3,193			
Y-T-D Needed:		\$	38,283.00
Y-T-D Collected:		\$	41,466.00
Surplus		\$	3,183.00
Preservation		\$	300.00

Altar Servers

George & Rita Phillip/Paul Klein