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We are a needy people. We each stand before God as someone in need. No matter now well off we are, how healthy we are, or how satisfied we are with our lives, we are all in need of God's saving mercy. If we look at ourselves honestly, we see that we are far from perfect, that we are inf fact sinful and always in need of forgiveness. May we, like the tax collector in today's Gospel, be aware of our neediness so that no matter our situation in life we too may humbly pray, "O God, be merciful to me a sinner."

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH						
Mon. (10/27)	6:00 PM	Bible Study at St. Martin				
Tues. (10/28)	9:00 AM	Mass ♥ Joshua Klein (Gary & Sandy Klein)				
Thurs. (10/30	9:00 AM	Mass ♥ Happy Culp (Joan Sampson)				
Fri. (10/31)	6:00 PM	Vigil Mass-All Saints' Day For the People				
Sat. (11/1)	2:30-3:30 PM 4:00 PM	Confession Mass & Allan Kramer (David Klein)				
Sun. (11/2)	9:30 AM 10:35-11:45 PM	Mass For the People Religious Education; K-8				

WORD OF LIFE

"The witness of our Blessed Mother [in the Gospel account of her visit to her pregnant cousin, Elizabeth,] invites us to become more aware of the needs of pregnant and parenting moms in our own parishes and communities. ...Mary's witness is an invitation to step out in love and compassion. It is a summons to make haste to help vulnerable women who may be isolated and alone."

.....USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

Respect Life Reflection: Called to Serve Moms in Need respectlife.org/called-to-serve-reflection.....

MICHIGAN MARCH FOR LIFE – NOVEMBER 6, 2025 The Michigan March for Life will take place in Lansing, MI at the Capitol Building on November 6, 2025, with a pre-rally concert at 10am, followed by the rally with guest speakers at 11am, and the March for Life beginning at 12pm noon.

This is a public event that is open to all pro-life Michiganders. Registration is not required, but is encouraged so that you stay updated on the details as more information is forthcoming. Additional details about the event, e.g. location, transportation and keynote speakers can be found on the Michigan March for Life website, https://marchforlife.org/michigan/

CATHOLIC CHARITIES NEWS TO KNOW...

Catholic Charities is excited to announce our 4th Annual St. Nicholas Raffle Fundraiser On Saturday, December 6, 2025!

Proceeds will benefit the thousands of clients served each year in our nine-county diocese. Tickets are \$20 each for a chance to win \$5,000 Cash!! You don't have to be present to win. Purchase your tickets today at www.ccdok.org/stnicholas. This year we are again holding a live auction during the live

This year we are again holding a live auction during the live event to bid on some fantastic items! Join us at the Kalamazoo Country Club on December 6, 2025 from 6:00-9:00 pm Event tickets are \$100 per person and include: Food, drinks, dessert, music, raffle ticket, live auction. Help Catholic Charities raise more funds for our services and show your community support.

Please visit www.ccdok.org/stnicholas

Email us at info@ccdok.org or call 269-381-9800.

Next Week's:	Readers	Ushers
Sat. (11/1)	Dale Eickhoff	Bob/Kathy Spence
Sun. (11/2)	Barb Hornacek	T. Klein/J. Condon

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, 4:00 pm Sunday, 9:30 AM 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 of Vicksburg Facebook Page

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Tootsie-roll drive after Mass, TODAY! Proceeds will benefit the MI Drive for mentally and physically impaired, in our area.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education for grades K-8 after Mass today!

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

Phil Kramer Oliver Ray Pat Kramer Margie Klein

ALTAR SOCIETY

Looking Ahead:

Holiday Bazaar and Raffle

Saturday, November 8, from 8 am to 2 pm

Crafts, Baked Goods and Raffle donations needed

Raffle tickets are ready for each family in the church entrance. If you did not receive yours or would like more, please contact Bridget.

Stay tuned for more info.

PRAYER LINE REQUESTS

To add a name or intention to our parish prayer line, please contact DiAnne Riley at (269)279-6004.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

In World Mission Sunday, we remember our baptismal call – to bring the Gospel to all!! The collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith supports the work and witness of the Mission Church, as it provides for priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. Our parish total was \$4,247 Thank you for your generosity!

ALL SAINTS' DAY

The Solemnity of All Saints, or All Saints' Day, is a celebration of all Catholic saints held on November 1 each year and a holyday of obligation. "On this solemnity, we recall the holy men and women who, having completed their earthly journeys, now live forever with God. These saints, though not canonized, offer us models of abiding faith and love of God and neighbor" (Essential Guide to Seasons and Saints, 109). This year, the obligation has been lifted as it falls on a Saturday. However, Msgr. will offer a Vigil Mass, here at St. Edward at 6:00 PM on October 31st. Please join us for this celebration if your schedule allows!

Collection: Oct. 18-19, 2025	55 Env.	
Weekly: \$2,737/\$3,193		
Y-T-D Needed:		\$ 54,281.00
Y-T-D Collected:		\$ 56,162.29
Surplus		\$ 1,881.29
Preservation Fund		\$ 25.00

Altar Servers

Owen Klinger/Stanley & Evelyn Mroczek