

THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA
ST. EDWARD THE CONFESSOR
CATHOLIC CHURCH

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The Lateran Basilica in Rome, the only church building whose dedication is celebrated as a feast, is an enduring symbol of the universal church. Inscribed on its façade is "omnium urbis et orbis ecclesiarum mater et caput," meaning, "mother and head of all the churches of the city and of the world." Originally completed in 324 CE, soon after Emperor Constantine legalized Christianity, the Lateran Basilica is a sign of the triumph of the faithful who survived underground for generations when Christians were persecuted. Although we likely are gathered in a much humbler setting today, we are nonetheless inextricably linked to this historic church --- our mother church.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Mon. (11/10)	6:00 PM	Bible Study at St. Martin
Tues. (11/11)	9:00 AM	Mass ☩ Joshua Klein (Gary & Sandy Klein)
Thurs. (11/13)	9:00 AM	Mass ☩ Dennis Komarck (The Komarck Family)
Sat. (11/15)	2:30-3:30 PM 4:00 PM	Confession Mass ☩ Shirley Sedlarick (Jan Komarck)
Sun. (11/16)	9:30 AM 10:35-11:45 AM 2:00 PM	Mass For the People Religious Education; K-8 Parish/Finance Council Meeting

WORD OF LIFE

"In addition to enshrining pro-life laws and policies, the transformation of our culture also requires continual conversion of our own hearts, so that we can recognize in every person the face of Christ and place their needs before our own."
.....Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge,
Chair of the USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities
"Living Radical Solidarity".....

DIocese OF KALAMAZOO DIOCESAN PASTORAL
CENTER OPENING-ACCOUNTANT

This position reports to the Chief Finance Officer and is responsible for financial reporting, budgeting, analysis and operations services for diocesan related entities. A minimum of three years of experience is required. Go to www.indeed.com, search for "Accountant" and "Diocese of Kalamazoo" to read the job description and to apply. Please send any questions to: humanresources@diokzoo.org

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

The St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Martin parish contributes short-term financial support to individuals and families in need. This Conference focuses its efforts on the Vicksburg, Schoolcraft, Scotts, and Mendon areas. If you are interested in joining the Conference or know someone who may need help, please contact St. Martin at (269)649-1629 ext. 70 or email us at svdp@stmartinvicksburg.org.

THE TRIENNIAL COLLECTION FOR THE
ARCHDIOCESED FOR THE MILITARY SERVICES, USA,
TODAY, NOVEMBER 9TH

While the salaries and retirement of military and VA chaplains are paid for by the government, the AMS receives no funding from the military or the government in support of its programs and services and relies solely on private donors. Funds from this collection will support these programs and services. To learn more about the mission and ministry of the AMS, please visit www.milarch.org/nationalcollection.com

Next Week's:	Readers	Ushers
Sat. (11/15)	Ed Culp	Cliff/Mary Lou Jepsen
Sun. (11/16)	Jim/Jacki Sobieraj	Jim/Jacki Sobieraj

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



Coffee & Rolls and Bazaar sales on the lower-level after Mass TODAY!!
Please come down and join us for some fun conversation and sweet treats!

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

Phil Kramer Oliver Ray Pat Kramer Margie Klein

ALTAR SOCIETY

Thank you to everyone who participated in our annual Bazaar and Raffle this weekend! We will share our list of winners and profits in the coming weeks.
SAVE THE DATE! Our Annual Turkey Bingo will be Sunday, November 23rd at 2:00 PM. Please bring a dessert to pass and try your luck at winning a turkey or a door prize! Everyone from the parish is welcome!

ST. MARTIN OF TOURS PRESENTS:

End of Life: What We Need to Know on Wednesday November 12th from 5:30pm until 7:30pm in the Parish Hall. We'll begin with dinner at 5:30pm followed by Welcome and Introductions from Kathi Lovell and presentations from Mary Smith RN (Hospice & Hospice Home Options), Steve McCowen (General Overview on Funeral Homes), Rob Baas (Funeral Prearrangement Benefits), and Msgr. Thomas Martin (Catholic Traditions). The evening will conclude with a Question-and-Answer session. Please consider joining us for this event. A sign-up sheet is available in the church entrance or call the parish office by Monday, November 10th.

PRAYER LINE REQUESTS

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

ST. EDWARD FACEBOOK PAGE

Have you seen our new Facebook page? If not, please look for *St. Edward Catholic Church Mendon* and give us a "follow!" You will find information regarding upcoming events, livestreaming Mass, and history of our beautiful church!

Collection: Oct. 1-2, 2025	45 Env.
Weekly: \$3,154/\$3,193	
Y-T-D Needed:	\$ 60,667.00
Y-T-D Collected:	\$ 62,299.29
Surplus	\$ 1,632.29
Preservation Fund	\$ 150.00
Archdiocese for the Military	\$ 951.00
Charity of the Parish(St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 250.00
Religious Education	\$ 145.00

Altar Servers

Luke & Corinne Wilson, Megan Cupp