

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH
ST. EDWARD THE CONFESSOR
CATHOLIC CHURCH

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On the Sunday after Christmas, we honor the Holy Family and hold them up as a model for our own families. From the start, Jesus, Mary, and Joseph had to deal with hardships, uncertainty, and even danger. But together they placed their trust in God and grew ever stronger in their bond with each other. We too are called to trust in the Lord as we face the trials and difficulties of our own lives. As we continue our Christmas celebration, may our families be consecrated in the love of the Holy Family.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Mon. (12/29)	No Bible Study	
Tues. (12/30)	9:00 AM	Mass ☩ Elizabeth Mullin (Mike & Lyn Wilson)
Thurs. (1/1/2026)	<u>New Year's Day</u> 9:00 AM	Mass For the People
Sat. (1/3)	2:30-3:30 PM	Confession
	4:00 PM	Mass ☩ Mark Klein (The Klein Family)
Sun. (1/4)	9:30 AM	Mass For the People Coffee & Rolls after Mass

WORD OF LIFE

“Dearest St. Joseph... Help us to faithfully commit ourselves to the service and defense of human life —especially where it is vulnerable or threatened. Obtain for us the grace to do the will of God in all things.”

.....USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
A Prayer to St. Joseph, Defender of Life
(www.respectlife.org/prayer-to-st-joseph).....

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHILI COOK-OFF

Catherine of Siena Parish's Marian Hall (Portage) on **Saturday, January 24, 2026, at 5 pm**. Tickets will be \$12 each, which includes 3 votes, a sample of all the participating dishes, and complimentary cornbread and dessert. Kids under 12 eat free. Tickets may be purchased in the parish narthex after Mass on January 17 & 18, as well as at the door on January 24. If paying by check, please address it to the Knights of Columbus. Contact Jeff Phelan at (269) 491-5151 for more information.

PRAYER LINE REQUESTS

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

2026 PARISH CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES are available today for you to pick up in the vestibule. If you did not receive any and wish to become a registered parishioner, please fill out the form below and return to us.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE _____

CHANGE OF ADDRESS ____NEW PARISHIONER ____

Next Week's:	Readers	Ushers
Sat. (1/3)	Dale Eickhoff	Bob/Kathy Spence
Sun. (1/4)	Amy Cupp	Jack/Cindy Vander Kley

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

THANK YOU.....

.....to Ed Culp for decorating the church for Christmas.....

..... to our musicians, Julie Carroll, Bill Crouch, and the “scola” for their beautiful music during the Christmas season.....

.....to Deacon Dave and Deacon Tom who helped to enhance our Christmas liturgies.....

.....to Tom and Margie Klein for their donation and “putting up” the beautiful Christmas garland and bows and lights on the light posts at the church as well as our Advent Wreath!!.....

.....to all those who supported the Knights of Columbus “Keep Christ in Christmas” card and yard sign sales with proceeds going to the local St. Vincent de Paul Society....

.....to the St. Edward Altar Society for their work in delivering Christmas baskets to all our shut-ins, etc.....

.....to Eickhoff Funeral Home for the donation of the 2026 calendars

.....to Msgr. Tom for serving us as our wonderful Pastor!!

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

Phil Kramer Oliver Ray Pat Kramer Margie Klein

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

New Year's Eve
4:00 PM - St. Martin

New Year's Day
9:00 AM - St. Edward

2025 DONATIONS

All donations for 2025 must be given to us or postmarked by December 31, 2025 in order for them to be included on your 2025 contribution statement. Many thanks for your generosity to our parish!

Collection: Dec 20-21, 2025	52 Env.	
Weekly: \$2,784/\$3,193		
Y-T-D Needed:		\$ 83,018.00
Y-T-D Collected:		\$ 92,355.29
Surplus		\$ 9,337.29
Preservation		\$ 65.00
Retirement Fund for Religious		\$ 130.00
Christmas Flowers		\$ 80.00
Religious Education		\$ 55.00

Altar Servers

Stanley & Evelyn Mroczek, Megan Cupp