

**SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
ST. EDWARD THE CONFESSOR
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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Ever since Christmas we have heard how Jesus was revealed over time to the wider world. He was made manifest to the nearby shepherds on the night of His birth. The magi followed the star from distant lands to the east. Last week we heard that the Holy Spirit descended like a dove, revealing Jesus at his baptism. Today we hear John the Baptist see Jesus and testify, "Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world." We say the same words at each Eucharist. May they resonate with us today and always

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Mon. (1/19)	6:00 PM	Bible Study at St. Martin
Tues. (1/20)	9:00 AM	Mass ☩ Joshua Klein (Gary & Sandy Klein)
Wed. (1/21)	6:30-7:30 PM	Eucharistic Adoration at St. Martin
Thurs. (1/22)	9:00 AM	Mass ☩ Dennis Komarck (The Komarck Family)
Sat. (1/24)	2:30-3:30 PM 4:00 PM	Confession Mass ☩ Happy Culp (St. Edward Altar Society)
Sun. (1/18)	9:30 AM 10:35-11:45 AM	Mass For the People Religious Education; K-8

WORD OF LIFE

“Even with the overturning of Roe v. Wade in June 2022, a decision that returns the abortion issue to the electorate, many states continue not to recognize children in their mothers’ wombs as persons warranting protection under the law. Federal laws in our country fail to protect the lives of unborn children, and many political leaders at the state and federal level, work actively to increase access to abortion. Some falsely describe it as health care and even as a basic human right.”

.....USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
“Priorities at the Polls”.....

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES DIOCESE OF KALAMAZOO
CIRCLE OF FRIENDS**

Wednesday, January 28, 2026, 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Location: St. Catherine / Stanley Center

We will gather on the 4th Wednesday of the month (exceptions are November and December, which will be the 3rd Wednesday because of holidays) from 6:00 - 7:30 pm in the Fellowship Room in the Stanley Center at St. Catherine of Siena, 1150 W. Centre Street, Portage, MI. **Come study the Bible and break bread with us!**

Contact Veronica Rodriguez - 269-349-8714, Ext. 1240 Email: vrodriguez@diokzoo.org For more information or to RSVP visit diokzoo.org/personswithdisabilities.

LENTEN RETREAT- AT HIS FEET:

WOMEN IN SCRIPTURE-FEBRUARY 21, 2026

The Kalamazoo Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will host a Lenten Retreat on **Saturday, February 21, 2026**, for Catholic ladies, mothers, daughters, Religious sisters and their guests at **St. Philip Parish, Battle Creek**. This retreat will take place from **9 am - 3 pm**, with optional Confession and Vigil Mass taking place afterwards. Bishop Lohse will be in attendance to present the Golden Rose Award to nominees. There will be lunch and a presentation by the Magic Carpet Theatre Drama Ministry titled "At His Feet: women in scripture". The cost for this retreat is \$40 per adult and \$20 per student. Additional questions may be emailed to KDCCW.reg@gmail.com

Next Week's:	Readers	Ushers
Sat. (1/24)	Bonnie Heflin-Moyer	J. Zubryd/K. Wesoloski
Sun. (1/25)	Joe Condon	Jack/Cindy VanderKley

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



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
RESUMES TODAY FOR
GRADES K-8!!**

ANNIVERSARY BREAKFAST

The Altar Society invites all couples who will celebrate their first, fifth, tenth, etc. (increments of 5) year anniversary in 2026 for a special breakfast on Sunday, February 1, after mass! We would love to honor and celebrate with you! Please sign-up on the posted sheet in the vestibule or call Sue at 269-365-2250 no later than Sunday, January 25. Please also let Sue know if you have any dietary restrictions. **Congratulations!**

Let Us Pray For Those Who Are Sick Or Have Special Needs			
Phil Kramer	Oliver Ray	Pat Kramer	Margie Klein

**27TH ANNUAL MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION
AND OPEN HOUSE – JANUARY 29-31, 2026**

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic School, Coldwater, will be hosting their 27th Annual Mardi Gras Event on **Saturday, January 31, 2026 starting at 5pm**. This celebration is open to all 21+ and will consist of silent & live auctions, food & drinks, games and raffle prizes. Entry tickets must be purchased online - keep an eye on St. Charles Borromeo's website and Facebook page for more information.

Preceding the Mardis Gras Event will be **open houses on Thursday, January 29th from 4:30-6:30 pm and Friday, January 30 from 2-4 pm** during which auction packages and items may be previewed.

VOCATIONAL DISCERNMENT NIGHT

The Office of Vocations is hosting an event for ALL young adults ages 18-35 at St. Tom's Catholic Student Parish in Kalamazoo on Thursday, Jan. 29th. There will be mass, adoration, dinner, and a talk with priests, Dominican sisters, and a married couple. *Please see the flyer posted in the church entrance 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 or (616)560-5457.

Collection: Jan 10-11, 2026	46 Env.
Weekly: \$4,199/\$3,193	
Y-T-D Needed:	\$ 92,597.00
Y-T-D Collected:	\$ 106,795.64
Surplus	\$ 14,198.64
Preservation	\$ 105.00
Cemetery	\$ 425.00
Utility Fund	\$ 1,770.00
Religious Education	\$ 65.00

Altar Servers

Luke/Corinne Wilson, Megan Cupp