

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

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In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus call His first disciples. "Come after me," he calls out to the first two. "Follow me," He says to two more. We are the ones Jesus calls out to now. Today is the Sunday of the Word of God, the day Pope Francis chose to dedicate to the proclamation, the study, and the celebration of the scriptures. The call of the first disciples also reminds us of Jesus' own words. His words invite us to a deeper commitment, to one like Peter and Andrew and James and John made with Him. May the word of God inspire us to enter our discipleship more deeply.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Mon. (1/26)	6:00 PM	Bible Study at St. Martin
Tues. (1/27)	9:00 AM	Mass † Joshua Klein (Gary & Sandy Klein)
Thurs. (1/29)	9:00 AM	Mass † Joseph Nowicki, Sr. (Mike & Lyn Wilson)
Sat. (1/31)	2:30-3:30 PM 4:00 PM	Confession Mass † Margaret Ochami (Irene Goodlaw)
Sun. (2/1)	9:30 AM	Mass For the People

WORD OF LIFE

Many people are unaware that someone they know personally is silently suffering from participation in abortion. If a friend confided in you tomorrow that she had an abortion, would you be able to respond in a way that brings her closer to healing? Learn how in "How to Talk to a Friend Who's Had an Abortion": <http://bit.ly/friend-had-abortion>
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"How to Talk to a Friend Who's Had an Abortion".....

**PRAISE & PRESENCE – EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
WITH MUSIC AND SCRIPTURE JANUARY 29**

Holy Angels Parish, Sturgis, will host an evening of Praise & Presence on **Thursday, January 29, 2026, from 6-7pm**. This family-friendly hour of Eucharistic Adoration will also consist of music and scripture.

HEALTH CARE & SPIRITUALITY LECTURE

St. Philip Parish, Battle Creek, will have Fr. Ken Schmidt (Judicial Vicar and Director of the Trauma Recovery Program) as their speaker on **January 26, 2026, at 6:30 pm** in the Parish Center. Fr. Ken's lecture *Wholly Ourselves, Our Holy Selves* is the next in the Health Care and Spirituality series.

PRAISE AND ADORATION NIGHT

Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Union City, will host an evening of Praise and Adoration on **Friday, February 6, 2026, from 5-7:30 pm**. There will be an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation from 5-6 pm followed by light refreshments and then an hour of Eucharistic Adoration accompanied by music from 6:30-7:30 pm.

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!*

CANDLEMAS MASS

On Monday, February 2, Bishop Lohse will celebrate Candlemas Mass (Presentation of the Lord) and World Day for Consecrated Life at 6:00 PM at St. Augustine Cathedral, light reception to follow.

Next Week's:	Readers	Ushers
Sat. (1/31)	Dale Eickhoff	Bob/Kathy Spence
Sun. (2/1)	George/Rita Phillip	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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TODAY!!

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 TODAY. 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

MEN- LIVE A CURSILLO WEEKEND

What a great way to enhance your Lenten journey by living a Cursillo Weekend. This 3 day —short counsel in Christianity, with Daily Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, and presentations by Clergy and Laity is perfect to energize your spirituality. Please join us! Men's Cursillo Weekend: February 26-March 1, 2026 – Men's #81 Cursillo week end, Amigo Center Sturgis. Informational flyers and forms are available on our website. <https://kalamazoocursillo.com/forms> Questions? For more information contact Amy Hackman, Pre Cursillo Coordinator, 269-625-1512, ahackman85@yahoo.com or Deacon Andy Boyd, Rector, 260-350-8597, dcnandyboyd@gmail.com

LENTEEN 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

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 17-18, 2026	46 Env.
Weekly: \$2,113/\$3,193	
Y-T-D Needed:	\$ 95,790.00
Y-T-D Collected:	\$ 108,908.64
Surplus	\$ 13,118.64

Altar Servers

Owen Klinger, Stanley & Evelyn Mroczek