

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
ST. EDWARD THE CONFESSOR
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Jesus takes us outside again today, to a deserted place where thousands of people followed Him. Despite having only five loaves and two fish, Jesus is able to feed the entire crowd. We gather here every Sunday, a crowd perhaps only in the dozens or hundreds, but where we can all be fed, now with Jesus' own body, offered and multiplied to satisfy us all. We can imagine that we are here with Jesus as he speaks to us and feeds us as He did on that wonderful day, for indeed this is what He does.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Mon. (8/3)	6:00 PM	Bible Study at St. Martin
Tues. (8/4)	9:00 AM	Mass ☩ Joshua Klein (Gary & Sandy Klein)
Thurs. (8/6)	9:00 AM	Mass ☩ Richard Gose (Mike & Lyn Wilson)
Sat. (8/8)	2:30-3:30 PM	Confession
	4:00 PM	Mass ☩ Joseph Langevin (The Langevin Family)
Sun. (8/9)	9:30 AM	Mass For the People
	12:00 NOON	Parish Picnic

WORD OF LIFE

“We thank you, heroic mothers, for your invincible love! We thank you for your intrepid trust in God and in his love. We thank you for the sacrifice of your life” (EV 86).

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SAVE THE DATE: ST. MARY'S ASSUMPTION
PARISH MISSION EVENT

St Mary's Assumption Parish, Bronson, will host a unique opportunity to hear EWTN's *Open Line Tuesday* program host, Father Wade Menezes, CFM, speak to our "Theology of Faithfulness to Daily Duty" **Sunday, September 13 - Wednesday, September 16, 2026.** The daily parish mission presentations will start at 7 p.m. each day and open with Eucharistic Exposition. Confessions will be heard daily from 5:30-6:30 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. until completion. See the flyer below, visit the <https://stmarysbronson.org/parish-mission-2026> or email Tony DiMaria: bcpcevangelization@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.

MAKING A REPORT OF SEXUAL MISCONDUCT

To comply with the policies and procedures set forth by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Kalamazoo Office of Safe Environment, the information below is run once per month in parish bulletins: The Diocese of Kalamazoo has and will continue to cooperate with the Michigan Attorney General's investigation and encourages anyone with information related to misconduct to call the report number set-up by the Michigan Attorney General's office at: 844-324-3374. The **Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service (CBAR)** has been established to receive reports of sexual abuse and related misconduct by bishops and to relay those reports to proper Church authorities for investigation. To make a report, visit ReportBishopAbuse.org or phone (800) 276-1562. When a report includes a crime, such as the sexual abuse of a minor, it will also be reported to civil authorities. Otherwise, reports will be kept confidential.

Next Week's:	Readers	Ushers
Sat. (8/8)	Ed Culp	Cliff/Mary Lou Jepsen
Sun. (8/9)	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 our Facebook Page.



Coffee & Rolls after Mass! Please come down and join us for some fun conversation and sweet treats!

OUR PARISH PICNIC IS NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 9TH
AT 12:00 NOON ON THE PARISH GROUNDS!!

Table Service, meat, dessert and beverage is provided. All you will need to bring is a dish to pass!! Come and enjoy yourself and indulge in some delicious food and some good music!! We will also have a bounce house and games for children!!

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

Phil Kramer Oliver Ray Pat Kramer
Margie Klein Scott Grace Nora Middleton

RELIGIOUS ARTICLES FROM THE HOLY LAND

Religious Articles on Sale from the Holy Land: On September 5th and 6th, Land of Peace, invites you to a special event. Following all Masses, Noel Alshomali from Land of Peace, a not-for-profit organization will be with us to shed light on the struggles faced by Christians in the Holy Land. This mission aims to bring hope and support to Christian families and churches in the Middle East, who are enduring continuous violence and a decline in tourism. Your participation can help make a profound difference. Available for purchase will be religious articles made from Olive Wood, a material native to the Holy Land and Bethlehem. These items, including crucifixes and rosaries, offer a tangible connection to a land that holds deep spiritual significance. Please help to support this meaningful cause. For more information, please visit www.landofpeace.org.

ST. MARTIN OF TOURS PARISH ANNUAL
RUMMAGE SALE-AUGUST 6-8, 2026

St. Martin of Tours Parish, Vicksburg, will hold their annual rummage sale August 6 - 8, 2026. **Donations may be dropped off July 27 - 29, 2026,** at the Monsignor Martin Parish Hall (5855 East W Ave, Vicksburg, MI). A list of items that cannot be accepted as donations can be found in their Facebook event page (in the "discussion" tab).

Sale Dates:

- **Thursday, August 6** Sale: 8am-5pm
- **Friday, August 7** Sale: 8am-5pm
- **Saturday, August 8** Sale: **(Discount Day)** 8am-2pm

This sale is cash only. Proceeds benefit the St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church building fund.

Collection: July 25-26, 2026	48 Env.	
Weekly: \$3,328/\$3,270		
Y-T-D Needed:		\$ 13,080.00
Y-T-D Collected:		\$ 11,837.00
Shortage		\$ -1,243.00

Altar Servers

Paul Klein/Owen & Miles Klinger