

The Good Shepherd • El Buen Pastor



ST. EDWARD  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

*Amen, amen, I say to you, I am the gate for the sheep. John 10:7*

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Día Mundial de Oración por las Vocaciones

*En verdad les digo que yo soy la puerta de las ovejas. Juan 10, 7*



# Worship in Our Parish

## Mass Schedule

**Monday, May 12th -**  
8:00am †Barbara Cunningham

**Tuesday, May 13th -**  
8:00am †Aurora Gongzalez

**Wednesday, May 14th-**  
5:00pm †Dorothy & Gordy Kelly

**Thursday, May 15th -**  
8:00am †Bessie Edwards

**Friday, May 16th -**  
8:00am †Joseph & Ann Nowak

**Saturday, May 17th -**  
5:00pm †Tom & Joanne Sharkey

**Sunday, May 18th -**  
8:00am †Paul Phillips, Bob & Tom Feddeler  
11:00am Our Parishioners  
12:30pm †Joe & Ann Blandford

*The Rosary is prayed before the weekday Masses*

## Readings For the Week of May 11, 2025

**Sunday** Fourth Sunday of Easter  
Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5; Rev 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

**Monday** Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3, 43:3,4; Jn 10:1-10

**Tuesday** Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 10:22-30

**Wednesday** Feast of Saint Matthias, Apostle  
Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Jn 15:9-17

**Thursday** Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27; Jn 13:16-20

**Friday** Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab; Jn 14:1-6

**Saturday** Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 14:7-14

**Sunday** Fifth Sunday of Easter  
Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13; Rev 21:1-5a;  
Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

## Minister Schedule

**Saturday, May 17th- 5:00pm**

<b>Lectors</b>	M. McCully & J. Hathaway
<b>Greeters</b>	B. Harper & M. Pritchard
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	W. Harper, I. Itczak, M. Fiene L. Medina, K. Cueller, E. Stachura S. Streeter
<b>Sacristan</b>	open
<b>Servers</b>	

**Sunday, May 18th - 8:00am**

<b>Lectors</b>	M. Huseman & C. Overmeyer
<b>Greeters</b>	S. Neubauer & M. Neubauer
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	T. Brown, S. McWilliams, P. Jung, G. Vicari, T. Jeffries, N. McWilliams R. Saberniak
<b>Sacristan</b>	L. Luevano, L. Del Real, J. Vicari
<b>Servers</b>	

**Sunday, May 18th - 11:00am**

<b>Lectors</b>	J. Aldridge & J. Erpelding
<b>Greeters</b>	L. Le-Kissane & E. Carey
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	K. Saliga, J. Lampa, L. Kozlowski, S. Van Deursen, G. Lutgen, G. Faitak R. Ientz
<b>Sacristan</b>	M. Rodriguez, E. Blink, D. Dollinar
<b>Servers</b>	

**18 de mayo de 2025 Domingo - 1230 En la lengua espanola**

<b>Min. de la Communion</b>	J. Avila, M. Hernandez, R. Hernandez F. Rosas
<b>Lectores</b>	S. Peneda, F. Rosas

## Congratulations First Holy Communicants

These beautiful young people received their Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in the Eucharist for the first time on Saturday May 10th

**Adrian Aguilar**  
**Xavier Alvarado**  
**Grady Blink**  
**Avery Russo**  
**Natalia Salazar**  
**Kaiden Steele**  
**Wyatt Van Deursen**  
**Ashlynn Vander Meer**  
**Isabella Vassallo**  
**Sofia Vazquez-Nila**  
**Virginia Vicari**  
**Ricardo Villa**



## St. Edward Church Appreciation Dinner

Fr. Rick wants to thank everyone who takes an active part in the working of the church. He is inviting you (along with one guest) to attend the **Appreciation Dinner**. Dinner is scheduled for **Wednesday, May 21st** in the school gym.

Appetizers will be served at 5:30 pm~ dinner at 6:00 pm

**We need your RSVP no later than Friday, May 16th Please!**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Number of guests \_\_\_\_\_

You may drop this form in the collection basket at church, to the office or you may call your reservation into office at 219-696-7307 prior to May 16th. Thank you



**Jorge & Isabel Rangel,**  
**Julieta and Isabela**





## From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Saint Edward Parish Family:



*Happy Mother's Day*

Her children  
rise up and call  
her blessed.

Proverbs 31:28



May God Bless and Keep You Always! Fr. Rick

## Stewardship

Offerings for Weekend  
May 3rd & 4th

Adult envelopes.....	\$5,907.50
Children's envelopes .....	\$36.50
Loose collection.....	\$834.00
Maint. & Grounds Fund.....	\$190.00
Building Fund.....	\$508.00
Mother's Day Flowers.....	\$115.00
Online .....	\$1,460.75
Total Collection.....	\$9,051.75
<b>50/50 Drawing</b> .....	#613
<b>Rollover</b> .....	<b>\$270.00</b>
Payable to Church .....	\$270.00
Total Players .....	108

### CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL 2025 CAMPANA DE SERVICIOS CATOLICOS

*Partners in Christ's Mission  
Colaboradores en la Mision de Cristo*

C.S.A. Goal .....	\$43,519
No. of C.S.A. Pledges ....	33
Amount Pledged .....	\$ 22,992
Amount Paid .....	\$ 19,405
<b>Amount Short of Goal:</b>	
<b>Pledged Amount Short: . .</b>	<b>\$ 20,527</b>
<b>Paid Amount Short: . . . .</b>	<b>\$ 24,114</b>

## Parish Events

**RUMMAGE  
SALE**

Please start saving your items to donate for our upcoming Rummage Sale. The first Rummage Sale meeting will be on May 7, at 5:30pm. Drop off dates and times are as follows: Thursday May 22 - May 25 from 9am-4pm and Tuesday May 27th - May 31st from 9am-4pm.  
**NO DROP OFF MEMORIAL DAY**

*Create More*  
**MOMents**

**BLOOD DRIVE**

Tuesday  
**May 13**  
2:00 PM - 6:00 PM



EVERY DONATION  
SAVES UP TO 3 LIVES!

**SAINT EDWARD CHURCH  
COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE**  
SAINT EDWARD CHURCH  
SCHOOL GYM  
210 SOUTH NICHOLS  
LOWELL, IN 46356

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APPOINTMENTS PREFERRED; walk-ins welcome!

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# Words of *Wisdom*



Pope Francis during the general audience at St. Damaso Courtyard at the Vatican on May 12, 2021. (Daniel Ibáñez)

*“Parents, can you ‘waste time’ with your children? It is one of the most important things you can do each day.”*

@Pontifex, Oct. 27, 2015

*“I prefer a Church which is bruised, hurting and dirty because it has been out on the streets, rather than a Church which is unhealthy from being confined and from clinging to its own security.”*

– *Evangelii Gaudium*, 49

*“Those who love do not stand idly by, but serve others. Those who love hasten to serve, hasten to dedicate themselves to the service of others.”*

– Address, 2023

*“God never tires of forgiving us.”*

– First Angelus after becoming pope, March 2013

*“Our defence of the innocent unborn needs to be clear, firm and passionate, for at stake is the dignity of a human life, which is always sacred.”*

– *Gaudete et Exsultate*, 2018

*“God sees how good you are. He alone knows what he has sown in your hearts.”*

– Angelus, 2023



Pope Francis at St. Peter's Basilica during the Convocation of the Year of Mercy on April 11, 2015. (L'Osservatore Romano)

*“The priest who seldom goes out of himself ... misses out on the best of our people, on what can stir the depths of his priestly heart. ... This is precisely the reason why some priests grow dissatisfied, lose heart and become in a sense collectors of antiquities or novelties — instead of being shepherds living with ‘the smell of the sheep.’ This is what I am asking you — be shepherds with the smell of sheep.”*

– Holy Thursday, March 28, 2013

*“A ‘couch potato’ evangelization doesn’t exist, get up and go! Be always on the move. Go to the place where you must speak the Word.”*

– Homily, April 18, 2018



# CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

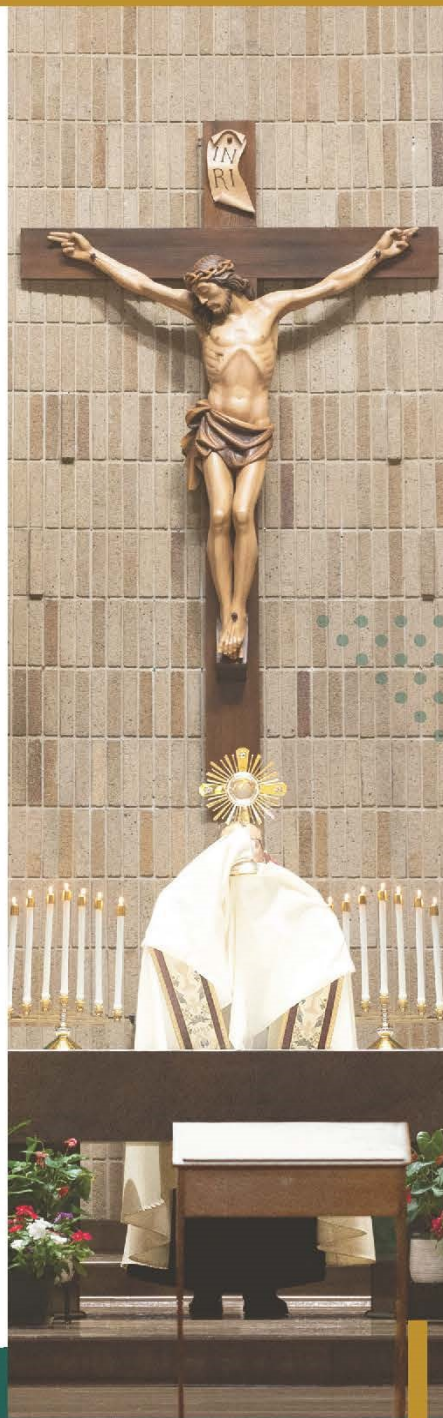
*Partners in Christ's Mission*

**We invite you to join us in this year's *Catholic Services Appeal* with the call to be **Missionaries of the Eucharist.****

Our appeal goes beyond a request for support—it is a mission to walk together in faith, heart-to-heart, and to spread the transformative love of Christ through our diocesan ministries. Through your participation, you embrace the journey to encounter Christ in the Church and in each other, making a profound impact on the lives of countless Catholics in Northwest Indiana.



Join us today by making a gift to CSA this year at your parish, online at **[give.dcgary.org](https://give.dcgary.org)**, or by scanning the QR code.





# La Iglesia Católica Romana

## El Santo Rey San Eduardo

11 de mayo 2025

**CUARTO DOMINGO DE PASCUA**



### Introducción a la Liturgia del Día

#### LECTURAS:

Hechos 13:14, 43-52    Salmo 100  
Apocalipsis 7:9, 14-17  
Juan 10:27-30

**E**ste domingo es conocido como el domingo del

*Buen Pastor*, porque todos los años el Evangelio del cuarto domingo de Pascua nos presenta a Jesús que se autoproclama el Buen Pastor. Hoy también es el *Día Mundial de la Oración por las Vocaciones*, para que oremos por todos los que entre nosotros han escuchado la voz del Buen Pastor y desean convertirse también en pastores con la gracia de Dios. Al reunirnos hoy por invitación de Dios escuchemos la voz del Pastor, escuchar su voz en el clamor de las víctimas de la guerra y la violencia, en la alegría de los que acaban de tener un hijo, en el dolor del hambre y la pobreza, y en el canto que juntos entonamos en la iglesia. Abramos nuestros oídos a la voz del Buen Pastor.

#### Pregunta de la Semana

Como oveja que estaba perdida y ha sido hallada, ¿cómo puedo esta semana unirme a Jesús para buscar, encontrar y llevar tiernamente al hogar, por lo menos a una valiosa oveja?  
Que nosotros también vencemos en Él.

Le damos la más cordial bienvenida a nuestros parroquianos y a los que nos visitan para la celebración de la Eucaristía.

### UNA ORACION ESPECIAL PARA LAS MADRES

*María, Madre de Jesús, hoy Día de las Madres, acudimos ante tí para rogar por nuestras madres. Que ellas, como tú, reciban la bendición de Dios.*

*Que reciban el don de bondad y gracia, paz y alegría, sabiduría y paciencia, amor y gozo en abundancia.*

*Bendice también a todas las madres que descansan contigo en el corazón de Dios. Que la memoria de su amor y cuidado nos enriquezcan y sostengan siempre.*

*Oh, dulce Santa Madre de Dios, ora por las madres en el mundo entero en este, su día especial.*  
*Amén*



## Other Items of Interest

**Monday, May 12th-**

**Tuesday, May 13th-**

2:00pm - 6:00pm Blood Drive - G  
3:00pm Mary's Payer Hour - C

**Wednesday, May 14th-**

7:00pm Choir practice - C

**Thursday, May 15th-**

8:30am Rosary Makers  
10:00am - 11:30am Food Pantry  
1:00pm Cedar Creek Nursing Home Comm. Service  
2:30pm Lowell Nursing Home Comm. Service

**Friday, May 16th-**

7:00pm - 9:00pm Spanish Prayer - C

**Saturday, May 17th**

**Sunday, May 18th-**

## Vicky's Voice



Hello Dear Friends!

Happy Mother's Day! This weekend some of the third graders of the parish received their First Communion. How wonderful! My niece, Ginny, was one of those students. During communion my mom leaned over to her and said, "this is the last time you will have to cross your arms and receive a blessing during communion. Next week, you can receive the Eucharist!" Ginny's eyes lit up with joy. I'm so excited for her and for all of our young people who have received their sacraments this year.

Besides Ginny receiving her First Communion, my nephew, Joseph, received his Confirmation a few weeks ago, and my youngest niece, Clara, received her first Reconciliation (or "the day my sins were wiped away," as she put it). It's been a humbling experience to see the sacraments through their eyes and to see how they are on this journey to prepare themselves to be disciples of Jesus that started with their baptism. Each receiving a sacrament that will strengthen them and support them each day of their life.

For the past few weeks, we've listened to stories from the Acts of the Apostles, hearing what they decided to do after Christ was raised from the dead and ascended into Heaven. The apostles and early disciples didn't sit still. They went out. They served the poor in their communities. They sold what they had to take care of those in need. They went out and preached the Gospel. They met some challenges, some even died. But they continued nonetheless.

In today's first reading, we hear "The disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit." What a perfect way to sum up how we are called to be. Filled with joy and the Holy Spirit. Because they had been prepared by Christ, supported by their community and each other, and received Christ in the breaking of the bread, they were able to share the Good News with others. The Gospel spread throughout the world. Because they recognized that they were full of joy and the Holy Spirit.

Friends, we too need to recognize that we are also filled with joy and the Holy Spirit. Through our reception of the sacraments, like my young nieces and nephew this year, our active participation in our parish community life, our service and care for others, and our prayer life, we can share the Gospel with others. Let us live a life that others know is one full of joy and the Holy Spirit.

Peace and all goodness,  
Vicky Hathaway.

**Community Togetherness:** Our deep gratitude to our St. Edward Parish for all the hard work to make our semi-annual Vietnamese Dinner a success once again. 123 dinners were sold, 18 desserts were donated, and a profit of \$2,061.50 was donated to the church. Kim Zaberdac was the winner of the 50/50 which yielded \$49.50. Our network of workers is the key to making this event successful.

May you be richly blessed for all your generosity,  
Lucy and Joe Kissane.

## Parish Directory

### Parish Ministry Center

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### Pastor

Rev. Richard Holy  
fatherrichholy@gmail.com

### Deacons

William Hathaway  
Roberto Mendoza

### Secretary

Maria Doppler  
stedwardchurch@sbcglobal.net

### Saturday Evening Mass

5:00 p.m. Saturday

Morning Mass 9:00 a.m., 1st of the month only.

Reconciliation before & after that Mass.

### Sunday Masses

8:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. (Spanish Mass)  
(For Daily Mass Schedule see Page 2 of this bulletin.)

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:00 to 4:45 p.m. Saturday, or by appointment.

### Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday at 8:30 a.m., Benediction at 7:00 p.m.

### Bulletin Deadline

Announcements must be in writing and in the office by Monday noon.

## Sponsor of the Week

(Elmwood Funeral Chapel)