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Longville, MN       January 2, 2022       Remer, MN

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Office Hours
Mon. Tue. & Fri.       9:00am-1:00pm

St. Edward’s, Longville
Mass Schedule
Rosary — One half hour before Masses
Confessions - Saturday............. 3:00pm
or by appointment
Saturday............................... 4:00pm
Sunday.................................. 8:30am

Daily Mass
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday
Mass ...................................... 8:30am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
1 Hour following Daily Mass

St. Paul’s, Remer
Mass Schedule
Rosary — One half hour before Masses
Confessions before/after Sunday Mass
or by appointment.
Sunday .................................. 10:30am

Daily Mass
Thursday
Mass ...................................... 8:30am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
1st Thursday of the Month
9AM — 10 PM

Prayer List
If you, or someone you know or love,
have a prayer need, please contact:
Dianne Hipsher at 218-363-2969

Spiritual Communion
My Jesus, I believe that You are truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things. Since I am unable now to receive You sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart and stay with me forever. Amen

THE EPIPHANY
of the Lord

Saint Vincent de Paul
Saint Rose of Lima Conference
Longville/Remer

“Since from you shall come a ruler,
who is to shepherd my people Israel.” — Mt 2:6b

Excerpts from the Liturgy for Mass (OSB), 1998, 1970 GCP.
Weekday Masses
Monday, January 3 ~ No Mass
Tuesday, January 4 - Marion Christophersen +
Wednesday, January 5 - Susan Sonstegard +
Thursday, January 6 - Loretta Schloemer +
Friday, January 7 - Sick & Homebound
of the Parishes
Weekend Masses
Saturday, January 8
Saint Edward’s - Brian Plunkett +
Saint Paul’s - Pro Populo
Sunday, January 9
Saint Edward’s - Paul Hipsher +
Saint Paul’s - Pro Populo

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

January 2, 2022  The Epiphany of the Lord
In his Apostolic Exhortation, The Joy of the Gospel, Pope Francis references a thought from Pope Benedict XVI:
“Being a Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction.” Today we celebrate an encounter with the Person of Jesus Christ! This simple but holy event in time dramatically changes human life, pointing it toward a new horizon and giving it a decisive direction. This is a message and truth that is not meant to be shared with only a select few who qualify but with the entire world. Pope Francis continues saying, “Thanks solely to this encounter or renewed encounter with God’s love, which blossoms into an enriching friendship, we are liberated from our narrowness and self-absorption. We become fully human when we become more than human, when we let God bring us beyond ourselves in order to attain the fullest truth of our being.”

Look around at people. Where is life heading for them? What gives them direction? Even we who are people of faith can get distracted and lose our focus. God, in all of His fullness, is revealed in Jesus Christ and we can encounter Him! God is tangible, real, vulnerable, poor, and full of wonders, surprises, and opportunities. For those who are struggling and lost, today is a day of great joy. All they have to do is reach out and touch the truth of Christ. This presence is revealed in the poor, exploited, and vulnerable ones who cry out for compassion and love. But it is also found in the faithful ones who see in the Epiphany of God a liberation from structures and systems that hurt us, a narrowness of mind and heart that constricts us, and an absorption in our self-agenda that prevents us from seeing anything other than ourselves as important.

We have been given the charge of preaching this Good News. If only we could find a way to be more effective, it might stand a chance of doing what God intended it to do. There is always tomorrow and our memory of that bright new light that shone so brilliantly that Bethlehem night pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved.

In the event of a CANCELLATION of MASS or church meetings, do to bad weather, you may call the Rectory phone at 218-363-3498 or listen to WJJY 106.7 for an announcement.

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

The Light of the Moon

If you own a television that has been turned on at any point in the last month or so, chances are you’ve caught at least a scene or two of the 1946 classic film “It’s a Wonderful Life.”

If you’re not familiar with the movie, it follows the life of George Bailey from childhood through adulthood. A dreamer by nature, George has big plans for himself that involve world exploration and adventure — but family and community obligations keep him tethered to the same spot on the map, leading an altogether ordinary life.

One of the most memorable scenes from that movie is of George dancing with his sweetheart Mary while they sing “Buffalo Gals — Won’t you come out tonight/And dance by the light of the moon?”

That lyric always catches my ear. Of course, the moon doesn’t have any light of its own. All the moon has is the ability to reflect the light that shines upon it.

The same holds for us, doesn’t it? Our stewardship is purely a reflection of the grace granted to us by another. “Upon you the LORD shines,” writes Isaiah, “and over you appears his glory.” Every good action we will ever take begins in the mind of God. The fact that we have the honor of carrying it out on His behalf is a beautiful gift. It is God that makes our ordinary lives extraordinary.

In the end of the movie, George Bailey realizes that he had a far greater life because, instead of being the hero of his own story, he allowed himself to reflect goodness onto others.

Remember — the magi didn’t chart their own course. They merely followed the star. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Women’s Council of St. Edward’s
Meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month @ 9 AM.
Next Meeting – February 9, 2022

St. Paul’s Ladies Council
Meets on 2nd Tuesday every other month @ 4 PM
Next Meeting - January 11, 2022

Spiritual Direction
Appointments can be made, no cost, free donation to the parish if chosen.
Contact Ellen at 763-913-1485

Home Visitors Ministry
are privileged to bring Holy Communion to parishioners who are homebound or for any reason unable to attend Mass on Sundays. If you know someone in need of this Ministry, please contact Sharon Thole at 218-363-1381

Prayer Shawl Ministry
If someone you know is ill, depressed, dying, is in counseling, lonely, is going into a nursing home; anyone who is in need of our prayers, love and care.
Contact the parish office at 218-363-2799

First Friday Mass
St. Edward’s
Adoration 7:30 am
Benediction & Mass 8:30 am

First Saturday Mass
St. Edward’s
Rosary 8:00 am
Mass 8:30 am