

Welcome to the Catholic Churches of
Saint Edward's & Saint Paul's

Longville, MN

December 19, 2021

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

Fourth Sunday of
ADVENT



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Saint Vincent de Paul
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Longville/Remer



Weekday Masses

Monday, December 20 ~ *No Mass*

Tuesday, December 21- *Bev Hoffman +*

Wednesday, December 22 -

Deacon Fred Wright +

Thursday, December 23 - *Rose Lydick +*

Friday, December 24 - *Harold & Irene Miller +*

Weekend Masses

Saturday, December 25

Saint Edward's - *Health of Unborn Children*

Sunday, December 26

Saint Edward's - *Health of the Umerski Family*

Saint Paul's - *Pro Populo*



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

December 19, 2021 *4th Sunday of Advent*

St. Augustine tells us that a "Christian is a mind through which Christ thinks, a heart through which Christ loves, a voice through which Christ speaks and a hand through which Christ helps." As we look around and out at the world, we do not have to search too far before we come face to face with inequity and injustice. There is so much unfairness, prejudice, anger, hatred, violence, and want. The stories of human heartache, people being hurt, deprived of life's necessities, loneliness, and sickness are far too commonplace. For many of the world's ills, the vices of greed, lust, pride, gluttony, and jealousy are clearly among the more significant root causes.

Why doesn't God just step in and fix this mess? After all, God created this world, and one would hope that he would step up and take some measure of responsibility for it! Once we sit with this thinking for a while, we can begin to realize just how flawed it really is. God did take responsibility and God did fix the problem! God sent us Jesus Christ as the divine solution to the world's ills. It is not God who has shirked responsibility, we have. We are the ones who continually fail to set our own personal needs, wants, and securities aside so that One more powerful than us can use us.

Mary had to set her needs aside in order for the Son of God to come into the world. Put simply, Mary listened and believed. Having opened herself to being an instrument of the Divine, God could use her as his mind, heart, voice, and hand. She became God's vessel so that God's greatness could reach the ends of the earth and peace could come upon the world. God's fix for the world's difficulties is you and me. We are the ones who confess that Jesus Christ came into the world as the Son of God, the Prince of Peace, and herald of justice. All we have to do is believe, as did Mary, that what has been spoken to us by the Lord will be fulfilled. Then, we can step aside and be the Christians we claim to be. What a difference it would make if every person who professed to be Christian truly understood that their one and only vocation is to be God's instrument. What a beautiful, equitable, and just world it would be.

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2021 = \$ 9,903.12
To date = \$ 8,716.50

Readings for the week of

December 19, 2021

Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19
[4]/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45

Monday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 7c and 10b]/Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 [1a; 3a]/Lk 1:39-45

Wednesday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1a]/Lk 1:46-56

Thursday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 [cf. Lk 21:28]/Lk 1:57-66

Friday: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 [2]/Lk 1:67-79

Saturday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 [2a]/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 [Lk 2:11]/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14

Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20

Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3c]/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

Next Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/

Lk 2:41-52 **or**

1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/

Lk 2:41-52

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP -
RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

Baby Jesus' Wish List

Odds are you've got a Christmas list going by now — gift ideas for everyone from your nephew to your goddaughter to your mailman. But what about the birthday boy? What's the gift Jesus gets from you this Christmas?

If you've ever read the Book of Leviticus, you know all about the sacrifices God asks of the Israelites, referred to in the reading from Hebrews today. Leviticus can be a chore to read — a little repetitive, a little intimidating. There's a lot of very specific actions that God asks His Chosen People to complete to make up for whatever they have done wrong. In essence, it's a bit of a wish list for gifts.

But it's a wish list that can really confuse you. What's God going to do with a cereal offering? The kidneys of an animal? If you look closely, what God is doing here is beautiful. He's customized his wish list to only those things He knows the Israelites can give. It's God saying, in what amounts to theological baby-talk for folks who barely know of Him and His ways, exactly how they could be stewards. "Do this, but don't do that. If you do that, do this and you will find My mercy."

Our guide to stewardship — the Gospels of Christ — is less precise because by the time of Christ, God's people have grown in understanding of love and mercy and relationship with the divine. Through Christ, we find out that God's real wish list didn't really consist of cereal offerings and the kidneys of various animals. It's far simpler, but luckily, it's something we still have on-hand. All He wants is our whole heart. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



The Nativity of our Lord

Friday, December 24th

NO Daily Morning Mass

Christmas Eve - Vigil Mass

4 PM @ Saint Edward's

Saturday, December 25th

Christmas Day

8:30 AM @ Saint Edward's

10:30 AM @ Saint Paul's

NO Saturday 4 PM Mass @ Saint Edward's

***The Holy Family of
Jesus, Mary and Joseph***

Sunday, December 26th

Normal Sunday Mass Times

Mary the Mother of GOD

Friday, December 31st

NO Daily Morning Mass

New Year's Eve—Vigil Mass

4 PM @ Saint Edward's

Saturday, January 1st

New Year's Day

8:30 AM @ Saint Edward's

10:30 AM @ Saint Paul's

NO Saturday 4 PM Mass @ Saint Edward's

The Epiphany of our Lord

Sunday, January 2nd

Normal Sunday Mass Times



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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

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
218-363-3811*

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 WJY 106.7
for an announcement.

Spiritual Direction

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

