

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

Longville, MN

December 26, 2021

Remer, MN

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P.O. Box 38 / 4905 State Hwy 84  
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## Phone Numbers

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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

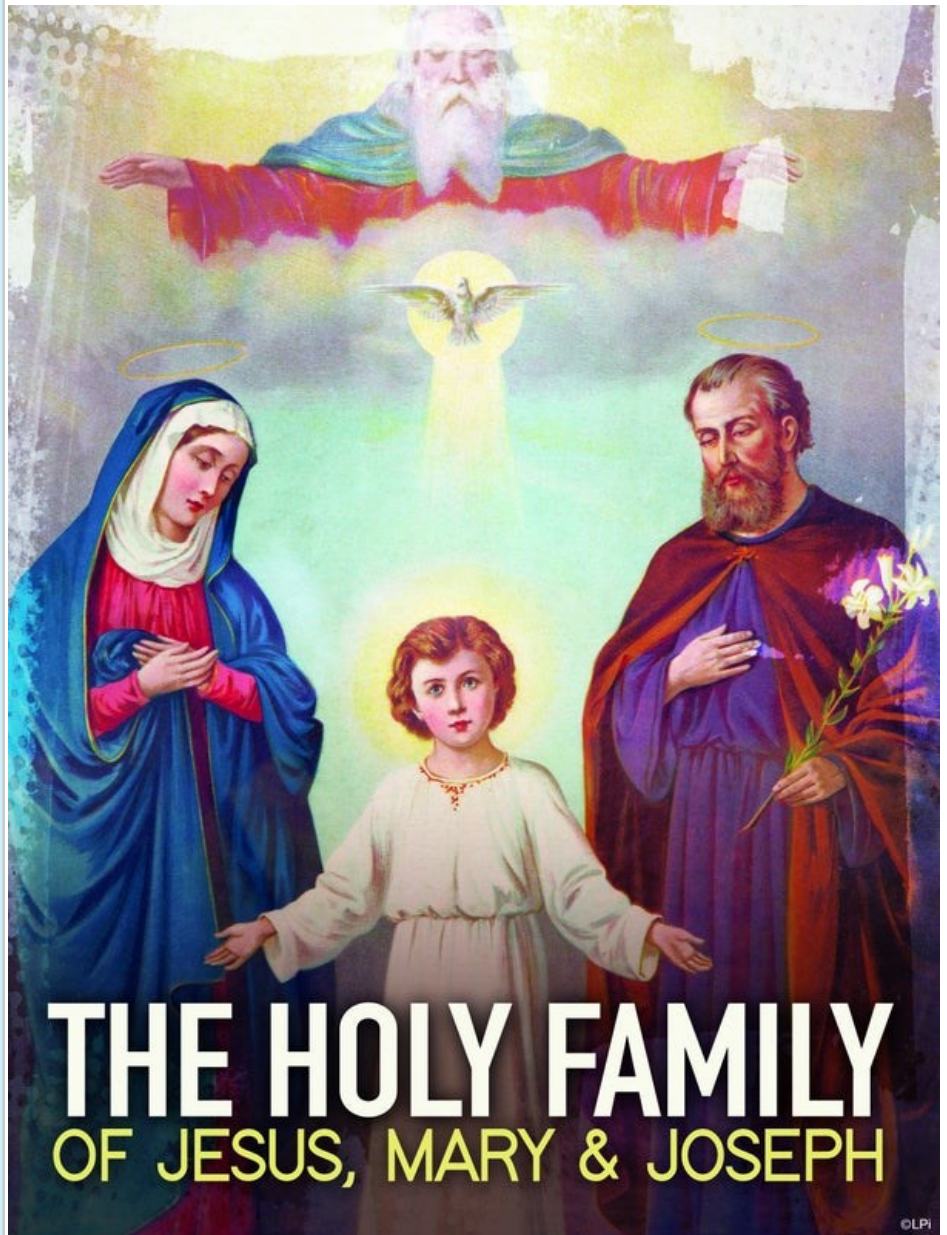
## Prayer List

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 HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

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



## Weekday Masses

Monday, December 27 ~ *No Mass*  
 Tuesday, December 28 - *Alice Hlebain +*  
 Wednesday, December 29 - *Danielle Johnson +*  
 Thursday, December 30 - *Garrett Schloesser +*  
 Friday, December 31 - *Health of*  
*Carol Walmsley*

## Weekend Masses

Saturday, January 1  
 Saint Edward's - *Agnes Hasser +*  
 Sunday, January 2  
 Saint Edward's - *Katie & Marty Schlundt +*  
 Saint Paul's - *Pro Populo*



## GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

December 26, 2021

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

Families can be very difficult things to negotiate. This is true not only of our families of origin, the current family of which we are a part, the family of our Church, our society, and our global family as well. Everything human can be found in family stories. Those stories speak of wonderful life-giving successes as well as painful spirit-robbing abuses. Our greatest joys and our greatest wounds are usually connected with the experience of family. Our needs, experiences, and unresolved baggage often color what we bring to our familiar relationships. They contribute to our level of defensiveness, how guarded and protected we become, and what prejudices we believe.

In order to break the cycle of dysfunction we have to remember that it is not only by human effort that we negotiate the difficult and challenging events of our lives. There is a Divine Effort at work as well. For sure, the human effort can create quite a mess and easily destroy lives. This is true of any family with which we are associated. Today's Feast of the Holy Family serves to help us understand that there is a Divine Story being told as well. It is a story of perseverance in the face of hardship, determination in the face of despair, healing when we see nothing but wounds, and light where there is darkness.

Do we believe that God is always working, guiding, restoring, and leading? Unless we do, we will never be free from the imperfections and wounds that bind us and never be able to understand what it really means to forgive. Pope Francis tells us that the "light which comes from the Holy Family encourages us to offer human warmth to other families." While this is most certainly true, we can only really begin to do this when we realize that we are still works in progress, not anchored to the wounds and sins of our past, and still a leading star in God's continually unfolding story of love. The Holy Family persevered and radiated warmth because they knew they were not alone. We can too.

### Readings for the week of

December 26, 2021

**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

**Monday:** 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12  
 [12]/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

**Tuesday:** 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8  
 [7]/Mt 2:13-18

**Wednesday:** 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3,  
 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35

**Thursday:** 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10  
 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40

**Friday:** 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13  
 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18

**Saturday:** Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/  
 Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

**Next Sunday:** Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11,  
 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/  
 Mt 2:1-12

### 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**



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**

***All in the Family***

At first glance, we can often find the image of the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph and the Christ Child intimidating — who are we to aspire to that level of discipleship? How could we ever hope to conform ourselves to that mold? Sometimes, it can even be painful — perhaps we hail from a broken family or struggle with a broken relationship within our family, or perhaps we long to be a mother or a father ourselves and that state in life has eluded us.

But the image of the Holy Family is, in reality, a beautiful invitation to us all, no matter our vocation or our state in life, and the example of Mary, Joseph and Jesus is rich with the symbolism of stewardship.

You need not be a biological mother who has carried a child in her womb to be a mother in spirit. Who in your world needs you to love them with the heart of a mother?

The same goes for fatherhood. The Church and the world are crying out for the courageous witness of Christian men like St. Joseph. Who can you love with the steadfast, selfless protection of a father?

Who in your life needs you to love them with the faithful, unconditional love of a son? Who needs your gentle and constant love as a daughter?

We are the Body of Christ, friends. Those of us rejoicing in heaven, those of us suffering in purgatory, and those of us struggling here on earth. We are the great family. Let us love each other well. — *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS*



**THE HOLY FAMILY** ©LPI

***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**



***Here to Serve You***

**Saint Edward's and Saint Paul's Parishes**

**Pastor**.....Father Keith Bertram

**Deacon**.....Mike Knuth

**Spiritual Director**.....Ellen Leger

**Secretary/Bookkeeper**.....Deb Stock

**Website Advisor**.....Pat Bettenberg

**Joint Pastoral Council**

**Saint Edward's**

Diane Hipsher

Needs 2 members

**Saint Paul's**

Pat Bettenberg

Elizabeth Frick

Jerry James

**Finance Council**

**Saint Edward's**

Phyllis Eck —Trustee

Jim Carey —Trustee

**Saint Paul's**

Ted Frick —Trustee

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Pat Boen

Dale Gregory

Sharon Thole

Roseanne Gregory

Jenn Spartz

Sue Bettenberg

Jerry James

Doris Gish

Alan Rajdl

Tony Collins

Mike Baltus

**Deanery Vocation Ministry**

Father Keith Bertram

Larry and Diane Holter

Rod Schloesser

Bob Bechtel

**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*

**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 8:30am

**First Saturday Mass**

**St. Edward's**

Rosary 8:00 am

Mass 8:30 am