

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

Longville, MN

December 5, 2021

Remer, MN

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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

second sunday of
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Weekday Masses



Monday, December 6 ~ *No Mass*

Tuesday, December 7 - *Deceased Veterans +*

Wednesday, December 8 - *Kathleen Knuth +*

Thursday, December 9 - *Arlene Wood +*

Friday, December 10 - *Health of*

John Humphrey

Weekend Masses

Saturday, December 11

Saint Edward's - *Holy Souls in Purgatory*

Sunday, December 12

Saint Edward's - *Pro Populo*

Saint Paul's - *Virgil Kearney +*

Readings for the week of

December 5, 2021

Sunday: Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6
[3]/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6

Monday: Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10,
11-12, 13-14 [cf. Is 35:4f]/
Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and
10ac, 11-12, 13 [cf. Is 40:10ab]/
Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1,
2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/
Lk 1:26-38

Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9,
10-11, 12-13ab [8]/Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6
[cf. Jn 8:12]/Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac
and 3b, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/
Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Next Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a/Is 12:2-3, 4,
5-6 [6]/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18

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 WJYY 106.7 for an
announcement.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

December 5, 2021

2nd Sunday of Advent

St. Ambrose shares some wisdom on our need to prepare the way and open the door for Christ. "You see that when the Word of God knocks hardest on your door, it is when his hair is wet with the dew of the night. In fact, he chooses to visit those who are in tribulation and trial, lest one of them be overwhelmed by distress. So, his head is covered with dew, with drops, when his body is laboring hard. It is important to keep watch so that when the Bridegroom comes, he is not shut out. If you are asleep and your heart is not keeping watch, he will go away without knocking; but if your heart is alert for his coming, he knocks and asks for the door to be opened to him." When life gets overwhelming and difficult and we find ourselves feeling a bit downhearted and miserable, these words can bring great comfort.

We sometimes choose to remain stuck in our uncomfortable darkness and being stuck becomes our norm. In this time of self-focus our hearts are closed to the graces and life God desires to give us. Wrapped in the robe of mourning and misery, we fail to see the mercy, justice, and love the Bridegroom wants to bring. If we take seriously the need to prepare the way for Christ and open our hearts in preparation for his visit, we can hear God's gentle voice calling us deep within. It beckons us to seek out its source and discover the inner calm and peace that can prevail over the darkness of despair. Sometimes our darkness is so dark that it may seem unsurmountable. Trusting in the spiritual friends who journey with us, and God's promise may bring a glimmer of light even when it is most difficult to keep our hearts' doors open. Sometimes, the only light in the darkness is found in trusting the faith of others both past and present.

We have to trust that God has already begun the accomplishment of good work in us and that humanity is on an incredible journey to something wonderful and awesome. God is not done. When we open the doors of our hearts, straighten the paths of our lives, and prepare the way, Jesus can come with God's simple gifts of peace, grace, and joy. Life throws a great deal at us. It is easy to get tired and confused. We have to train our hearts to keep watch, discern what is of value, and forge ahead. Not allowing ourselves to become so weighed down by things and brought out of focus is a tremendous goal to achieve this Advent season. God is knocking. Answer the door. You will see and understand life in ways you never thought possible before.



Spiritual Direction

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



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

God's Personal Assistants

If you have ever planned a large-scale event, whether it's a musical performance or a religious conference, you may have dealt with someone's personal assistant. Possibly this person would be a representative of the keynote speaker or the master of ceremonies for the local bishop; perhaps it's even the staffer of a local politician or the lackey of a well-known musical act.

Personal assistants are masters of stewardship — overseeing things in their boss' absence. They prepare the way. This person's job is to get everything ready for the person in charge, so that when he or she shows up — whoever he or she is — it's smooth sailing for them to do whatever it is they need to do: sing, speak, pray, mingle, what-have-you. It's usually a big job full of little things, a gig where attention to detail is key.

God is the guest of honor in our life, the keynote speaker, the main event. And what He wants — what He needs — to do is to change our hearts. Constantly, over, and over, and over again.

We are all His personal assistants in this endeavor. We need to prepare the way of the Lord, to make straight His paths. We need to make everything ready so that when He shows up — however He shows up, whether it's in the form of a neighbor in need or a burning bush right in front of us — everything is ready for Him to do His job. — *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS*

Here to Serve You

Saint Edward's and Saint Paul's Parishes
Pastor.....Father Keith Bertram
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Saint Edward's	Saint Paul's
Diane Hipsher	Pat Bettenberg
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	Jerry James

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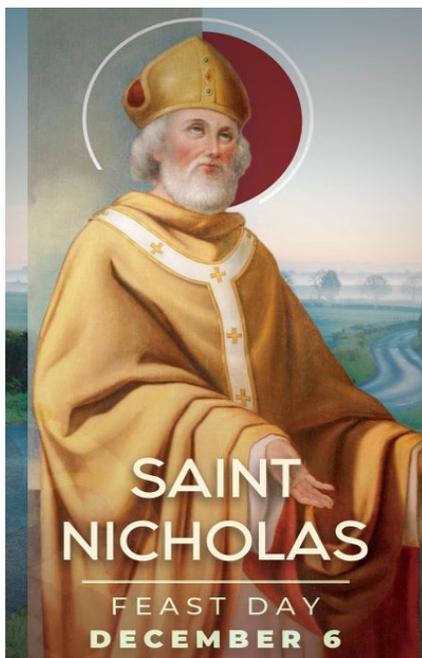
November 22-28, 2021

Envelopes	\$	940.00
Plate	\$	72.00
UCA	\$	55.00
All Saints	\$	20.00

Saint Paul's Collection

November 22-28, 2021

Envelopes	\$	1305.00
Plate	\$	45.00
UCA	\$	20.00
Christmas	\$	40.00
Religious Retirement	\$	25.00
Building Fund/Grotto	\$	171.00



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In today's Gospel John the Baptist urges us to "Prepare the way of the Lord," and this is what Advent is all about. We are called to help prepare the way of the Lord by making the real meaning of Christmas come alive in our own hearts, in our family and to reach out to those in need.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can help the suffering and poor to celebrate Christmas.

Next meeting:

You are welcome to join us!

December 7, 2021

1 PM at St. Paul's



Saint Vincent de Paul Poor Boxes are now installed in both churches. Please consider a donation of change or use an envelope for a recorded donation. *Thank you.*

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