

# Saint Edward's & Saint Paul's

## March 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
13	14 No Daily Mass  NO SAILS	15	16 <b>Stations of the Cross</b> 9 AM @ Saint Edward's  5:30 PM @ Saint Paul's Soup Supper Following  <b>Let's Listen</b> 5:30 PM @ Saint Edward's	17 NO SAILS  <b>Men's Group</b> 5 PM @ Saint Paul's	18	19 <b>Special Collection for the Ukraine</b>
<b>Parish business office CLOSED March 10-21. Deb will be gone.</b>						
20 <b>Special Collection for the Ukraine</b>	21 No Daily Mass  NO SAILS  <b>Blood Drive</b> Saint Edward's	22	23 <b>Stations of the Cross</b> 9 AM @ Saint Edward's  5:30 PM @ Saint Paul's Soup Supper following	24 NO SAILS  <b>Men's Group</b> 5 PM @ Saint Paul's	25 <b>Funeral Marion Buchanan</b> Visitation @ Noon Funeral @ 1 PM Saint Edward's	26
27	28 No Daily Mass  <b>SAILS</b> 10 AM @ Saint Edward's	29	30 <b>Stations of the Cross</b> 9 AM @ Saint Edward's  5:30 PM @ Saint Paul's Soup Supper following	31 <b>SAILS</b> 10 AM @ Saint Edward's  <b>Men's Group</b> 5 PM @ Saint Paul's	<b>APRIL 1 Adoration and First Friday Mass</b> Starting 7:30 AM @ Saint Edward's	<b>2 First Saturday Mass</b> 8:30 AM @ Saint Edward's

Hosts with .01% Gluten are available for Holy Communion. Please see Father Keith before Mass if you wish to receive one of these.

### Supporting the suffering in Ukraine

On the weekend of **March 19-20**, honoring St. Joseph as the patron of exiles and the afflicted, parishes in the Duluth Diocese will be taking up a special collection for victims of the war in Ukraine and the resulting humanitarian crisis. The collection for the Subcommittee on Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe will provide assistance to the victims of the war.

### Let's Listen

The Diocese of Duluth has announced a new initiative called "Let's Listen" to better understand the spiritual needs of the people of northeastern Minnesota and discern the next step in the church's mission.

Let's Listen coincides with and cooperates with an initiative of Pope Francis, Bishop Felton has emphasized the local importance of the process. A series of small group one-time sessions led by trained facilitators across the diocese will invite people to respond to two main questions:

A 7-minute video is available on the Diocesan website or on YouTube for more information.

St Edward's will have a facilitated meeting  
March 16, 2022 at 5:30 PM

There is a sign up sheet by the entrance to church.  
Saint Paul's is yet to be determined.



### Welcome in the Name of Jesus Christ

We extend our hearts and hands in Christian hospitality to you. To begin communications with the Parish Office, complete this form. You may send it by mail or drop it in the collection basket.

Choose One: **Saint Edward's**

**Saint Paul's**

New Member Registration

Update Registration

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone and Email \_\_\_\_\_

**A Message sent by Ellen Leger our Spiritual Advisor**

**A Walk into the Dark**

The spiritual life does not come cheap. It is not a stroll down a Mary Poppins path with a candy-store God who gives sweets and miracles. It is a walk into the dark with the God who is the light that leads us through darkness. Darkness, I have discovered, is the way we come to see. It creates the depressions that, once faced, teach us to trust. It gives us the sensitivity it takes to understand the depth of the pain in others. It seeds in us the humility it takes to learn to live gently with the rest of the universe. It opens us to new possibilities within ourselves. Darkness is a very spiritual thing.

Myra B. Nagel has written, "The season of Lent is a time to reflect on the cross and its meaning for our lives." There is no doubt in my mind that the cross is significant in any life. Who ever carries a cross and is the same at the end of the journey as they were at the beginning? The only question is the nature of the change. I have so far always been stronger at the end of a struggle than I was at the outset. But I have always been more independent, distant, isolated, as well. That hasn't been all bad—but it has, at the same time, taken its toll.

I have discovered over time that the cross is supposed to take its toll on us. It forms us to find God in the shadows of life. Ironically enough, it is the cross that teaches us hope. When we have survived our own cross, risen alive from the grave of despair, we begin to know that we can survive again and again and again, whatever life sends us in the future. It is this hope that carries us from stage to stage in life, singing and dancing around dark corners.

But hope is not a private virtue. Hope makes us witness to the invincibility of the spirit. The hope we bring to others becomes the one sure gift we have to give to those in pain.

The God of the Dance beckons us out of the caves of the soul to faith and trust and new beginnings. It's when we get trapped in the past—in its details, and its shame, and its narrow boxes and short leashes—that life stops for us. When life is defined for us by others, we limit our sense of ourselves. Then we dismiss the God of Possibility from our lives. We refuse to become the more that we are. We sit on the dung heap of our past and make it our present. We fail to believe that God is. That God is in us. That God is calling us out of the darkness into the light. Darkness is one of the ways to God, provided we see it as leading to the light. Provided we don't turn it into the death of our own soul.

—From Called to Question by Joan Chittister (Sheed & Ward)



CRS Rice Bowls are available at the entrances,

your donation will help communities in Guatemala, Bangladesh, Rwanda and other countries overcome hunger and malnutrition. Your almsgiving will make a difference for families trying to escape poverty and thrive.

**Marion Buchanan Funeral**

Friday March 25, 2022

Visitation - Noon

Funeral - 1 PM

Saint Edward's Church



WALKER AREA PREGNANCY SUPPORT CENTER  
**Annual Fundraising Banquet Monday, April 25, 2022**

Doors open at 6:00 pm / Dinner at 6:30pm  
Northern Lights Event Center

Dinner is complimentary, but reservations required.  
Phone: 218-547-5433 (Okay to leave message)

**LIVE THE LITURGY -  
INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

While we have to be cognizant of our societal and personal responsibilities in this world, we can never lose sight of where our true citizenship lies — heaven. When we become too immersed in earthly things and too preoccupied with our temporal responsibilities, we can actually become numb to our faith. Becoming ambivalent about our faith, our belief in Jesus Christ and the promises of heaven become more a source of agitation rather than a source of promise and hope. It is easy to become an enemy of Christ without even knowing it is happening. God has given us a very clear destiny. We are definitely not meant to conform ourselves to this world but to the transfiguration and glorification of our bodies to come. It is here where we can see clearly not only who God is but who we are. The way many conduct the daily business of their lives suggests that such a promise or hope is of little importance. What does the way you live your daily life say about you?

**Seven Sisters Apostolate**

*Mission* - The Seven Sisters Apostolate is a call to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is prayed each day of the week for the sole intention of a specific priest (Father Keith) or bishop—Saint Edwards and Saint Paul's is in need of a women for Friday's. We are also still looking for members to be subs. Please contact the Parish office if you are interested.

**March is Food Shelf Month  
February 28th– April 10th  
Pack the Pews // Jam the Jar**



Your monetary donation doubles the purchase power during the month of March for the amount of food able to be purchased. You will still be able to bring in food items and leave them in the food shelf boxes at both churches.