

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

Longville, MN

December 11, 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

Monday

Mass 8:30am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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-

Monday

Mass 11 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

1st Thursday of the Month

9AM – 8 PM

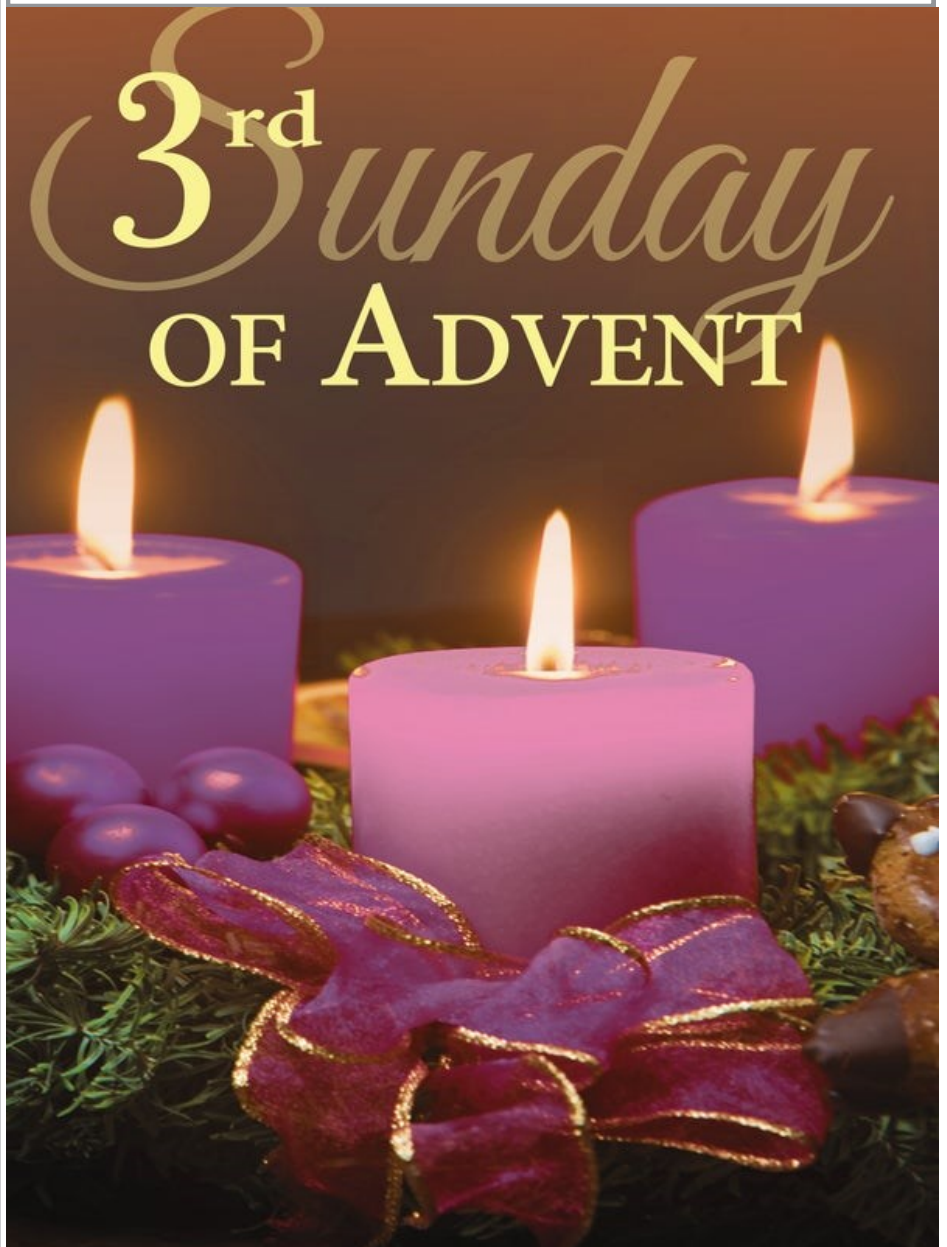
Prayer List

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



**Saint Vincent de Paul
Saint Rose of Lima Conference**
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Weekend Masses

Monday, December 12

Saint Edward's - Harold & Irene Miller +

Saint Paul's - Pro Populo

Saturday, December 17

Saint Edward's - Brian Plunkett +

Sunday December 18

Saint Edward's - Bob Kusbista +

Saint Paul's - Pro Populo



GOSPEL MEDITATION

- ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

December 11, 2022

3rd Sunday of Advent

Life can leave us feeling dark and desolate. Sandy was just twenty-eight when her husband, Rob, died, leaving her to raise their two young children. She was without paid employment. Rob went to work one morning and never returned home. Sandy, though, had faith and trusted that somehow God would help her through, even though most days brought deafening, piercing loneliness. She persevered, and the darkness gave way to light. Remarking one day to a friend hesitant to commit to a relationship, Sandy shared her wisdom. Even if she knew the outcome would be the same, she would marry Rob again. She assured her friend that she would even do this if eight years could only be eight minutes. We are being led by God and God transforms the darkness into light.

“Be strong, fear not!” Those are easy words to say. Putting them into practice is the challenge. When our paths are dark and life’s roads become treacherous, we can easily complain about life’s unfinished nature. When will the pain go away? Will the loneliness ever cease? Will I experience happiness again? As the farmer needs to exercise patience with the soil, we need to do the same with our lives. We have to wait for the early and late rains to come, properly tend to our gardens, and ensure that the rich nutrients of God’s merciful and tender presence continue to enrich us. God is not done. God has only just begun his work in us.

We cannot allow life to hold us captive. The systems, agendas, protocols, regulations, expectations, and unfinished business can distract us from what it means to be God’s child. Life can leave us feeling cheated, negative, and parched. All times and seasons of our spiritual and liturgical lives lead us to three virtues: faith, hope and love. Stop complaining about what is wrong and look to what God can make right! Joy that flows from the Baptist’s message: in Jesus, the one mightier than he, are found healing, reconciliation, and freedom. Christ will save us from life’s distortions, illusions, and disappointments. Do you believe this?

Hosts with .01% Gluten are available for Holy Communion. Please see an **Usher or the Priest** before Mass if you wish to receive one of these.

St. Edward’s Collection

Nov. 28 – Dec. 4, 2022

Envelopes	\$	3,785.00
Plate	\$	102.00
UCA	\$	1,494.00
Retired Religious	\$	50.00

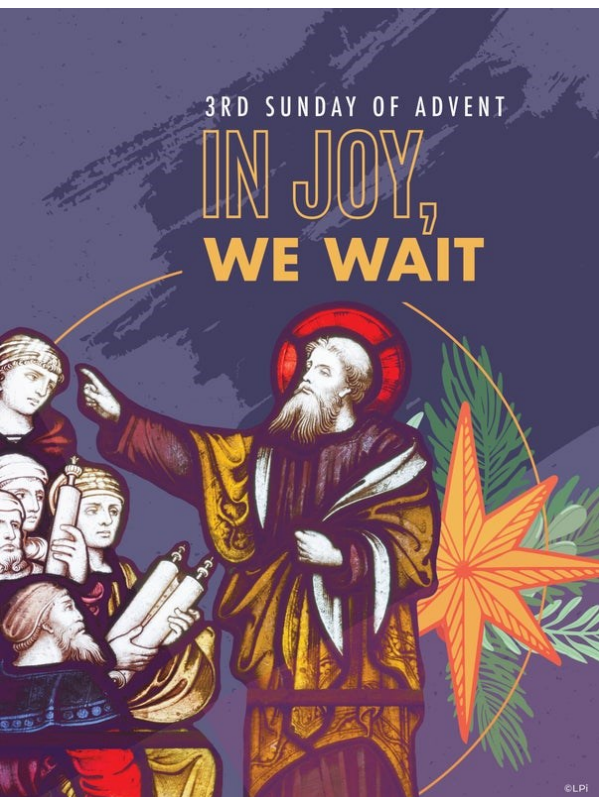
Saint Paul’s Collection

Nov. 28 – Dec. 4, 2022

Envelopes	\$	1,125.00
Plate	\$	45.00
UCA	\$	620.00
Military Service	\$	10.00
Building Fund	\$	250.00

Spiritual Direction

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



**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP -
RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS
The Season That Gives Back**

*I
don't have anything left to give.
You can't pour from an empty cup.
All I do is give. Who is giving to me?*

Raise your hand if these thoughts have ever run through your head. I'm sure they occur to all of us from time to time. We can become so easily depleted by the fast pace of life and whatever vocation God has called us to, whether that's parenthood, a demanding professional career or the caretaking of friends and family (or as so often happens, a hybrid of all three). Many of us also undergo certain seasons — seasons of the year, but also seasons of life — that seem to sap us of energy and leave us totally empty.

In these times, it seems impossible to continue in the spirituality of Everyday Stewardship. Graciousness, mindfulness, prayerfulness, gratitude, accountability — maintaining some semblance of these characteristics in our daily life feels not only overly optimistic, but totally impossible.

The Church gives us certain liturgical seasons that are meant to fill us up, almost like spiritual pit stops. Advent is one such season, and the Scriptural passages we reflect on at Mass during these four weeks are filled with images of nature defied. We see the dry steppe blooming. We see the weak made firm. We see the frightened made strong. We see the lame walk. We see the Virgin give birth.

If you think you don't have anything left to give this Advent, think again. This is the season of miracles when what we thought was depleted brings new life.
— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

We can often feel parched, desolate, lifeless, and dark. Even though we still engage in the business and demands of life, we find ourselves somewhat detached, disengaged, and removed. We lack joy, wonder, awe, and zest. Rather than being an experience of freedom and excitement, life holds us captive. We are tethered to systems, agendas, protocols, regulations, and expectations that go against the grain of what it means to be God's child. We find ourselves in a desert. Jesus came to release us from all of this negativity and desolation. John the Baptist announced the arrival of the One who embodies healing, reconciliation, freedom, and life. Stop complaining about what you don't have. Prepare for the arrival of the remedy to life's despair. Be strong, fear not! Christ will save us from life's distortions, illusions, and disappointments. Be patient. With proper time and care, all will be well.

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

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In today's Gospel Jesus tells us that the good news can be seen, touched felt and heard through the lives of God's people. We are now charged to take up the ministry of Jesus's, but we can't just ask people to take our word for it; our actions must speak for us.

Since Christmas is a time of love and gift giving, please share in Jesus ministry by giving a gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that those who are poor can know the good news of Jesus.

**Next meeting:
You are welcome to join us!
December 20, 2022
1 PM @ Saint Paul's**

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



Here to Serve You

Saint Edward's and Saint Paul's Parishes
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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