


# Saint Edward's & Saint Paul's

## January/February 2023

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30 <b>MASS</b> 8:30 AM @ Saint Edward's  11 AM @ Saint Paul's  <b>SAILS</b> 10 AM @ Saint Edward's	31	<b>FEBRUARY 1</b>	2 <b>SAILS</b> 10 AM @ Saint Edward's  <b>Men's Group</b> 5 PM @ Saint Paul's	3 <b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</b> 7:30 AM <b>First Friday Mass / Saint Blaise Healing Mass</b> 8:30 AM @ Saint Edward's 11 AM @ Saint Paul's  <b>Mary Group</b> 9 AM @ Saint Edward's	4 <b>First Saturday Mass</b> 8:30 AM @ Saint Edward's
5	6 <b>MASS</b> 8:30 AM @ Saint Edward's  11 AM @ Saint Paul's  <b>SAILS</b> 10 AM @ Saint Edward's	7 <b>SVdP</b> 1 PM @ Saint Paul's	8 Release Time <b>Religious Ed.</b> 1-3 PM @ Saint Paul's	9 <b>SAILS</b> 10 AM @ Saint Edward's  <b>Men's Group</b> 5 PM @ Saint Paul's	10 <b>Finance Council MTG</b> 9 AM @ Saint Edward's	11
12 <b>Pancake Breakfast</b> Following Mass @ Saint Paul's	13 <b>MASS</b> 8:30 AM @ Saint Edward's  11 AM @ Saint Paul's  <b>SAILS</b> 10 AM @ Saint Edward's	14 <b>Saint Valentine's Day</b>  	15	16 <b>SAILS</b> 10 AM @ Saint Edward's  <b>Men's Group</b> 5 PM @ Saint Paul's	17 <b>Finance Council MTG</b> 8:30 AM @ Saint Paul's	18

### 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 or bishop.  
Please contact Melissa Umerski, 612-719-3601.

### 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 & Email \_\_\_\_\_

## Annual Valentine's Pancake Breakfast



**Sunday, February 12, 2023**

Following Mass  
Saint Paul's Church

This is a *Thank You* breakfast to all!

## Save the Date!

Friday, February 3 is the **Feast of Saint Blaise**. Father Joe will have First Friday Mass and will also celebrate the feast day with a Healing Mass and Blessing of the throats. All are welcome!

**Mass @ Saint Edwards—8:30 AM**

**Mass @ Saint Paul's—11 AM**

### Emergency phone number

To be used for after hours.  
This number should be used for reaching a priest for a death, or imminent death.

**320-400-3536**

In the event of a **CANCELLATION** of MASS or church meetings, do to bad weather, you may call the after hours number **320-400-3536**.

## Christ is Alive! Essay Contest

It's open to students in **grades 3 through 8** who are enrolled in Catholic school or parish religious education.

**All they have to do is describe a moment they felt close to God.**

Only one page. Due March 31, 2023.  
If a child in your parish or school wins: the winner receives \$100 and a Bible, the winner's teacher or catechist receives and more prizes.

Prizes will be awarded to two winners in each grade. But more importantly, students who participate have a chance to proclaim the Good News that Christ Is Alive!

Information for contest details and entry forms are available at the entrances of both parishes.

### Flowers at Saint Edwards ...

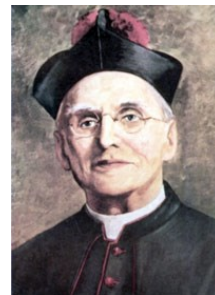
If you would like to honor a loved one with flowers, you can now order flowers through the Women's Council of Saint Edward's. Look for Information on the NEW bulletin board in the hallway entry to church.

If you have a milestone Birthday or Anniversary date you would like announced in the bulletin, please let us know at the Parish office.

## SAINT OF THE WEEK – EXAMPLES OF OUR FAITH **Venerable Nelson Baker**

Born February 16, 1842, in New York, his home community of Buffalo would eventually name Father Nelson Baker "Buffalo's most influential citizen of the 20th century."

Before being ordained a priest, Baker served in the Civil War as a Union soldier in the 74th regiment of the New York State Militia. Following his time as a soldier, Baker started a successful feed and grain business with a veteran friend, joined the St. Vincent De Paul Society, and started taking Latin classes. He entered Our Lady of Angels Seminary — now Niagara University — on September 2, 1869, and was ordained on March 19, 1876, by Bishop Stephen Ryan at St. Joseph's Cathedral in Buffalo.



After donating his life savings to alleviate the debt accrued by the orphanages and other institutions Father Baker was entrusted with, his devotion to Our Lady of Victory inspired him to begin The Association of Our Lady of Victory. Via this charitable organization, Baker hand-wrote thousands of letters that went out to Catholics across America soliciting donations to support the facilities. Catholics everywhere joined the Association of Our Lady of Victory with their twenty-five cent annual membership dues.

Father Baker's community of faithful financial supporters continued to help him build resources for those in need. He tripled the number of children in his orphanages, built a home for unwed mothers, began a maternity hospital that eventually became a full-service hospital, built a debt-free church for worship and gathering nearby and more! His vision became a safe location for destitute people to come and be cared for. Once the Great Depression hit, it is estimated that 500,000 people were fed at his church, Our Lady of Victory, during those years. In his 90's, he shifted focus to the service and education of black Americans traveling north for work and opportunity.

Following his death on July 29, 1936, between 300,000 and 500,000 people visited to pay their respects before his funeral. The many Our Lady of Victory outreach institutions he championed can still be found operating today in Lackawanna, New York. Father Baker was declared Venerable in 2011 and is still awaiting sainthood.

### Prayer for the Cause of V. Father Nelson Baker

Lord, you gave us Your Servant Nelson Baker as an example of service to the poor, homeless and the young. By Father Baker's ardent concern for those in need, inflame our hearts and lives with compassion for the poor, justice for the oppressed, hope for the troubled and courage to those in doubt.

We pray through the intercession of Our Lady of Victory, if it be Your will, that Your Servant, Nelson Baker, may one day be canonized. *Amen.*