




Saint Edward's & Saint Paul's

February/March 2023

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
19	20 MASS 8:30 AM @ Saint Edward's 11 AM @ Saint Paul's SAILS 10 AM @ Saint Edward's	21 SVdP Cancelled FAT Tuesday 3 PM Confessions 4 PM Mass Fellowship Dinner following @ Saint Edward's Reservations needed 	22  ASH WEDNESDAY Mass 8:30 AM @ Saint Edward's 5:30 @ Saint Paul's Release Time Religious Ed. 1-3 PM @ Saint Paul's	23 SAILS 10 AM @ Saint Edward's Men's Group 5 PM @ Saint Paul's	24 Stations of the Cross 3:30 PM @ Saint Edward's 5:30 PM @ Saint Paul's w/Soup Supper 	25
26	27 MASS 8:30 AM @ Saint Edward's 11 AM @ Saint Paul's SAILS 10 AM @ Saint Edward's	28	March 1	2 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9 AM—8 PM @ Saint Paul's SAILS 10 AM @ Saint Edward's Men's Group 5 PM @ Saint Paul's	3 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7:30 AM First Friday Mass / 8:30 AM @ Saint Edward's Mary Group 9 AM @ Saint Edward's Stations of the Cross 3:30 PM @ Saint Edward's w/Soup Supper 5:30 PM @ Saint Paul's w/Soup Supper	4 First Saturday Mass 8:30 AM @ Saint Edward's
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 .						
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If you have a milestone Birthday or Anniversary date you would like announced in the bulletin, please let us know at the Parish office.

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

Saint Edward's Finance Council

Saint Edward's Finance Council is in need of a person with an accounting background. Please contact Deacon Rick Paine if you would be interested.

Stations of the Cross Schedule

Fridays

February 24th thru March 31st

Saint Edward's @ 3:30 PM
 w/Soup Supper - March 3rd, 17th and 31st.

Saint Paul's @ 5:30 PM
 w/Soup Supper every week



Bring Them Home

During our most recent Pastoral Council meeting, one of the topics of discussion that weighed on their hearts were the parishioners of both churches that have not returned to mass after COVID or for other reasons. I decided to issue a Lenten Challenge to each of you to invite at least one or two other parishioners back to church. First, begin with prayer to discern who the Lord wants you to reach out to and ask Him to prepare their heart to be receptive to your invitation. If they are not ready to return, please ask them if talking to me or Fr. Joe would be helpful. The Lenten Challenge officially begins on Ash Wednesday and continues until Easter. May the Lord richly bless our efforts to bring them home.

Deacon Rick

The **St. Edward's Women's Council** will be assembling New Born and Hospice kits soon.

There are lists of items needed on the St. Edward's bulletin board if you wish to help us with donations. There is also a list of other items needed for Mission donations.

Thank you for your previous generosity.

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 _____

I am very excited to share that due to a generous CREED grant, **we are able to offer ALL the people in our parishes in the Diocese of Duluth access to the Hallow app for all of Lent!** If you're not familiar with the Hallow app, it is a fantastic resource that allows people to be guided in prayer, learn how to pray, learn more about their faith, and listen to beautiful music all right from their phone! They have so many beautiful meditations, reflections, prayers, and more.

To sign up, go to: [Holy Day Package – Hallow](#) and register with your parish name. All of our parishes have already been added to the site!

Grace Weitolla

Director of Catechesis - Diocese of Duluth

SAINT OF THE WEEK – EXAMPLES OF OUR FAITH **Ven. Félix Varela Morales**

Venerable Félix Varela y Morales was born on November 20, 1788, in Havana, Cuba. After being orphaned at a young age, he moved to St. Augustine, Florida, to be raised by his grandparents. At the time, St. Augustine was under Spanish rule and his grandfather was the commander of the city's Spanish troops. Instead of following in his grandfather's footsteps and going to military school, however, he decided to pursue the priesthood. After attending the San Carlos Seminary in Havana, he was ordained in 1811 and began his ministry as a professor at the same school.

During those days, San Carlos Seminary was open to lay students so, being a philosophy professor, Valera ended up teaching many of the men who would become the Cuban intellectuals of his time. Some even said of him, "it was he who first taught us to think." A champion of education, he wrote his textbooks in Spanish rather than Latin for them to be more accessible to the average scholar. He became quickly revered as a scholar and was eventually elected to represent Cuba in the Cortes Generales of Spain in Madrid in 1821.



While part of the Cortes, Father Varela petitioned for the independence of Latin America. He also published an essay arguing for the abolition of slavery in Cuba. Not long after, though, the liberal government of Spain was overthrown by France, the Cortes dissolved, and he was sentenced to death for his positions. He escaped to New York where he went on to launch the first Spanish-language newspaper in the U.S., publish many articles on human rights and religious tolerance, and foster cooperation between English and Spanish speaking communities.

While in New York, he founded and pastored a parish, The Church of the Immigrant, served as Vicar General of the Diocese of New York, and was a theological consultant to the Committee of American Bishops as they drew up the Baltimore Catechism. He learned Gaelic and was able to assist with the influx of Irish refugees coming to the USA as he played a significant role in shaping how the American Church welcomed them, championing their rights as immigrants and respecting those who weren't Catholic.

Father Felix Varela died in 1853 in St. Augustine. His legacy as a thought leader, follower of Christ, and champion for the oppressed earned him many accolades after his death including having an award named after him by the Cuban government. Many streets and institutions also bear his name in Cuba and the United States. He was declared Venerable by the Vatican's Sacred Congregation for the Causes of Saints on Easter Sunday, April 8, 2012.

Prayer for Venerable Félix Varela y Morales's intercession

Holy and righteous God, you created us in your image. Grant us grace to contend fearlessly against evil and make no peace with oppression. Help us, like your servant Venerable Felix Varela, to work for justice among people and nations, to the glory of your name, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*