Welcome to the Catholic Churches of

Saint Edward's & Saint Paul's

Longville, MN

August 18, 2024 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 - Saturday3:00pm or by appointment

Saturday.....4:00pm Sunday 8:30am

Daily Mass Monday

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Mondays 9 AM −1 PM

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-

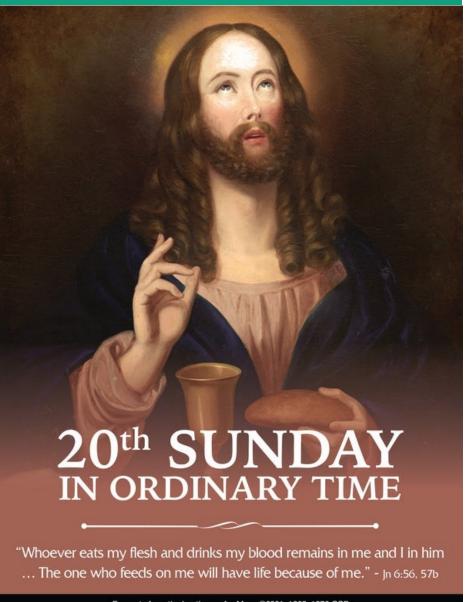
Monday

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

1st Thursday of the Month $9\,\mathrm{AM} - 7\,\mathrm{PM}$

Prayer List

If you, or someone you know or love, have a prayer need, please contact: Dianne Hipsher at 218-363-2969



LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Jesus warns us that unless we eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, we do not have life within us. The Eucharist is the wellspring of our Christian life, in every place and in every moment. Let us always remember that where there is no Eucharist, there is no life.

SVdP Saint Rose of Lima Conference Longville/Remer





Monday, August 19 Saint Edward's - Mary Morton Saint Paul's - Health of Ann Archer

Saturday, August 24 Saint Edward's – Brian Plunkett +

Sunday, August 25 Saint Edward's ~ *Lawrence & Marjorie* Schultes +

Saint Paul's ~ Crystal Miller

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.

Spiritual Direction

Appointments can be made, no cost, free donation to the parish if chosen.







Did you know... that when you say a prayer for the holy souls in purgatory that it also blesses you. Litany for the Poor Souls in Purgatory Cards are available at the entrances to church.

Readings for the week of August 18, 2024

Sunday: : Prv 9:1-6/Ps 34:2-3, 10-11, 12-13 14-15 (9a)/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58 **Monday:** Ez 24:15-23/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21/

Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-

28, 30, 35cd-36ab/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5,

6/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Ez 36:23-28/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9,

10/Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/

Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13,

17-18/Jn 1:45-51

Next Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 (9a)/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

GOSPEL MEDITATION-ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE August 18, 2024 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A priest I know was asked by a door-to-door evangelist, "Do you believe in Jesus?" He answered, "Yes, I do. But if I may ask you," he continued, "Where do you experience Jesus' body and blood?" His interlocutor responded somewhat confusedly, "I don't. I just believe in him. That's all that is needed." Later my priest friend would relate to me, "The more I thought about it, that response struck me as totally inadequate. As human beings, we need to encounter Jesus' body and blood, not just hear about him and mentally believe. Otherwise, Jesus is just a ghost."

This week we see this central point as we arrive at the climactic moment of Jesus' teaching on the Eucharist. Jesus has established the importance of believing in him as the "bread of life come down from heaven." Belief deeply matters because it leads to a real, bodily encounter with Jesus through eating and drinking. That's why Jesus emphasizes to an almost outrageous degree the non-metaphorical necessity to "eat my flesh and drink my blood" (John 6:54). The real presence of Jesus' body and blood — he himself, truly, really, substantially — has been the Church's treasure since Holy Thursday. Internal belief in the heart and the ritual act of eating and drinking the Eucharist, the Church has stubbornly insisted on both, not just one or the other.

This is not meant to criticize non-Catholic Christians who deeply trust and love Jesus, nor is it a triumphal elitist claim about the Catholic Mass. Rather it is a humble, trusting acknowledgement that God in Jesus comes to us in a way most proper to human beings: in our hearts and our bodies, faith and the Eucharist.

— Father John Muir

Prayer of Eucharist

Dear Lord,

May our congregation be more deeply assured of Your love each time we receive Communion.

May our "Eucharist" make our lives a song of worship and thanks, sung to You.

May this sacred food nourish us to be bold and brave disciples of You. Amen.

Women's Council of St. Edward's Meeting Wed. Sept. 11, 2023 @ 9 AM St. Paul's Ladies Council
NEXT MEETING
Tues. Sept 17, 2024 @ 3 PM

Saint Vincent de Paul / Saint Rose of Lima Conference Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 20, 2024 @ 1PM - St. Paul's in Remer

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." As we know, our loving God cannot be seen by our eyes, but only experienced through loving people.

With love for your neighbors who have nothing, look around your house to see what furniture, household items, and clothing you no longer use... and give it to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Saint Vincent de Paul Poor Boxes are available in both churches.

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RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The Fullness of Life

Like any other child of the '90s raised by budget-conscious parents, I've spent my fair share of Sunday mornings in line at an Old Country Buffet, hot plate in hand. Kids ate for chump change on Sundays, and I never left that fine establishment without getting our money's worth. I always came away stuffed to the gills.

But I never, ever remember feeling satisfied.

In fact, if I recall correctly, most of the time I felt rather empty. I was always thinking about the food I didn't get to eat — whatever I couldn't fit on my plate, or whatever they were bringing out from the kitchen just as we were about to leave.

As I've gotten older, it's a feeling I've encountered again and again, and not just at buffets. Haven't we all? The people you think are prefect reveal themselves to be deeply flawed. The things you want the most are never as satisfying to possess as they are to long for. The experiences you anticipate the most end up being letdowns, when instead it's the ordinary moments — maybe even the hard moments, the painful moments — that stand out, that become cherished memories.

Today's scripture readings equate wisdom and fullness with an acceptance of something that makes no sense, that defies scientific explanation, cultural norms, and even common sense: the Real Presence of our God in the Eucharist.

Is it strange to believe that we are consuming the Body and Blood of Christ in our worship, and that only by doing so will we ever achieve everlasting life?

Perhaps. But we are asked to do many strange things as Christians. We are asked to love when we do not feel like loving, when the object of that love has not earned it. We are asked to forgive even when the recipient of that forgiveness does not seek it or merit it. We are asked to believe, in moments when belief feels impossible.

Socrates says that the only wisdom is in knowing that you know nothing. Perhaps the only spiritual fullness is in knowing that there is only emptiness to be had here in this world, that there is no physical experience or indulgence that can really make you feel satisfied and strong. That the only food that really nourishes you in a way that lasts is a small white Host you can barely taste on your tongue.

"My flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink." — John 6:55

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St. Edward's Collection August 5 - 11, 2024

\$ 2,665.00 Envelopes 661.00 Plate Ministries Appeal \$ 547.00

Saint Paul's Collection August 5 - 11 2024

Envelopes 983.00 \$ Plate 110.00 Ministries Appeal \$ 312.00 70.00 Building Fund





Sunday Coffee

We would love to see new faces in the kitchen for Sunday Coffee at both Saint Edward's and Saint Paul's. This ministry is an important part of our church! Current coffee hosts are

willing to help you learn the ropes!

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

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

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