

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

Longville, MN

August 25, 2024

Remer, MN

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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

Saturday4:00pm

Sunday8:30am

Daily Mass

Monday

Mass.....8:30am

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.

Sunday10:30am

Daily Mass-

Monday

Mass.....10 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

1st Thursday of the Month

9 AM – 7 PM

Prayer List

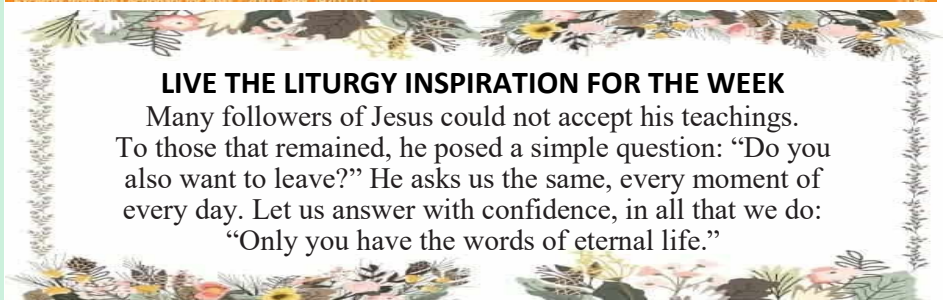
If you, or someone you know or love,
have a prayer need, please contact:

Dianne Hipsher at 218-363-2969



21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?"
Simon Peter answered him, "Master, to whom shall we go? You
have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and
are convinced that you are the Holy One of God." - Jn 6:67-69



LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Many followers of Jesus could not accept his teachings.
To those that remained, he posed a simple question: "Do you
also want to leave?" He asks us the same, every moment of
every day. Let us answer with confidence, in all that we do:
"Only you have the words of eternal life."

SVdP Saint Rose of Lima Conference
Longville/Remer





Monday, August 26
 Saint Edward's ~ *Mary Morton* +
 Saint Paul's ~ *Health of Ann Archer* +

Saturday, August 31
 Saint Edward's ~ *Health of Lisa Lynch*

Sunday, September 1
 Saint Edward's ~ *Luann Adelman* +
 Saint Paul's ~ *Rose Lydick* +

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.

Contact Ellen @
 763-913-1485



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 25, 2024

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

Monday: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 4-5/Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5/Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 6:17-29

Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 25:14-30

Next Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 1a/Jas 2:1-5/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

GOSPEL MEDITATION- ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE August 25, 2024 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

The famous Russian novelist Fyodor Dostoyevsky said, "Love in action is a harsh and dreadful thing." In the Gospel reading this week, Jesus does something harsh and dreadful — he watches his own disciples abandon him. What could possibly be loving about that?

Well, we notice the context is Jesus' teaching about eating and drinking his body and blood. His followers hear this and say, "**This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?**" (John 6:60). We shouldn't imagine we'd do anything different, because not even the ones who stay, like Peter, seem to understand what Jesus is saying. Then we hear this devastating line, "**Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him**" (John 6:66). Besides the night of the Last Supper, only now do Jesus' disciples abandon him. And, painfully, Jesus just lets them go.

The best way to make sense out of this is love. Jesus is God's love in action. He wants to become one with those whom He loves. He wants to love them as His own body. Yes, the oneness manifested in the Eucharist sounds harsh and dreadful because it is rooted in love which is willing to risk abandonment and separation to attain its goal: to be one body with the beloved. It is both terrifying and wonderful that Jesus will risk losing us in order to be one with us. Our response? Lord, we cannot grasp a love so great, but please help us never to abandon it, either.
 — Father John Muir

Prayer of Declaration

Lord,

In the season when faith is hard, help me to be as bold as Peter who picked you above all others saying, "To whom shall I go? You have the words of eternal life."

You're my God.

I'm yours.

There is nowhere else I would rather be.

Amen.



Saint Vincent de Paul / Saint Rose of Lima Conference

Next Meeting: September 3, 2024 @ 1PM

- St. Paul's in Remer

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks "Do you also want to leave?"

We must ask ourselves if we really want to hear the good news of his love for us and for others. Is the word of God able to break into our consciousness, change us and call us to hear the cries of the poor?

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to hear the cries of the poor by assisting 7 households, providing \$ 2,622.02 for utility, rent and other bills. God Bless You!

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



RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

To Whom Shall We Go?

A friend of mine, who is a far better Christian than I can ever hope to be, once shared with me that her family sneers at her belief system and life-style.

She believes in fairy tales they tell her. She's looking for simple solutions from a kind-faced man in the sky because she doesn't want to grapple with complicated answers to complicated problems.

Religion, they argue, is the easy way out.

As she spoke about this, her voice became unsteady. Not with anger, but with emotion. "I would never call this life easy," she said. "If I was looking for something that was easy, I wouldn't choose Catholicism."

What was unspoken was why she has chosen Catholicism. I know the answer, but only because I know her. I knew her before she chose it wholeheartedly, and I know her now, and I see the difference. I see that these words are written so clearly across the days of her life: "Master, to whom shall we go?"

Once the truth is known in your soul, you see, it can never be unknown.

Following Christ is not about easy answers and simple teachings. Sure, it all sounds very basic: love one another as I have loved you. What could be more straightforward?

But what does that mean? What does that look like in daily, modern life, in a world full of the fallen, whose flaws have given us rough edges and weakened wills?

I'll tell you what it looks like — it looks like a struggle. It looks like failure and mess and confusion and losing your way and finding it again, all because you remembered that within you there is a compass pointing due north. It's a constant state of wandering in the dark, following a Voice that asks you to go where you're afraid to go. And you follow the Voice not because it's the only voice there is and not because it's the voice that says what you want to hear, but because it's the only one that speaks the truth, and the truth pulls on you in a way you can't quite resist.

When Christ asks, "Do you also want to leave?" he is not gaslighting us. It's a genuine question. We are free to go. We are not prisoners.

But we have heard the words of everlasting life, and now we can only have peace if we follow where they lead.

"As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." — Joshua 24:15

Here to Serve You

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St. Edward's Collection

August 12- 18, 2024

Envelopes	\$ 2,395.00
Plate	\$ 649.50
Ministries Appeal	\$ 485.00
Assumption	\$ 495.00

Saint Paul's Collection

August 12-18, 2024

Envelopes	\$ 6,078.00
Plate	\$ 156.26
Ministries Appeal	\$ 92.00
Grotto	\$ 80.00
Assumption	\$ 100.00



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