

## SAINT OF THE WEEK – EXAMPLES OF OUR FAITH

### *St. Blaise Blessing of the Throat*

Perhaps it's an example of divine providence that the feast of St. Blaise falls on February 3 — right in the middle of cold and flu season! This fourth-century Armenian saint was a bishop and martyr and is venerated as the patron of those who suffer from illnesses of the throat.



On his feast day, Catholics traditionally receive a blessing of the throat. This blessing is administered by a priest, deacon or a lay minister who follows the rites and prayers designated for a layperson. During the blessing, the minister takes two candles that were blessed on the feast of the Presentation and makes a cross in front of the throat, saying "Through the intercession of Saint Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness." A priest or deacon will then make the sign of the cross.

### *Baptismal Bib*

**Question:** At my grandson's Baptism, the priest put a bib on the baby. I do not remember seeing this before. Why is this done? Is it something new?

**Answer:** When an adult is baptized, there is a part in the ceremony when the newly baptized is vested in a white garment. It is symbolic of the changes that baptism brings in the life of the baptized as they are freed from the bonds of sin and brought into the saving grace of Christ. Realities that are so profound are symbolically presented so that we might better grasp and understand them.

Infants are often dressed in a baptismal dress, which is the baptismal garment. In some places, the bib is used as a kind of baptismal garment. At the place in the ceremony where the investiture takes place, the bib is used. Some are poncho-like and fit over the baby's head. Others are simply placed on the baby's chest. If the baby is dressed in a white garment, nothing else is needed. The prayer says it all: "See in your white garment the outward sign of your Christian dignity ... bring that dignity unstained into the everlasting life of heaven." In baptism, we are given our purpose and goal in life as believers and this is symbolized by the white garment.



## LONGVILLE FOODSHELF

**NEW HOURS** starting January 8, 2025

**Wednesdays  
WORKERS**

**9AM to Noon - Noon to 3PM**

**SHOPPERS  
10AM - 2:30PM**



## SAIL

**Stay Active and Independent for Life**

Meets every Monday and Thursday  
from 10-11 AM here at Saint Edward's,  
to exercise to music and enjoy the benefits  
of low impact chair exercise.

There is no cost to you.

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




### *Flowers at Saint Edward's*

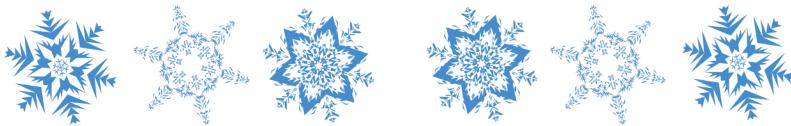
Would you like to order flowers to be  
placed on the Alter in honor of a loved one?  
The Women's Council of St. Edward's will  
do that for you. Fill out the envelope on the  
bulletin board in the hall and place your  
check or cash in it, drop it into the offertory basket.  
(Bouquets start at \$35.00.) If you have special in-  
structions or questions please call Kathleen at  
651-239-2030.

# Saint Edward's & Saint Paul's

St. Edward's = S.Ed  
St. Paul's = S.P

## January 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>12</b> <b>BAPTISM</b> <b>of the LORD</b>  Celebrant Father Jerry Weiss	<b>13</b> <b>Communion Service</b> 8:30 AM @ S.Ed 10 AM @ S.P  <b>Adoration of the</b> <b>Blessed Sacrament</b> 9 A—1 PM @ S.Ed  <b>SAILS</b> 10 AM @ S.Ed	<b>14</b> <b>Women</b> <b>of Today</b> 5:30 PM @ S.Ed	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> <b>SAILS</b> 10 AM @ S.Ed <b>NO</b> Men's Group	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> <b>NO</b> <b>Confirmation</b> <b>Class @ S.P</b>	<b>20</b> <b>Daily Mass</b> 8:30 AM @ S.Ed 10 AM @ S.P  <b>Adoration of the</b> <b>Blessed Sacrament</b> 9 A—1 PM @ S.Ed  <b>SAILS</b> 10 AM @ S.Ed	<b>21</b> <b>SVdP</b> 1 PM @ S.Ed	<b>22</b> <b>Religious ED</b> 1-3 PM @ S.P	<b>23</b> <b>SAIL</b> 10 AM @ S.Ed <b>Men's Group</b> 5 PM @ S.P	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
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### 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

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

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### Men's Conference

Saturday, March 8, 2025

Gichi-ziibi Center for the Arts  
602 S. 5th St.  
Brainerd, MN 56401

Registration 7:30 AM  
Conference Start 9 AM  
Mass 5 PM—Bishop Felton

**Guest Speaker Father Phillip Scott**  
"You must become a Son first"

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus  
Cost: Lay Persons - \$50.00  
Lay Students - \$25.00

Continental Breakfast and Lunch provided

**Sign up online**  
**KOCMensConference.eventbrite.com**