Welcome to the Catholic Churches of

Saint Edward's & Saint Paul's

Longville, MN

April 6, 2025

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

Saturday4:00pm Sunday8:30am

Daily Mass Monday

Adoration of the Blessed SacramentMondays 9 AM -1 PM

St. Paul's, Remer Mass Schedule

Rosary – One half hour before Masses Confessions before/after Sunday Mass

or by appointment.

Daily Mass-

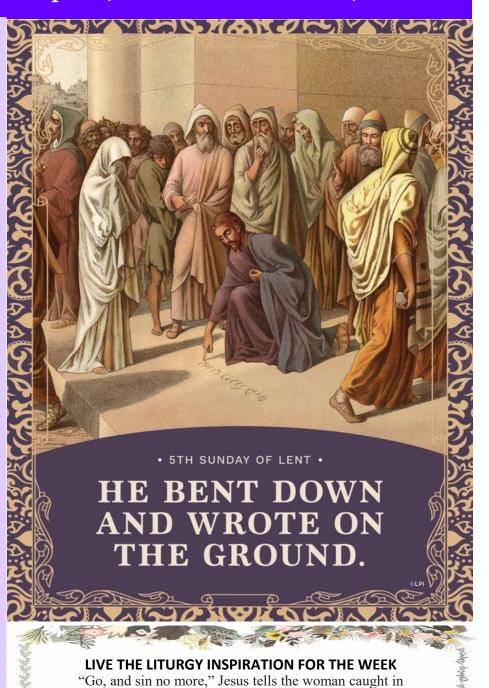
Monday

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



SVdP Saint Rose of Lima Conference Longville/Remer

adultery. Her life, like ours, has been saved. She, like us, has a

chance for a new beginning. So he begs her, and he begs us:

be changed by it. Let the mercy transform you.

Go, and sin no more





Monday, April 7

Saint Edward's – Health of Rudy Sonstegard Saint Paul's – Health of Donna Andersen

Saturday, April 12 Saint Edward's—Bob Kubista +

Sunday, April 13 Saint Edward's – David Kurz + Saint Paul's – Pro Populo

Readings for the week of April 6, 2025

Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11 **Scrutiny:** Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/In 8:12-20

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/ In 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4,

5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/ Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14—23:56 or 23:1-49

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.

Prayer of Community

O God,

Help us to see each other as You see us, not by our faults or failings, but by our identity as Your own. Give us Your eyes to see, Your heart to love.

Amen.

GOSPEL MEDITATION-ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE April 6, 2025 5th Sunday Lent John 8:1-11

"The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery and made her stand in the middle" (John 8:3). Why do they make her stand in the middle? Why not expose her on the periphery? The reason is something that affects us practically every day.

The center is what stabilizes a community's identity. We humans tend to center ourselves around an accused and condemned victim — though we rarely admit it. This renews our fragile communities and our power as those who weaponize the accusation. This is effective because it is often a victim who represents something truly dangerous for the group. In this case, adultery stands for the breakdown of a community and those within it, because it forces questions like: who is my father? Whose child is this? Is this child one of us, or that of an outsider? The accusers place the adulteress in the center because their community, like most, is built around turning an enemy into a victim.

Once you understand this, you'll see it almost anywhere humans group together (families, politics, workplaces, sports, schools, etc.). The good news is Jesus exposes this dynamic by deftly pointing out the sin-infected hearts of everyone besides the woman. They all leave, symbolizing the breakdown of the old order, and she is "left alone before him." A new community has begun, structured around the merciful love of Christ.

— Father John Muir

Community on Madagascar

Poor nutrition can lead to devastating long-term consequences for individuals, communities and entire countries. That's why communities must work



together to ensure that all children have access to better food and nutrition. New planting and cooking techniques are helping many communities in Madagascar improve the health and wellbeing of their children. How does your community work together for the good of others? Visit: **crsricebowl.org** to learn more.

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.

ı	St. Edward's Collection			
ı	March 24 -	30,	2025	
ı	Envelopes	\$	2,943.00	
ı	Plate	\$	137.75	
ı	Ministries Appeal	\$	1,065.00	
ı	Catholic Relief	\$	70.00	
ı	B&IMission	\$	50.00	

St. Paul's Collection				
March 24 -	30	, 2025		
Envelopes	\$	1,113.00		
Plate	\$	76.00		
Ministies Appeal	\$	100.00		
Building Fund	\$	42.00		
Catholic Relief	\$	7.00		

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RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Mini Reflection: Too often, we don't care about righteousness or truth. We just care about being right. We have a terrible tendency to see only decisions, and in doing so we dehumanize the people behind them. But when God looks at us, he sees more than the worst decisions we've ever made.

The Allure of Being Right

It wasn't a real question.

"The law of Moses says we should stone her. What do you say?" the Pharisees asked Jesus as they brought the adulterous woman before him. But they weren't really asking. They didn't care what Jesus' answer was. They didn't ask his opinion because they wanted to know. They asked because they wanted to use his words against him.

Righteousness, truth — that wasn't the goal. The goal was being right.

And in the middle of the whole scene, dragged before Jesus, used as a literal prop in this staged drama, is a woman. A real flesh-and-blood woman.

I find myself wanting to know more about her. She had been "caught in the act," they claimed, but I wonder what that even means. With whom was this act committed, and what were the reasons for her participation in it? Was she coerced? Was she scared? Was she confused? Was it really a cut-and-dry, black-and-white situation of adultery, of lust, of making the wrong decision?

We will never know the answers to these questions, and it doesn't matter — it's not our business. God knows the answers. God knows the truth of the matter: what she did, what she chose, what she felt. Because she wasn't a prop to Him. She was a person.

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I worry that we use one another as props even today, when we try like the Pharisees to illustrate "What is Right." We have a terrible tendency to see only decisions, and in doing so we dehumanize the people behind them.

Too often, we don't care about righteousness or truth. We just care about being right.

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Next Meeting: April 15, 2025 1 PM @ Edward's



In today's Gospel, Jesus is the model of compassion and kindness. He shows us how to be merciful and nonjudgmental.

When we give to the poor, God indeed pours his love, peace and mercy into our hearts and into the hearts of those suffering in poverty.

Thank You!

Spiritual Direction

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

Contact Ellen @ 763-913-1485

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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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