

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

Longville, MN      September 21, 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 - Saturday .....3:00pm  
or by appointment

Saturday .....4:00pm

Sunday .....8:30am

### 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.

Sunday .....10:30am

### Daily Mass-

Monday

Mass.....10 am

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

1st Thursday of the Month

9 AM – 7 PM

## Prayer Line

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

Linn Laak 763-233-1692

Email: [linnlaak@gmail.com](mailto:linnlaak@gmail.com)



## 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**"No servant can serve two masters."  
- Lk 16:13**

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## LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

No servant can serve two masters, and in his  
goodness, God gives us the ability to choose.  
Will we serve mammon, the riches of this world?  
Or will we seek true wealth, the kind that cannot be  
hoarded or wasted, but only given freely away?



**SVdP Saint Rose of Lima Conference**  
Longville/Remer



Monday, September 22

Saint Edward's - *Pro Populo*

Saint Paul's - *Fernando Morales +*

Saturday, September 27

Saint Edward's - *Anniversary Blessing*

*Dan and Pam Bye*

Sunday, September 28

Saint Edward's - *Pro Populo*

Saint Paul's - *Margaret McPherson +*

### Readings for the week of

**September 21, 2025**

**Sunday:** Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8

(see 1a, 7b)/1 Tm 2:1-8/

Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

**Monday:** Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3,

4-5, 6/Lk 8:16-18

**Tuesday:** Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Ps 122:1-

2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 8:19-21

**Wednesday:** Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a,

4befghn, 7-8/Lk 9:1-6

**Thursday:** Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a

and 9b/Lk 9:7-9

**Friday:** Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4/

Lk 9:18-22

**Saturday:** Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10,

11-12ab, 13/Lk 9:43b-45

**Next Sunday:** Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9,

9-10 (1b)/1 Tm 6:11-16/

Lk 16:19-31



### QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK - REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

**1st Reading Question:** Amos forewarns those who exploit the poor and disadvantaged that God will remember their greed and corruption. How might you lend a helping hand this week to others in need?

**2nd Reading Question:** Paul instructs Timothy on the necessity of openness and generosity in prayer. What do you think makes for a strong prayer life?

**Gospel Question:** In the parable of the dishonest steward, the disciples learn the importance of honesty and prudence in daily living. What other virtues would you add for the life of a Christian today?

### GOSPEL MEDITATION-

### ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

**September 21, 2025**

**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Luke 16:10-13**

Before I was a priest, I was a lazy worker for a retail Apple store. Hearing a rumor that my boss was going to fire me, I secretly sold iPhones for half-price, gave away dozens of free iPads, and donated several brand-new laptops to managers in other stores in the mall. After a week, my boss called me into his office. He knew what I was up to. He said I had cost the store thousands of dollars. "Really great work, John," he said. "I am going to recommend you to be my assistant manager and double your pay." I was amazed.

And so are you. Which is understandable because it never happened. How could it? My tall tale is a retelling of Jesus' brow-furrowing parable we hear this week. A lazy, dishonest steward defrauds his boss and then the **"master commended the dishonest servant for acting prudently"** (Luke 16:8). What is the Lord saying to us?

Most of us treat our spiritual lives like a lazy teenager at an Apple store. We really don't care. We go through the motions. Then, if we are lucky, something happens that shakes us to spiritual action; to employ whatever time, money, and resources we have to build around us a strong network of love. Every saint did that. Our Lord is so good he wants us to use his stuff to forgive debts and to bless others. He wants us to ensure our future. So do it!

— Father John Muir

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.

### DEVOTIONS, EXPLAINED! –

### CONNECT WITH TRADITION AND GROW YOUR FAITH

#### The Jesus Prayer

The Jesus Prayer is a short invocation of mercy in the name of Jesus: "Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner."

The exact origins of the prayer are unclear, though it is often attributed to the tradition of Eastern Christianity, possibly via the Desert Fathers (early Christian ascetics who dwelled in Egypt). The prayer has been important to the traditions of both the Eastern Orthodox and the Eastern Catholic faithful. The text echoes the words of the publican in the parable from Luke 18:9-14, whose humble manner of prayer was praised by Jesus. Its short form and simple wording make it ideal for meditative prayer.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church, in paragraph 2667, highlights the Jesus Prayer, saying that "by it the heart is opened to human wretchedness and the Savior's mercy."

#### Rosary Apps:

[www.schooloffaith.com](http://www.schooloffaith.com)

<https://kristinsscroses.com/daily-readings/the-rosary/>



## RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

*By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman*

**Mini reflection:** Jesus' parable of the untrustworthy steward sums up all our anxieties surrounding material wealth and the delicate balance we have to strike of caring for our physical needs while prioritizing our spiritual ones.

### God and Mammon

Dealing with money is unpleasant.

You might be good at dealing with money (I am not). You might even do it for a living (I do not). You might be careful to use as much of your money as you can for good purposes (I try to, but man, these skyrocketing grocery prices are killing me).

But ultimately, money does not bring out the best in us. We waste it. We manipulate it. We hoard it. We become obsessed by it. We let pursuit of it define our decisions. Money is something akin to — it corrupts by touch, it seems. But unlike witchcraft, you can't avoid money altogether. It's necessary. These dollars and cents keep us alive in this world, for a time. We need them for food, for warmth, for health.

Jesus' parable of the untrustworthy steward sums up all our anxieties surrounding material wealth and the delicate balance we have to strike of caring for our physical needs while prioritizing our spiritual ones. But the parable reminds us that we can't escape money, just like we can't escape the world and all the barriers forged by this world between man and the happiness his Creator intends for him. We could retreat to the highest, remotest mountaintop, but the human condition would follow us there.

We would still feel doubt. We would still feel pain. We would still feel fear. We would still sin.

And we would still be hungry and cold. We would still need money.

Money will never be something that is easy to handle virtuously. But guess what? Nothing in this world is. And it's probably best that we remember that.

### Prayer for Trust

Jesus,  
With your gentle mercy, build my trust. Help me to believe you when you say you want good for me. In every season, give me grace. In every need, be my answer. Amen.



### Spiritual Direction

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

**Contact Ellen @  
763-913-1485**



### 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 763-258-6281*

### Here to Serve You

#### Saint Edward's and Saint Paul's Parishes

**Administrator**.....Deacon Jim Clack  
**Sacramental Minister**..... Fr. Joseph Fink  
**Spiritual Director**.....Ellen Leger  
**Secretary/Bookkeeper**.....Deb Stock  
**Website Advisor**.....Pat Bettenberg

#### Finance Council

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Pat Boen -Trustee	Ted Frick -Trustee
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#### Deanery Vocation Ministry

Larry and Diane Holter      Bob Bechtel

### Saint Vincent de Paul / Saint Rose of Lima Conference

Next Meeting: October 7, 2025

1 PM @ St. Paul's



In today's Gospel we see that prudent decisiveness means that we recognize that all our choices in daily living are really choices for eternal life. Admission into heaven is something money cannot buy. The only currency that has any value to secure our entrance is that of love.

**As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who are suffering.**

**Thank You!**

**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.**