## Welcome to the Catholic Churches of

# Saint Edward's & Saint Paul's

Longville, MN

October 19, 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-

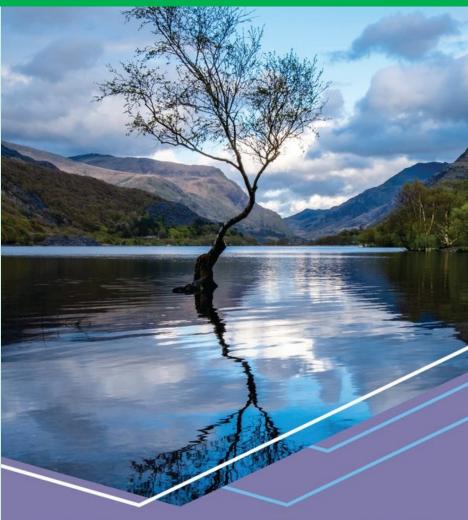
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#### **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

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

#### **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



## 29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? Will he be slow to answer them? I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

We are all the widow in Luke's Gospel.

We are vulnerable.

We feel small in the estimation of the world.

We feel ignored.

But Jesus is telling us to be bold in prayer, to bring our needs before the judge who will always hear our case.



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Monday, October 20 Saint Edward's – *Pro Populo* Saint Paul's – *Mark Piechowski* +

Saturday, October 25 Saint Edward's - Bob Kubista +

Sunday, September 26 Saint Edward's – Don Charpentier + Saint Paul's – Rose Lydick +

# Readings for the week of October 19, 2025

**Sunday:** Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (see 2)/2 Tm 3:14-4:2/Lk 18:1-8

**Monday:** Rom 4:20-25/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Lk 12:13-21

**Tuesday:** Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/ Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/Lk 12:35-38

**Wednesday:** Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/Lk 12:39-48

**Thursday:** Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 12:49-53

**Friday:** Rom 7:18-25a/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94/Lk 12:54-59

**Saturday:** Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 13:1-9

Next Sunday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23 (7a)/2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/Lk 18:9-14

## Prayer for Life of Mission



Dear God,

You are the one who finds a way in the darkness, and clears the path for those You love. Help us to trust in Your call, and to answer generously to the unknowns we face, knowing You will never leave us alone.

Amen.

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.



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#### **GOSPEL MEDITATION-**

# ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE October 19, 2025 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Luke 18:1-8

A woman in my parish has an adult son who has rejected his faith. She prays for him every day. She lights candles, says rosaries, and asks God again and again to bring him back. But nothing changes. Is God listening? Is He delaying? She told me once that she feels like the widow in Jesus' strange parable — crying out for justice, but hearing only silence. And yet, she said, she is at peace. I asked why. She responded, "God is already answering. I just can't see it yet."

She embodies something of the mystery in Jesus' parable this week in Luke 18. A powerless widow demands justice from a corrupt judge. This isn't about wearing God down until He gives in. It's about faith in the justice that is already coming. The widow isn't just persistent; she believes that justice is inevitable. And when Jesus points to the judge's words — his fear of being "struck" — He hints at something deeper: God's justice does not creep in gradually. It strikes. It comes like lightning.

Blessed Mary is, of course, the ultimate widow demanding justice. At the foot of the cross she stands before what looks like the ultimate injustice — the brutal execution of her son. But she did not despair. She did not beg for a last-minute rescue. She knew that justice was not delayed. In fact, it was happening. The power of the cross was already unleashing justice upon the world — suddenly, decisively, like a blow that would topple every corrupt power, making even the most corrupt fear her strike.

This parable asks us: will the Son of Man find faith on earth? Or will we mistake God's silence for absence? The cross proves that justice is not slow. It is only hidden. The lightning has already struck. In the cross, justice is speedily being done.

— Father John Muir

#### DEVOTIONS, EXPLAINED! -

#### CONNECT WITH TRADITION AND GROW YOUR FAITH

#### The Our Father

The Our Father, also known as The Lord's Prayer, is found in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke. Universally beloved in most traditions of Christianity, its words are those of Jesus Christ himself as he answers his disciples' queries on how best to pray.

The version presented in the Gospel of Matthew is longer and more detailed than that which is contained in the Gospel of Luke. Both versions instruct the faithful to address God as "Father," to pray for the coming of His kingdom, to rely on His providence, and to embrace a spirit of forgiveness towards others, in the hope that we ourselves will be forgiven (Matthew 6:9-13, Luke 11:2-4). This last element, forgiveness, is also emphasized by Jesus in the Gospel of Mark (Mark 11:25) as an essential part of all prayer.

The Catechism quotes Tertullian when it calls the Our Father "the summary of the whole Gospel." (CCC 2761).

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#### RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

**Mini reflection:** In the same way that a judge cannot go looking for conflicts to mediate, God will not force His way into our problems. What would be the point? What is our life on earth for, if it is not to teach us how to turn willingly to God?

#### The Prayers We Don't Say

It has always confused me: why a judge?

Jesus could have compared prayer to the subject who requests a gift of his king. He could have compared it to the child who asks a favor of a parent. But in the parable of the widow and the judge, Jesus compares prayer — specifically constant, unwearying prayer — with the marginalized person who doggedly pursues her claim through an unforgiving legal system.

It's not a rosy or reassuring picture. So what is he trying to tell us?

Unlike a king or a parent, a judge has strictly drawn lines which he cannot, under any circumstances, cross. He can only help people who bring their case to court. Even good, earnest judges cannot render justice if charges are not brought.

God is all-powerful. But that doesn't make Him a meddler. He will not force His way into our problems. What would be the point? What is our life on earth for, if it is not to teach us how to turn willingly to God, in every instance — adoration, gratitude, need?

Today, I sat down and made a list of problems I don't pray about. When I was done, I looked at the list and asked myself: why not? Why don't I pray about these things? Some are huge issues over which I have absolutely no control, and prayer feels futile. Some are small grievances I never even considered mentioning to God.

If I prayed about them all, my life would be totally consumed by prayer. Constant, unwearying prayer. The kind of prayer Jesus calls me to in the parable of the widow and the judge: continual surrender of myself to the mysterious, limitless power of God.

Praying that way could make me tired. The widow was tired, too — but she kept bringing her charges. She got justice. And her judge wasn't even a nice guy.

So say the prayer. Bring the charges. Our judge is one who wants to help, but He won't overstep His bounds.

#### Here to Serve You

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



Regular Meeting: October 21, 2025 1 PM @ St. Edward's

In the Gospel today Jesus tells his disciples to pray always without becoming weary., indeed our prayer must always be an expression of our love for God, our family, our world, and especially for the suffering poor.

As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box, please say a special prayer for the poor who have no one to pray for them.

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.

#### 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

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