

Welcome to the Catholic Churches of

Saint Edward's & Saint Paul's

Longville, MN November 23, 2025 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

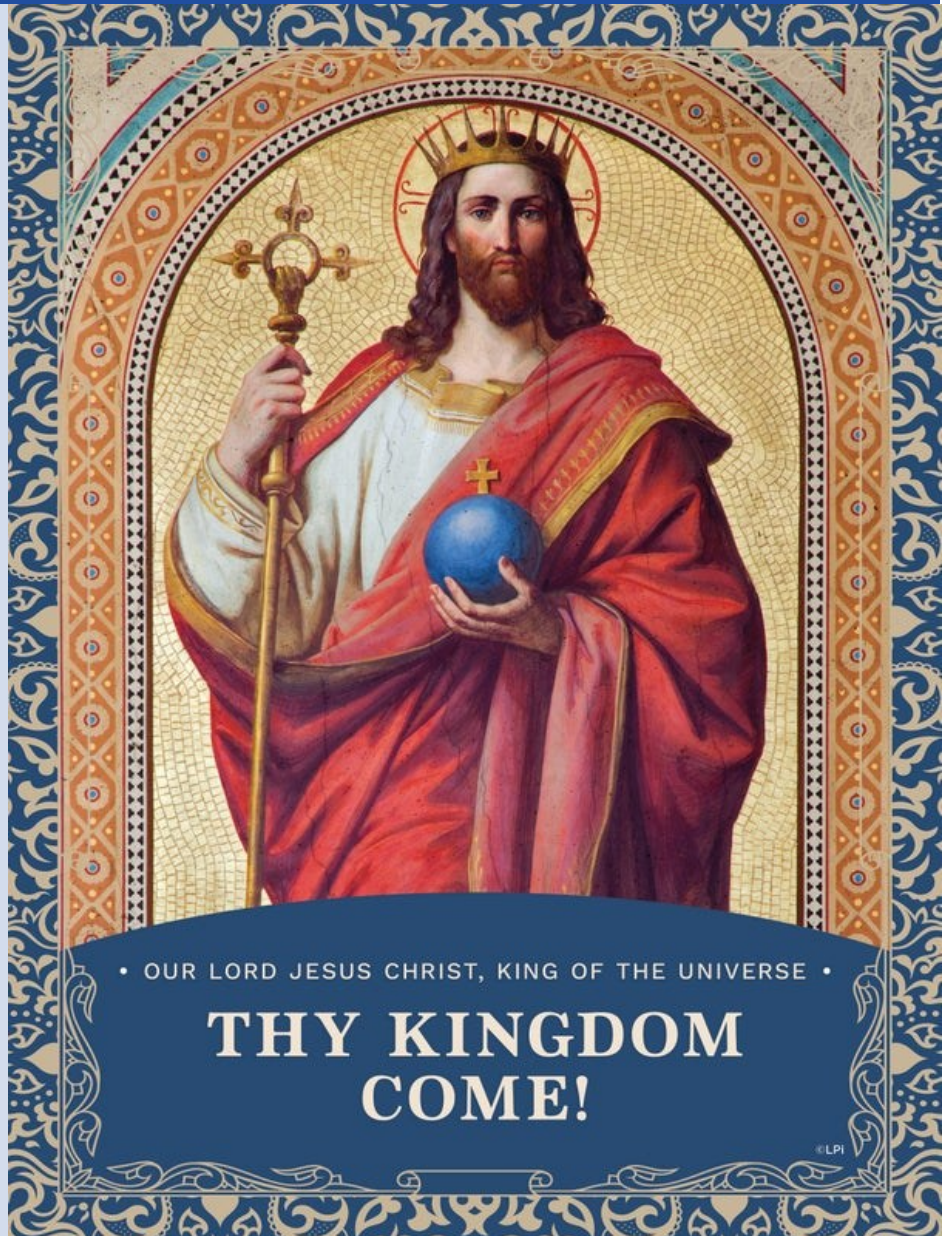
9 AM — 7 PM

Prayer Line

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

Linn Laak 763-233-1692

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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Our king wears a crown of thorns, not a crown of gold.
His glory is not in riches but in suffering. His law is
written in his own blood, shed for the love of us.
Do we understand the gift that it is, to be subject to
such a king?



SVdP Saint Rose of Lima Conference
Longville/Remer



Monday, November 24
Saint Edward's - *Larry Miller +*
Saint Paul's - *Pro Populo*

Saturday, November 29
Saint Edwards' - *Bob Kubista +*

Sunday, November 30
Saint Edward's - *Joe Miller +*
Saint Paul's - *Dick Engen +*

**Readings for the week of
November 23, 2025**

Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5
(see 1)/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54,
55, 56/Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60,
61/Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17,
23-28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67/
Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Dn 6:12-28/Dn 3:68, 69, 70, 71,
72, 73, 74/Lk 21:20-28

Friday: Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79,
80, 81/Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85,
86, 87/Lk 21:34-36

Next Sunday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4,
4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 13:11-14/
Mt 24:37-4



Jesus is King

Dear Jesus,
I see the kingdom you love, the one
full of the broken and forgotten.



I see the crown you wear — thorns out of
love for me. I pick you as my King. Mold
my heart to be a worthy member of your
kingdom. Amen.

Spiritual Direction

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

Contact Ellen @

763-913-1485



**GOSPEL MEDITATION-
ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**

November 23, 2025

Luke 23:35-43

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Not long ago, I was called to a hospital to anoint a woman in her
early 80s. She was dying, and visibly in pain. But what struck me
most wasn't her suffering — it was the atmosphere in the

room. She had eight children and 30 foster kids, and many of them
were gathered around her. You'd expect sorrow, fear, maybe even
despair. But the room was filled with something else entirely — a
quiet strength, a kind of sweetness. It was as if she was suffering not
just with them, but for them. And they, in love, were suffering for
her. The pain was real. But so was the peace. I didn't want to run. I
felt as if I was in a little paradise, beeping machines and all.

I think of that moment when I hear today's Gospel. Jesus, hanging
on the cross, doesn't look like a king. But one of the crucified, dying
men beside him sees through the suffering and says, "**Jesus,
remember me when you come into your kingdom**" (Luke 23:42).
That word — remember — literally means to make someone a
member again. He's asking to be joined to Christ, to become part of
his Body. And Jesus says, "**Today you will be with me in
paradise.**"

He doesn't say, "I'll take your suffering away." He says, "**You will
be with me.**"

That's the strange power of Christ the King. He doesn't rule by
avoiding suffering. He reigns by entering into it, and transforming it
with love.

What are you suffering right now in your life? Likely you want it to
stop. But if we are willing to suffer with him — paradise begins
even today.

— *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.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK -

REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

1st Reading Question: The people of Israel recognized that David was
a natural leader, and with the Lord's blessing anointed him king of
Israel. What do you think makes someone a good leader?

2nd Reading Question: Paul offers to the Colossians a beautiful piece
of poetry reflecting on how Jesus reconciled all things in heaven and on
earth. Can you share a time when you were reconciled with a family
member or friend?

Gospel Question: Jesus assured the repentant criminal crucified next
to him that he would be with him in paradise. Who might you offer
words of comfort to this week?

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Mini reflection: It's taken me a few hundred read-throughs of this Gospel passage to finally understand a painful truth: I am Gestas, "the bad thief." I am as close to Jesus as he was, and I ask for all the wrong things.

The King Who Hangs Beside Us

We love to hate the bad thief.

Ancient Christian tradition has called him by the name "Gestas." In contrast to Dismas, "the good thief" who recognized and repented of his own sins, Gestas goes down bitter and swinging. With his last breaths he taunts Jesus, poking fun at the absurdity of a deity who allows himself to be crucified by mortals. "Are you not the Christ?" he sneers.

But his final words betray an undercurrent of desperation. Of terror. In the end, Gestas just wants Jesus to save him.

It's taken me a few hundred read-throughs of this Gospel passage to finally understand a painful truth: I am Gestas. I hang from my own cross — we all do, in this life. But I'm lucky enough that my cross is right beside Jesus, because the sacraments bring him as close to me as he was to Gestas — closer, even. How unfathomable is the mercy of God.

And yet, I am not grateful. I don't rejoice at my proximity to my Lord, to the flesh and blood that have bought my salvation. I don't do what I should do, and what Dismas does. I don't say, "Wherever you are King, please, let me be your subject. Wherever you are going, please, take me with you."

"Are you not the Christ?" I say instead. And what I mean is exactly what Gestas meant: "Get me down. Take this cross away. I don't want it. I can't take it."

What a tragedy it would be, if all Christ had to offer us was an easier life.

None of this looks like anyone thought it would. The long-foretold Messiah, whose majesty and might would eradicate violence and establish peace. The guy who was going to make everything okay again. The King of the Jews. And here he hangs: bleeding and dying and doing what looks like nothing. Staring at Gestas. Staring at me. Staring at you.

What will you say to him?

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

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Saint Rose of Lima Conference

Regular Meeting:

December 2 2025

****1 PM @ St. Edward's ****



Today as we celebrate Christ the King, may we open the door of our heart so wide that we may listen to the voice of Jesus calling us to help build his kingdom here on earth.

In the month of November, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to help build the kingdom of God by assisting 5 households, providing \$1,327.97 for utilities rent, and gas for appointments, etc.

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!

