

Welcome to the Catholic Churches of

Saint Edward's & Saint Paul's

Longville

February 22, 2026

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Mon.-Wed. & Fri. 9 AM - 1 PM

Saint Edward's – Longville

Mass Schedule

Rosary – One-half hour before Mass

Confession – 1/2 hour before

Masses or Saturday 3PM

Saturday Mass 4 PM

Sunday Mass 8:30 AM

Daily Mass

Monday 8:30 AM

1st Friday or 1st Saturday 8:30 AM

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday 9 AM – 1 PM

Saint Paul's – Remer

Mass Schedule

Rosary – One-half hour before Mass

Confession – 1/2 hour before Masses

Sunday Mass 10:30 AM

Daily Mass

Monday 10 AM

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

1st Thursday of the Month

9 AM – 7 PM

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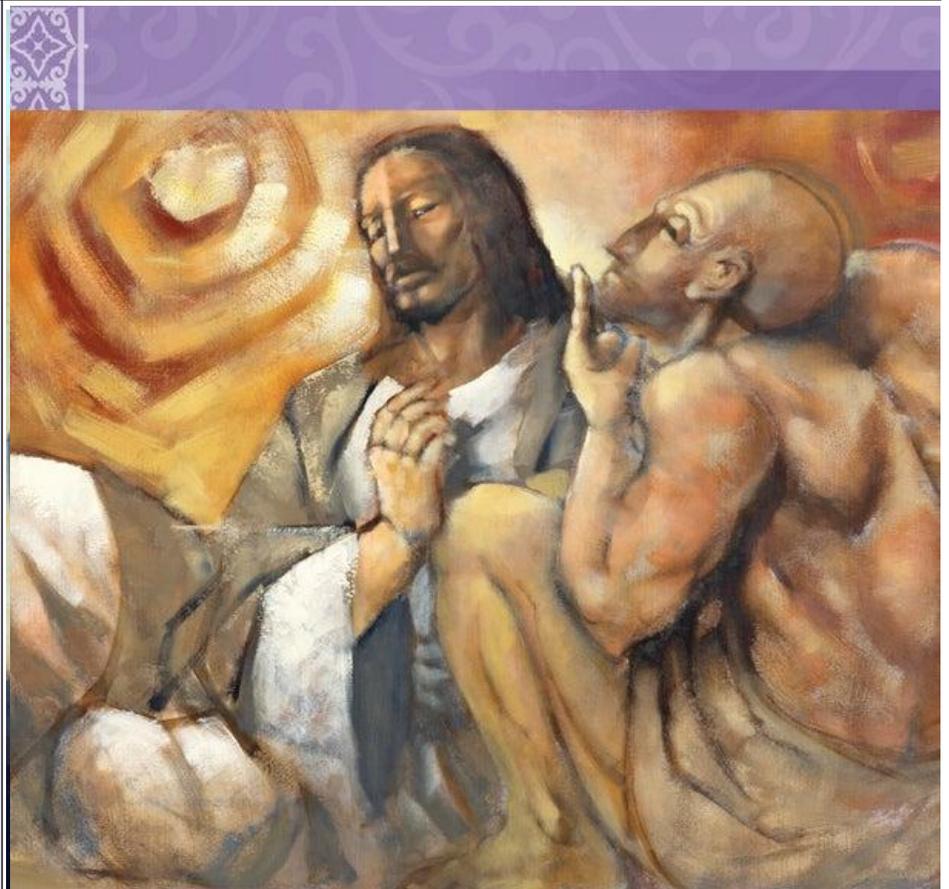
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1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

"The tempter approached and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread.' He said in reply, 'It is written: One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.'" Mt 4: 1-4

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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Our Lord is so humble that he allows us to see him experience temptation.

The vulnerability of this moment is awesome to behold.

Let us learn from Jesus' interaction with the devil, and be transformed by it. Let us say, with him: "Get away, Satan."



SVdP Saint Rose of Lima Conference

Longville/Remer



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 21
Saint Edward's – Bob Kubista +

Sunday, February 22
Saint Edward's – Carl & June Sonstegard +
Saint Paul's – Health of Mary Berg

Monday, February 23
Saint Edward's – Pro Populo
Saint Paul's – Health of Dianne Sannes

Saturday, February 28
Saint Edward's – Sarah Boedigheimer +

Sunday, March 1
Saint Edward's – Father Paul Fruth +
Saint Paul's – Edgar Stock +

Readings for the week of

February 22, 2026

Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11
Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138: 1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48
Next Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

Please pray for our Confirmation Students;

Sadie, Henry and Jack

for the Holy Spirit's guidance, strength, and wisdom as they affirm their faith.



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

February 22, 2026

1st Sunday of Lent

Matthew 4:1-11

In my second-to-last year of seminary, I woke up one September morning to devastating news: two beloved classmates had died in a car crash. I was overwhelmed with grief and anger like I had never known. I entered therapy for the first time and had intense conversations with my spiritual director. For months I felt lost in a spiritual wilderness. But something unexpected happened: I encountered Christ there. The fear and sorrow didn't destroy me. In fact, that spiritual desert was a time of intense growth in faith.

Today's Gospel begins: **"Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil"** (Matthew 4:1). The word "led" denotes a gentle, humble submission to the Spirit. Jesus does not send himself into this desolate place where wild beasts roam and Satan tempts. Who wants to be around roaming, wild beasts? The Church Fathers saw them as symbols of our inner chaos: fears, temptations, wounds. The Spirit leads us there, sometimes against our wishes. But those same Fathers also saw that this deserted place is also where angels ministered to Jesus, amidst his great trial and temptation.

Lenten Challenge: This Lent and throughout life's struggles, the Spirit leads you and me into the wilderness. Name one "desert" into which the Spirit has led you: perhaps grief, fear, silence, change, disappointment. Ask for the grace to go there willingly. The beasts may be real, but they will not harm you. There, the angels are waiting to minister to the Christ living in you, who always goes where the Spirit leads.

— *Father John Muir*

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.

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.

NEW: ST. EDWARDS NOW HAS ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE:

ONLINE: <https://engage.suran.com/stedwardsduluth>

See our website for more information or contact

Babs Debes at babs.debes@duluthcatholic.org

Or call her at 218-252-0308 to set up a time for assistance.

St. Edward's Collection

February 9 - 15

Envelopes	\$ 1,712.50
Plate	\$ 481.00
Ministries Appeal	\$ 170.00

St. Paul Collection

February 9 - 15

Envelopes	\$ 693.00
Plate	\$ 253.00
Building Fund	\$ 20.00
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Ministries Appeal	\$ 20.00

CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Mini reflection: There are many reasons why the Word became flesh. But I think one of the most important reasons must have been that God wanted to show us that He knows, intimately, how easily the devil exploits our physical experience of this world.

Into the Desert

When we first got married, I wanted to know everything my husband was thinking, exactly when he was thinking it.

Thirteen years later, I still want to know it all. But I want to know it after he's had a snack.

I think he still wants to know what I'm thinking, too. But he wants to know it after I've had 10 minutes without hearing the word, "Mommy!"

Life has taught us, you see, that it's hard to be a good person, a nice person, a gentle person, when your body doesn't feel good or nice or gentle. When you're hungry. When you're exhausted. When you're anxious.

It's not impossible, of course. It's just ... hard.

We're entering a penitential season, a time in which we purposefully deprive ourselves in certain ways. During Lent, we intentionally enter into the desert of physical hunger and weakness. Why, in preparation for Easter and in an effort to spiritually purify ourselves, do we go to this place where it's so hard to be good? Why do we go to the desert?

Because Christ has shown us that the desert is where decisions are made.

There are many reasons why the Word became flesh to accomplish God's plan for our salvation. But I think one of the most important reasons must have been that God wanted to show us that He knows, intimately, how easily the devil exploits our physical experience of this world. We see it in today's Gospel: Jesus, hungry and weary. Jesus, taunted and tempted.

We see him. We recognize him. We are him.

And we hear his voice, even though it trembles with fatigue: "Get away, Satan!"

Today, we enter the desert. Because the desert is where decisions are made.

Rosary Apps:
www.schooloffaith.com
<https://kristinrosses.com/daily-reading/the-rosary/>



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

Longville/Remer

Regular Meeting :

March 3, 2026
1 PM @ Saint Edward's



Lent is a call to "give alms for the poor." Wherever you live in the parish, there are poor families within walking distance of your home. When in need, they ring the rectory bell. They are, in effect, ringing your doorbell.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can help the suffering and poor.

Thank you

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 churches. Current coffee hosts are willing to help you learn the ropes!



Longville Lions Area Blood Drive

Saint Edward's Church will again host the Blood Drive this year. **Save the date: Friday, March 20, 2026** will be the first of four scheduled.



PRAYER – FOR EVERYDAY

Lenten Blessing

Bless us in Your mercy, Lord, as we enter these 40 Days of Lent. Use this time to call, anoint, bind, strengthen, and inspire us anew. Like a good shepherd, teach us Your voice, and give us the strength to follow.

Amen.

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:
218-363-2799



**First Friday Mass
St. Edward's**

Adoration 7:30 AM Rosary 8 AM
Benediction & Mass 8:30 AM

**First Saturday Mass
St. Edward's**

Rosary 8 AM - Mass 8:30 AM

Home Visitors Ministry

We 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 @ 763-258-6281