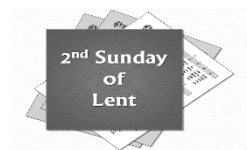


March 17, 2019

St. Edward and St. Stephen Catholic Churches

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Website: stedwardfairfield.com



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Rev. Father Charles Anyaoku, Pastoral Administrator
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St. Edward Mass Schedule:
1st and 3rd Saturday 5 p.m.
Sunday 10:30 a.m.

St. Stephen Mass Schedule:
2nd and 4th Saturday 5 p.m.,
Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Confession, Sacrament of Reconciliation
Friday – 8:30 a.m.

Confession, Sacrament of Reconciliation
Wednesday after mass, Sunday 8 – 8:20 a.m. or
call for appointment

Parish Office: Peggy Garrison, Secretary
Office hours Tuesday, Wednesday
& Friday, 8 a.m. to noon
Rectory/Office 847-7931 Fax 847-7393
Parish Hall 847-7512

Parish Office: Trudi Herdes, Secretary, Office Hours
Monday & Wednesday, 8 a.m. to noon, Office, Fax &
Social Room 662-8121, Rectory 662-6261

Bulletin Information to Peggy Garrison, Parish
Office. Please submit by noon on Thursday

Bulletin information to Beth Fancher, 665-3163
submit by Thursday, email bafancher@wabash.net
New Parishioner Register contact Father Charles,
Trudi Herdes or Dorothy Uebinger 662-3711

New Parishioners Register - Parish Office
PSR Coordinator: Peggy Garrison
RCIA Coordinator: Ginny Barrett
Music Director: Denise Zurliene

Music Director: Diane Briscoe
PSR Coordinator: Paul Duquaine
RCIA Coordinator: Cheryl McCarty
Sacristan: Sam Pierce

Pastoral Council – 3rd Thursday
Altar Sodality – 3rd Monday
Men’s Club - As announced
CYO Meeting - As announced
Food Pantry Distribution 2nd Saturday 8am

Knights of Columbus – 1st Wednesday, 7 pm
Finance Committee – 3rd Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Altar Society - As announced
Pastoral Council - 4th Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Food Pantry Collection - First Weekend

Baptism, Marriage, Vocations, Sacrament of Anointing & Care of the Sick,
contact Father Charles Anyaoku or call St. Edward or St. Stephen Parish Offices.

One thing I ask of the Lord, and this I long, to dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life. (Ps. 27, 4)
That should be our daily prayer. That should be our daily desire. That should be our daily wish.

FROM FATHER CHARLES’ DESK: All parishes in the diocese are conducting our Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. The CSMA provides a convenient way for all of us, no matter what your time limitations, to take an active role in the mission of our diocesan Church. If you do not receive a pledge card or forgot to bring it, please use an in-pew envelope. Please be as generous as you can.

Cash Raffle: A \$15,000 cash raffle is being sponsored by Holy Cross Church, Wendelin. 10 prizes total. Only 400 tickets sold @ \$100 per ticket. Drawing at the Wine Tasting Event on March 23, at the Parish Hall. For details or purchase, contact a parish member.

Wine Tasting: Annual Wine Tasting Event at Holy Cross Parish Hall, Wendelin on March 23, Local wineries to include: Castle Finn Vineyard, Homestead Vineyards, Irene’s Vineyard, Lasata Wines, and Pheasant Hollow Winery. 6 p.m.-10:30 p.m. Live music by Thoele Sisters and Wes and Megan Hagan. \$10 admission, glass, tasting and appetizers. Domestic beer

Fridays during Lent, 6 p.m. Stations of the Cross at St. Stephen and St. Edward

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

April 16 - Chrism Mass
April 18 - Holy Thursday - 6:30 p.m. St. Edwards Adoration 5 to 8 p.m.
No mass at St. Stephen
April 19 – Good Friday - **Stations of the Cross 3 p.m. St. Stephen**
Passion – 7 p.m. St Stephen
Stations of the Cross 4:30 p.m. St. Edward
Passion - 5:00 p.m. St. Edward
April 20 – Holy Saturday - **Easter Vigil – 8:00 p.m. St. Stephen**
No Mass at St. Edward
April 21 – Easter Sunday - **8:30 a.m. St. Stephen** 10:30 a.m. St. Edward

First Communion is May 5
Confirmation is May 4 at Holy Cross, Wendelin

The St. Vincent de Paul Dinner Theater will be held Saturday, March 23, at the Cathedral’s McCormick Center, Belleville. Tickets: \$40 per person/\$300 reserved table of 8. Sponsorships and donations are also needed. Call Pat Hogrebe or Joe at 618-394-0126 for additional information

Please pray for these students as they continue their preparation for Confirmation. Allie Parker, Ellie Fleener, Nolan Duquaine, Maria Whitehead, Rachel Holkenbrink, Ellie Pierce, Andrea Moody, Jackson Mills, Ailyn Zurliene and Andrew Milligan.

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation If you want to know about our faith, or would like to join us, contact Father Charles at 618-662-6261, Cheryl McCarty at 815-343-1502, Ginny Barrett at 618-335-6926, or Mary Murphy at 618-599-5018



ST. STEPHEN MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, March 16, NO MASS

Sunday, March 17, 8:30 a.m. mass- St. Ann’s Altar Society

Tuesday, March 19, 6:30 p.m. mass – Dominic & Mary Talmant+

Wednesday, March 20, 6:30 p.m. mass – Catholic Extension Donors

Thursday, March 21, 8 a.m. mass– Regina Buckleh+

Saturday, March 23, 5:00 p.m. MASS – Kenny & Evelyn Myers+

Sunday, March 24, 8:30 a.m. mass – For the deceased of the parish

Stations of the Cross – Fridays at 6:00 p.m.

Weekly Contribution 03/10/19

Envelopes.....\$1,489.00 (42)

Loose..... \$ 15.00

Total\$1,684.00

We Need - \$1,731.00

Support Central & Eastern Europe -\$85

Ash Wednesday Collection \$79

Donation to Purchase New Doors - \$5

Attendance: Saturday- 92 Sunday - 48

Next Weekend Ministers

Saturday, March 23 Lector – Jim Fehrenbacher

EM - Krista Weidner, Paul Birk, Pat Ridgeway

Servers – Pierce Family, Allie Parker

Ushers - Jim Klein, Jerry Price

Sunday, March 24 Lector- Mary Roy

Commentator- Phil Fancher

EM – Beth Fancher, Dorothy Uebinger, Ted Whitehead

Servers – Max and Nolan Duquaine

Ushers – Alan Huff, Jerod Fleener

PRAYER INTENTIONS: Linda Gruffy, Bill Marks, Nicole Wheaton, Velma Oliver, LaVonne Kemmerer, Patience McKnight, Clara Wilson, Mildred Garrison, Ray Vaughn, Joe Falica, Pat Venable, Chris Boyd, Clarence & Clarice Schweighart Painter, Ray & Irene Winka, Steve Dudzik, Ruth Wilson, Roger Wells, Becky Payne, Bob Bluhm, Rhonda Ryker, Dr. Don and Mary Bunnell, Paul Weidner, Marilyn Wheaton, J.R. Means, Lois Houlihan, Cory Britton, Debbie Jones, Ed Perk, Georgia Klingler, Gene Leonard, Celeste Replogle, Georgianna Weber, Steve Spitzner, Helen Powless, Nick Compton, Cindy Bloemer, Kennah Hiestand, Jim McCarty, Sister Kate Kuenstler, , Luke Miller, Betty Greenwood, Claire Karasch, Judie Powless, Mari Reichel, Jean Quinn, Marie Elwat

St. Stephen Upcoming Activities

Saturday, March 16, NO MASS

Sunday, March 17, 8:30 a.m. mass, Altar Society

Monday, March 18, Choir Practice 7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 19, 6:30 mass, Bible study

Wednesday, March 20, 6:30 -pm. mass, Finance

Committee, Adoration 7 p.m. -12midnight

Thursday, March 21, 8 a.m. mass

Friday, March 22, Stations of the Cross 6 p.m.

Divine Mercy Chaplet 8:30 a.m. to 3:15 pm.

Servite Rosary noon, Chaplet to Divine Mercy 3p.

Saturday, March 23, 5 p.m. MASS

Sunday, March 24, 8:30 a.m. Mass,

Mission with Father Zwilling, 6:30 p.m.

ST. EDWARD MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, March 16, 5:00pm—Jim Turner+

Sunday, March 17, 10:30am—Larry McClure+

Thursday, March 21, 6:30pm—St. Edward Parishioners

Friday, March 22, 8:00am—Catholic Extension Donors

Saturday, March 23—NO MASS

Sunday, March 24, 10:30am—Kathleen Zurliene Ripperda+

Stations of the Cross—Fridays at 6:00pm

Weekly Contributions

03/10/2019

Envelopes(31) \$1,560.00

Loose 76.00

Total \$1,636.00

We need \$1,887.00

Building Fund \$107.00

Donations 130.00

CSMA 25.00

Black & Indian 110.00

Attendance: Sat. 46 Sun. 53

PRAYER INTENTIONS: Garland Keck, Kim Buchanan, Lanora Neavill, Leon Chamness, Jack Ciesielczyk, Jalain Thompson, Kurt Wiseman, Nanette Williams, Julie Griffith, Gina Williams, Emilee Stanley, Noreen Reeves, Paula Zdan, Maddox Oppenheimer, Sara Kerchner, Charles Drechsel, Eva Decker, Matthew Rorban, Tom Colvin, Andrew Mayo, Robyn Meagher, Sheila Zurliene, Sandra Henson, Andrew Luna, Elaine Jeffers, Homer and Shirley Clark, Alice Zurliene, Tim Dittmer, Megan Young, Cody Burroughs, Terri Venturelli, Linda States, James Rawls, Glory Almon, all priests who are sick

Our Daily Scripture Readings:

Mon: St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop

Dn 9:4b-10 Lk 6:36-38

Tues: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

2 Sm 7:4-5a,12-14a,16 Lk 2:41-51a

Wed: Lenten Weekday

Jer 18:18-20 Mt 20:17-28

Thur: Lenten Weekday

Jer 17:5-10 Lk 16:19-31

Fri: Lenten Weekday

Gn 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28a Mt 21:33-43,45-46

Sat: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

Mi 7:14-15,18-20 Lk 15:1-3,11-32

Sun: Third Sunday of Lent

Ex 3:1-8a,13-15 1 Cor 10:1-6,10-12 Lk 13:1-9

Saturday, March 23—NO MASS

Lector:

E. Min:

Ushers:

Gifts:

Servers:

Sunday, March 24: 10:30am

Lector: Jen Wellen

E. Min: Diana Zurliene, Ginny Barrett

Ushers: Craig Zurliene, Kent Ochs

Gifts: Anthony & Elizabeth Zurliene

Servers : Jackson Mills, Peyton Felowitz

ST. EDWARD NEWS

REMINDER: NEXT SATURDAY, March 23rd—There will be no mass at St. Edward.

PSR NEWS

Mar 17th—PSR CLASS 9:00am Confirmation—5:00pm

Mar 24th—PSR CLASS 9:00am No Confirmation

Mar 31st—PSR CLASS 9:00am Confirmation—5:00pm

Apr 7th—NO PSR OR CONFIRMATION (MEN’S SAUSAGE DINNER)

CYO NEWS

The CYO will be doing a fundraiser to raise money for NCYC this fall in Indianapolis. On the weekends of March 30th-31st and April 6th-7th, they will be selling religious jewelry. These pieces would make nice gifts for First Communion, Confirmation, Easter Baskets, Mother’s Day and Graduation. The CYO will get half of everything they sell. Please help support our youth. Thank-you in advance.

LOOKING AHEAD

March 16th—St. Patrick’s Dinner 6pm (after mass)

March 21st—Pastoral Council 7:00pm

March 24th—Hosting East Vicariate Meeting 1:00pm

March 31st—St. Edward Mission with Fr. Robert Zwillling 6:00pm.

April 1st—St. Edward Mission with Fr. Robert Zwillling 6:00pm

April 7th—Men’s Club Sausage Dinner 11:00am

April 7th—Holy Week Meeting 6:00pm

MISSION

St. Edward will be having a Mission Retreat on Sunday, March 31st & April 01st. Both nights will begin at 6:00pm. Fr. Robert Zwillling will be hosting the “Mission”. Everyone is invited.

St. Edward March Food Pantry had 32 individuals come through last weekend. We served at total of 85 persons in our community.

CSMA

Thank-you to the 16 households that have participated in The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. To date we have received \$2,766 towards our \$3,400 goal. Way to go St. Edward. If you have not yet donated there is still time.

PASTORAL COUNCIL WILL MEET THURSDAY, MARCH 21ST AT 7:00PM. MINUTES ARE ON THE BULLETIN BOARD.

ST. STEPHEN NEWS

Sympathy is extended to Bernard Dunnigan and family on the death of his wife, Kathryn (Erwin) Dunnigan who passed away Monday March 11. Her funeral Mass was at St. Stephen’s, Friday, March 15 with burial following in St. Stephen Cemetery May her soul rest in peace



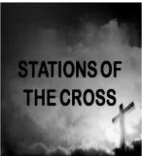
St. Ann’s Altar Society will meet this Sunday March 17, after 8:30 a.m. mass. All ladies of St. Stephen’s are welcome.

WE will hold our ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE/PLANT SALE on April 12 and 13. We will accept good clean items for sale. No CLOTHING. All plants, starts or seeds and garden supplies accepted.

SALE

From Fr. Charles Desk: Thanks to the 23 households that have pledged to support the mission of the Church to teach, preach, minister and serve in the name of Jesus through their financial support of The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. So far \$4,432.90, has been pledged. If you have not yet responded, please make every effort to do so. Our goal is 37 households \$4,850.00

Choir Practice for Holy Week began on Monday, March 11, at 7 pm. Practices will continue on Mondays unless announced otherwise. All parishioners welcome



There will be Stations of the Cross every Friday, 6 p.m. during Lent at St. Stephen.

****MISSION****
Sunday, March 24 and Monday March 25.
Fr. Robert Zwillling will be here for a mission. Both nights start at 6:30pm

St. Stephen PSR 2019 Calendar
Sunday Class Time 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.
April 7 Class
April 14 No Class Palm Sunday
March 17 Class April 21 No Class Easter
March 24 Class April 28 Class
March 31 Class May 5 – No Class 1st Communion
May 12 – No Class - Mothers Day
May 19 – Last Class - Pizza Party

If you are celebrating an occasion such as a birthday, anniversary, new birth, or wedding, please contact Trudi Herdes at church or Beth Fancher, 618-676-4292 bafancher@wabash.net. We would like to pray for you, put it in the bulletin and complete our list.

SIGN-UP SHEETS FOR PALM SUNDAY WEEKEND, HOLY WEEK AND EASTER ARE ON THE TABLE by the south door. Please sign up.

March Birthdays
March 13 - Jean Quinn
March 17 – Pat Quinn

WEEKEND MASSES The Saturday evening mass rotates between St. Stephen and St. Edward Churches. The first and third Saturdays will be at St. Edwards and the second and fourth Saturdays will be at St. Stephen. Saturdays masses 5 p.m. The Sunday morning mass times will remain the same. St. Stephen 8:30 a.m. St. Edward – 10:30 a.m.

Today ‘s Gospel reading is about Mount Tabor, the Mountain of the Transfiguration, which we can call the mountain of worship. It is about the three apostles who were there at this sacred moment and it is about all of us.

Peter , James and John , the three apostles privileged to be there, had a startling experience as Jesus’s face and clothes changed and Moses and Elijah flanked Him.

Then came the voice of the Father, “ This is my beloved son, Listen to Him.” Those words of the father are the heart of this moment . this experience will enter the deep memory of the apostles and will sustain them in the difficult times ahead because these same apostles will be with Jesus in the garden of Gethsemane .

Here they had an experience of Christ ‘s glory that would sustain them through the passion and death of Jesus . They were told to listen to the words of Jesus about His suffering and passage into glory because that will be their journey as well. They will know the suffering in their own life and this experience on the mountain will give them an assurance of glory.

For all of us , Mount Tabor represents the mountain of worship . Here , at mass we rise into the very presence of God.

Here, we are reminded that we are creatures and instruments of God and that our life comes from and will someday return to God .

The words of the Father on the mountain, This is my beloved son . Listen to Him,” are also directed to us . Do we listen to Him? The Lord speaks to us in so many ways at mass but also through events in our life . The lord can speak to us through the difficult relationships and conflict we have. The Lord can speak to us through illness. Are we willing to listen to the Lord when he is calling us through our life experience to go another way or to endure suffering and pain as a path to deeper life and a glory like His?

St Patrick , Bishop

St Patrick was born in Great Britain about the year 385. As a young man he was captured and sold as a slave in Ireland where he had to tend sheep. Having escaped from slavery, he chose to enter the priesthood , and later , as a bishop, he tirelessly preached the Gospel to the people of Ireland where he converted many to the faith and established the church . He died at Down in 461.

St. Stephen News

**WELCOME VISITORS ATTENDING MASS Welcome to our church.
Come visit us again.**

Guadalupe Project: Anyone wishing to make a monetary contribution to the Guadalupe Project may place their donation in an envelope labeled “Guadalupe” and put it in the collection basket .

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) If you or someone you know would like to learn more about the Catholic Church, or is interested in joining or returning to the Church, contact Father Charles at 662-6261 or Cheryl McCarty at 815-343-1502.

Prayer Chain: When a parishioner has an intention & requests prayers, Erin Pierce will initiate the prayer chain. She will contact Fr. Charles, who will determine the prayers. An email will be sent to all members, who will pray for the intentions. Each member should endeavor to assure the obligation is met. Call Erin 662-2266 erinmp1968@aol.com

Goodsearch: If you would like to help earn money for St. Ann's general fund **visit Goodsearch.com** and register making St. Ann's your charity. Please type in "St Ann’s Altar Society" (no punctuation). Make it your homepage or just use it to search or make online purchases.

SCRIP: Please consider **purchasing SCRIP** cards after weekend Masses. There are several retailers & restaurants participating in the program. St. Ann's buys the cards at a discounted rate and sells them at full face value. When you buy a card you receive a card worth the purchase price, Contact Erin or shopwithscrip.com.

Altar Society: The next three rotating chairmen are: Jill Fehrenbacher, Mary Beth Lancaster/Susan Schroeder, and Erin/Emma Pierce .

CRY ROOM St. Stephen’s Cry Room is in the Library, which is equipped with a TV set up with a live feed of both Masses.



