

St. Edward Parish

North Plains, Oregon

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Mission Statement

St. Edward is a welcoming Catholic Parish embracing God our Father, Jesus Christ His Son, and the Holy Spirit. We gather in **Faith** to give glory and praise to God as a worshipping community. We gather in **Hope** to educate, form and nurture spiritual growth of our individual parishioners, families, and community through the administration of the sacraments, catechesis, prayer and devotion and fellowship. We gather in **Charity** to provide social outreach in our works of mercy.

Parish Pastoral Council

Mitch Nussbaumer 2017-2020 (Chair)
Dian Duyck 2019-2022 (Vice Chair)
Kristina Heagh-Avritt 2018-2021
(Secretary)
John Reding 2017-2020
Bob VanderZanden 2018-2021
Patrick Weis 2019-2022

Confessions:

Saturday 4:30-5:15 pm

Masses:

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:30 pm

Sunday Morning Mass 9:15 am

Wednesday Morning Mass 9:00 am

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

1st Wednesday of the month, following
9:00 am Mass, closes at 7:00 pm

Funeral Service

Contact the parish office before making any funeral arrangements involving St. Edward Church facilities. The office will involve Father Michael as soon as possible. Thank you.

Infant Baptism

Before scheduling a date for baptism, parents must be registered members of St. Edward Parish and attend a baptism preparation class. To register for a baptism class and for more information, contact the parish office. An appointment will be scheduled with Father Michael.

Matrimony

Couples are asked to contact the parish office. The office will then send a letter explaining parish policies and an information form to be filled out and returned. No date can be set until there is a conference with the parish priest, at least six months prior to the wedding.

Parish Hall Use

If any parish committee, ministry, or group is planning a meeting or gathering in the parish hall, it is important that you call Nancy in the parish office for availability.

Mass Intentions can normally be offered on Wednesday mornings and Saturday evenings. Please submit requests through the parish office. A suggested stipend is \$10.

Bulletin Announcements

The deadline is 12:00 pm on Tuesday for the following Sunday. Call the parish office or email mail@stedwardnp.org.

Dear Parishioners,

As many of you know, I like an orderly life. A set schedule of when to get up, when to pray, when to celebrate Mass provides me structure and comfort. Even the way my house is arranged gives me comfort. Granted, there may be piles on my desk or on my coffee table, but they are my piles that I know what is in each one.

For this reason, when schedules are disrupted and routines are changed, it causes challenges, annoyances, and frustrations. Whether we thrive on order in our lives or not, I am sure that we can all say that we have experienced disruption in our lives these last 5 months.

As I mentioned in my homily this past weekend, if the pandemic has taught us anything or at least reminded us, we have a basic need for social interactions, connections, and sense of belonging. Some of that belonging is created from family and friends that we are unable to gather as normal. Or it is created through a mutual interest in sports, arts, music, and entertainment that is not readily available, albeit slowly coming back but sadly not in-person performance though.

What these past few months feels like is simply this: if I had to take the image of the plethora of parables each Sunday, on average 3 per passage, the parable of the wheat and the weeds stands out the best. The good seed planted by our daily routines and schedule that gives us structure and comfort. All of a sudden, unbeknownst to us, someone out of our control has come in the darkness of the night and has planted weeds alongside the wheat.

And, as a result, we just want to pull all those weeds out. In other words, to make the virus just go away, so we can have the wheat grow without the nuisance of the weeds and have order and normalcy again. But if the parable has taught us anything, the weeds are here to stay with the wheat. We are living with both the wheat and weeds together.

And even when a vaccine is developed that is effective, available to all and at a minimal cost, will COVID-19 be contained and controlled. We can once again be able to socialize, gather, and enjoy each other's company. This is the HOPE of the parable's message that strengthens us to get up each day trusting that better days are ahead because we are not going to allow weeds to put a damper on our harvesting of the wheat.

Be Safe and Stay Healthy!

Blessings,
Fr. Michael

This Week

Saturday, August 1st

Vigil Mass 5:30 pm

Intentions: RIP Paul Juenemann

Sunday, August 2nd

Mass 9:15 am

Intentions of Dick and Nancy Vandehey

Mass 5:00 pm

Intentions: Parishioners of St. Edward

Wednesday, August 5th

Mass 9:00 am

Intentions: RIP Michael IMcDermott

Saturday, August 8th

Confessions by appointment only

Vigil Mass 5:30 pm

Intentions: Parishioners of St. Edward

Sunday, August 8th

Mass 9:15 am

Intentions: Thanksgiving Paes Family

Mass 5:00 pm

Intentions: RIP Laura Beall

Solemnity of the Assumption, August 15

This year, the Solemnity of the Assumption falls on Saturday, August 15. It is not a holy day of obligation, however, the Archdiocese has allowed the observance of the Solemnity in place of the 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time. August 15-16, we will be observing the Solemnity of the Assumption at all our weekend Masses.

Our Lady of the Assumption, Pray for us!

Offertory Collection

Weekly contributions needed for budget goal:	\$4373.00
Offertory total for 7/25 & 7/26:	\$4950.00
Online total:	\$810.00
Over (Under):	\$1387.00

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Pick of the Month

Fr. Michael's Pick:
"FORMED Now! The Power of Bad News"

Dr. Tim Gray, President of Augustine Institute and Dan Burke, former President and CEO of EWTN, discuss why we give so much attention to bad news rather than the good. As humans, we are motivated by love and fear. However, the current media and the news cycle feeds only on fear that can cause worry, anxiety and angst. My hope is that you find their thoughts and observations insightful. You will never listen to the news ever the same again. Run Time: 30 minutes.

Fr. Juan Jose's Pick:
TBA

Expanding to Love and Serve Campaign

Due to COVID-19 guidelines, we are awaiting to reschedule the neighborhood meeting. Then we will be able to be assigned a hearing date with the City of North Plains Planning Commission. If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Michael, Dick Vandehey (Chair), Dick Krueger (Vice Chair), or Bob VanderZanden (Vice Chair).

Live Streaming of Masses

The Archdiocese of Portland will continue to live stream the 11:00 am Sunday Mass from The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception every week until the gather restrictions have been lifted. Go to <https://archdpdx.org/live-masses>.

St. Edward/St. Francis of Assisi/Visitation is also live streaming the 10:00 am Sunday Mass in Verboort every week. Download Zoom.us, enter Meeting ID: 993 4497 4746, password HolyMass.

New: Face Covering Requirements

Face coverings are legally required at indoor gatherings, including in churches, per statewide directive. All who are 5 years and up must wear face coverings in church in Phases 1 and 2 of reopening. Those are excepted who perform activity that makes wearing a mask "not feasible," like the presider (throughout Mass) and the lectors/cantors (while reading/singing). Exceptions are also made for people with disabilities or diagnosed medical conditions that preclude them from wearing masks. In these few cases, special seating accommodations should be made so those unable to wear masks have seating in a cry room or choir loft away from the rest gathered. Children 2 and under should not wear masks. Wearing a face covering at church is not optional. Churchgoers cannot be allowed entrance without a mask. The pastor and door monitor must strictly enforce this requirement. By archdiocesan requirement, masks must still be used by ministers when distributing Holy Communion. Cantors must remain at least 6 feet away from the nearest person when singing. A presider *may* wear a mask throughout Mass.

For our beloved deceased, please pray for these parishioners and their families ...

Zaida Ivette Rosa Gonzalez (May 28, 1969 - March 19, 2020)
Cecilia Ann Wilson (November 15, 1931 - April 17, 2020)
Allen David Spiering (January 14, 1941 - April 12, 2020)
Paul Joseph Juenemann (November 14, 1941 - July 13, 2020)
Clarence Court, Jr. (January 13, 1929 - July 23, 2020)
Laura Kathryn Beall (November 10, 1941 - July 28, 2020)