

<u>September 4, 2022</u>

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Collection August 28, 2022

Collection	\$ 803.00
Assumption of Mary	\$ 10.00
Charitable fund	\$1500.00
Attendance	44

September 11, 2022

Lector: *Rebecca Harriman* Commentator: *Caleb Harriman* Ushers: *Schlottmanns* Lawn Care: *Bill Thompson*

Readings for Sept. 11, 2022

 Reading 1:
 Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14

 Reading 2:
 1 Timothy 1:12-17

 Gospel:
 Luke 15:1-32

Information about St. Edwards- Daily readings, the bulletin, homilies, and other information can be found on our webpage at: https://stedwardpulaski.org

<u>**Prayer List**</u> - Tim Kimbleton, Carol Luttrell, John Balconi, Brenda Lessard, Jody Riffey, Stephen Petrowski, Christine Scarpinato, Michael Linkous, Megan Talbert, Rosanna Vallo, Jim Trowbridge, Archie Kemp, Rick Yost, and Father Bernie.

If you know of anyone who needs to be added or deleted from this prayer list, please let the Stanleys know.

<u>Church Picnic</u>—St. Edward's church picnic is next week! Please make sure you sign up on the sheet in the hall today if you haven't already, and indicate the number from your family attending. We will have directions printed for everyone next week. It is on the lake, about 7 miles from church, but will take about 25 minutes to get there. The address is: 6293 Old Ferry Rd., Hiwassee. Hope everyone can join us next Sunday directly after Mass. You are welcome to bring your food to church and put it in the refrigerator, if necessary, until after Mass.

<u>Congratulation to Father Boat</u>-On Tuesday, September 6, Father will be sworn in as an American citizen in Norfolk. Congratulations and safe travels!

September Birthdays

Jean Jennings Sept. 4 Caleb Harriman Sept. 8 **Rick Grube** Sept. 8 Michael Vallo Sept 10 Sept. 12 Materina Carper Debbie Grubb Sept. 21 Pattv Williams Sept. 24 Sept. 27 Marsha DuBose





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Daily Prayer This Week

This week's daily communion with our Lord can be about the mysteries of selfsacrifice and healing. In the back of our minds each day, we can have a desire to take time out of our busy days just as Jesus did, for prayer and speaking to his Father. We can be aware of the judgmental religious leaders of Jesus' time, who ignored the beam of wood in their own eyes to point out the splinter in someone else's eye. We can also ask for the vision to see how we might be blind to our own snap judgments of others.

If we begin each morning by praying a desire, the rest will follow for the day. "Good morning, Lord. Thank you for this day. Help me today to bring to you the parts of myself that need your healing. Be with me as I face the poverty, hunger or tears of this day." We can go into this prayer, in more depth or detail while we are in the shower or getting dressed. If we let these desires make their way into the background of our day, we can focus our consciousness no matter what we are doing.

Even in activities that require "our full consciousness" and attention, it is possible to shape that consciousness in the context of our desires. For example, I might be in an important meeting, that doesn't allow me to daydream. But, I can walk into that meeting room saying in my heart, "Okay, Lord, be with me here. While I'm so tempted to be seen as a 'success' here, heal all of that focus on myself and free me to do my best and to be attentive to the needs of others. Let me focus on you and your desires for the greater good here."

Especially when we are facing something that is quite difficult, requiring real self-sacrifice and genuine love, we can let our background conversation with the Lord release us from our "typical" response or behavior. "Lord, I'm so full of fear sometimes. I see you boldly heal the man with the withered hand in front of the steely gaze of your critics. You healed because you knew it was the right and compassionate thing to do. Help me to be more courageous in choosing the right thing in my life today.