



**January 29, 2023**  
**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary  
 Time**

**Collection January 22, 2023**

Regular Collection	\$495.00
Share of Murphy donation	333.00
Votive candles	61.01
Attendance	40

**February 5, 2023**

Lector: *Rebecca Harriman*  
 Commentator: *Charlotte Phillips*  
 Ushers: *Hathaway/Klima*

**Readings for February 5, 2023**

Reading 1    *Isaiah 58:-10*  
 Reading 2    *1 Corinthians 2:1-5*  
 Gospel        *Matthew 5:13-6*

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

**Prayer List** - *Tim Kimbleton, Carol Luttrell, John Balconi, Brenda Lessard, Jody Riffey, Bill Jennings, Megan Talbert, Rosanna Vallo, Stephen Petrowski, Christine Scarpinato, Michael Linkous, Jim Trowbridge, Orlando LoMascolo, Rommy LoMascolo, Jerry Stanley, Bill Vest, Caroline Jewell, Jim Hopkins, Joy McComb, Raegan Ray, Alexandria Hayes, and Danny Coalson*  
**Let the Stanleys know if you have additions or deletions.**

**Bishop's Visit-** *Next Sunday, Bishop Knestout will say Mass at St. Mary's in Wytheville at 9:00. It will be followed by a reception. Father Benoit will be here at St. Edward's to say the usual 11:00 Mass for those who are not attending in Wytheville.*

**2023 Calendars-***Bliley's Funeral Home in Richmond has again given us our Catholic wall calendars. They are available in the hall---one per family!*

**CHILI COOK-OFF-***Next Sunday will be our Annual Chili Cook-off for SAM Sunday, directly after Mass. Bring your best chili recipe to share and join in the fun so we can select the next award-winning chili at St. Edward's! Even if you don't want to fix chili, please plan to stay, taste, and vote for your favorite. The more the merrier! This is always a fun one!!*

**February Birthdays**

<i>Jennie Willett</i>	<i>Feb. 5</i>
<i>Stephanie Tedesco</i>	<i>Feb. 9</i>
<i>Melody Riffey</i>	<i>Feb.11</i>
<i>Mandy Williams Sutherland</i>	<i>Feb.11</i>
<i>Karen Audas</i>	<i>Feb. 14</i>
<i>Rebecca Harriman</i>	<i>Feb. 15</i>
<i>Emelda Tabar</i>	<i>Feb.27</i>

**January Anniversaries**

<i>John &amp; Mickey Balconi</i>	<i>Feb. 4</i>
<i>Tim &amp; Mariah Taylor</i>	<i>Feb.29</i>

*"Taken from the Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer of Creighton University's Online Ministries website: [www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html](http://www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html). Used with Permission."*

### **Daily Prayer This Week**

The readings this week seem to be about healing and call. In our ongoing renewal, I can ask our Lord to be continually healed of what is getting in my way and to continually be more and more open to my call.

Even though we are trying to be people who find intimacy with God in the very midst of our everyday lives, there might be moments this week when we plug into a really great connection with our Lord. So often that happens when we find ourselves in need of healing. Perhaps after many years of one part of our life being dominated by an unclean spirit, we discover a readiness to be whole again, pure again. Maybe we encounter a sin that has become "my" sin, my obstacle to growth in my relationship with God. This may be the week to open my heart to pure grace and reconciliation.

This could be the week when we discover what a handicap fear itself is in my life. It may be the reason we don't ask or even reach out to touch Jesus for healing. This may be the week we are being invited to no longer be afraid and to let our Lord love us and heal us. Touching his cloak, without words, may be enough for us.

This week, like so many, can be a time for us to be consciously aware of our being called - placed in a position of being his disciple. In that situation, whatever way the invitation comes to us, we are clearly facing an opportunity to be a source of good news, rather than bad news; to love tenderly, rather than selfishly; to be a gatherer of others, rather than a divider; and to be a source of compassion, rather than a heartless judge. And, when that happens, we can delight in spending a bit more time with Jesus, comforting us for being his disciple there. We can "come away with him" for even a brief moment and give thanks that we had that taste of his ministry, happening through us.

When we rest each night this week, expressing our thanks for this daily prayer is quite in order.