



March 31, 2024
EASTER SUNDAY

Collection March 24, 2024

Regular Collection	\$ 770.00
Flowers	30.00
Attendance	63

April 7, 2024

Lector: *Chad Owen*
Commentator: *Madelyn Owen*
Ushers: *Klima/McNair*
Eucharist Ministers: *White/DuBose*

Readings for April 7, 2024

Reading 1 Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35
 Reading 2 1 John 5:1.6
 Gospel John 20:19-31

Prayer List -*Tim Kimbleton, Carol Luttrell, John Balconi, Brenda Lessard, Jody Riffey, Rosanna Vallo, Larry Riffey, Mary Ann Phillips, Stephen Petrowski, Jerry Stanley, Bill Vest, Raegan Ray, Marianne McGriffin, Georgia Snell English, Margaret McLawhorn, Shannon Yates, Lynn Canty, Chuck Yates, Ron Morgan, Sue Dasse, Tod Young, Shelia Zellars, Donna Gilmore, Adam Conner, Aaron Quain, Jim Hopkins, Bill McGuire, Monte Howard, Suzanne Martin, and John Willett.*

Let the Stanleys know if you have additions or deletions,

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

Congratulations-*Victoria Slayman received the 3 sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil service in Wytheville last night. Congratulations, Victoria! So happy to have you as a new member of our St. Edward's Parish family. WELCOME!*

New Schedules soon-*New schedules will be made soon. If you are currently doing a ministry that you don't want to continue, or you are not doing one you would like to do, please be sure to let Stan know on or before **April 14**. The ministries include Lector, Commentator, Ushers, and Eucharistic Ministers. We will need 2 ushers and 2 Eucharistic Ministers each week. Please consider becoming involved if you aren't already. Thank you*

Lawn Care- *If you can help with grass cutting, removing weeds from beds, weed eating, and keeping the parking lot clean, please sign up on the sheet in the hall.*

Thanks to all who help make Holy Week a success!

April Birthdays

<i>Tom Phillips</i>	Apr. 2
<i>Sally Warburton</i>	<i>Apr. 12</i>
<i>Bill Jennings</i>	<i>Apr. 21</i>
<i>Drema Altizer</i>	<i>Apr. 21</i>
<i>Amanda Kelly</i>	<i>Apr. 22</i>
<i>Danny Coalson</i>	<i>Apr. 23</i>
<i>Stan Stanley</i>	<i>Apr. 23</i>
<i>Marie Hager</i>	<i>Apr. 28</i>
<i>Rosanna Vallo</i>	<i>Apr. 28</i>
<i>Ryan Kelly</i>	<i>Apr. 28</i>

April Anniversaries

<i>Paul & Kelli Glover</i>	Apr. 3
<i>Dan & Debbie Grubb</i>	<i>Apr. 12</i>

**CHRIST IS RISEN, ALLELUIA
HAPPY EASTER TO ALL!**

Daily Prayer This Week

We now begin a celebration of the **Resurrection of our Lord** for the next seven weeks - when we mark the **Ascension** forty days after Easter and culminating in the celebration of **Pentecost** on the fiftieth day after Easter. This week, we begin that deepening realization of, and reflection upon, the meaning of the gift of life we have received in God's raising Jesus from the dead so that we might have eternal life.

Just as it difficult for many of our cultures to face the reality of death, it is difficult to accept the reality of life after death. St. Paul invites us to live in this passing world with our hearts set on the world that will never end. This week let us try to open our hearts to a felt sense of what a difference it makes that the tomb is empty, that Jesus is alive, that he allows us to recognize him in the breaking of bread, and that he missions us to proclaim this Good News.

Each morning this week, we can pause for a moment and simply thank God for our being alive today. Even more, we can thank God for the life that Jesus won for us. Throughout the day, and at different brief moments, we can remember that this is Easter Week and ask to live more freely today, more gratefully. We can name the grace in our own terms and in the context of what we are experiencing, what gets us discouraged or what gives us life. Overall, we want to live the freedom we have been given. If death has no hold on us, so many of our fears would melt away. If we realized our ultimate home is in heaven, our spirits would be lighter and we would walk around more gratefully.

So, as we go through this week, we can let ourselves believe in the Resurrection that was won for us. "Lord, I believe in the gift of life you have given me in the death and resurrection of your Son, Jesus." We can say this act of faith, or sing any of the wonderful Easter songs in the back of our minds, as many times as it takes to let ourselves feel the effects of Easter.

Perhaps we had a difficult Holy Week or Easter. There might have been loneliness or family conflicts. Perhaps we are facing a chronic illness or deep struggles with a loved one, or we are grieving the loss of a loved one. These, and many other struggles can challenge our Easter hope and joy. This is the week to place our trust in the one who is now alive, so that we can live forever. We can ask for the gifts of hope renewed these days. In giving thanks, we can ask that our hearts be opened even more to receive the gift of his Spirit

EASTER FLOWER GIVING

Materina Carper-In memory of Serafin, Domingka, Vinbar, John, and Anastasia

Wesley Young-In memory of Brenda Lee and deceased members of St. Edwards.

Donna Hathaway-In memory of Ron Hathaway

Coalsons-In memory of Jaccard and Coalson family members

Karen Audas-In memory of Caldea family members

Klimas-In memory of the Klima and Lester families

Thompsons-In memory of Ray & Charlotte Tancre and Marcia Thompson

Tom Phillips-In memory of Warren P Phillips, Warren P. Phillips II, and Phyllis Hogan Phillips

McCanns-In memory of Greeley & Elizabeth Manning, Catherine & John McCann, and Betty Richardson.

Marie Hager-In memory of Charles & Wally Hager, and Charles & Linda Hager

Mary Ann Phillips-In memory of Mr. & Mrs. C. L. Phillips, Jr., and Shannon Mary Phillips Houghton

Sally Warburton-In honor of my children & grandchildren

Stanleys-In memory of the LoMascolo, Perrino, and Stanley family members, Father Edward Sadie, Cora Wojceichouski, Carol Canty, and Jennie Willett

Grubbs-In memory of Bill & Carol Canty, Ralph & Mozelle Grubb, Gregory Canty, and other family members