



June 30, 2024
**Thirteenth Sunday
 In Ordinary Time**

Collection June 23, 2024

Regular Collection	\$1088.00
Peter's Pence	25.00
Attendance	56

July 7, 2024

Lector: *Chuck Yates*
Commentator: *Gabriella Stanley*
Ushers: *Schlottmann family*
Eucharist Ministers: *Thompsons*
Lawn Care: *S. Stanley*

Readings for July 7, 2024

Reading 1 Ezekiel 2:2-5
 Reading 2 2 Corinthians 12:7-10
 Gospel Mark 6:1-6

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, Rosanna Vallo, Larry Riffey, Megan Talbert, Mary Ann Phillips, Stephen Petrowski, Jerry Stanley, Bill Vest, Elwood Switzer, Raegan Ray, Marianne McGriffin, Georgia Snell English, Margaret McLawhorn, Shannon Yates, Lynn Canty, Chuck Yates, Ron Morgan, Sue Dasse, Tod Young, Shelia Zellars, Adam Conner, Aaron Quain, Jim Hopkins, Bill McGuire, Suzanne Martin, Megan Talbert, John Willett, Davis Hale, Tammy Akers & family, Jettie Montgomery, Erika Ash, and John Ash.*
Let the Stanleys know if you have additions or deletions

HELP NEEDED-*Would you like for the following to continue???* Please talk to *Sally, Gaby or Stan* if you feel that you could possibly take over the positions of head of Religious instructions for the children/adults, or for SAM Sundays.

Pastoral Council Meeting-*The Pastoral Council will meet next Sunday, on July 7, directly after Mass. If you are a member or would like to be a member of council please plan to attend.*

Peter's Pence-*There is a second collection for Peter's Pence directly after the first collection today.*

July Birthdays

Linda McCann	July 4
Case Grube	July 6
Bernard LeFleur	July 11
Brenda May	July 13
Michele Coalson	July 16
Donna Hathaway	July 25
Annabelle Williams	July 30

July Anniversaries

<i>Father Boat</i>	<i>July 13</i>
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Daily Prayer This Week

One of the blessings of reading passages that describe Jesus' ministry is that they can help us become more and more attracted to him. We can become fascinated by his pastoral care for those on the margins of Society or his courage in the face of opposition. The more we watch Jesus, the easier it is for us to fall in love with him. Being drawn to Jesus with growing affection will ultimately lead us to want to be with him and like him.

So each morning this week we can begin our day with a very brief prayer. "Lord, let me see you, love you and desire to follow you more closely today." We might say, "Drive away the demons that tempt my spirit today" on one day and repeat that prayer at various times, especially when we are tempted to look good, or to escape into over-indulgence with food or drink or fantasies, or when we are tempted to let anger get the better of us. On another day, we might pray, "Dear Lord, I get paralyzed sometimes - just stuck and unable to move. Free me today, by reminding me of your love and mercy." Still another day, we might ask, "Let me respond to your call with the freedom Matthew had." We might turn to the Lord some day and simply say, "Lord, I know you desire mercy and not sacrifice, please free me from the judgments I will be tempted to make today." Finally, I might pray, "Lord, pour your new wine into me. Let me be a new wineskin to receive it. Give me the freedom today to let your word transform how I act and how I choose today."

The key to finding intimacy with our God in the midst of our busy lives is to let God's Word interact with the real events and people who are there. No matter what our responsibilities are today, no matter how unrelated they seem to be to faith or devotion, and no matter how busy we might be, we can all let God's Word into the background, in brief moments of connection, conversation and intimacy. All it takes is desire and focus.

As we practice using the background moments of our days, we will grow in experiencing that this intimacy is possible. And, when we sense it and enjoy it, and see what a difference it makes, let's not forget to give thanks each evening for the gifts we have received.