

St. Edward's Catholic Church -Pulaski



January 26, 2025
Third Sunday in Ordinary
Time

Collection January 19, 2025

Regular Collection	\$910.00
Catholic Virginian	10.00
Solemnity of Mary	10.00
Respect for Life	75.00
Attendance	42

February 2, 2025

Ushers: D. Hathaway/C. Yates
Lector: Rebecca Harriman
Commentator: Patty Williams
Eucharist Ministers: S. Stanley/L. McCann

Readings for February 2, 2025

Reading 1 Malachi 3:1-4
Reading 2 Hebrews 2:14-18
Gospel Luke 2:22-40

As you enter the sanctuary, please be respectful and quiet for those praying before Mass.

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, Larry Riffey, Rosanna Vallo, Megan Talbert, Stephen Petrowski, Jerry Stanley, Elwood Switzer, Raegan Ray, Georgia Snell English, Margaret McLawhorn, John & Bonnie Millard, Lynn Canty, Chuck Yates, Ron Morgan, Tod Young, Shelia Zellars, Adam Conner, Aaron Quain, Jim Hopkins, Bill McGuire, Suzanne Martin, John Willett, Susan Bennett, Jerry Toothman, Pal Montgomery, Jon Ash, Shannon Yates, Leigh Thompson, Father Bernie, Tom Phillips, Tonia Johnson, Anna LoMascolo, Therese Ann Mansfield, Jean Jennings, Gary Gibson, Rommy LoMascolo, Sharon Dalton, and BB Porter. **Please let Gaby or Stan know when you need someone added or deleted from this list.** Thanks

NEW HVAC SYSTEM- Our new HVAC system has been installed on the roof and is working well. Thank you to everyone who has made a pledge to our Capital Campaign.

THANK YOU-A big thanks to the Schlottmanns and the Grubbs for hosting SAM Sunday last week. The food was great and the snowmen decorations MORE than appropriate!!! The Stanleys and McCanns will host our yearly "chili cookoff" on February 9.

Tax Forms- The envelope with your yearly contributions for tax purposes is available on the table in the Hall. Please pick yours up after Mass.

January Birthdays

Brenda Lessard	Jan. 1
Larry Riffey	Jan. 3
Brenda McLawhorn	Jan. 4
Al Kozar	Jan. 29

January Anniversaries

Bill & Jean Jennings	Jan. 13
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Daily Prayer This Week

This week is set at the beginning of Jesus' ministry and the pictures we get of how challenged and pushed he is prepare us to hear the simple parables he tells us. All of us get challenged and pushed in our daily lives. Even when we are on the right road and following a faithful path, there are forces, conflicting demands, tempting alternatives, differing values that batter us. It takes grace and courage to trust our real mission and that our Lord will be with us through it all.

Each morning this week, we can take a moment, to ask for what we desire. The entire day will be different just by spending 20 seconds sitting at the edge of the bed saying, "Lord, I want to keep my eyes open today. Whatever comes at me today, I want to stay in touch with you. Thank you." Another morning I may be aware of a big decision I have to execute that day or a conflict I am planning to face, and I might pray, "Okay, Lord, this is the day. This is how I live out my relationship with you. Be with me and give me what I need. Keep reminding me I can't do it without you."

Each day will offer a different brief moment of connection with our Lord, but each will ground the day. Then it is so very easy, while in the shower or walking down a hall, for just brief moments here and there in the background of our day, to stay in touch with our Lord. These guides can help keep us focused on the nourishing Word which interacts with our daily life. Every day can seem like a living Parable of the Sower. There is seed being scattered all around us and we can see and experience our degrees of receptivity. And while we are doing the best we can, all day, every day, in a variety of things, we can be consoled by the Lord's smile reminding us

that the Kingdom is like a mustard seed. The real graces come from very small seeds, the smallest of efforts that make a big difference. Most of all, when things get rough, during any day, we can pause and take a breath and ask him to calm the wind and sea in our hearts.

Every night we can thank him for his presence and ground our growing relationship with him.