

St. Edward's Catholic Church -Pulaski



January 5, 2025
**The Epiphany of
Our Lord**

Collection Dec. 29 & Jan. 1

Regular Collection	\$520.00
Christmas Offering	70.00
Catholic Charities	35.00
Solemnity of Mary	100.00
Attendance	70/24

January 12, 2025
Ushers: B. Thompson/S. Stanley
Lector: Kathy Thompson
Commentator: Rebecca Harriman
Eucharist Ministers: M. White/M. DuBose

Readings for January 12, 2025

Reading 1 Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11
Reading 2 Acts 10:34-38
Gospel Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

**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, Rosanna Vallo, Megan Talbert, Stephen Petrowski, Jerry Stanley, Elwood Switzer, Raegan Ray, Georgia Snell English, Margaret McLawhorn, John 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, Leigh Thompson, Father Bernie, Tom Phillips, Tonia Johnson, Tom Phillips, Therese Ann Mansfield, Jean Jennings, and BB Porter.

Please let Gaby or Stan know when you need someone added or deleted from this list. Thanks

SAM Sunday-We will celebrate our January SAM Sunday after Mass on the 12th. The theme is "brunch foods", so bring any of your favorite breakfast or lunch dishes and/or desserts and join in the fun and fellowship. If you have any questions see Guenter or Lisa Schlottmann who are hosting this month.

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 a time with two special Sundays book-ending the week. Both celebrations offer an "epiphany," an understanding and insight into the essence of who Jesus really is. When the Wise Men visit the poorest of families and find the baby Jesus, they have a clearer idea of what kind of king he will be.

At the Baptism of the Lord the following Sunday, Jesus is baptized and the skies open and the voice of God proclaims, "You are my beloved Son." More than just a prophet, this special relationship with God is made manifest in that moment.

How can we make this week a special one as the Christmas season draws to a close? In some parts of the world daylight is plentiful right now, but for many of us the days are short and the dark of night surrounds us many hours each day. This could be the week to reflect on that darkness and the light that Jesus brings into our hearts.

Each morning as our feet touch the floor next to our beds, we can open our hands briefly in the darkness and ask God to show us the light in our lives. Gratitude is a wonderful way to pray and to recognize the light we sometimes don't notice in our lives. Maybe in this final week of Christmas, we can light a candle at dinner and remember a special blessing we have been given or something we are grateful for in our lives.

Dear Lord,

You came to your disciples when they felt alone on the stormy waters and comforted them with your presence. Be with me today and let my heart be touched by the love you so lavishly give to me. Let me remember to turn to you in my fears and darkness and know that you will heal me.

Epiphany Proclamation 2025

While a day like Christmas is fixed in our minds and on the calendars on December 25th, many of the important feasts of the Church year move, based upon the date that Easter is set. Easter changes each year moving to the Sunday after the "Paschal Full Moon," and can fall between March 22 and April 25.

In ancient times before calendars were common, most people did not know the dates for the upcoming Liturgical year. On Epiphany Sunday, the upcoming dates were "proclaimed" after the gospel in this way:

Dear brothers and sisters,
the glory of the Lord has shone upon us,
and shall ever be manifest among us,
until the day of his return.

Through the rhythms of times and seasons
let us celebrate the mysteries of salvation.

Let us recall the year's culmination,
the **Easter Triduum** of the Lord:
his last supper, his crucifixion, his burial,
and his rising celebrated
between the evening of the Seventeenth day of April
and the evening of the Nineteenth day of April
Easter Sunday being on the Twentieth day of April.

Each Easter -- as on each Sunday --
the Holy Church makes present the great and saving deed
by which Christ has for ever conquered sin and death.
From Easter are reckoned all the days we keep holy.

Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent,
will occur on the Fifth day of March.

The Ascension of the Lord will be commemorated on
Sunday, the First day of June or Thursday, the Twenty-ninth day of May.

Pentecost, joyful conclusion of the season of Easter,
will be celebrated on the Eighth day of June.

And, this year the **First Sunday of Advent** will be
on the The Thirtieth day of November, 2025.

Likewise the pilgrim Church proclaims the passover of Christ
in the feasts of the holy Mother of God,
in the feasts of the Apostles and Saints,
and in the commemoration of the faithful departed.

To Jesus Christ, who was, who is, and who is to come,
Lord of time and history,
be endless praise, for ever and ever.

Amen.

