St. Edward's Catholic Church –Pulaski



May 18, 2025 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Collection May 11, 2025

Regular Collection \$784.00 Diocesan Home Missions 130.00 Attendance 55

May 25, 2025

Ushers-D. Hathaway/C. Yates **Lector-**Chad Owen

Commentator-Madelyn Owen

Eucharistic Ministers-M. White/M. DuBose

Lawn Care-David Carper

Readings for May 25, 2025

Reading 1 Acts of the Apostles 15:1-2, 22-29

Reading 2 Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23

Gospel John 14:23-29

Let Gaby or Stan know of any additions or deletions to PRAYER LIST

Megan Talbert, Tim Kimbleton, Carol Luttrell, John Balconi, Brenda Lessard, Jody Riffey, Larry Riffey, Rosanna Vallo, Chuck Yates, Shannon Yates, Sharon Dalton, Olin Whitener, Stephen Petrowski, Jerry Stanley, Georgia Snell English, Margaret McLawhorn, Lynn Canty, Ron Morgan, Tod Young, Shelia Zellars, Adam Conner, Aaron Quain, Cara Jennings, Bill McGuire, John Willett, Susan Bennett, Jerry Toothman, Pal Montgomery, Jon Ash, Leigh Thompson, Father Bernie, John McNair, Jeannie Bain, Chad Owen, Jean-Paul Billaud, and Donna Franzmann.

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

<u>Arrangements for Tom Phillips</u>-On Thursday, May 22, all at St. Edward's *Visitation*- 10:00-10:50 in the Hall

Memorial Mass-11:00

Meal for everyone following Mass

Meal for Tom after the Funeral-We will be serving a meal after Tom's Memorial Mass. Someone will be at the church by 8:45am, on Thursday the 22^{nd} to accept your food. Please be sure to sign the sheet in the Hall today so we can plan accordingly. If not attending Mass, call Gaby at 540-250-2602 so we'll know what you are bringing. Planning for around 60 people. Thank you!!

Lawn Care-Thank you so much to the following who signed up for lawn care this summer: Bill Thompson, Chad Owen, David Carper, Dan Grubb, Guenter Schlottmann, Lee Crowder, and Stan Stanley. Your willingness to help is greatly appreciated. Please be sure to find someone to fill in or switch with you, if you can't fulfill the week you are scheduled for. If you can't find anyone, please let Stan know (540-250-4861)

<u>Congratulations</u> to Madelyn Owen, Ethan Lytton, and Chloe Carr, who are our 2025 High School graduates. Wishing you all much happiness and success on your new journey going forward.

Ethan Lytton-Please continue praying for Ethan as he continues his journey toward becoming Catholic on Pentecost Sunday, June 8. There will be a reception for him after Mass that day! Hope you will plan to stay and join together in fellowship and love.

May Birthdays		
Chad Owen	May 6	
Ginny Ash	May 11	
Bill Kelly	May 12	
Kathy Smith	May 26	
Norma Klima	May 27	
Shannon Yates	May 27	

May Anniversaries		
Rebecca & Walt Harriman	May 1	
Jennifer & Rick Grube	May 6	
J. Loftis & M. A. Phillips	May 6	
Carla & Kenneth Martin	May 11	
Lisa & Guenter Schlottmann	May 19	
Chad & Leigh Ann Owen	May 20	

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Daily Prayer This Week

We can hold the words of Jesus in our hearts all week. As we do, we will discover their attractiveness and invitation. We will also encounter resistance in ourselves and in others.

It takes practice to stay focused in the background of our daily life. We all have years of habit to overcome. However, we can practice letting this consoling message of Jesus find a place in our awareness at various points in our day, whether it is in the shower, while getting dressed, or simply whenever we are on our way from one place to another. Sometimes it will take a conscious effort to let these thoughts replace the thoughts that are there already. In the background of our day is where our worries reside. It's where we carry anxiety and stress. Sometimes it is where we carry on imaginary conversations with others or "replay" past conversations like a song that we can't get out of our heads. This is when we turn those returning anxieties over the God, asking God to heal us.

This is a great week to get in touch with our deepening desires and to let my conversations with Jesus grow in friendship. The easiest way to do this is to say simple ordinary things -- the very way I would say them to a close friend. Some examples might offer words that will inspire our own conversation with the Lord who loves us.

"Jesus, every time I hear you say I don't have to let my heart be troubled, I pause. I sense you are pointing to the 'troubles' I'm working through today. You're asking me to let go of them, aren't you? I'd like to, Jesus, but some of this is big stuff. It scares me. I know some of what I need to do, but I put it off. I know what I'm avoiding. It helps to focus on your love for me this week. I guess what I really need to ask you for today is that you help me to trust you more completely. It is really nice these days to feel that you are so close to me, and that I'm not alone today."

"I haven't been very connected to you, Jesus. This conversation is difficult because it reminds me the embarrassing stuff I keep doing - and even now, I'm ashamed to talk about it in your presence. Please forgive me. Some of this I want to bring to the Sacrament of Reconciliation, so that I can be re-connected with you again. I need a 'turning point,' Jesus. Thank you for being there."

"Good night, Jesus. Thank you for today. Let me put everything aside tonight. I know you will be with me all day tomorrow."