# St. Edward's Catholic Church

### <u>Pulaski, Virginia</u>

## July 20, 2025

# 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Collection July 13, 2025

<b>Regular Collection</b>	\$1058.00
Catholic Virginian	10.00
Attendance	62

#### <u>July 27, 2025</u>

Ushers- B. Thompson/R. Mancine Lector-Dan Grubb Commentator-Kathy Thompson Eucharistic Ministers- P. Williams/S.Stanley Lawn Care-Bill Thompson

#### Readings for July 27, 2025

Reading 1	Genesis 18:20-32
Reading 2	Colossians 2:12-14
Gospel	Luke 11:1-13

**Info about St. Edwards**- Daily readings, the bulletin, homilies, another information can be found at <u>https://stedwardpulaski.org</u>

#### PRAYER LIST

Megan Talbert, Tim Kimbleton, Carol Luttrell, Brenda Lessard, Jody Riffey, Larry Riffey, Rosanna Vallo, Chuck Yates, Bryan Pittman, Barbara Pittman, Olin Whitener, Stephen Petrowski, Georgia Snell English, Margaret McLawhorn, Lynn Canty, Ron Morgan, Tod Young, Shelia Zellars, Adam Conner, Aaron Quain, Bill McGuire, John Willett, Susan Bennett, Jerry Toothman, Pal Montgomery, Jon Ash, Leigh Thompson, Father Bernie, John McNair, Jeannie Bain, Jean-Paul Billaud, Greg Mitchell, Shannon Yates, Dorothy (Beasley) Stinchcomb, Pauline Worrell, and Donna Franzmann.

#### Anyone needing to be added or deleted, please notify Stan/Gaby

**Outreach-**As an alternate for our monthly food donations, let's support our local schools/kids. From now until July 31, 2025, you can donate the following items. Please place them in the food donations boxes at the church. Thank you!

Glue sticks	Pencil pouch
Rulers	Erasers
Index cards	3 ring binders (all sizes}
Tissues	scissors
Sanitizing wipes	dry erase markers
Individual water bottle	clear protector sheets
Book bags (k-12}	wired ear buds
Spiral notebooks	composition books
Crayons	pocket folders
Colored pencils	hand sanitizer

July Birthdays		July Anniversaries	
Linda McCann	July 4	Father Boat	July 13
Case Grube	July 6		
Brenda May	July 13		
Michele Coalson	July 16		
Donna Hathaway	July 25		
Annabelle Williams	July 30		

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These weekly guides offer us an opportunity to practice being "contemplatives in action." For us busy people, it is possible to pray - "to lift our minds and hearts to God" - in the midst of our everyday, active lives. Prayer is really about our relationship with the Lord, a relationship that is always a gift of the Holy Spirit. That relationship can stay alive, and grow in its intimacy, to the degree we can let the daily events, responsibilities and relationships of our lives become a part of our relationship with our Lord. All it takes is a little focus and some practice.

Every morning this week, we can begin our day with a brief conversation with our Lord that expresses a desire that comes from within us and is shaped by the scriptures this week. We might say, "O Lord, help me trust your presence in what you call me to do today, letting me remember how tiny seeds grow." I may pray: "Dear Lord, thank you for this day. Let me trust your care for me. Let me not be afraid or grumble, but fill me with the nourishment of your presence today." Or we might ask, "Lord, let me do your will today, and experience the closeness you offer me as I do so." Perhaps, we can pray, "Thank you, Lord, for the gift of my children. Help me to trust that not everything I say or do will seem to work, but that you will take care of them and allow my efforts to be fruitful."

Throughout each day, we can repeat and refine these desires and prayers in our hearts. Each thing we do, each person we relate to, each request that is made of us will help us say this or that expression of gratitude or request for grace.

The practice comes in having this ongoing conversation and connection with our Lord in the background of our day - in the brief in between times: in the shower, while getting dressed, on the way to work, while walking to a meeting, during a meeting, while shopping, as we transition from any part of our day to the next. It all comes together as we take a brief bit of time at night, before we go to bed, to say thanks for the graces we have received, for the opportunity to feel connected and know that we are not alone throughout the day. Sometimes, we'll ask the same thing for several days. At times, we'll notice a pattern in what we are asking for and what we experience ourselves as receiving. In this very simple way, with just a little focus and practice, we will find a pearl of great value - a growing relationship with our Lord that transforms our spirits in the midst of our busy lives.