



# St. Edward the Martyr Roman Catholic Church January 13, 2019

## MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

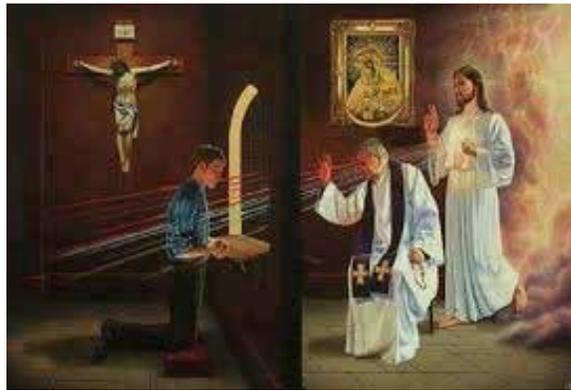
Monday—Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Reconciliation: Saturday 4:30 p.m.—5:00 p.m.  
or by appointment

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### THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION INTERIOR PENANCE

Jesus' call to conversion and penance, like that of the prophets before him, does not aim first at outward works, "sackcloth and ashes," fasting and mortification, but at the conversion of the heart, interior conversion. Without this, such penances remain sterile and false; however, interior conversion urges expression in visible signs, gestures and works of penance. Interior repentance is a radical reorientation of our whole life, a return, a conversion to God with all our heart, an end of sin, a turning away from evil, with repugnance toward the evil actions we have committed. At the same time it entails the desire and resolution to change one's life, with hope in God's mercy and trust in the help of his grace. This conversion of heart is accompanied by a salutary pain and sadness which the Fathers called *animi cruciatus* (affliction of spirit) and *compunctio cordis* (repentance of heart).



The human heart is heavy and hardened. God must give man a new heart. Conversion is first of all a work of the grace of God who makes our hearts return to him: "Restore us to thyself, O LORD, that we may be restored!" God gives us the strength to begin anew. It is in discovering the greatness of God's love that our heart is shaken by the horror and weight of sin and begins to fear offending God by sin and being separated from him. The human heart is converted by looking upon him whom our sins have pierced:

Let us fix our eyes on Christ's blood and understand how precious it is to his Father, for, poured out for our salvation it has brought to the whole world the grace of repentance.

Since Easter, the Holy Spirit has proved "the world wrong about sin," i.e., proved that the world has not believed in him whom the Father has sent. But this same Spirit who brings sin to light is also the Consoler who gives the human heart grace for repentance and conversion.

### THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION

Sin is before all else an offense against God, a rupture of communion with him. At the same time it damages communion with the Church. For this reason conversion entails both God's forgiveness and reconciliation

with the Church, which are expressed and accomplished liturgically by the sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation.

#### Only God forgives sin

Only God forgives sins. Since he is the Son of God, Jesus says of himself, "The Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins" and exercises this divine power: "Your

## News You Can Use

- \* Special Collection: the Cathedral Conservation Collection will be held on the weekend of Jan.26-27, in conjunction of the Feast of St. Francis de Sales on January 24th.
- \* Altar Society Meeting January 15th 9am
- \* Joint Pastoral and Finance Council; Tuesday January 15th, 6 pm this is an open meeting if you would like to attend
- \* RE Class Schedule **January 13th & 27th**

**Jan 6, 2018**

**Attendance: Vigil 74 / Sunday 104**

Date	Weekly Offertory	Weekly Needed	Difference
Dec. 23	\$2583	\$3000	(\$417)
Dec. 24	\$2311		
Dec. 25	\$3318		
Dec. 30	\$3514	\$3000	\$514
Jan. 1	\$1228		
Jan. 6	\$3306	\$3000	306

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sins are forgiven.” Further, by virtue of his divine authority he gives this power to men to exercise in his name.

Christ has willed that in her prayer and life and action his whole Church should be the sign and instrument of the forgiveness and reconciliation that he acquired for us at the price of his blood. But he entrusted the exercise of the power of absolution to the apostolic ministry which he charged with the “ministry of reconciliation.” The apostle is sent out “on behalf of Christ” with “God making his appeal” through him and pleading: “Be reconciled to God.”

The Journey Continues.....

### *R.E. Notes*

**Class Schedule: January 13th & 27th**

**February 3, 10 & 24th**

There will be an open meeting of both the Finance and Pastoral Council on Tuesday, January 15 at 6pm in the parish hall. All Parishoners are welcome to attend.

*Want a Special Blessing for your House?*

*House Blessings by appointment with Fr Joseph, forms available in the hall by the business office door.*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
9:00 am Mass	8 am Mass	8 am Mass	8 am Mass	8 am Mass	8 am Mass	5:30 pm Mass:
Pro Populo	For LaVerne Heiman -Layton			For Vern and Jodi Heiman		
	Office 9:00 a.m.- noon	Office 9:00 a.m.- noon	6:30 p.m.: Practice for Sunday Choir	Office 9:00 a.m.- noon	Office 9:00 a.m.- noon	



Please pray for the repose of the soul of



**Tony Lee**

passed away Dec 26  
May eternal rest grant unto him,  
and may perpetual light shine upon him.

A service will be held here at St Edward the Martyr  
January 19 at 11:00 am

### January Bible Challenge

1. What was Moses doing when he came to Horeb and an angel appeared to him in fire flaming out of a bush?
2. What was the second sign God gave to Moses in case the elders of Egypt did not believe him?
3. What did the Israelites ask the Egyptians for as they were departing from Egypt after the 10th plague?
4. What did Moses bring of Joseph's as they marched out of Egypt?
5. After the Israelites marched forward from the Red Sea and out to the desert of Shur, where did they camp?

Place your Name and contact number with your answers on a piece of paper and place your entry in the Bible Challenge box in the narthex by 10:00 a.m. on the last Sunday of the month.

### Do you have information for our Parish? Contribute to our bulletin.

The bulletin needs your help. 1. Do you have an interest in taking over the Bulletin? This ministry is still available for someone to help out. 2. Do you have **any** information that might be important for our parish, contact craigmay@ykw.net.

*If you are a visitor to our parish Welcome! Thank you for joining us this weekend! Please be sure to take time to enjoy St. Winefride's Garden.*

Hello,

I'm not sure who to address this email to and I hope it reaches the appropriate people.

A few days ago my 4 year old daughter Addison broke her leg while sledding near Hoodoo ski area. It was a fairly traumatic experience for both Addison and her parents. She was very scared and in pain on the ambulance ride to Bend. The nice paramedics gave her a wonderful animal blanket/ quilt and that really cheered her up and distracted her from the discomfort of her injury.

Now, a few days later, she won't go anywhere without her blanket and she loves to show it to visitors and tell them you can only get a blanket like this from riding on an ambulance.

I want to say a very sincere thank you to the person or people who made this blanket and donated it to the ambulance crew. It has already meant so much to my little girl at a time when she really needed some comforting. Sometimes gestures like this can be more powerful than medicine and provide more comfort. My entire family would like thank you for this act of kindness. Take care.

Andrew



### Christmas Decorations

As you are storing your Christmas decorations for another year and find yourself with items that you would like to pass on to another home, please consider donating them to the Altar Society for sale at next year's craft sale. These items can be left in the back of the hall.

The Altar Society urges you to PLEASE take a poinsettia plant home with you if you wish ...'to keep Christmas going just a bit longer' - These especially beautiful poinsettias are in the back of the church - first come, first serve. Thank you to all who so generously donated to the flower fund this past Advent.

### Parish Office

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### Parish Staff

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### Bookkeeper and Administrative Assistant:

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### Parish Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday  
9:00am to 12:00pm and as always by appointment.

Confessions by appointment

### Church & Garden website:

[www.stedwardsisters.org](http://www.stedwardsisters.org)

### Diocese website:

[www.dioceseofbaker.org](http://www.dioceseofbaker.org)

### Catholic Bishops website:

[www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)

### Bulletin Administrator

Craig May - [craigmay@ykwc.net](mailto:craigmay@ykwc.net)

Infant Baptism: Parents and godparents are required to take a preparation class. Please contact the parish office.

RCIA and Adult Confirmation: Adults and children are always welcome to learn more about the Catholic Church and prepare for full initiation. Call the parish office to learn more.

Marriage Preparation: At least six months in advance couples must arrange for pre-marriage instruction before setting the desired date. Contact the parish office for more information.

Communion to the Sick: Contact the parish office if you or a loved one is unable to attend Mass but wishes to receive Holy Communion.

Anointing of the Sick: Celebrate this healing sacrament before your scheduled surgery or hospital stay. Call the parish office.

Catholics, Come Home: If you or someone you know has been away from the Church and isn't sure how to come back, please contact the parish office.

Funeral Services: Please call the parish office at 541-549-9391.

Vocations: If you are interested in the priesthood or the religious life, please call Fr. Joseph Thomas

Saturday Music: If you are interested in being a part of this liturgical ministry, please call Anne Seile at 541-549-5702.

Sunday Music: Please join us for rehearsal every Wednesday at 6:30pm in the church, or speak with a choir member after Mass.

Send all bulletin announcements by Tuesday noon one week preceding the requested Sunday to [stedward@bendbroadband.com](mailto:stedward@bendbroadband.com).

### **Celebrate with FORMED Daily Reflections!**

Formed "the Netflix for Catholics" Register at [FORMED.ORG](http://FORMED.ORG) - Parishioner code: **VCHERN**  
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