



# St. Edward the Martyr Roman Catholic Church January 20, 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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## Sacrament of Confession

### Reconciliation with the Church

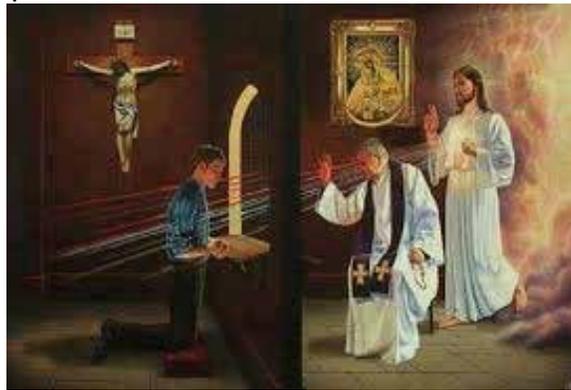
During his public life Jesus not only forgave sins, but also made plain the effect of this forgiveness: he reintegrated forgiven sinners into the community of the People of God from which sin had alienated or even excluded them. A remarkable sign of this is the fact that Jesus receives sinners at his table, a gesture that expresses in an astonishing way both God's forgiveness and the return to the bosom of the People of God. In imparting to his apostles his own power to forgive sins the Lord also gives them the authority to reconcile sinners with the Church. This ecclesial dimension of their task is expressed most notably in Christ's solemn words to Simon Peter: "I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." The office of binding and loosing which was given to Peter was also assigned to the college of the apostles united to its head." The words bind and loose mean: whomever you exclude from your communion, will be excluded from communion with God; whomever you receive anew into your communion, God will welcome back into his. Reconciliation with the Church is inseparable from reconciliation with God.

### The sacrament of forgiveness

Christ instituted the sacrament of Penance for all sinful members of his Church: above all for those who, since Baptism, have fallen into grave sin, and have thus

lost their baptismal grace and wounded ecclesial communion. It is to them that the sacrament of Penance offers a new possibility to convert and to recover the grace of justification. The Fathers of the Church present this sacrament as "the second plank [of salvation] after the shipwreck which is the loss of grace." Over the centuries the concrete form in which the Church has exercised this power received from the Lord has varied considerably. During the first centuries the reconciliation of Christians who had committed particularly grave sins after their Baptism (for example, idolatry, murder, or adultery) was tied to a very rigorous discipline, according to which penitents had to do public penance for their sins, often for years, before receiving reconciliation. To this "order of penitents" (which concerned only certain grave sins), one was only rarely admitted and in certain regions only once in a lifetime. During

the seventh century Irish missionaries, inspired by the Eastern monastic tradition, took to continental Europe the "private" practice of penance, which does not require public and prolonged completion of penitential works before reconciliation with the Church. From that time on, the sacrament has been performed in secret between penitent and priest. This new practice envisioned the possibility of repetition and so opened the way to a regular frequenting of this sacrament. It allowed the forgiveness of grave sins and venial sins to be integrated into one sacramental celebration. In its main lines this



# 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.
- \* RE Classes Next Sunday **January 27th**
- \* PLEASE take a poinsettia plant home with you if you wish. These especially beautiful poinsettias are in the back of the church – first come, first serve

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is the form of penance that the Church has practiced down to our day.

Beneath the changes in discipline and celebration that this sacrament has undergone over the centuries, the same fundamental structure is to be discerned. It comprises two equally essential elements: on the one hand, the acts of the man who undergoes conversion through the action of the Holy Spirit: namely, contrition, confession, and satisfaction; on the other, God's action through the intervention of the Church. The Church, who through the bishop and his priests forgives sins in the name of Jesus Christ and determines the manner of satisfaction, also prays for the sinner and does penance with him. Thus the sinner is healed and re-established in ecclesial communion.

The formula of absolution used in the Latin Church expresses the essential elements of this sacrament: the Father of mercies is the source of all forgiveness. He effects the reconciliation of sinners through the Passover of his Son and the gift of his Spirit, through the prayer and ministry of the Church.

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## Jan 13, 2018

### Attendance: Vigil NA / Sunday NA

Date	Weekly Offertory	Weekly Needed	Difference
Dec. 30	\$3514	\$3000	\$514
Jan. 1	\$1228		
Jan. 6	\$3306	\$3000	\$306
Jan 13	NA	\$3000	

## *R.E. Notes*

**Class Schedule: January 27th**

**February 3, 10 & 24th**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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 Junker-Ullyot†			For Vern and Jodi Heiman Family Thanksgiving	
	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		
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A belated 'Thank You' to all who helped to prepare our parish for the Christmas season, as well as those who returned this past Tuesday morning to help put it all away for another year. Your altar society appreciates you!

### 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 **any** information that might be important for our parish.

2. Do you have an interest in taking over the Bulletin? This ministry is still available for someone to help out contact [craigmay@ykw.com](mailto:craigmay@ykw.com).

*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.*

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### A (men's ?) spiritual group is being established.

Our inaugural meeting will be held on January 27 about 10:30, after the 9am mass.

The group meetings will be based on the 3 Minute Retreat from Loyola Press. Each meeting will include the 3 minute retreat for that day. This includes a short reading and reflection, and then two questions that each participant answers individually. After the questions, there will be less structured sharing time.

The initial meeting will be a little longer than usual because we have to decide several things. 1) Whether it will be just a men's group. 2) When would be the best time to meet. Some options: Sunday AM before mass, say at 7:30, Sunday after Mass or other time in the day, or during the week and then at what time: AM/PM/EVE. 3) Do we need to support other languages? 4) How frequently should we meet: weekly, bi-weekly

### 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 Holiday 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 Office Hours

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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

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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!**

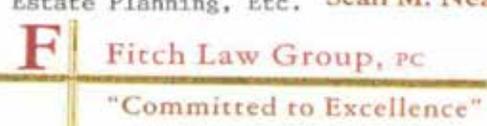
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