

FAITH FORMATION

Director of Religious Education - Keely Meinecke



We are looking for Faith Formation teachers for the 2025-2026 school year.
If you are interested, contact Keely Meinecke or call the office.

Totus Tuus coming to St. Edward July 13-18. Registration coming soon. If you would like to help out with snacks, meals, become volunteer/helper or be a part of the sponsorship program, please contact Keely.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Grand Knight - Randy Hansen

Deputy Grand Knight - Philip Meinecke

4th Degree K of C will meet in Concordia next Wednesday the 20th. Lunch at 6:30 with the meeting to follow.

Pro-Life Rosary every Wednesday evening at 6pm before Mass. Please join us when you can.

CCW (COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN)

Chairperson - Kay Rieke

Secretary - Debra Krotz

Treasurer - Chris Wilber

A women's organization serving the parish and building faith individually and with other women.

- Thanks so much to those who attended the Mother/Daughter Salad Supper last Wednesday. Our special thanks to Dan and Kathy Kuhn for providing the program. Further thanks to Marcia Hansen for playing the piano, the event committee, and all who brought food. It was truly an evening fellowship full of blessings.
- Next meeting - Monday - June 2

DIOCESE NEWS

Bishop's Annual Appeal Goals and Total Raised

	St. Edward	St. George	St. Isidore
Goal	\$43,400	\$5,000	\$8,000
Total Raised	\$30,220	\$3,875	\$7,105

Prayer List

*names will remain on prayer list for 3 months unless office is notified.

Fr. Henry Baxa
Larry & Ella Rudolph
Karen Baxa
Rustin Nanninga
Doris Nanninga

May Contributions

	St. Edward	St. George	St. Isidore
5/4	\$2,797.75	\$768.00	\$295.00
5/11	\$1,197.50	\$190.00	\$485.00
5/18	\$	\$	\$
5/25	\$	\$	\$
Total	\$	\$	\$

REPUBLIC COUNTY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

ST. EDWARD, ST. GEORGE, ST. ISIDORE

1827 Q Street PO Box 99 Belleville, KS 66935

785-527-5559 | www.repcatholic.com

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 18, 2025

OFFICE HOURS

Monday	9am-12pm 1pm-3:30pm
Tuesday	9am-12pm
Wednesday	Closed
Thursday	9am-4pm
Friday	9am-4pm

After hours sacramental emergency number

785-413-9151

New Parishioners, welcome to our parish! Please call or stop by the parish office to register!

STAFF

Pastor

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Micayla Walden 785-527-5559

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Director of Religious Education

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St. Edward Parish Council

Mike Baxa, President

Anne Collette

Kay Reike

Morris Wilber

Melissa Martin

Bob Morris

Stephanie Stindt

St. Isidore Parish Council

Jane Baxa

Karl Baxa

Wayne Pacht

Paul Keiffer

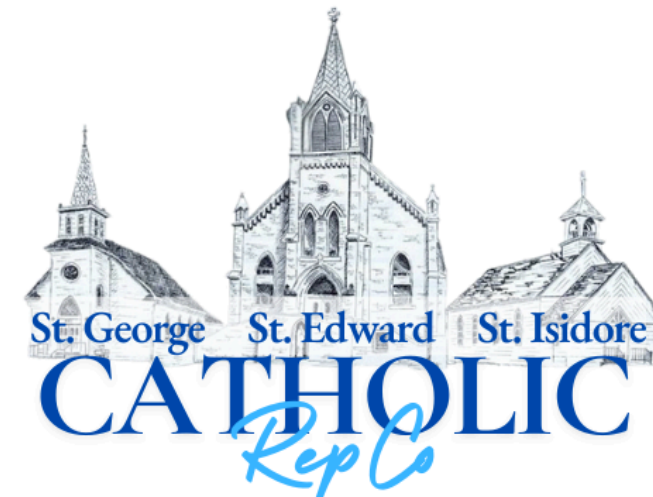
St. George Parish Council

Ronda Blecha

Paul Chopp

Melanie Stehno

Joelle Feight



DAILY MASS TIMES

Monday (rotates) St. Isidore	6:30pm
Tuesday	8:00am
Wednesday	6:30pm
Thursday	8:00am
Friday	8:00am
1st Saturday of the Month	8:30am

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St. George Munden 1st & 3rd Saturday	4:00pm
St. Isidore Cuba 2nd & 4th Saturday	4:00pm
St. Edward Belleville 5th Saturday	4:00pm
OLPH Concordia	5:00pm
St. Teresa of Infant Jesus Mankato	6:30pm

Sunday

Sacred Heart Esbon	8:00am
St. Peter Aurora	8:30am
OLPH Concordia	10:00am
St. Edward Belleville	11:00am
St. Edward Belleville (Spanish)	5:00pm

CONFESSION

30 minutes before Mass

ADORATION

Wednesday	7pm-9:30pm
Thursday	8:30am-1pm
1 st Saturday Family Holy Half Hour	9:00am

WEEK AT A GLANCE	
Saturday 5/17	
3:30pm	Confessions St. George
4:00pm	Mass St. George + <i>Sr. Therese Blecha</i>
Sunday 5/18 Fifth Sunday of Easter	
10:30am	Confession St. Edward
11:00am	Mass St. Edward + <i>Brad Lambert</i>
5:00pm	Mass St. Edward Spanish <i>Parishioners</i>
6:00pm	OCIA
Monday 5/19	
6:30pm	Mass St. Isidore + <i>Lisa Baxa</i>
Tuesday 5/20 St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest	
8:00am	Mass St. Edward + <i>Susan Aspinwall</i>
Wednesday 5/21	
6:00pm	Pro-Life Rosary
6:30pm	Mass St. Edward + <i>Robert Goodwin</i>
7:00pm	Faith Formation Teacher Review
7:00pm	Adoration
Thursday 5/22 St. Rita of Cascia, Religious	
8:00am	Mass St. Edward + <i>Larry Larson</i>
8:30am	Adoration
Friday 5/23	
8:00am	Mass St. Edward + <i>Linda Splichal</i>
Saturday 5/24	
3:30pm	Confessions St. Isidore
4:00pm	Mass St. Isidore + <i>Larry Bowman</i>
Sunday 5/25 Sixth Sunday of Easter	
10:30am	Confession St. Edward
11:00am	Mass St. Edward <i>Stanley Popelka Family</i>
5:00pm	Mass St. Edward Spanish <i>Parishioners</i>
6:00pm	OCIA

Next Week Ministry List
St. Isidore 5/24

Lector - John Krob
Cantor - Raymond Baxa
Organist - n/a
EMHC - Wayne Pachta
Servers - Nick Baxa, Denton Pachta
Hospitality - Rod & Irma Blaha
Carry Gifts - Rod & Irma Blaha

St. Edward 5/25

Lector - Sandy Kling
Cantor - Annette Coonrod
Organist - Marica Blecha
EMHC- Jane Raney, Chris Pachta, Jared Collette, Rosemary Burt
Servers - Paul Pachta, Zane Gieber, Drake Mahin
Hospitality - Daryl & Kay Rieke, Roger & Sandy Kling
Carry Gifts - Daryl & Kay Rieke

PARISH NEWS

Parish Council News: The term limits for two members of our Parish Pastoral Council end June 30th. We are accepting nominations for parish council membership. All practicing members of the parish 18 years of age and older are eligible for nomination. You may self-declare your candidacy if you would like to be considered for membership.

We are looking for Faith Formation teachers for the 2025-2026 school year. If you are interested, contact Keely Meinecke or call the office.

Next Parish Council Meeting is Tuesday, May 27th at 7pm.

Babysitting Help: We are looking for help with babysitting for OCIA/Adult Education on Sunday evenings from 6-8pm. Please contact Keely if interested!

St. Edward Fall Fest will be Sunday October 12th, 2025. If anyone is interested in being Chair or committee member, please contact the office at 785-527-5559.

Fr. Henry Baxa is celebrating his 35th Priesthood Ordination Anniversary on May 26th. Thank you, Fr. Baxa for your dedication to the Church!

Catholic Charities of Northern Kansas will be in Belleville on May 28th from 1-2pm for Outreach Services in front St. Edward Church. If you or anyone you know is in need of food or hygiene items, please come to receive assistance.

Eucharistic Conference August 9 & 10, 2025. This year’s conference hosted by the FHSU Comeau Campus Center will also highlight the Jubilee Year of Hope theme for 2025: “Hope Does Not Disappoint.” Reflecting on this message, we will be reminded that true hope, rooted in Christ, never falters or fades. Together, we will explore how the Eucharist strengthens us in our journey of hope and trust in God’s promises. Register at <https://salinadiocese.org/office/eucharistic-conference-2025/>

Come Visit Our Lord in Adoration!
 Wednesday Evening 7-9:30pm
 Thursday Morning 8:30am-1pm.

Monday Evening Masses at 6:30pm
 1st & 4th Monday - St. Edward
 2nd Monday - St. George
 3rd Monday - St. Isidore




PASTOR'S CORNER


Why is “love” such a point of contention in our world today? It’s perhaps because we do not really understand it as it is meant to be understood. It also has to do with language and the complexity of words meaning multiple things. I enjoy looking up word etymologies (the origins of words) and give lessons on Latin and Greek (why these are not “dead” languages, but rather necessary building blocks of living languages), but I’ll spare you those lessons today. Rather, I will tell you the true definition of love: God is love.

From a basis that is Scripturally backed, the reality of love is ever outward and other oriented. Love, from its very core (heart), is willing the good of the other, precisely because they are other. Love brings about other others, generating the abundance of uplifting life affirming understanding of the other. Sadly, love is in contention because of the individualized notion of the self as being far more important than the other. We have reduced love down to pleasure and “what can you do for me” utility. This demeans and denigrates the human person down to preferences and sentimentality, a surface level love for the feeling and the convenience of the other. Love, though, looks at the person not as a means to an end, but as an end in themselves, another sacred object that is to be held in respect and dignity. May we, this week, see God’s love as integral in helping us love our neighbor in a standard of how Jesus loved us. That is, to the end.

In Christ,




FEAST DAY SPOTLIGHT



ST. RITA OF CASCIA

MAY 22




- From an early age, Rita wanted to become a nun, but her parents arranged her marriage at the age of 12.
- Her husband was very abusive, but eventually with many prayers from Rita, he became a better man.
- After he died, Rita entered a convent at the age of 36. At age 66 she asked Jesus to let her suffer as He did. He granted her prayer with a wound on her forehead - as if a thorn had pierced it.
- She is the patroness of impossible causes, abuse victims, difficult marriages and loneliness.


St. Rita, pray for us!

ONLINE GIVING

St. Edward



St. George



St. Isidore

