

# The Catholic Churches

of

St. Edward  
Elmdale

St. Francis of Assisi  
St. Francis

St. Mary  
Upsala

SECOND SUNDAY IN  
LENT



## Second Sunday of Lent

March 8, 2020

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Emergencies only after 9pm

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### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Chantelle Frie, Confirmation: 320-360-4796

Beth Lange, St. Mary/St. Edward, Gr 1-10: 320-630-8390

Niki Koopmeiners, St. Francis, Gr 1 - 10: 320-248-7553

### RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Saturday St. Edward 7 – 7:45pm

Sunday St. Francis 7:15 – 7:45am

Tuesday St. Mary 5 – 5:45pm

Also by appointment

### PRAYER LINE

Karen Liebsch: 573-4127 Kathy Koehn: 573-2363

Judy Theisen: 573-2933 Joyce Koopmeiners: 573-2728

### MINISTRY TO THE SICK & THOSE WHO CANNOT GET TO CHURCH

Holy Communion can be brought to you or a loved one at home, please contact the Central Office, 573-2132

### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Couples need to begin preparations with the priest nine months in advance and MUST call the Pastor before setting a date.

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Contact the office three months before desired baptism date.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** Please stop in or call the Office.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE:** Noon on Thursday Announcements submitted after deadline may not get into the upcoming bulletin.

If there is a Funeral and a Daily Mass at the same parish, the Daily Mass is cancelled.

## Mass Schedule

March 9 - 15, 2020

Monday: 3/9 *St. Frances of Rome*

NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday: 3/10

St. Mary 6:00pm † Gerald Roering

Wednesday: 3/11

St. Francis 8:00am † Veronica Toenies  
- Darrell & Anette Wegleitner

Thursday: 3/12

St. Edward 8:00am † Luanne Tretter  
- Eileen Koroll

Friday: 3/13

St. Mary 7:30am † Ruth Shodeen

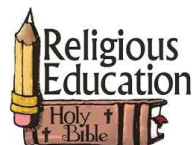
Saturday: 3/14

St. Edward 8:00pm † Richard Liffbrig

Sunday: 3/15 *Third Sunday of Lent*

St. Francis 8:00am People of our Parishes

St. Mary 10:00am † Shirley Skroch  
- Karen Jacobs



### Religious Education

March 11:

Grades 1 – 6: Class 6:30 – 7:30pm

Confirmation: Class 7:30 – 9pm



### Youth Group

Youth Group will meet March 15<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at St. Mary's, Upsala.

### MASS TIMES CHANGE

Please note that on **Sunday, March 29**, St. Francis and St. Mary will switch Mass times due to the Knights of Columbus breakfast at St. Mary's that morning. **St. Mary will have the 8am Mass and St. Francis will have the 10am Mass.** There will be no Stations of the Cross after Mass at St. Mary's.

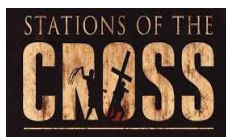
### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Sunday after the 10am Mass at St. Mary's (except March 29)

Fridays at 7:30pm – alternating between St. Francis and St. Edward.

- St. Edward – March 13, 27

- St. Francis – March 20, April 3



### CONFIRMATION CHOIR

Calling all Singers and Choir Members in our Cluster of Parishes! We will be having Confirmation on March 22<sup>nd</sup> at St. Hedwig's in Holdingford (2:00 PM), and wish to invite you to join in providing the music for the Confirmation Mass. Practice will be held at 11:30 AM at St. Hedwig's Church on Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>. If you sing with the choir now, or you would like to sing, you are MOST WELCOME to join us – this Mass meets your Sunday obligation.

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FORMED  
PICK OF THE WEEK



**Ready Reasons**  
Was Jesus' Sacrifice Enough?

The Catholic teaching on penance is often rejected because they think it implies Jesus' death on the cross was not enough. Learn why that is not actually the case.

### Remember in prayer those in need of the Lord's healing and strength, especially:

Darwin Binek, Rose Binek, Jordan Bowen, Kristi Brezinka, Bernetta Czech, Aubriella Eggert, Melvin Hartung, Kathy Hennek, Ramona Heurung, Kieran Kloss, Marjorie Lehner, David Loehlin, Kim (Kulla) Nelson, Audrey Pflueger, Roger Thell, Ken Welle, Ron Carlson, David Heim, Bernadine Bartkovicz, Irene Stern, Lorraine Frie, Donna Scholz, Cindy Fleischhacker, Carol Langner, Norbert Roering, Joann Pinke, Diane Lange, Ralph Schleper



### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

St. Mary 12-6pm First Wednesday  
 St. Edward 12-9pm First Friday  
 St. Francis 7am-9pm Second Tuesday

Benediction follows Adoration in all parishes

### WEEKEND COLLECTIONS

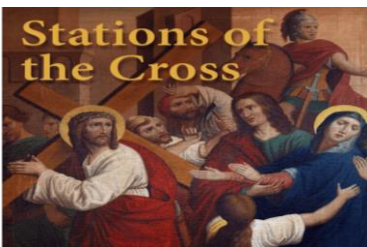
**St. Mary:** Adult \$1,834.00; Loose \$195.00; Easter Flowers \$70.00; Central MN Catholic \$20.00; Online Giving \$180.00 - **\$2,299.00**

**St. Edward:** Adult \$1,441.00; Loose \$34.00; Catholic Relief Services \$140.00; Easter Flowers \$135.00; Central MN Catholic \$20.00 – **\$1,770.00**

**St. Francis:** Adult \$2,497.00; Loose \$75.00; Central MN Catholic \$40.00; Easter Flowers \$25.00; Online Giving \$100.00 - **\$2,737.00**



We welcome to the Church  
 Liam Lange, son of Mitchell & Brooke,  
 who became a child of God March 1<sup>st</sup>  
 through the waters of Baptism!



The Augustine Institute presents a beautiful meditation on the Stations of the Cross by Saint Alphonsus Liguori, narrated by Dr. Christopher Blum. This prayerful reflection is accompanied by the Schola Cantorum of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Littleton, CO, chanting the traditional Catholic hymn Stabat Mater, in Latin, which depicts the loving presence of Our Sorrowful Mother, sharing in the suffering of Christ at the foot of the cross. Take advantage of this audio on your commute, at home, or anywhere you find the time, to enrich your prayer during Lent or throughout the year, and better unite yourself to the Passion of Christ.

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### THREE SAINTS NEWS

The Holy Week schedule and Festival of Forgiveness information can be found on the website.

### ST. EDWARD'S NEWS

#### Saturday, March 14– 8pm

EEM: Ralph Schleper, Adeline Molus(c)  
 Lector: Jerry Theisen  
 Servers: Anthony Nienaber & Mitchell Harren  
 Greeters: Raymond Kokett & Sally Schleper  
 Gifts: Brad & Crystal Hartung  
 Ushers: Brent Prokott & Don Biniek



**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** St. Edward is in need of people who are interested in becoming EM of HC's. Please contact the office.

### ST. FRANCIS' NEWS

#### Sunday, March 15 – 8am

EEM: Rebecca Schmidt, Rosanne Voss, Sylvester Tschida, Janice Wuebkers  
 Lector: Mary Jane Boeckermann  
 Servers: Bryce Westrich & Luke Wuebkers  
 Gifts: Mike & Alice Westrich  
 Greeters: Alex Roerick & Kylie Roerick

**THANK YOU!!** A big thank you to everyone who helped with the Matching Grant Breakfast on February 23. We had a great turnout once again, serving 307. Thank you to everyone who helped plan, set up, serve and clean up! Also, thanks to everyone who donated towards the breakfast and to everyone who brought sweet rolls. We appreciate everyone's help, God bless you all!



**Fall Festival Committee Meeting:** There will be a fall festival meeting on Monday, March 9 at 7:30pm.

**Money Counters Needed:** St. Francis needs some volunteers to count money – there are only two people volunteering. Mondays at 9am (unless the bank is closed, then Tuesday) at the parish office. Super easy - training and coffee provided. Call the office if interested.

**March Cleaning List:** John/Marsha Rakotz, Mike/Alice Westrich, Jon/Tamara Boeckermann, Steve/Jackie Moll, Mary Evens, Gerry/Mary Jane Boeckermann, Norm/June Schwieters

**Journey with Jesus to Calvary:** Wed., April 1 @ 7pm, Sat. April 4 @ 7:30pm, Sun., April 5 @ 1pm. If you would like to be a part of this year's production, there is still time. Call Bob at 573-2933.

The choir will practice at 9:30am on Sat., March 14. There will be a full dress rehearsal at 10am after choir practice. Everyone involved in the production should try to be there. Carol from the Melrose Beacon will be there taking pictures.

**Tall Red Votive Candle Holders:** There are some available for \$2 each. Contact Bob if interested, 573-2933.

### ST. MARY'S NEWS

#### Sunday, March 15 – 10am

EEM: Karen Liebsch, Brian Lange, Beth Lange  
 Servers: Erica Roske & Courtney Roske  
 Lector: Brian Lange  
 Gifts: Brian & Beth Lange  
 Greeters: Walt Beneke & Rosie Harren  
 Ushers: Darren Lange & Mitch Lange

**Smelt/Fish Fry:** The St. Mary's Fish Fry & Raffle is Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will start to sell raffle tickets after Mass on Sundays starting March 1<sup>st</sup>. All parishioners are asked to buy or sell AT LEAST on \$100 ticket. Thank you for supporting St. Mary's Church!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

March 18 – Rel. Ed. Penance Service  
 March 22 – Confirmation – 2pm at All Saints – St. Hedwig  
 March 27 – Festival of Forgiveness – 9am – 9pm at Sacred Heart in Freeport  
 March 29 – Knights of Columbus Breakfast – 9am – 12:30pm at St. Mary's, Upsala

### COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Ultrasound Fundraiser Dinner:** The Knights of Columbus and Pregnancy Resource Center is having a Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup> 5pm – 7:30pm at the Eagles Club in St. Cloud. Free will donation and funds will go to purchase two ultrasound machines.

**Theology on Tap:** Come for a great opportunity to grow over this Lenten season by joining **young adults in their 20s and 30s** for a fun night out. Our next Theology on Tap is on Thursday, March 19 at A.T. The Black and White in Little Falls. Social hour with food and/or drinks begins at 7:00 and our speaker Leah Ellen follows at 8:00. Come listen to the songs and powerful message as Leah shares her journey back to the faith after having an abortion. She knows firsthand how it feels to ask for forgiveness and to receive God's mercy and grace—and how to help others experiencing their own struggles with faith and life. We hope you join us for this great opportunity to grow in faith and fellowship.