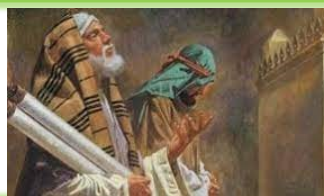


The Catholic Churches

St. Edward St. Francis of Assisi St. Mary
Elmdale St. Francis Upsala



"Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted."
Lk 18:9-14

The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 23, 2022

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RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Saturday: St. Edward~ 7:15-7:45 p.m.,

Sunday: St. Francis~ 7:30-7:45 a.m., & St. Mary ~ 9:30-9:45 am

PRAYER LINES

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ADORATION

St. Edward's –monthly, the 1st Friday of the Month, 12 - 9 pm

St. Francis– monthly, the 2nd Tuesday of the month 7am-7 pm

St. Mary– Weekly, every Thursday 12-9 pm

Three Saints News



Turkey Bingo: Oct. 23

Join the fun at St. Mary's, Upsala starting at 2 pm.

20 games for \$10 Black Out \$1/card

Lunch will be served.

World Mission Sunday: Oct. 22/23

Pope Francis reminds us that in Baptism we are all called by the Lord to be His missionaries: "You shall be my witnesses" (Acts 1:8). Joining Catholics worldwide this Sunday, we offer our prayers and generous financial support, through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, to the Pope's missions. Your prayers are most treasured, and they, along with financial help offered today, World Mission Sunday.

Halloween Trick or Treat: Oct. 28

Fr. David will be handing out Trick or Treat candy from 3:30-6:30 pm at St. Mary's along with Upsala area businesses. Stop in at St. Mary's for a treat from Fr. David!

Youth Ministry Position

We are in need of someone/some people to take up this ministry. This will be very flexible. The hours and salary are negotiable. Ideally this is for grades 7-12, however, perhaps you are interested in the primary grades? Please email or send a letter of interest to the office or Fr David.

Totus Tuus Coordinator

Please, please be open to help organize this coming summer vacation bible school for children and youth. You will receive help from Fr David and our office. The Totus Tuus team does all the teaching. You would help organize the meal served at noon, work with parents in bringing the food, set-up classrooms and just simply being available one week of the summer. You could do this position with other people or have a team heading this up. This is a paid position. We need to know ASAP.

Pray for us:

Raymond Kurowski, Ken Wielenberg, Margaret Carlson, Ron Dingman, Kristy Brezinka, Ramona Heurung, Arnold & Donna Scholz, Irene Lashinski, Darwin Binek & Kathy Hennek, Linus & Marjorie Lehner, Carol Langner, Judy Gerads, Bruce Wolters, Rose Beniek, Dennis Binek (SE), Linda Mader (SF), Marlene Vornbrock (SM), Roger Thell (SF), Alan Schumer (SM), Jim Negen (SF), Joe Primis (SM)

Mass, Devotions & Events Schedule

<u>Tuesday 10/25</u>		
6 pm St. Mary	†	Eleanor Kasper ~Caroline Sadlowsky
<u>Wednesday 10/26</u>		
8 am St. Francis	†	Norbert & Josie Roering ~St. Francis Men's Society
<u>Thursday 10/27</u>		
8 am St. Edward	†	Betty Wolf-Kane
<u>Friday 10/28</u>		<i>Saints Simon & Jude, Apostles</i>
7:30 am St. Mary	†	Denis & Irene Notch ~Jim & Mary Koczur
Weekend Masses		The Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
<u>Saturday 10/29</u>		<i>Mass of Remembrance</i>
8 pm St. Edward		Living and deceased members of the Hartung Family
<u>Sunday 10/30</u>		<i>Masses of Remembrance</i>
8 am St. Francis		For the People
10 am St. Mary	†	Anna Schulte

Mass of Remembrance Weekend: Oct. 29/30

Remembering all of our loved ones who have died this past year. Candles will be placed on the altars of each parish and be lit through the month of November.

All Saints & All Souls Mass times for both days: Nov. 1 & 2

8 am St. Francis 12 noon St. Edward 6 pm St Mary

Volunteer ministers/servers are needed for these Masses.

Faith Formation

Family Formation Home Lesson: Oct. 23-29

Prayer: This lesson gives an overview of many of the ways we can pray: music, reverent actions, memorized prayer, spontaneous prayer, liturgical prayer-the list goes on! Personalize this lesson by making a list of the ways your family prays!

Class: Grade 7-12 & Parents/Adults welcome: Oct. 26

7-8:30 pm at St. Mary's

Youth

Young Women's Night for 11th & 12th grade: Oct. 30

Fellowship & Bible Study from 7:30- 8:30 pm at St. Mary's Church, Upsala. We will meet every other Sunday. Contact Brooke (320) 630-3215 for more information.

Steubenville Meeting: Nov. 6

Youth interested in attending Steubenville (July 28-30, 2023) will meet at All Saints-St. Mary's at 7:00 pm in Holdingford.

Give JOY this Christmas!

Fill a Box of Joy and bring hope to children in developing countries, providing them with memorable Christmas gifts and a much needed reminder of God's love. Boxes are available at each church and drop off information as well as a list of preferred items is listed inside each box. The Knights of Columbus have generously committed to covering the shipping fee this year! The Christmas season can be busy and participating in BOX OF JOY helps families to "store up treasures in heaven" (Mt. 6:20) by serving others in need. The final drop off date is November 13th Confirmation students looking for volunteer hours can work at the Drop of Center in November. Contact: Tamara Lange 320-250-4688.

Area Church Events

40 Days for Life Pro-Life Rosary: Oct 25

All Saints - St. Mary's, Holdingford is hosting an Pro -Life Rosary inside and outside church at 4 pm. Come join us! If unable to attend, please pray with us at home.

Our Lady of Lourdes Pork Chop Dinner: Oct. 30

9:30 am-1:30 pm Free Will offering.

Annual Rosary Sodality Turkey Bingo: Oct. 30

Bingo begins at 1:30 pm at Holy Cross Church in Harding.

ST EDWARD'S NEWS

Saturday, October 29 - 8 pm

EM of HC: Jerry Theisen **Lector:** Shari Biniek

Server: Isaac Harren

Ushers: John Kokett & Raymond Kokett

Greeters: Jim & Julie Wensmann

Gift Bearers: Dan & Barb George

Mark your Calendars for Mass Time Change: Nov. 19

Saturday Mass times change from 8:00 pm to 4:00 pm for St. Edward Masses.

Rectory Insulation

The Rectory has new foam insulation that was installed in the beginning of September and windows that will be installed this coming spring. The total for the project was \$19,858. With winter right around the corner, hopefully this will reduce the amount of fuel consumed to heat the Rectory.

ST FRANCIS' NEWS

Sunday, October 30 - 8 am

October Ushers: Mark Moorman & Syl Tschida

EM of HC: Janelle Roerick

Lector: Rebecca Schmidt

Server: Volunteers

Gift Bearers: Bob & Judy Theisen

St. Francis Men's Society/CUF Meeting: Oct. 24

We will be meeting at 8 pm at St. Francis.

Christian Women Meeting: Oct. 24

We will be meeting at 8 pm at St. Francis.

ST MARY'S NEWS

Sunday, October 30- 10 am

EM of HC: Dave Scholz **Lector:** Kim Kilian

Servers: Beau Ripplinger & Anne Ripplinger

Ushers: Patrick & Lisa Zabinski

Greeters: Dave & Mary Hollenkamp

Gift Bearers: Randy & Donna Roske

Bank Deposit: Tom Kilian

Three Saints News

Locking of Churches: Nov. 6

The churches of St. Edwards and St. Frances will start locking their doors at 6:00 p.m. on Nov. 6 except for nights with meetings or gatherings. It will go back to 8:00 p.m. in the spring.

Thank you

to all of our parishioners who have contributed to our St. Edward's and St. Mary's Fall Collection. In the two weeks since the letters were mailed out St. Edward's has been blessed with \$3,125 and St. Mary's has received \$5,310. Both of these amounts are half of what we collected as a total last year. Please continue to turn your contributions into the collection basket, mail in or drop off at the office.

Annual Report

The year end for the church is the end of June and in July our three parishes turned in our annual financial report to the diocese. Unfortunately, with our office being new and Fr. David being absent we did not send out a financial report to the parishioners. All three churches are performing well, but if anyone has questions or concerns please contact the office.

Knights of Columbus Meeting: Nov. 15

Please note: this meeting is rescheduled for November 15 instead of November 1. All deceased Knights will be honored.

Bible Study

The ACC would like to know if anyone is being called to be a part of a bible study either leading or attending. Please let your parish secretary know if interested.

WEEKEND COLLECTION October 16, 2022

St. Edward: Adult: \$1,150 Loose: \$130, Votive \$88.44, World Mission Sunday \$57, Fall Collection: \$450 **Total: \$1,975.44**

St. Francis: Adult: \$544, Loose: \$41, Votive: \$108.60 Chair Rental: \$15, World Mission Sunday: \$35 **Total: \$743.60**

St. Mary: Adult: \$3,226, Loose: \$161, Votive: \$74, Fall Collection: \$2,560, World Mission Sunday: \$108

Total: \$6,129

Area Church Events

Fall Campaign: Sept. 28- Nov. 6

40 Days for life is a simple program of Prayer-Fasting-Peaceful Vigil to end abortion in the world. Our parishes will be supporting our local 40 Days for Life Campaign in St. Cloud on E. St. Germain and Wilson Ave. We need volunteers to pray in front of Planned Parenthood on Thursday afternoons from 1-7 pm. We'd like at least 2 people at the vigil for each hour. To sign up contact Marilou Sommers at 247-9838. Learn more at: <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/st.cloud>.

Mass of Hope and Healing: Oct. 27

This special Mass to be held at Sacred Heart, 2875 10th Ave NE, Sauk Rapids, MN at 7:00 p.m. for couples who have suffered the loss of a child through miscarriage, SIDS, illness, accident, and abortion as well as those experiencing infertility. Refreshments will be served after Mass. View the event at <https://stcdio.org/event/mass-of-hope-healing-2/>

October 29-30 – Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Oct. 29/30

This event will be held at St. Mary's in Alexandria, MN. The focus is on helping good marriages become better. It's a positive, private experience that has been around for over 50 years. It help couples and priests "thrive rather than only survive." All are welcome. Registration information can be found at <https://stcdio.org/event/worldwide-marriage-encounter-alexandria/>.

Mass for Health Care Professionals: Nov. 6

Bishop Donald Kettler will preside at this Mass to honor health care professionals who are committed to their faith and work ~ 9 am at the Cathedral of St. Mary, St. Cloud. This event is sponsored by the Catholic Medical Guild. For more information visit: www.stcdio.org/healthcare.mass.

Notes from Father David

We gather this weekend in the presence of God and neighbor to worship God and to receive the Lord in the Eucharist. In our Gospel we hear that Jesus tells us that those who exalt themselves will be humbled and that those who humble themselves before God, acknowledge that ultimately, we are dependent upon God for all that we have and all that we achieve. Let us take this opportunity to thank God for all the blessed we have received.

The Mission Sunday collection is always taken on the next to last Sunday during the month of October. That day is celebrated in all the local Churches as the feast of catholicity and universal solidarity so Christians the world over will recognize their common responsibility with regard to the evangelization of the world. Thanks also for your generous gift to the people affected by Hurricane Ian. Know that all the loose collection for this weekend is for the humanitarian, long-term recovery, and significant Church needs arising from this tragedy.

Thanks to Mitch and Brooke Lange for their youth ministry. Know that it was greatly appreciated. No doubt even though you step down from this position, we know that you will remain involved in so many areas. Thanks Brooke for bringing about Sunday Night's fellowship and Bible Study for 11th and 12th graders. Who might be interested in this youth ministry position? What might the Good Lord be asking of our parishes regarding our young people? There is a HUGE void in our church when our children and young people are not involved.

The Holdingford area parishes are inviting youth in grades 9-12 to join them July 28-30, 2023 in St Paul, MN for a Steubenville Youth Conference. This a wonderful time to have fun while growing in their faith. Parents, please strongly consider encouraging your youth. This is similar to NCYC. I personally have seen many, many graces come about from these youth conferences. There is a meeting November 6 at 7pm at All Saints-St Mary's in Holdingford. Youth, you will not regret checking this out.

I hope that everyone will join us next weekend for our Masses of Remembrance in all of our parishes. No doubt many family members and friends are still struggling with the loss of their loved ones. What a beautiful way for us to come together and remember they have gone Home to Jesus, but they are not forgotten.