



The Catholic Churches

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



He delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. ~Col 1:12

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe November 20, 2022

Mass, Devotions & Events Schedule

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RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE
 Saturday: St. Edward~ 3:15 - 3:45 pm
 Sunday: St. Francis~ 7:15 -7:45 am, St. Mary ~ 9:15 - 9:45 am
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 (SM) Karen Liebsch 573-4127 & Kathy Koehn 573-2363
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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

<u>Tuesday 11/22</u>		<i>Saint Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr</i>
6 pm St. Mary	†	Leroy Harren
<u>Wednesday 11/23</u>		<i>Saint Clement I, Pope and Martyr; Saint Columbian, Abbot</i>
8 am St. Francis	†	Leonard Czech ~Sherwin & Deborah Goodrich
6 pm St. Mary	†	Ann Marie Hartung
<u>Thursday 11/24</u>		<i>Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest and Companions, Martyrs</i>
9 am St. Edward	†	George & Rose Opatz
<u>Friday 11/25</u>		<i>Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr</i>
No Mass		Confirmation Retreat
Weekend Masses		The First Sunday of Advent
<u>Saturday 11/26</u>		
10 am Senior Living		Communion Service, Upsala
4 pm St. Edward	†	Ken Hartung
<u>Sunday 11/27</u>		
8 am St. Francis	†	Dolores Czech
10 am St. Mary		For the People

Three Saints News

Please update the office if your phone or address has changed.

Feast of Immaculate Conception Mass Times:

Dec. 7 St. Mary 6:45 pm
 Dec. 8 St. Edward 8 am
 St. Mary 12 noon
 St. Francis 8 pm

ACC Penance Service: Dec. 11
 2-5pm St. Mary, Upsala
 5 priests available

The "Thanks" Giving Tree

"If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth."— 1 John 3:17, 18

Thank you to those who took tags from the tree! There are a number of them left for the taking. Consider all you have been given and brighten the life of a child.

Box of Joy

Thank you for sharing God's love through the Box of Joy!!! Our parishes collected 119 boxes this year! Praise God! These gifts will bring smiles to many children who are experiencing chronic poverty or natural disasters. St. Mary's is an official Drop Off Center (DOC) for the Box of Joy ministry and this year we had groups from St. Anthony - St. Cloud, St. Columbkillie - St. Wendel, Holy Cross - North Prairie, and St. Rose in St. Rosa deliver an additional 80 boxes! Our DOC sent 199 boxes to Florida for final review before they will be sent to Guatemala, Haiti, Dominican Republic, Nicaragua, El Salvador, Grenada and Honduras. Blessings to all who gave! Thank you so very much! Tamara Lange

ACC Meeting: Nov. 29

The members of the ACC will meet at 7 pm at All Saints-St. Mary's, Holdingford.

Pray for us:

Raymond Kurowski, Ken Wielenberg, Margaret Carlson, Ken & Pat Euteneuer, 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 Biniek (SE), Linda Mader (SF), Marlene Vornbrock (SM), Roger Thell (SF), Alan Schumer (SM), Jim Negen (SF), Joe Primis (SM)

Please Note: No Adoration on Thursday, Nov. 24th



Our office will be closed on November 24 & 25.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Faith Formation Nov. 20th-26th

Family Formation Home Lesson: Christ the King
Celebrate the feast of Christ the King!

2nd Grade: Lesson 8

Confirmation: Confirmation Retreat-(required) November 25th from 10:30 am –6pm at St. Mary's.

Youth

Young Women's Night for 11th & 12th grade: Nov. 27

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.

Youth Ministry Position

Please see our webpage for more information. To date, we have yet to receive any inquiries.

Area Church Events

Upcoming Turkey Bingo: Nov. 20

St. Stanislaus, Little Falls: Turkey Bingo starting at 1 pm. \$10 for 20 games. Refreshments and Bake Sale. Lunch after Bingo.

St. John the Baptist Church, Swanville: Turkey Bingo starting at 7 pm. Come enjoy the fun we always have at our Bingo nights. Bring a friend. You may be the one to win a turkey for your Thanksgiving meal. Meal served after Bingo.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick at St. Mary's Cathedral: Tuesday, Nov. 22 at 6:30 pm.

Like the sacrament of reconciliation (confession), the Anointing of the Sick is a sacrament of healing. Please join us for this Mass if you are facing surgery or have any mental/physical illness. You will be anointed with Chrism oil and prayed over: "Through this holy anointing may the Lord in his love and mercy help you with the grace of the Holy Spirit. May the Lord who frees you from sin save you and raise you up." This beautiful liturgy will feature the St. Cloud String Quartet.

ST EDWARD'S NEWS

Thursday, November 24 - 9 am

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

Server: Isaac Harren

Ushers: Ted Lewandowski & Jim Bartkovicz

Greeters: Jim & Julie Wensmann

Gift Bearers: Brent & Sandy Prokott

Saturday, November 26 - 4 pm

EM of HC: Julie Wensmann **Lector:** Tracey Hartung

Server: Isaac Harren

Ushers: Bob Brezinka & Ralph Schleper

Greeters: Sally Schleper

Gift Bearers: Ron & Nancy Stewart

Volunteer Church Cleaning

Beginning November 21 and for the next month, Linda Langner will be unable to clean our church (she cleans bi-monthly). Please keep her in your prayers as she will have surgery on the 21st followed by rehab. We hope that you can help us keep God's House during this time.

ST FRANCIS' NEWS

Sunday, November 27 - 8 am

November Ushers: Bob Theisen & Dan Lange

EM of HC: Judy Theisen

Lector: Rebecca Schmidt

Server: Volunteers

Gift Bearers: Herb & Sharon Wielenberg

St. Francis Men's Society/CUF

meeting Wednesday, November 30 at 8 pm in the church basement. Help will be needed prior to the meeting to put together treat bags for St. Nick to be handed out at masses the weekend of December 3 and 4."

ST MARY'S NEWS

Wednesday, November 23- 6 pm

EM of HC: Cindy Koehn **Lector:** Mary Frie

Servers: Beau Ripplinger & Anne Ripplinger

Ushers: Bob Blonigen & Mikel Nelson

Greeters: Mitchell & Brooke Kingston

Gift Bearers: Andy & Linda Langner

Bank Deposit: Tom Kilian

Sunday, November 27- 10 am

EM of HC: Chantelle Frie **Lector:** Jan Kilian

Servers: Alayna Weber

Ushers: Volunteers

Greeters: Walt & LeAnn Beneke

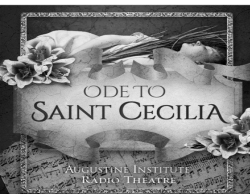
Gift Bearers: Elmer, Mary & Lorraine Frie

Bank Deposit: Cindy Koehn

Adoration

St. Mary's is in need of a second adorer for the 3 pm hour. Please call Jim Scholz if interested. (320) 229-2898

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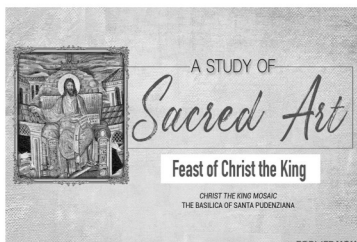


Ode to St. Cecilia

The lives of the saints are epic stories and particular expressions of God's grace in humanity. Celebrate St. Cecilia with this audio drama by the Augustine Institute Radio Theatre.

Sacred Art: Christ the King

Sit down with Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp as they explore Catholic theology through the lens of Sacred Art. In this episode, they discuss the Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.



WEEKEND COLLECTION November 13, 2022

St. Edward: Adult: \$925, Votive: \$27, Loose: \$146

Total: \$1,098

St. Francis: Adult: \$2,521, Loose: \$75.25, All Saints: \$47, Thanksgiving: \$100 **Total: \$2,743.25**

St. Mary: Adult: \$1,490, Loose: \$228.09, Fall Collection: \$450, **Total: \$2,168.09**

Three Saints News continued

Bible Study

The ACC Bible Study has 7 people signed up! Please let your parish secretary know if interested to lead or attend.

Bishop's Annual Appeal Nov 20

The Diocesan TV Mass and parish livestream Masses have been a lifeline for the homebound. Other ministries of the Appeal continue their work in support of faith formation, family life, our Catholic schools, multicultural ministries, evangelization and vocational discernment. Will you help keep these ministries strong? Visit : www.stcdio.org/annualappeal.

FREE Community Thanksgiving Dinner: Nov. 24

Word of Life Church (3328 1st Ave. W., Upsala) is having Turkey, Ham and all the trimmings Thanksgiving meal. They are serving from 11:30 am-1:30 pm. 'To Go' meals are available. Word of Life could use up to 10 people from our parishes to help in the kitchen and serving line. Contact Rachel Johnson at: RACHIEJTUP@msn.com

Engaged Couples Retreat: Dec. 3

This event will be held at Sacred Heart in Sauk Rapids from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Doors will open at 8:30 a.m. See our website for more details: <https://stcdio.org/engaged-couple-marriage-preparation/> or call (320) 252-4721 with questions.

Looking Ahead

The Christmas/Solemnity Mass times will be the same as our regular weekend Mass times: St. Edward 4 pm, St. Francis 8 am & St. Mary 10 am.

Notes from Father David

This weekend we acknowledge that while leaders of nations in this world come and go, Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is ruler over all people both now and forever. The idea to celebrate this feast was born out of a growing nationalism and secularism one hundred years ago. The world had just lived through the horrors of four years of war unprecedented in its spread over the whole world. This led to Pope Pius XI instituting this feast in 1925. This weekend we recognize Christ's preeminence and pray for the day when peace and goodwill forever overcome war and aggression.

A few years ago, our diocese was in the infancy of stages of forming ACC's (Area Catholic Community in which we are joined with the Holdingford area parishes). Pastoral/Parish Councils were phased out in many parishes including ours. On behalf of the diocese and myself, I apologize for how this was done as we failed to consult with you as parishioners and especially with you who were council members. Recently, the Planning Office of our diocese informed me that it is now recommended that each parish have a Parish Life Committee. I believe that this committee would help restore ownership to you. This is your parish. You know better than anyone that priests come and go. The role of this committee is to assist in making the Parish a center for each person to share their talents in both social and spiritual activities, while keeping God as their focus. Parish Life members are encouraged to use their entertainment planning and creative energies to foster an active parish social life. More info in next week's bulletin. If you are interested in learning more about this and/or even help create a Parish Life Committee in your parish, please contact me.

As we gather with our loved ones for Thanksgiving on Thursday, many of us will carry on the tradition of going around the table and sharing what we are thankful for this past year. Here and now let us think of how we are thankful to God. As we come for Mass, we gather around God's table/altar as we bring to mind specific times when we felt the presence of the God who gifted us with life and love, with mercy and salvation, with goodness beyond our imagination. Let us respond in Thanksgiving.

We hope that you or a member of your family will be able to join us at one of our Thanksgiving Day Masses (6pm at St Mary's and 9am at St Edward's). Our Catholic Church encourages us, "Individuals or families may bring food to Mass to be blessed for their Thanksgiving dinner, or to be distributed to the poor." Following the Masses, we will say some prayers and God will bless your food items. We will have a table before our altars in our churches for which you can place your food items. May you and your loved ones have a most blessed and Happy Thanksgiving!