

The Catholic Churches of

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



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The 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time October 31, 2021

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Brayden Harren Benefit
October 31st 9am to 1pm
St. Francis of Assisi Church
Wear a costume if you'd like!

Over 80 Blessings! (November)
Jeanette Maciej 11/30 SE & Devota Nilson 11/30 SM

All Souls Day Indulgences

Canon Law 992 "An Indulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment for sin, the guilt of which is already forgiven which can be gained by the faithful Christian who in a *state of grace* meets prescribed conditions." A Plenary Indulgence can be acquired on Nov. 1st or Nov. 2nd for oneself or for the souls of the deceased if you:

- *have the interior disposition of complete detachment from sin
- *visit church to recite the Lord's Prayer and Apostle's Creed
- *sacramentally confessed your sin
- *received the Holy Eucharist
- *Pray for the intention of the Pope-'Our Father' and 'Hail Mary'

Deer Hunters' Mass

Sun, Nov 7 at 8pm in St. Mary's, Upsala
Sun, Nov 14 at 8pm in All Saints-St. Mary's, Holdingford

Thanksgiving Mass

Wed, Nov 24 at 6pm in St. Mary's
Thurs Nov 25 at 9am in St. Edward's

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

Raymond Kurowski, Ken Wielenberg, Margaret Carlson, Brenda Wuebkers, Ron Dingman, Kristy Brezinka, Ramona Heurung, Arnold Scholz, Irene Lashinski, Cody Pappenfus, Frank Gerads, Lorene Koopmeiners, Linus & Marjorie Lehner, Joe Fuchs, Marlene Vornbrock, Brayden Harren, (SF, chemo in St. Paul), Bruce Wolters (nephew of Theresa Larson (SE, moved to rehab), Millie Spring (with cancer, 17 mos. old granddaughter of Fred and Rita Herbes, SF), Rudi Cazeau (terminal cancer, brother-in-law of Fr. David) family of +Anna Schulte, SM, Ambrose Herdering (St. Rose) family of +Irene Harren, (Sacred Heart)

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS Oct. 24, 2021

St. Edward: Adult: \$798.00 Loose: \$52.00 Votive \$ 51.25
Fall Collection \$ 750.00 Total **\$1,651.25**
St. Francis: Adult: \$707.00 Loose: \$143.00 Total **\$850.00**
St. Mary Adult: \$2,331.00 Loose: \$188.00 Fall Collection
\$1,940.00 Total **\$4,459.00**

Mass, Devotions & Events Schedule November 1-7, 2021

Monday 11/1 All Saints (not a Holy Day of Obligation)
8:00am St. Francis +Dennis Koroll ~Joe & Barb Fuchs
12 noon St. Edward +Bernetta Czech
6:00pm St. Mary +Cindy Fleischhaker ~Michelle Fleischhaker
11:00am St. Mary Funeral for Anna Schulte

Tuesday 11/2 All Souls' Day

8:00am St. Francis For all our deceased this past year
12 noon St. Edward and in addition for the 6pm Mass
6:00pm St. Mary those deceased from the Knights
of Columbus:+Paul Ampe,
+Rodney Bartkovicz, +Don Popp
and +Sylvester Prokott.

Wednesday 11/3 Saint Martin de Porres, Religious
St. Francis 8:00am Special Intentions-Jane Keppers Family
Anointing of the Sick
*Adoration & Benediction SM 12 noon-4pm

Thursday 11/4 Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop
St. Edward 8:00am +Mary Saalome Oopuda
*Anointing of the sick

Friday 11/5 First Friday

St. Mary 7:30am Special Intention of Jim and Mary Koczur
*Anointing of the Sick
*Adoration & Benediction SE 12 noon-4pm

Saturday 11/6 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
St. Francis 8:00pm +Irene Harren ~Loren Koopmeiners

Sunday 11/7

St. Edward 8:00am +Ken and Steve Heisick ~Helen Heisick
St. Mary 10:00am +Connie, Ethel & Jeff Middendorf
~Diane Herzog

Faith Formation

Grades K-6 Parents: Nov 3

This Wednesday from 6-7pm, we will have our classroom lesson (See You at the Finish Line). Parents will once again meet in the church. Please reach out to fellow parents to remind them of our gathering. Come from 5:15-5:45pm as they will a light dinner served.

Grades 7-10: Nov 10 Guest Speaker: 7:00pm

Please note: Joe Towalski and his team from the diocese will be speaking about social media safety and give parental guidance for navigating the demands of social networking. All students and parents need to be present as this is part of class.

Youth News

NCYC Trip to Indianapolis: Nov 17-21
Thanks to Mitch and Brooke Lange and many others who help make this trip a possibility for our young people. No doubt it will be a trip of lifetime. We have the largest group from the diocese taking part in this pilgrimage. Two years ago, a large group went with Fr Theis and they are still talking about their powerful experience. Fr Doug Liebsch will be on their chartered bus. He is the new Vocation Director for our diocese.

ST. EDWARD'S NEWS

Sun., Nov. 7– 8:00am

EM of HC: Julie Wensmann **Lector:** Adeline Molus

Ushers: John Kokett & Raymond Kokett

Greeter: Sally Schleper **Server:** Isaac Harren

Gift Bearers: Dean & Jackie Wolbeck

ST. FRANCIS' NEWS

Sat., Nov. 6– 8:00pm

EM of HC: Mary Jane Boeckermann

Lector: Barb Moorman

Servers: Carter Roerck

Gift Bearers: Charlie & Sandy Boeckermann

Cemetery Flowers All Flowers need to be removed from the cemetery by Nov 12. Any flowers left on the cemetery on the 13th will be discarded. Thank you.

Locking Churches

Starting Nov 8, St. Francis and St. Edward Churches will start locking their doors at 6:30pm Exceptions will be Adoration, meetings and family functions. It will go back to 8pm in the spring.

Benefit for Brayden Harren to be held October 31

St. Francis of Assisi Church. We will be serving a pancake and sausage breakfast with all the fixings starting at 9am to 1pm. We will also be having a silent auction. If parishioners or other community members would like to donate an item, please bring them to the church basement on October 30. Items can be but are not limited to hand crafted items, baskets, baked goods, etc. Any questions, call Kathy at 320-293-7485. Parishioners are asked to help out, and are encouraged to dress up for Halloween to make for a fun atmosphere! (but don't need to if your care not to.) **Last names A to K please come at 8am, L to Z please come at 11am (or when you can).** Anymore questions call Chad at 293-7092 or MJ 333-2472.

ST. MARY'S NEWS

Sun., Nov. 7 – 10:00am

EM of HC: Cindy Koehn **Lector:** Loenice Prokott

Ushers: Darren Lange & Mitch Lange

Greeter: Mikel & Julie Nelson

Servers: Riley Klasen & Wyatt Klasen

Gift Bearers: Elmer, Mary, Lorraine Frie

Bank Deposit: Cindy Koehn

Memorial Service for Jeremy Phillips: Nov 12

We will gather from 4-8pm in our church for a time of remembering Jeremy (The Frog) was only 59 yrs. old. He passed away peacefully Sept 22. He owned several bars, restaurants and was dedicated to serving patrons and community. Please keep his wife Cindy along with their children and grandchildren in your prayers.

Tractor and Bucket Needed in Cemetery

Jesus is calling ... the crucifix is in need of refurbishing as the years have taken its toll. Linda Mader, an area artist is most willing to do this for us at a very reasonable cost, but we need help getting it to her studio (near St Francis). Please call the office or Fr David.

Three Saints News

Daylight Saving Time/Mass Change

St Francis will switch to 4pm Saturday Mass during the winter months beginning November 20. Please help spread this news to your fellow parishioners.

Community Thanksgiving Dinner: Nov 25

The Word of Life Free Lutheran Church will be hosting this meal serving from 11:30am-1:30pm. Please help get the word to anyone who may need a place to go for Thanksgiving.

Three Saints News

Holy Land Religious Objects POSTPONED!

John and Ann Meisen contacted Fr David this past Tuesday to inform him that they both contracted the COVID-19 as they had it for 9 days. They have not been hospitalized, but it is taking a toll on them. They are so sorry about this as they were looking forward to coming to our communities. A new date will be set.

Fr John Odero's Package

Next weekend will be the deadline to get a sympathy card into our office. Please feel free to leave in the collection. His mother Mary Saalome Oopuda at 98 yrs old passed away Oct 7. We plan to send a package with some cards. To date, we have only 4 cards.

Thanksgiving Mass

on Thursday, October 25 will be a 9am at St. Edward. Contact the Office if you are able to participate in Mass as a Eucharistic Minister, Lector, usher, server, or greeter. Thank you!

Notes from Fr David

Tomorrow (Nov 1) we celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints, when we recognize those many men and women who we believe have gained the eternal reward and are forever in the presence of God. This weekend, we hear Jesus tell a scribe, "You are not far from the kingdom of God," suggesting that this anonymous functionary was close to being a saint. To be a saint should be our goal, so let us listen to the Gospel and pray that we take Jesus' words to heart and put them into action.

All Souls' Day (Nov 2), we recall all those who have gone before us, who we pray that in the fullness of time will live in the blessed company of the angels and saints in the presence of the Lord. We will come together that day as we will have three Masses offered, seeking God's compassion in our grief for those whose passing we mourn. However, we remember not only the dead, but Jesus' triumph over death. His resurrection redeemed us, opening the gates of Heaven to all who love Him. Let us pray on this holy day and in the month of November that our loved ones may receive divine mercy for their sins and rest in eternal peace with the Lord.

This past Saturday (Oct 23), six of us attended the 2021 Diocesan Ministry Day at St. John's University to open the Synod (Journeying together in listening to the Holy Spirit as we listen to each other). Cindy Liliana Gonzalez, spoke about 'Radical Hospitality' as she presented, in both English and Spanish, the idea of welcoming 'the stranger.' Afternoon sessions were small group 'beginning consultations', the first of many during this Synod where we will listen to each other in order "to plant dreams, draw forth prophecies and visions...weave together relationships and awaken the dawn of hope in our Catholic faith". Now, we are invited to ask how this "journeying together" is happening in our church. Now, we are asked how can we welcome as Jesus welcomes.

Next weekend kicks off National Vocation Awareness (Nov 6-13). National Vocation Awareness Week is an annual celebration of the U.S. Catholic Church dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life through prayer and education, and calling the faithful to pray for and support those who are considering such a vocation. "Studies of those recently ordained and religiously professed consistently show that the encouragement of the parish priest is the most influential factor in vocational discernment," Bishop Checchio said in an Oct. 20 statement about the upcoming weeklong observance.

Keep our priests in your prayers!