

# The Catholic Churches of

St. Edward  
Elmdale

St. Francis of Assisi  
St. Francis

St. Mary  
Upsala



## 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## Mass & Devotions Schedule

June 21 - 27, 2021

Monday:	6/21	<i>St. Aloysius Gonzaga</i> NO MASS SCHEDULED
Tuesday:	6/22	<i>St. Paulinus of Nola</i> St. Mary 6:00pm † Rich Boeckermann Youth Bible Study: 7 – 9pm @ The Jensen's
Wednesday:	6/23	<i>St. Ethelreda</i> St. Francis 8:00am † Aurelia Sundermann - Jane Keppers <i>St. Francis 7:30pm Cemetery Mass</i>
Thursday:	6/24	<i>Nativity of St. John the Baptist</i> St. Edward 8:00am † Kya Bartkovicz
Friday:	6/25	<i>St. Prosper of Reggio</i> St. Mary 9:00am Members of the Koehn Family - Kathy Koehn
Saturday:	6/26	<i>St. Anthelm</i> St. Mary 4:00pm † George Casazza - Jackie Wolbeck
Sunday:	6/27	<i>13th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> St. Edward 8:00am † Francis 'Sunny' & Betty Zwilling St. Francis 10:00am † Norbert Roering

### Upcoming Meetings

- Budget:** Mon., June 21 – St. Mary @ 7pm  
**Budget:** Tues., June 22 – St. Edward @ 6:45pm  
(St. Edward Cemetery Committee will meet 6:30 – 6:45pm)  
**Budget:** Tues., June 22 – St. Francis @ 8pm  
**Fall Festival:** Thurs., June 24 – St. Francis @ 7:30pm

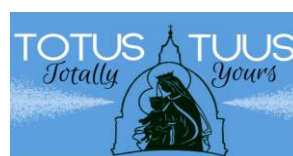
### Mass Times Change

- Starting July 3 & 4, weekend Mass times will be as follows:  
Sunday St. Francis – Saturday at 8pm  
Obligation also reinstated! St. Edward – Sunday at 8am  
St. Mary – Sunday at 10am

### Area Church Gatherings

- St. Edward: June 27  
Coffee & Rolls after 8am Mass in the church basement.  
St Anna Bazaar: June 27  
Mass at 10am, 11am to 5pm include quilt, cash and gun raffle. The Grand Raffle and Gun Raffle will take place at 5pm.  
Bowlus Fun Day: July 4  
Come to an Outdoor Polka Mass at 10am! Come and meet their new pastor Fr Greg Sauer who was ordained just two years ago. Adult and children's games, food booths, beer garden, etc.  
August Fest is back: August 8  
Come to St. James Church in Randall for the 30th annual August Fest Grand Celebration.

### Youth News



#### Totus Tuus: July 17-23

Families get registered. This is a fun and energetic Catholic youth program taught by seminarians and college students throughout the Diocese of St Cloud. From catechetical lessons, sacraments, to songs, games and skits your child is sure to have fun while learning more about their faith! Totus Tuus seeks to inspire in young people a true longing for holiness, a deep desire for daily conversion, and an openness to their vocation by constantly challenging them to give themselves entirely to Christ through Mary and by continually strengthening their prayer lives.



### Over 80 Blessings! (July)

Herbert Gerads (7/4) SF  
Mary Jane Stich (7/6) SM  
Gerald Vornbrock (7/6) SM  
Joan Jendro (7/7) SE  
Helen Heisick (7/8) SE  
Valeria Lehner (7/9) SF  
Rose Mary Binek (7/10) SM  
Melvin Pundsack (7/11) SF  
Donna Bartkovicz (7/11) SE  
Margaret Carlson (7/11) SE  
Don Herzog (7/17) SF  
Leroy Harren (7/22) SM

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

Raymond Kurowski, Ken Wielenberg, Don Maciej, Margaret Carlson, Brenda Wuebkers, Ron Dingman, Kristy Brezinka, Ramona Heurung, Arnold Scholz, Irene Lashinski, Bernadine Bartkovicz, Cody Pappenfus (SE, at home recovering), Brayden Harren (SF, chemo begins June 14), Bruce Wolters (still sedated in hospital, 5 weeks since accident, Bowlus, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> degree burns, nephew of Gary & Theresa Larson, SE), Robert Maciej (SM, at home recovering), Rodney Bartkovicz (SE, stage four cancer)

### WEEKEND COLLECTIONS

**St. Mary:** Adult \$2,362; Loose \$170; Confessional \$200 - **\$2,732.00**

**St. Edward:** Adult \$1,126; Loose \$82; Online \$145 – **\$1,353.00**

**St. Francis:** Adult \$524; Loose \$105; Votive \$120.61; Cemetery \$10;  
Online \$100 - **\$859.61**

### Schedule for Cemetery Masses

June 23 – St. Francis at 7:30pm  
July 7 – St. Mary at 6pm  
July 14 – St. Edward at 7pm  
July 28 – St. Francis at 7:30pm  
Aug. 4 – St. Mary at 6pm

Bring  
your  
lawn  
chairs!



### Home Scriptural Rosary

Fr. David will come to your home and pray the rosary with you. To schedule a time, please call Fr. David. The following dates are available:

July 6, 13, August 18

### THREE SAINTS NEWS

#### **Space for our Youth**

"It saddens me that our Churches have little to no space to help welcome our young people. Many churches have a designated 'Youth Room'. Should we be really surprised that we find our churches becoming greyer and greyer? I think that it is great that our youth feel most welcomed to Community Covenant Church with their 'Ignite Student Ministry'. Yet, would it not be great that they also would want to come to our Churches? There is a very nice pool table in Elmdale Rectory basement not being used. Holy Spirit speak to us and help our Three Saint Parishes become more 'youth friendly'." Fr David

#### **Mass Server Ministry**

We had practices last week and the attendance was very light. The majority of our servers have chosen to discontinue serving Mass. 😞 How might we encourage other children and young people to consider this most important ministry? Please consider trying it and see if this is something you may want to do. Children and young people, do you know that it means a million dollars to our aging community to see youth becoming involved? Perhaps fathers or mothers would be interested in helping their children to serve at Mass? Other Churches have done this and found this most helpful. Sometimes nervousness is a reason for them not wanting to serve. Please call Fr David if you are interested or have other ideas for this ministry.

#### **Summer Trip to Valleyfair?**

Is there any interest going to Valleyfair in July or August? This could be open for all grades. In my previous parishes, Mass servers would go free as a small token of thanks. Please contact our office if this is of interest as well as dates it would not work for you. Or what about a trip to the MN Twins? What would be better attended?

#### **Fr David's Family Wedding**

Thanks to Fr Joe Korf for filling in for our 4pm Mass (June 26) as Fr David presides at the wedding of his niece Katie. The wedding will take place in West Union. Fr Joe is retired, lives in Elrosa and is an awesome preacher! Please extend a warm welcome to him from our Three Saint Communities.

#### **Parishioners in Military?**

We are still looking for person or persons that would be willing to help coordinate a list of those brothers and sisters of ours who are in the military. It would be good to list them in our bulletin as well as occasionally pray for them by name. Qualifications for this position include having a Doctorate in Criminal Justice & Legal (at minimum to be working on it) or have served at least two tours of duty in the Middle East! 😊

#### **ACC Meeting**

The two members from each of our parishes along with the two from each of the Holdingford area parishes will be meeting: July 1<sup>st</sup> at 7pm in All Saints – St Mary's in Holdingford. The Diocese is asking that our six parishes form a "Joint Council" consisting of members from each parish. This new "Joint Council" would take the place of the Pastoral Councils in each parishes.

#### **Fr Gregory Mastey's Birthday**

Please send him a card: June 23. His address: PO Box 308, Holdingford, MN 56340. Don't forget that he was ordained 26 years to the priesthood, in his words: "Celebrating the Eucharist; I love the Mass; Bringing people to Christ and Christ to the people in the sacraments in some cool places all over the world; I have been privileged to meet holy people and walk with them in faith at very intimate and personal times on their journey; I have been inspired and nudged and aware of the Holy Spirit's movements in my ministry and with people, and that has been exciting!"

### ST. MARY'S NEWS

#### **Sat., June 26 – 4pm**

*EM of HC:* Joe Schumer      *Lector:* Brian Lange

*Greeter:* Randy & Jane Tretter

*Ushers:* Duane & Rosie Harren

#### **Remodeled Confessional**

So what do you think? In talking with former pastor Fr Michael Kellogg, he is very excited as he said the former set-up was meant to be temporary. Thanks to the \$200 recently donated by a parishioner which helps cover some of the remodeling cost of \$750. We still need to get two lamps which would allow us not to use the bright florescent lights. I have been hearing some skepticism about the coin deposit idea, so any other ideas? 😊

#### **New Shelf in Entrance**

What do you think of Charlie Gunderson's work as we placed the statue of Our Lady upon a shelf? Especially with her being the Patron Saint of our church, it is only fitting that she welcomes one and all when they come to God's House.

#### **Outdoor Mass at Veteran's Memorial Park?**

What is the Holy Spirit placing on your heart? Might the Good Lord be wanting us to consider having a 10am Mass outdoors this summer? This could be a great opportunity to show appreciation for all those in the military who sacrificed so much for us. Remember that our Fall Festival on August 22 in St Francis will have the 10am Polka Mass.

### ST. EDWARD'S NEWS

#### **Sun., June 27 – 8am – 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*EM of HC:* Julie Wensmann      *Lector:* Dennis Biniek

*Greeter:* Jim & Julie Wensmann

*Ushers:* Jim Wensmann & Justin Wensmann

#### **Cemetery History**

"'It Is A Holy And Wholesome Thing To Pray For The Dead' is written on the headstone for Ralph and Kathleen Carlson. + Ralph went Home to Jesus June 15, 1998. Continue to pray for all living spouses and family members who grieve the loss of loved ones as they wait their call to come Home. Also, I counted two priests buried in our cemetery with their dates of going Home to Jesus: + Fr Paul Shurek 2/2/1963 and + Fr Andrew Nolen 1/5/1989." Fr David

#### **Angel/s of St Francis Shrine**

"Again, thanks to whomever planted flowers and made our shrine most beautiful. Did you notice that the shrine statue disappeared? The statue of St Francis of Assisi is being painted by Linda Mader. It was October 26, 1989 when the car-train accident claimed the lives of + Karen Marie Kulla, SE (daughter of + Floyd 5/17/90 and Janet) and + Jodi Lynn Lange, SM (daughter of + Joe 1/17/16 and + Diane 8/3/20). May they rest in peace." Fr David

### ST. FRANCIS' NEWS

#### **Sun., June 27 – 10am**

*EM of HC:* Chad Koopmeiners      *Lector:* Clara Pflueger

#### **Cemetery Mass**

Please remember to bring your lawn chairs for our Mass this Wednesday at 7:30pm. Praying for the deceased is very important in our Catholic faith. There is no greater prayer than the Holy Mass.

#### **Fall Festival: August 22**

We are taking names of those parishioners and those from neighboring parishes who are open to help volunteer Saturday or Sunday. Please, please consider giving us a call as we can suggest some possible options. Even if you have only a few hours, anytime is most greatly appreciated. Please call Janice at 573-2132 as soon as you are able.

### NOTES FROM FR. DAVID

In this weekend's Gospel, we hear Jesus calm the raging sea as His disciples' cling to the storm-tossed boat. The disciples were terrified that they would die, but Jesus suggests that their faith should have reassured them. Many of us can probably recall a time when our father came to our rescue, protecting or supporting us, making everything all right. This weekend, we honor our dads, our grandfathers, godfathers, uncles, and all who have acted as fathers in our lives. May their protection and constancy be a model of God's care for us.

The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation in the Diocese of St. Cloud and all MN dioceses will be reinstated on the weekend of July 3-4. May our parishes be most welcoming these summer months especially to all who have been away from Church for some time. Let's also keep in prayer all those who are still unable to join us. Although the general dispensation will no longer be available, persons in certain circumstances will be excused from observing the obligation:

- 1) Those who have reason to believe their health would be significantly compromised if they were to contract a communicable illness (i.e., they have underlying conditions or are in a high-risk category);
- 2) Those who exhibit flu-like symptoms.
- 3) Those who have good reason to think they might be asymptomatic of a contagious illness (e.g., they were in recent contact with someone who tested positive for a contagious illness such as COVID or influenza).
- 4) Those who care for the sick, homebound or infirmed.
- 5) Those who are pregnant or are 65 years of age or older (per the Centers for Disease Control's recommendation for high-risk individuals).
- 6) Those who cannot attend Mass through no fault of their own (e.g., no Mass is offered; they are infirm; or, while wanting to go, they are prevented for some reason they cannot control, such as their ride did not show up).
- 7) Those who have significant fear or anxiety of becoming ill by being at Mass.

Allow me to share with you a Holy Spirit moment. Two weeks ago, following the Corpus Christi Procession after the 10am Mass in St Francis, the Lord placed on my heart to consider making a pilgrimage. You may recall how I spoke of Fr Peter of Prague's pilgrimage and the Eucharistic miracle which helped to bring about the first Corpus Christi celebration. Well, it was that very Sunday morning, I received an email that has a pilgrimage to Mexico City December 2-7, 2021. As you know, Our Lady of Guadalupe has appeared there in 1531. What do you think? Are you interested in a pilgrimage?

Next weekend will be the last weekend before our Mass times change. No doubt this change will not be well received by a good number of people, yet I pray that somehow together we can make this work. I greatly appreciate hearing support and encouragement from many people. With no ordinations to the priesthood in the next three years, there is no doubt that changes will be coming. Have you heard that the Catholic School in Marty/Pearl Lake has recently closed?