

The Catholic Churches

St. Edward

St. Francis of Assisi

St. Mary



"Bring some of the fish you just caught."
~Jesus

The Third Sunday of Easter May 1, 2022

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RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Saturday: St. Francis ~ 7:15-7:45 pm,
Sunday: St. Edward ~ 7:15-7:45 am, & St. Mary ~ 9:15-9:45 am
Tuesday St. Mary ~ 5- 5:45 pm

PRAYER LINES

(SM) Karen Liebsch 573-4127 & Kathy Koehn 573-2363
(SF) Judy Theisen 573-2933 & Joyce Koopmeiners 573-2728
(SE) Sally Schleper 573- 2127

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples need to begin preparations with Fr. David nine months in advance and must call him before setting the marriage date.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Contact the office before the desired date.

*Bulletin deadline is on Wednesday at noon

Mass, Devotions & Events Schedule

Tuesday 5/3		<i>Saint Philip and James, Apostles</i>
6 pm St. Mary	†	Janet Hartung *Anointing of the Sick
7:30pm All-Saints-St. Mary's, Holdingford		Synod Listening Session
Wednesday 5/4		
8 am St. Francis	†	Justin & Alma Schulte *Anointing of the Sick
12-4pm St. Mary		Adoration & Benediction
Thursday 5/5		<i>National Day of Prayer</i>
8 am St. Edward	†	Kya Bartkowicz *Anointing of the Sick
Friday 5/6		
7:30 am St. Mary	†	Cindy Fleischhaker *Anointing of the Sick
12-4pm St. Edward		Adoration & Benediction
Weekend Masses		Fourth Sunday of Easter
Saturday 5/7		
8 pm St. Francis	†	Tony & Edna Boeckermann ~Gerry and Mary Jane Boeckermann
Sunday 5/8		
8 am St. Edward		Living and Deceased of the Wensmann Family
10 am St. Mary		For the People

First Friday/Home Visits: May 6

Please call Fr David if you would a like visit and/or receive Jesus in the sacraments.

Totus Tuus/Summer Vacation Bible School

Enroll for Totus Tuus: June 12-17 in Upsala

We are currently enrolling students entering 1st grade thru 12th grade into our Totus Tuus Summer program. The elementary (grades 1-6) program will start on June 13-17th from 9am-2:30pm and the Senior High program begins June 12-16th from 7-9pm all at St Mary's. All are welcome for fun and fellowship. Please email Jamie Heurung at: totustuus@tworiverscatholic.com or call: 250-7332 and list your children's names and ages. She will then forward you an official registration form for further information related to registration (i.e. mailing, emergency contact, allergies, etc...). You need not be parishioners. Invite your cousins and friends. You need not be Catholic. Jamie is really looking forward to another "Totally Yours" summer!

Housing Needed for Two Men

We are looking for living accommodations for the week of June 11-17th. Lodging has been found for the two females but we still need lodging for the two males. The team will arrive by mid-afternoon on Saturday and depart Friday evening. Please call Jamie at (320) 250-7332 if you're interested in providing the first Supper, sleeping and breakfast for our amazing Christ centered adult leaders!

Calling All Interested Collegians

Seeking one, possibly two, females for this summer Totus Tuus Ministry. Qualified candidates will be confirmed catholic and be enrolled in college courses for the 2022 school year. The commitment is from the end of May until the end of July and includes \$4,000 stipend in addition to room and board. It's really an excellent way to grow in faith and make lasting friendships!!

Please pray for us:

Raymond Kurowski, Ken Wielenberg, Margaret Carlson, Brenda Wuebkers, Ron Dingman, Kristy Brezinka, Ramona Heurung, Arnold & Donna Scholz, Irene Lashinski, Frank Gerads, Darwin Binek & Kathy Hennek, Linus & Marjorie Lehner, Carol Langner, Judy Gerads, Bruce Wolters (burn victim, at home, rehab), Marlene Vornbrock (SM, recovery from Covid), Dennis Biniek (SE, recovery from colon cancer), **Rosie Harren (Complications from Knee Surgery)** Family of + Claude Yurczyk



Congratulations First Communicants 2022

St. Mary's, Upsala

Abe Ainali son of Jon & Cristy
William Barthel son of Brent & Kayla
Raelyn Gross daughter of Brandon & Gina Gross
Addilynn Leither daughter of Jonathan & Rebecca
Ben Ripplinger son of Myron Sr. & Kristy
Lillian Ripplinger daughter of Chris & Samantha
Sidney Schulte daughter of Corey & Nichole Schulte
Lauryn Weber daughter of Brock & Christine

St. Francis of Assisi, St. Francis

Ethan Goebel son of Kurt & Jackie
Brayden Harren son of Andy & Brittany
Evan Welle Son of AJ & Pam

Youth/Children News

Upsala Youth Center: 3:15-6pm

Youth in grades 7-12 are invited to come Tuesdays and Thursdays to the Rec Building through the month of May! A time of fellowship, games and treats.

Sunday Night Youth Mass Last Week

Attendance this past week was less than usual. Please note our last Youth Mass before summer is May 15th at 6pm. Please help get the word out. Youth meet other youth as we will have a time of adoration along with praise and worship music! Pizza will be served afterwards.

Family Faith Coordinator Opening

Thanks to Reba Leither with this being the first year our parishes used this new family-based curriculum. This once a month, parents and K-6 children gather at church to learn about the same topic of faith. Is the Holy Spirit inviting you to consider this position? Three weeks a month, parents teach at home. Down-to-earth, engaging and easy-to-use, the curriculum spans September to May. Please go on our webpage for application, more information and/or: www.familyformation.net

High School Graduation Mass: May 15

Come support our seniors as they prepare for the next step in life. This will take place at our 10am Mass in St Mary's. The Junior Class will host reception directly afterwards.

ST EDWARD'S NEWS

Sun., May 8th, 8:00 am The Fourth Sunday of Easter

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

Server: Isaac Harren

Ushers: Jim Wensmann & Justin Wensmann

Greeters: Raymond Kokett

Gift Bearers: Pat & Kris Blonigen

Spaghetti Supper Success!

Thanks to everyone who helped bring this about! It was truly amazing as 200 meals were served which was more than ever! Thanks to Joy Koroll along with Ted Lewandowski for overseeing this evening. It took tons of work and we are most grateful. Peggy Frieler and Carmen Welinski have been making the sauce many years as the people continue to rave about it! The games made it fun evening for everyone.

ST FRANCIS' NEWS

Sat., May 7th, 8:00 pm The Fourth Sunday of Easter

EM of HC: Judy Theisen

Lector: Holly Keppers

Server: Volunteers

Ushers: Dennis & Deb Koopmeiners

Gift Bearers: Chad & Niki Koopmeiners

Mother's Day Carnations

Christian Mothers/Women will have carnations available for sale on Mother's Day. There is a sign up sheet in the back of church to purchase in memory of deceased women of your family. That bouquet will be placed in front of the Blessed Virgin Mary statue. Carnations may be purchased after Mass on Mother's Day too. Free Will donation. If anyone has bud vases to donate, you can leave them in the back of church. Thank you!

Thank You from Shanna Dobmeier (last year scholarship)

"Thank you Church of St Francis of Assisi for choosing me to receive the \$500 scholarship. I am very grateful for it. It will help me greatly in furthering my education. I am beyond Blessed!!"

ST MARY'S NEWS

Sun., May 8th, 10:00 am The Fourth Sunday of Easter

EM of HC: LeAnn Beneke **Lector:** Leonice Prokott

Servers: Christian Ripplinger & Emily Ripplinger

Ushers: Matt Ripplinger

Greeters: Bernie Waldorf

Gift Bearers: Jamie & Jenny Leners

Bank Deposit: Marvin Wensmann

National Day of Prayer: May 5th

Come and join area churches at the Upsala Veteran Memorial at 7am: "join us to pray for a time of prayer for our nation". You can also pray at these area churches from 8am-8pm: Brighter Days Family Church in Burtrum; Community Covenant, Gethsemane, Word of Life and St Mary's all here in Upsala.

Volunteers Lock/Unlock Church

Unfortunately we have yet to receive any interest. Someone mentioned to Fr David that perhaps we just leave the Church unlocked over-night? Currently we have two options: leave church unlocked or have it open from 8am-4pm.

Upcoming Events

May 3: Knights of Columbus Meeting, Elmdale at 8 pm

May 5: National Day of Prayer 7am Veteran Memorial

May 7: 9-12:30pm at the Bryce Westrich Sheep Farm

May 15: Graduation Mass at 10am in St Mary's

May 15: Youth Mass in St Mary's at 6pm

May 22: Baccalaureate Service in St Francis at 8pm

Graduation Mass: May 15 Junior class and parents serving after 10 am Mass. Please call Jayne Lange 290-6924.

WEEKEND COLLECTION April 10, 2022

St. Edward: Adult: \$522 Easter Loose: \$104, Catholic Home Missions \$65, Spaghetti Supper: \$3,311 **Total: \$4,002.**

St. Francis: Adult: \$445, Loose: \$85, Catholic Home Mission: \$30, Easter: \$35 **Total: \$895**

St. Mary: Adult: \$1276, Loose: \$185, Votive: \$34.01 Funeral: \$100, Catholic Home Mission: \$20, Visitor: \$10 **Total: \$1,625.01**

Three Saints News continued

First Year Collegian Summer Experience

"My name is Collin Prom and I'm currently a Junior in Exercise Science Major at the University of Mary in Bismarck, ND. This summer, I will be serving at a Catholic faith camp called Camp Wojtyla in Jamestown Colorado, and I am doing some fundraising to help cover my costs for gear, travel, and living for just over two months. I would really appreciate any financial support or prayers you could offer for me! I will be speaking to the parishes next weekend (May 7-8) and there will be an opportunity to donate after mass. Know of my prayers for all of you." A basket will be in our churches when you leave Mass. **Please make your check out to: Camp Wojtyla with his name on the memo line.**

Synod 2021-2023: Church in Motion

Diocesan webpage (www.stcdio.org/synod-2021-2023) includes ways for you to participate. You can learn more about the Synod, see what others have shared, and when you are ready, take part in a consultation. The simplest way to offer your voice is with the "self-guided consultation" — an online option that asks for your reflections in response to the words of Pope Francis about the purpose of the synod. Even if you have already attended a group listening opportunity, or met with a one-on-one listener, you are invited to offer more.

Catholic Home Missions Appeal: April 23/24

Thank you for your generosity this past week: \$115. As you continue to reach out to those in need, know that God is never outdone in generosity.

Children's Liturgy of the Word at St Mary's?

Fr David has been in parishes where this helps children and families grow in their faith. Opole parish has more children taking part in this ministry. Children are generally dismissed when the scripture readings begin and then they return during the Creed.

Watch on FORMED

The Stations of the Resurrection:

Via Lucis-the way of light

This is an Easter reflection on the

14 stations of light to help you walk in your Faith!

FORMED sign up

*Go to formed.org

*Click on Sign up

*Sign up as a parishioner

*Type in: St. Mary, Upsala

*Select: St. Francis of Assisi,

308 S Main St. Upsala MN

*Click Next

*Enter your name and email

*Click Sign Up

Notes from Fr David

In this weekend's Gospel the risen Lord appears to the disciples at the Sea of Tiberias. He had already appeared to them in the upper room in Jerusalem — twice — but they still didn't recognize Him until He led them to catch a miraculous number of fish. We too may not recognize the risen Lord in our lives, yet we know He is present — as we gather together, in the Eucharist itself, in those whom we love, in the stranger in need. Let us pray for God's grace in recognizing the risen Lord in our midst.

Congratulations to all our First Communicants. Let's pray that they and their parents will love Jesus more than ever in the Eucharist. The ability to receive Jesus in the Eucharist is a gift. No-body can receive the Eucharist for you. It has to be a free, conscious act that you choose for yourself. As Christians, we have the choice to be Christ's body in the world, as St. Teresa of Avila reminds us, "Christ has no body now on earth but yours; no hands but yours; no feet but yours. Yours are the eyes through which the compassion of Christ must look out on the world. Yours are the feet with which he is to go about doing good. Yours are the hands with which he is to bless his people." Jesus says, this is my body, given for you. How will I be His body in the world today?

Might the Holy Spirit be nudging you to consider becoming more involved in a Stewardship Committee for our three parishes? We are in the infancy stages, so please be open to this ministry. Reach out to your Finance Council members or myself for more information. A few of us are planning to attend a workshop in Wichita, KS August 10-11. Our diocese and Bishop Kettler strongly encourage our parishes to get more involved in this area. Is the Holy Spirit encouraging you to consider joining us? To date, Mark MacArthur from St Francis and Mike Klasen from St Mary's are expressing interest.