

# The Catholic Churches of

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



Ash  
Wednesday  
March 2, 2022

## Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 27, 2022

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**Bulletin deadline is on Wednesday at noon**

### Please Note:

\*Mask are optional. Anyone who feels safer wearing a mask should continue to do so.

\*Due to Ash Wednesday, Adoration for St. Mary's will be changed from March 2 to March 9 from noon to 4 pm. Thank you!

### Stations of the Cross –March 3-April 13

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday after 8 am Mass. Fridays at 7pm: St. Edward on 3/4 & 3/25, St. Mary on 3/11 & 4/1, St. Francis on 3/18 No Stations on 4/8 for our "Journey with Jesus to Calvary" performance.

### Save the Date

Mar 6: Skywarn Spotter Training 2-4pm at SM  
Mar 7: Daughters of Isabella's meeting 1pm Our Lady of Lourdes  
Mar 9: Confirmation Retreat held at AS-SM in Holdingford: 6-9pm  
Mar 10: ACC Mtg at SM at 7pm  
Mar 11: Stations of the Cross: SM @ 7pm  
Mar 16: Religious Ed Students: Confession from 6:30-8:40pm  
Mar 18: Stations of the Cross: SF @ 7pm  
Mar 19: Mass Time Change from 4pm to 8pm (SF)  
Mar 20: Sacrament of Confirmation in Holdingford @ 2pm  
Mar 27: Communal Confession at All Saints-St Mary's in Holdingford from 2-5pm  
Mar 27: Youth Mass SM @ 6pm with Praise & Worship Music  
Mar 27: Quilt Bingo 1pm in Sobieski

**SKYWARN Spotter training:** St. Mary's 2-4pm Sun, Mar.6 and via ZOOM 6-8pm Friday, March 11. SKYWARN is a program of the Nat'l Weather Service. Get your pre-registration material and ZOOM session ID & passcodes by sending an email to [MorrisonCoSkywarn@yahoo.com](mailto:MorrisonCoSkywarn@yahoo.com). Call Tom Kilian at 320-232-5705 for more info.

### 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 & Donna Scholz, Irene Lashinski, Frank Gerads, Brayden Harren, (SF, recovery from chemo), Millie Spring (stem cell, 1 1/2 years old), Judy Gerads (SF, radiation), Bruce Wolters (burn victim, at home, rehab), Marlene Vornbrock (SM, recovery from Covid), Fr. Peter Kirchner (mini-strokes, St. Cloud Hospital), Rita Lange (SF, blood clots), Darwin Binek & Kathy Hennek (SM, @ St. Otto's) Linus & Marjorie Lehner (SM, Mother of Mercy), Arnie Czech (SE, at home), Fr. Roger Klassen (recovering from an accident)

**family of + Brian Wensmann (SM)**

## Mass, Devotions & Events Schedule

<u>Sunday 2/27</u>		<i>Mass on Ice site change due to weather</i>
3:00 pm St. Mary		Youth Mass-meet at St. Mary's
<u>Tuesday 3/1</u>		
6:00 pm St. Mary	†	Peter Prokott * Anointing of the Sick*
<u>Wednesday 3/2</u>		<i>Ash Wednesday</i>
7:30 am St. Mary	†	Brian Wensmann
12 noon St. Edward	†	Joe Korman ~Linda Langner
6 pm St. Mary	†	Rosemary Jarnot
8 pm St. Francis	†	Joyce Eveslage ~Lorene Koopmeiners
<u>Thursday 3/3</u>		<i>Saint Katharine Drexel, Virgin</i>
8:00 am St. Edward	†	George Casazza * Anointing of the Sick & Stations of the Cross
<u>Friday 3/4</u>		<i>Saint Casimir/ World Day of Prayer</i>
7:30 am St. Mary	†	Irene Harren *Anointing of the Sick*
12-4 pm St. Edward		Adoration, No Benediction
7:00 pm St. Edward		Stations of the Cross
<b>Weekend Masses</b>		<b>First Sunday of Lent</b>
<u>Saturday 3/5</u>		
4 pm St. Francis		For the People
<u>Sunday 3/6</u>		
8 am St. Edward	†	Norbert & Hellen Dehn ~Julie Wensmann
10 am St. Mary	†	Elizabeth Herzog & Duane Herzog

### Youth News

**Confirmation Retreat:** Mar 9 from 6-9pm at All Saints-St. Mary's, Holdingford. Please pray for our 14 young people. May their fire of the Holy Spirit help ignite our parishes!

### Faith Formation

#### Grades 7-10 Classes Resume

Welcome back students. Do you know that we have only 4 classes remaining? Our next class will be March 16. Please try to make one of the Ash Wednesday Masses.

**K-6: Home Lesson:** "Precepts of the Church". March 9 will be our classroom lesson

**Confirmation Class:** Mar 3 following the 6pm Mass. Remember to bring a parent or sponsor

### Three Saints News

#### Be a Listener for the Synodal Church

Bishop Donald Kettler is asking each of our diocese's 29 Area Catholic Communities (ACC) to host a synod consultation over the next few months. At these group gatherings, participants will share their views and learn from one another. Trained "listeners" will help to guide the discussions and record what they hear. The summaries will not identify anyone by name. If you are interested in helping this important initiative by being a "listener," training sessions are scheduled in both English and Spanish for those who want to be group listeners and/or one-on-one listeners. Upcoming training dates — both online and in-person — are listed at [www.stcadio.org/synod-2021-2023](http://www.stcadio.org/synod-2021-2023) under "Training Opportunities to be a Synod Listener."

### **ST EDWARD'S NEWS**

**Sun., March 6, 8:00 am First Sunday of Lent**

**EM of HC:** Dorene Czeck **Lector:** Jeff Czech

**Server:** Isaac Harren

**Ushers:** Mike Urbanski & Shawn Urbanski

**Greeters:** Jim & Julie Wensmann

**Gift Bearers:** Greg & Renee Wensmann

#### **The Bishop is Coming!**

Bishop Kettler has made plans to attend our Spaghetti Supper/Silent Auction on April 22. We hope and pray that everyone will come forth to do their part to help make this most blessed for our parish.

### **ST FRANCIS' NEWS**

**Wed., March 2, 8:00 pm Ash Wednesday**

**EM of HC:** Chad Koopmeiners

**Lector:** Chad Koopmeiners

**Server:** Volunteers

**Ushers:** Allen Herzog & Leroy Pflueger

**Gift Bearers:** Isidore & Beverly Schmitz

**Sat., March 5, 4:00 pm The First Sunday of Lent**

**EM of HC:** Mary Jane Boeckermann

**Lector:** Holly Keppers

**Server:** Carter Roerick

**Ushers:** Allen Herzog & Leroy Pflueger

**Gift Bearers:** Bob & Judy Theisen

#### **The Catholic United Financial Matching Grant**

##### **Breakfast:**

Sunday, March 20th serving from 9 am to 12:30 pm.  
FREE WILL OFFERING in the St. Francis Church Basement.

#### **The "Journey with Jesus to Calvary:**

production is underway. The main actors are practicing on Sunday, Feb., 27 and Sunday March 6 at 1pm to get things started. There are lots of spots for anyone to help out. Actors, Choir or backstage. Just give Bob a call at 573-2933 and ask how you can help. The shows are on April 6 at 7 pm, April 8 & 9 at 7:30 pm and April 10 at 1pm.

### **ST MARY'S NEWS**

**Wed., March 2, 6:00 pm Ash Wednesday**

**EM of HC:** Cindy Koehn **Lector:** Jan Kilian

**Server:** Riley Klasen & Wyatt Klasen

**Ushers:** Duane & Rosie Harren

**Greeters:** Randy & Jane Tretter

**Gift Bearers:** Tom & Theresa Lange

**Bank Deposit:** Cindy Koehn

**Sun., March 6, 10:00 am First Sunday of Lent**

**EM of HC:** Christine Weber **Lector:** Chantelle Frie

**Server:** Christian Ripplinger & Emily Ripplinger

**Ushers:** Tom & Jan Kilian

**Greeters:** Rosemary Mehr & Rosie Harren

**Gift Bearers:** Andy & Linda Langner

**Bank Deposit:** Mikel Nelson

#### **Maintenance Position Open**

Maintenance Position Open  
This job includes a variety of services such as minor mechanical and electrical repair, general maintenance on parish buildings and grounds. No lawn moving or snow removal is necessary. Less than 10 hrs./week. Talk to Robert Maciej or Fr David for more info. Complete Job Description on our webpage.

### **WEEKEND COLLECTION February 13, 2022**

**St. Edward:** Adult: \$815, Loose: \$63, Central MN Catholic \$120 Total: **\$1028**

**St. Francis:** Adult: \$1,415, Loose: \$49, Central MN Catholic: \$20 Total: **\$1,484**

**St. Mary:** Adult: \$1,370 Loose: \$157, Funeral: \$10, Central MN Catholic \$61 Total: **\$1,598**

### **Three Saints News**

#### **ACC Meeting here at St Mary's: March 10**

Please keep in prayer our parish leaders and those from the Holdingford area as we will be meet at 7pm. Our new representatives Greg Larsen & Leonice Urbanski (SE), Matt Herzog & Sylvester Tschida (SF) and Rodney Roering & Renee Scholz (SM) along with Fr Gregory and Fr David are initially working on what is necessary to bring about a listening session. Some people have shared their hopes that the synod process would "stir up the gifts" of the people, help the Church to be a "school of hospitality" and foster a greater degree of unity among the faithful. What ideas or thoughts might the Holy Spirit placing on your heart? How might our church become more church in following what Jesus is asking us?

#### **Dinner Theatre at RReVs in St Anna**

Did you know that Bob Theisen from St Francis is directing this play? All Dinner Theatre tickets are \$30. For reservations or more information, please call 320-845-7738. Performances take place the last weekend of February and the first two weekends of March Friday and Saturday evenings at 6pm dinner served followed by 8pm performance. Flyers in the entrances of all our churches.

**The family of Pete Prokott** would like to thank anyone who contributed to dad's funeral Mass to make it a true celebration of life. This includes the choir who took time off from work to provide wonderful music, the members who made and served a delicious lunch, and Father David for a beautiful Mass. An Extra thank you to Father David for the monthly visits and the trips to the house and hospital to bless our dad when he was ill. Finally, we would like to thank anyone who supported our dad throughout the years and who supported us during this difficult time.  
~The Children of Pete Prokott

#### **Rural Catholics Singles Group Meeting**

March 12 at 7pm, All Saints-St. Mary's, Holdingford. Kristin Molitor will speak about Theology of the Body. This is for single people ages 19-59. Contact Janel: 290-2877.

#### **DCCW Women's Lenten Retreat**

March 12 at Holy Family in Belle Prairie. Morning speaker: Fr. Brady Keller. Begins at 8:30 am. Mass at 11 am followed by lunch and afternoon speakers Leah Brix & Abby Thomas. Contact Linda Scepurek: 632-4805

### **Notes from Fr David**

Jesus the Teacher present lessons as insightful this weekend as they were when He taught His disciples two thousand years ago. In a few days we will be beginning the season of Lent, when we will be reminded of the lessons Jesus taught us as He anticipated His eventual death. But this weekend we hear Jesus in the course of His ministry teaching everyday wisdom for ordinary times in our lives. As we transition from Ordinary Time to Lent, let us relearn the lessons that guide us at any time of the year.

Thanks so much for your response last week for Bishop's Annual Appeal. All totaled, we sent in 24 envelopes from our parishes. No doubt the more that we work together, great things will come about. As Bishop Kettler said, "Your generosity makes this work possible. Without you, the services these ministries provide wouldn't be possible. The ministries supported by this appeal bring people closer to Christ and share His Good News." Feel free to leave your envelope in next week's collection

Next Wednesday the foreheads of Catholics the world over are marked with ashes, a sign of our sinfulness, a sign of the human condition, a sign of our need of God's mercy. If you recall, last year the ashes could be only be sprinkled on your head. Bishop Kettler has given us the option of sprinkling or marking your foreheads. After some prayer, I decided that I along with lay ministers will place the ashes on your forehead. You have to know best if you would like to receive them or refrain this year due to health concerns. These ashes began as palm leaves. Palms recalling Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, where He would make the ultimate sacrifice on the cross. These 40 days of Lent are a great time of grace. I hope that you will be to join us for Stations of the Cross. Connecting with the passion of Jesus is central in our faith walk.