

The Catholic Churches

of

St. Edward
Elmdale

St. Francis of Assisi
St. Francis

St. Mary
Upsala



Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 23, 2020

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RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Saturday St. Edward 7 – 7:45pm

Sunday St. Francis 7:15 – 7:45am

Tuesday St. Mary 5 – 5:45pm

Also by appointment

PRAYER LINE

Karen Liebsch: 573-4127 Kathy Koehn: 573-2363

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MINISTRY TO THE SICK & THOSE WHO CANNOT GET TO CHURCH

Holy Communion can be brought to you or a loved one at home, please contact the Central Office, 573-2132

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Sacrament of Marriage: Couples need to begin preparations with the priest nine months in advance and MUST call the Pastor before setting a date.

Sacrament of Baptism: Contact the office before desired baptism date.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Please stop in or call the Office.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Noon on Thursday Announcements submitted after deadline may not get into the upcoming bulletin.

If there is a Funeral and a Daily Mass at the same parish, the Daily Mass is canceled with the exception of Tues. evening.

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

Darwin Binek, Rose Binek, Jordan Bowen, Kristi Brezinka, Bernetta Czech, Aubriella Eggert, Melvin Hartung, Kathy Hennek, Ramona Heurung, Kieran Kloss, Marjorie Lehner, David Loehlin, Kim (Kulla) Nelson, Roger Thell, Ken Welle, Ron Carlson, David Heim, Bernadine Bartkowicz, Irene Stern, Lorraine Frie, Donna Scholz, Cindy Fleischhacker, Carol Langner, Ralph Schleper, Mike Carlson, Delores Eiykn

Mass Schedule

Aug. 24 - 30, 2020

Monday: 8/24 *St. Bartholomew*

NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday: 8/25 *St. Louis & St. Joseph Calasanz*

Mass at St. Edward Cemetery – Bring your lawn chairs

St. Edward 6:00pm † Donald Bartkowicz, Jason Gorka, Jeffery Kalis, Kenneth Heisick, & James Carlson

Wednesday: 8/26

St. Francis 8:00am † Claude Hoeschen
- G & MJ Boeckermann

Thursday: 8/27 *St. Monica*

St. Edward 8:00am † Diane Lange

Friday: 8/28 *St. Augustine*

St. Mary 9:00am †† Frank & Margaret Liebsch
- Karen Liebsch

Saturday: 8/29 *Passion of St. John the Baptist*

St. Mary 3:00pm – Wedding of Brock Cichon & Katie Ripplinger

St. Edward 8:00pm † Don Bartkowicz

Sunday: 8/30 *Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

St. Francis 8:00am † Joe Lange
- Dan & Rita Lange

St. Mary 10:00am People of the Parishes

Friday Morning Mass Time Change

Starting Sept. 4 through May 28, Mass time will change to 7:30am

FUTURE HAPPENINGS

August 25 Cemetery Mass 6pm @ St. Edward Cemetery

29/30 Bishop's Letter to be read at Mass

September 1 Cemetery Mass 6pm @ St. Francis Cemetery

2 Adoration @ St. Mary 12-4pm

2 ACC Mtg, 7pm in Holdingford **Note date change**

4 Adoration @ St. Edward 12-4pm

9 Religious Ed. Opening Mass/Reg./Parent Mtg

12/13 Good Friday Collection

16 Religious Education begins

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



St. Mary 12 – 4pm First Wed. (9/2)

St. Edward 12 – 4pm First Fri. (9/4)

St. Francis 7am - 8pm Second Tues. (9/8)

Benediction follows Adoration in all parishes

Over 80 Blessings! (September)

Jerome Stich (9/3)

Eileen Stiller (9/4)

Linus Lehner (9/20)

Marietta Mueller (9/21)

Donna Scholz (9/26)



We welcome Fr. David Grundman as our Pastor!

Welcome to all joining us for the St. Francis of Assisi Fall Festival Raffle!
We are glad that you are here!
Thank you for your support!

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS

St. Mary: Adult \$1,192.00; Loose \$26.00, Votive \$24.25; Assumption \$432.00; Online Giving \$150.00 - **\$1,824.25**

St. Edward: Adult \$1,873.00; Loose \$3.00; Votive \$46.00; Assumption \$155.00 – **\$2,077.00**

St. Francis: Adult \$1,015.00; Loose \$43.01; Assumption \$187.00; Online Giving \$100.00 - **\$1,345.01**

THREE SAINTS NEWS

Youth Minister Position

“LORD Jesus, help our three parishes invite and encourage this ministry to our youth. Lord place on the hearts of anyone interested in this part time position to fill out an application. Send Your Holy Spirit on them and help them be open to helping to set our parishes on fire with You. Amen.” Our sister parishes in Holdingford area have a youth minister who can work up to ten hours per week. Go online to our webpage for job description and application form.

Monthly Adoration

The night before Jesus died for us in the Mt of Olives, He said to His disciples, "Couldn't you men keep watch with me for one hour?" Mt 26:40 Next week and the following week, we will have adoration in our parishes. Please be open to spending some time with Jesus even if it is not one hour. Next to the holy Mass and the most holy rosary, there are no greater graces available that spending time in adoration or before the blessed sacrament.

Tuesday Night Cemetery Masses

Praise God for so many people coming out last Tuesday evening in our parish cemetery in St Mary's. There were 40-50 people including children from our area in attendance. We hope that even more will be coming out this Tuesday evening in Elmdale. The following week, we will be our St Francis cemetery.

Prayer Warriors Needed

This Wednesday, August 26th at 7pm our ACC (Mary and The Saints) will be meeting at St Mary's in Holdingford. Please keep them in your prayers. This will be the first time in which Fr David will be meeting with them. They will have many things to discuss. Thankfully in light of this pandemic, the diocese no longer has a definite time table as for when things need to be implemented. Please talk to your parish representatives following the meeting as to what transpired.

Bishop Kettler's Golden Jubilee

The Bishop never officially celebrated his 50 years of priesthood due to the Covid-19 virus. It would be great if you could send him a note of appreciation for all that he has done for our diocese. After turned 75 years old this past November, he submitted his resignation to Rome. His address: Bishop Donald Kettler PO Box 1248, St Cloud, MN 56302

ST. EDWARD'S NEWS

Saturday, August 29 – 8pm

EM of HC: Jim Wensmann Lector: Joan Theisen

Greeters: Megan Wensmann

Ushers: Jeron Wensmann, Jim Czeck, Donald Welinski

“Thanks for selling raffle tickets as your help truly speaks volumes of your commitment to our three-parish community. It is unbelievable as the previous weekend following your Saturday evening Mass, you bought 65 tickets or \$325 to help make our Fall Parish Raffle most successful.” St Francis Parish

FREE Eating Apples

It is only a matter of time before the apples on the tree by the rectory in Elmdale will be spoiled. Please stop by whenever work bests for you. All area communities and surrounding parishes help spread the word.

ST. FRANCIS' NEWS

Sunday, August 30 – 8am

EM of HC: Judy Theisen Lector: Mary Jane Boeckermann

Greeters: Dan & Rita Lange

Ushers Needed: If you feel the call to be an usher, please contact the office.

Blessings upon our Fall Parish Raffle. Thanks to everyone who helped bring this about. During this time of the pandemic and not being able to have our Fall Dinner, it more important than ever to be working together and that we remain committed to our parish. Thanks so much also for those who helped bring about our Outdoor Mass. There are so many good people behind the scenes that have done so much to help make this a reality.

Eternal Rest Grant Unto + Mary Ziegler

The mother of our organist Karen Becker went Home to Jesus. She was 90 years old. Mary enjoyed flowers, crafts, crocheting, embroidery, reading, and puzzles. Most of all she enjoyed having her children and grandchildren spend time with her. Please

remember to keep all our elders in your prayers during this time of pandemic.

ST. MARY'S NEWS

Sunday, August 30 – 10am

EM of HC: Beth Lange Lector: Jan Kilian

Greeters: Mikel & Julie Nelson

Ushers: Darren Lange, Mitch Lange, Nathan Ripplinger

“We are ever grateful for your great kindness and generosity last weekend following your Sunday 10am Mass! It is such acts like this which help us to realize that when we work together, we become even stronger. Thanks for purchasing 60 tickets or \$300. We are hoping with your kindness that our raffle will be more blessed than ever.” St Francis Parish

Ministry of Bell Ringing

Our Church bells help remind our parish and community of the presence of God. Church bells throughout the past two centuries have been a vehicle of God's grace in calling people to prayer. Are there people/s from our parish interested to helping to coordinate this endeavor? It is user friendly regarding how to operate this system. Please contact the parish office if interested.

NOTES FROM FR. DAVID

We are the Church, the universal assembly of believers, the Body of Christ, called to build the kingdom of God. Each of us is part of this institution that can be traced back nearly two thousand years to St Peter, the rock on whom we are built. As we celebrate Eucharist this weekend, let us reflect on this awesome privilege of being part of this two-thousand-year-old mission and contemplate what we are called to do to bring it closer to perfection.

Thanks to everyone who helped make last Sunday most memorable. With Bishop Kettler installing me as your Pastor was very emotional for me. Also having our retired priest (Fr Virgil Helmin) who resides in Upsala join us was most also most meaningful. I feel most blessed and humbled to be your priest. Even though I have been here not even two months, I sense this longing or desire for you to deepen your faith lives. I am most impressed with your prayerful spirit at Holy Mass. Your love for Mother Mary is to be commended. She is key to our Catholic faith. Especially with your love for Jesus in the Most Holy Eucharist is what gives me great hope. The Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith. Fr Theis has committed many hours to your young people. Without a doubt, I believe they can help set our church on fire with the Holy Spirit. I could go on and on about the elders, our parish leaders, our religious education programs, etc. however, in general without a doubt I know that this is where God wants me to be. I pray that in time, I will get to know each and everyone of you by name.

I am planning to make home visits every First Friday, however the other three weeks of the month it would be great to have people bring Jesus to our elders and shut-ins. Is the Lord calling you to consider this ministry? Perhaps you are interested strictly in-home visits and not distributing holy communion for the weekend Masses. Please, please consider contacting me to learn more about this ministry as I greatly need your help. I will be making home visits September 4th. Are there people interested in having me come for a visit as well as bring the sacraments?

Next weekend and the weekend of October 4th, I will be reading a letter prepared by Bishop Kettler regarding our diocese filing a Chapter 11 reorganization case. The deadline for any clergy sexual abuse victims to come forth is October 21, 2020. All parishes of our diocese will have his letter read at least two times between now and then. Survivors may file their claims anonymously, and their names and other identifying information will not be revealed in the reorganization case. Anyone who would like more information about filing a claim, or generally about the reorganization case, may visit the diocese's website under the section titled “Reorganization”. Please know that I too am available. With my background in counseling, perhaps I may be of assistance to you.

FORMED
PICK OF THE WEEK



With the clear teaching and artistry of the Augustine Institute's Lectio series, Dr. Tim Gray masterfully uses the discipline of Lectio Divina to show you how to make prayer an effective effort of love and intimacy.

www.238catholic.formed.org (Google Chrome)

St. Edwards – September 2020

Saturday, September 5 – 8pm – 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

EM of HC: Julie Wensmann

Lector: Jeff Czech

Greeters: Raymond Kokett

Ushers: Jeff Czech, Dennis Biniek, Nick Schleper

Saturday, Sept. 12 – 8pm – 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

EM of HC: Jim Wensmann

Lector: Dennis Biniek

Greeters: Sally Schleper

Ushers: Justin Wensmann, Jim Wensmann, Scott Wensmann

Saturday, Sept. 19 – 8pm – 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

EM of HC: Julie Wensmann

Lector: Shari Biniek

Greeters: Jim & Julie Wensmann

Ushers: John Kokett, Raymond Kokett, Dennis Trettel

Saturday, Sept. 26 – 8pm – 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

EM of HC: Jim Wensmann

Lector: Tracey Hartung

Greeters: Megan Wensmann

Ushers: Mike Urbanski, Shawn Urbanski, Bob Brezinka

St Francis of Assisi – September 2020

September Ushers: Volunteers

Sunday, Sept. 6 – 8am – 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

EM of HC: Mary Jane Boeckermann

Lector: Rebecca Schmidt

Greeters: Gerry & Mary Jane Boeckermann

Sunday, Sept. 13 – 8am – 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

EM of HC: Joyce Koopmeiners

Lector: Barb Moorman

Greeters: Bob Theisen & Dan Lange

Sunday, Sept. 20 – 8am – 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

EM of HC: Rebecca Schmidt

Lector: Holly Keppers

Greeters: Rosanne Voss & Janice Wuebkers

Sunday, Sept. 27 – 8am – 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

EM of HC: Rosanne Voss

Lector: Mary Jane Boeckermann

Greeters: Dan & Rita Lange

St. Mary – September 2020

Sunday, Sept. 6 – 10am – 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

EM of HC: Brian Lange

Lector: Michelle Fleischhacker

Greeters: Jamie & Jenny Leners

Ushers: Tom & Jan Kilian, Robert Maciej

Sunday, Sept. 13 – 10am – 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

EM of HC: Karen Liebsch

Lector: Joe Schumer

Greeters: Elmer Frie, Jan Kilian

Ushers: Duane & Rosie Harren, Mikel Nelson

Sunday, Sept. 20 – 10am – 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

****Confirmation****

EM of HC: Jan Kilian

Lector: Chantelle Frie

Greeters: Jayne Lange, Rosie Harren

Ushers: Brian Lange, Matt Ripplinger, Ken Lange

Sunday, Sept. 27 – 10am – 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

EM of HC: Cindy Koehn

Lector: Leonice Prokott

Greeters: Nathan & Laura Ripplinger

Ushers: Duke Lange, Michael Lange, Bob Blonigen

September's Devotion



1. The prophecy of Simeon: "And Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary his mother: Behold this child is set for the fall and for the resurrection of many in Israel, and for a sign which shall be contradicted; And thy own soul a sword shall pierce, that out of many hearts thoughts may be revealed." – Luke II, 34-35.

2. The flight into Egypt: "And after they (the wise men) were departed, behold an angel of the Lord appeared in sleep to Joseph, saying: Arise and take the child and His mother and fly into Egypt: and be there until I shall tell thee. For it will come to pass that Herod will seek the child to destroy Him. Who arose and took the child and His mother by night, and retired into Egypt: and He was there until the death of Herod." – Matt. II, 13-14.

3. The loss of the Child Jesus in the temple: "And having fulfilled the days, when they returned, the Child Jesus remained in Jerusalem; and His parents knew it not. And thinking that he was in the company, they came a day's journey, and sought him among their kinsfolk and acquaintance. And not finding Him, they returned into Jerusalem, seeking Him." Luke II, 43-45.

4. The meeting of Jesus and Mary on the Way of the Cross: "And there followed Him a great multitude of people, and of women, who bewailed and lamented Him." – Luke XXIII, 27.

5. The Crucifixion: "They crucified Him. Now there stood by the cross of Jesus, His Mother. When Jesus therefore had seen His Mother and the disciple standing whom he loved, He saith to His Mother: Woman: behold thy son. After that he saith to the disciple: Behold thy Mother." – John XIX, 18-25-27.

6. The taking down of the Body of Jesus from the Cross: "Joseph of Arimathea, a noble counselor, came and went in boldly to Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus. And Joseph buying fine linen, and taking Him down, wrapped Him up in the fine linen." – Mark XV, 43-46.

7. The burial of Jesus: "Now there was in the place where He was crucified, a garden; and in the garden a new sepulcher, wherein no man yet had been laid. There, therefore, because of the parasceve of the Jews, they laid Jesus, because the sepulcher was nigh at hand." John XIX, 41-42.

****If you cannot come at your scheduled time, PLEASE find someone trained to take your place.****

