



The Catholic Churches

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



We are His people:
the sheep of His flock.

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Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 18, 2023

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RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE
Saturday: St. Edward: 7:30pm - 7:45pm
Sunday: St. Francis: 7:30am - 7:45am, St. Mary: 9:30am - 9:45am
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

Happy Father's Day!

Three Saints News



Congratulations

Christopher Groth & Rachel Prom
Married on June 9, 2023 at St. Mary, Upsala

The Office closed: Friday, June 23rd as Jessie will be on vacation. Thank you!

Appreciation Gathering for Fr. David: June 25th
Please join in after the 10am Mass at St. Mary's. We will have a light lunch gathering to say thank you to Fr. David. Everyone welcome to attend. Sandwiches, chips, cake, coffee, lemonade & water will be provided. Others may bring bars or salads but it's not required.

Pilgrimage to Wisconsin with Fr. David: Sept 18th-20th
Join Fr. David and Fr. Jerry Mischke for a time to grow in our faith. We will be visiting the Shrine of Our Lady of Champion as well as the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe. We will depart from St. Mary's in Upsala in a chartered bus. The cost is \$695. Full payment is due by July 15th. Pamphlets are in the entrances of our churches. If any questions, please call Colleen: 1-877-453-7426.

Upsala Senior Living Mass
Please note the change in schedule as Fr. David will have Mass June 24th at 10am. Communion Service will take place July 1st at 10am. This change will allow Fr. David to say his good-byes to the residents as well as allow a few weeks for Fr Jimmie to get settled.

Mary and the Saints ACC Meeting: Rescheduled The June 28th meeting will be rescheduled once Fr. Jimmy has arrived.

Mass Counts
A reminder to all ushers that we will be collecting Mass Counts for the diocese again in July. Mass Count forms will be in the Sacristy.

Religious Freedom week: June 22nd-29th
Religious freedom gives us the space to carry out the mission that Jesus has entrusted to the Church. Religious freedom means that Catholics, and all people of goodwill, are free to seek the truth and to live in accordance with that truth, and so to strengthen our common life as a nation. Take time to pray!

Pray for us:
Raymond Kurowski, Margaret Carlson, Ken & Pat Euteneuer, Ron Dingmann, Kristy Brezinka, Donna Scholz, Irene Lashinski, Darwin Binek, Kathy Hennek, Marjorie Lehner, Carol Langner, Judy Gerads, Rose Beniek, Dennis Biniek, Marlene Vornbrock, Roger Thell, Alan Schumer, Jim Negen, Joe Primus & Gary Larson

Mass, Devotions & Events Schedule

<u>Tuesday 6/20</u>	
6pm St. Mary	† Donald, Elizabeth & Duane Herzog
<u>Wednesday 6/21</u>	<i>Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious</i>
8am St. Francis 7pm St. Edward's Cemetery	† Herbert Gerads † Deceased Parishioners 2022-23
<u>Thursday 6/22</u>	<i>Saint Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; Saint John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs</i>
8am St. Edward 12 noon-9pm St. Mary	† Anna & Alex Moser Adoration
<u>Friday 6/23</u>	
9am St. Mary	Healing & strength for Julie Jenson
Weekend Masses	Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
<u>Saturday 6/24</u>	
10am Senior Living Mass 8pm St. Edward	For the Residents For the People
<u>Sunday 6/25</u>	
8am St. Francis 10am St. Mary	† Arnold Scholz † Marlene Scepaniak

Reminder: Beginning July 1st, St. Francis Mass will change to Saturdays at 8pm while St. Edward's will be on Sundays at 8am.

Youth

Nun Run: June 27th-29th
Are you a woman who has thought about religious life? Young women ages 16-23 are invited by Fr. Doug Liebsch for a Nun Run visiting religious orders across the state. Go to: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2023NunRun> or call 320-251-5001.

Totus Tuus: Host Families and Meal Preparation in Place!
Totus Tuus (July 8-14) is coming together most beautifully! Thank you, thank you, thank you parishioners for your prayers! We have our two host families as well as many, many people graciously preparing meals Saturday through Friday for the Totus Tuus Team! Thanks to all you who volunteered to help out in this area. Having this in our parishes is much like having Jesus' disciples in our midst. No doubt they are true missionaries. This will be a beautiful time in which our children and young people will be given an opportunity to grow in their Catholic faith. Please stay tune to our future bulletin notices as there are other ways for you to volunteer." Fr David
Registration: Registration forms are in the entrance of our churches, on our website, or call the Central Office: 573-2132. Students in grades 1-6 will meet Mon.-Fri. from 9am-2:30pm and those in grades 7-12 will meet Sun.-Thurs. from 7-9pm at St. Mary's, Upsala. Help your children grow in their Faith!



Meet the Totus Tuus Team for 2023!

Tobias Ellis: Graduate from St. John Vianney Seminary and continue seminary formation at St. Paul Seminary this fall.
Jack Tyrrell: Fourth year seminarian for the St. Cloud Diocese
Richie Stenger: Seminarian from Mt. St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland
Joe Liebsch: NDSU Mechanical Engineering Student

Faith Formation

Confirmation and Grades 7-10 Teachers Needed
"Father God, You know better than we know ourselves. Help us to raise the bar in our faith. You call us to be laborers for Your harvest. Help me discern if it is truly You who is calling to the ministry of teaching our faith. Amen."

ST. EDWARD'S NEWS**Saturday, June 24 - 8pm****EM of HC:** Julie Wensmann**Lector:** Jeff Czech**Servers:** Volunteers**Ushers:** Bob Brezinka & Ralph Schleper**Greeters:** Sally Schleper**Gift Bearers:** Doug & Jackie Wolbeck**ST FRANCIS' NEWS****June Ushers:** Frank & Joyce Koopmeiners**June Bank Deposit:** Colleen Harren**Sunday, June 25 - 8am****EM of HC:** Brittany Harren

Mary Jane Boeckerman (C), Colleen Harren(C)

Lector: Jim Scholz**Servers:** Volunteers**Gift Bearers:** Bob & Judy Theisen

Having a garage sale or graduation party? We have 10 tables and 150 chairs to rent out. Tables are \$5 and chairs are \$.50. Call Bob at 573-2933 to reserve what you need.

St. Francis Festival: Aug. 27

It is again time of the year to gather items for the silent auction.

Canned pickles, jelly, craft items all go well. Call or text Carol 320/290-9790, Jane 320/232-3290, Rosanne 320/249-8910 or Kathy 320/293-7485, with question or donations. Thank You!

ST MARY'S NEWS**Sunday, June 25- 10am****EM of HC:** Renee Scholz

Dave Scholz (C), Cindy Koehn (C)

Lector: Tom Kilian**Servers:** Riley Klasen & Wyatt Klasen**Ushers:** Beau Ripplinger & Nathan Ripplinger**Greeters:** Dave & Mary Hollenkamp**Gift Bearers:** Tom & Theresa Lange**Bank Deposit:** Cindy Koehn**Area Church Events****Help Support Local Fire Department: June 18th**

This Annual gathering at the Freeport Community Center is a wonderful way to show your support. We hope to see you there: Sunday, June 18th from 4:30-9pm, Ham & Bar-B-Que will be served and the cost is only \$10.

Dealing with Grief-A Free Seminar: June 24th

Dr. James Molstre will present a Biblical look at grief providing practical help for those grieving or supporting someone who is. A complimentary lunch will be served. Saturday, June 24 from 9am to 1pm at the Word of Life Church (3328 1st Ave. W., Upsala). Call 573-4450 for more information.

Immaculate Conception Church Bazaar, St. Anna: June 25th

Mass at 10am followed by Kids Games, Pull tabs, Beer Garden, Silent Auction, Bingo, Food Court, Paddle Wheel, Country Store and Raffles (quilt, cash & gun). Music by 57 Chevy from 1-5pm. Call Brenda Dobis (320) 241-6962 for raffle tickets.

Notes from Father David

From this weekend to the end of November, we celebrate a nearly unbroken string of Weekends in Ordinary Time. However, let this not be a sign that nothing special happens until Advent begins. Ordinary Time is merely the period outside the climatic seasons of Christmas and Easter and the preparatory seasons of Advent and Lent. It is a time to explore the earthly life and ministry of Jesus between His birth and His death and to grow as a Christian disciple. This weekend, we hear Jesus tell His disciples, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few." Let us listen prayerfully so we may discern how He is calling us to be those laborers today.

Happy Father's Day! This is a celebration of appreciation for all fathers, grandfathers, step-fathers, and all the men who provide leadership, guidance, and protection in your life. In addition to the gifts of appreciation and dinner outings, let us focus on sharing words gratitude and blessings as we pray for our father's - both the biological and spiritual as well as those living and deceased. *"Lord, we pray for wisdom. You know the challenges and the decisions that are required daily. You know the pressures our men experience as they navigate through life. Give them wisdom in every area of their lives. Let them be wise with relationships, wise with career, wise with money, wise with calling, and wise in every other area of life. Let the wisdom You give them be evident to all, and mostly recognized by their children. Let Your wisdom be present in every choice they make so their lives would be pleasing to You. Amen."*

Thank you for your prayers as last Sunday's Corpus Christi Procession went better than ever. It was great to see people from our six parishes (Holdingford area churches) come together and profess our love for our Sweet Eucharistic Jesus. Thanks to the Knights of Columbus from Holdingford (Donnie Breth, the grill master) providing the hot dogs, brats and buns. Thanks to all who helped organized this most beautiful day. In the procession, the Weber sisters Alayna, Lauryn and Lilyann were the best in throwing out flower petals before Jesus! Martin Becker was the incensor, Emmalyn was the cross bearer and her brothers Carter and Brayden carried candles! No doubt each one of us can fall deeper in love with our Eucharistic Jesus. We are beginning the second year of our Eucharistic Revival throughout all the parishes in the United States. How might our parishes grow even more in our love for the Eucharist?

Thanks for all your prayers well wishes as I prepare to take leave for my new assignment in the Little Falls area. Move day for the priests of our diocese will be June 28. I have met with the two priests and some of the staff. It will be interesting working alongside of many people. No doubt I have been challenged in delegating various needs of our parishes. Please be open to Fr. Jimmie Joseph (your new pastor) as he may be asking to help out in various areas. We are also discerning where I might be living whether it be in Little Falls or Randall. I cannot thank you nearly enough for all your generosity and kindness these past three years. I hope that we stay in touch. The Fall Festival in St Francis is fast approaching as it will be great to see everyone!

**Stewardship as a Way of**

Life: "As you go, make this proclamation: 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.'" Matthew 10:7

Many of us take our lives for granted. We think we have plenty of time to "repent". Maybe we should live with a little more urgency in making things right with God. This is the difference in living our discipleship out of obligation versus out of love. Obligation implies we do the minimum required. Love implies we want a relationship. God wants us to be with Him in Heaven forever, but He also wants to be in relationship with us right now, while we are on earth. Start this second – invite the Lord into your heart.

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**Bishop's Annual Appeal:**

"Do This in Memory of Me."

The Appeal supports ministries that benefit you, your family and your greater parish community. Please

make a gift today. Each dollar raised goes directly to ministries that support our Catholic faith and is not used for any other purpose. www.stcdio.org/annualappeal.

Save the Date - All City Women's Mixer: July 19th

Please join us at Jordies Trail Side Café, Bowlus for a get together and a Chicken Buffet Style Meal (around \$15-cash appreciated). Please RSVP at the Central Office (320) 573-2132 or any of our area churches.

WEEKEND COLLECTION June 11, 2023**St. Edward:** Adult: \$662, Loose: \$114, Votive: \$52 **Total: \$828****St. Francis:** Adult: \$460, Loose: \$95 **Total: \$555****St. Mary:** Adult: \$1,939, Loose: \$154.71, Choir: \$125**Total: \$2,218.71**