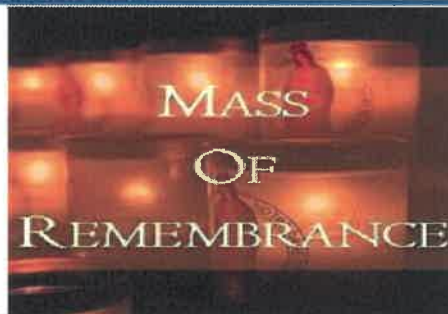


The Catholic Churches of

St. Edward
Elmdale

St. Francis of Assisi
St. Francis

St. Mary
Upsala



Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time November 8, 2020

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RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Saturday St. Mary 3:15 – 3:45pm

Sunday St. Edward 7:15 – 7:45am

St. Francis 9:15 – 9:45am

Tuesday St. Mary 5 – 5:45pm

Also by appointment

PRAYER LINE

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

Judy Theisen: 573-2933 Joyce Koopmeiners: 573-2728

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

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.

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

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

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 Bartkovicz, Irene Stern, Lorraine Frie, Donna Scholz, Cindy Fleischhacker, Carol Langner, Ralph Schleper, Mike Carlson, Delores Eiynek, Raymond Kurowski, Ken Wielenberg

The above prayer list will be refreshed the start of the new Liturgical Year, which is Nov. 29. All names will be cleared out. If you wish to remain on the list, call the office.

YOUTH MEET & GREET

Meet and Greet

Youth Leaders' (Mitch, Brooke, Kyle, Matt & Sara) Meet and Greet Nov. 21 at 2:00pm at St. Mary's. It would be great if all youth grades 7 – 12 could come! Please help spread the word.

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS

St. Mary: Adult \$1,564.00; Loose \$269.00 Sex Abuse Settlement \$1,750.00; Fall Collection \$250.00; All Saints \$40.00; Online Giving \$180.00 - **\$4,053.00**

St. Edward: Adult \$1,452.00; Loose \$100.00; Votive \$27.50; Fall Collection \$100.00; Thanksgiving Tree \$25.00; All Saints \$160.00; Sex Abuse Settlement \$350.00 - **\$2,214.50**

St. Francis: Adult \$736.00; Loose \$55.00; Fall Letter \$700.00; Utilities \$1,000.00; Votive \$76.60; All Saints \$155.00 - **\$2,722.60**

Mass Schedule Nov. 9 - 15, 2020

Monday: 11/9 *Dedication of the Lateran Basilica*
NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday: 11/10 *St. Leo the Great*
St. Mary 6:00pm † Helen Chromey
- Ron & Shirley Konsor

Wednesday: 11/11 *St. Martin of Tours*
St. Francis 8:00am Deceased Family & Friends of
Gerry & MJ Boeckermann

Thursday: 11/12 *St. Josaphat*
St. Edward 8:00am † Ronald Stanek
- Leonard Czech

Friday: 11/13 *St. Frances Xavier Cabrini*
St. Mary 7:30am †† Elaine & Mark Schumer
- Rob Schumer

Saturday: 11/14 *St. Lawrence O'Toole*
St. Mary 4:00pm People of the Parishes

Sunday: 11/15 *Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*
St. Edward 8:00am † Arnold Carlson & Deceased
Members of Salitros Family
- Margaret Carlson

St. Francis 10:00am † Josephine Roering

All Saints (SM) 8:00pm *Deer Hunter's Mass*



Religious Education

Nov. 11:

Grades 1 – 6: Class 6:30 – 7:30pm

Confirmation: Class 7:30 – 9pm

Future Happenings

November 8 Deer Hunter's Mass @ 8pm SM

15 Deer Hunter's Mass @ 8pm All Saints – Holdingford

25 Thanksgiving Vigil @ 6pm SM & 7pm IC

26 Thanksgiving Day @ 9am SE & 9am AS(SH)

December 7 Feast of Immaculate Conception Vigil @ 8pm SF

8 Immaculate Conception @ 7am SM and 12noon SE

24 Christmas Eve @ 4pm SM, 5pm SF and 8pm SE

25 Christmas Day @ 8am SE and 10am SF

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



St. Mary 12 – 4pm First Wed. (12/2)

St. Edward 12 – 4pm First Fri. (12/4)

St. Francis 7am - 8pm 2nd Tues. (11/10)

Benediction follows Adoration in all parishes

Over 80 Blessings! (November)

Jeanette Maciej (11/30)

Devota Nilson (11/30)



Veteran's Day - Nov. 11, 2020

THREE SAINTS NEWS

Please pray for:

Diocese of St. Cloud Seminarians – names and details are on the website. “Pray for a Priest” - Serra Club Calendar: Nov. 19 – Rev. Gregory Mastey, Nov. 23 – Rev. David Grundman

Box of Joy!

Gift boxes are provided and can be found in the back of each parish. Complete instructions are inside each box. Boxes can be dropped off at the parish office during office hours. **The deadline is November 15, 2020 (next Sunday).** If you have any questions, please call Tamara at 320-573-4108.

Thanksgiving Tree

The Social Justice Committee will be collecting donations for this year’s Thanksgiving Tree during the month of November. Because of the uncertain times we are currently facing, monetary donations can be brought to the Central Office, or dropped in the weekly collection. Please place your donation in a separate envelope labeled, “Thanksgiving Tree”. Your gift will help children and families in the Morrison County Social Services Foster Care Program. Thanksgiving Tree donations will be collected until November 29th. Contact LeAnn Beneke or Kim Koehn with any questions.

Blood Drive

The American Red Cross will be at St Marys Catholic Church in Upsala on November 23, 2020 from 1pm to 7pm. The Red Cross faces a severe blood shortage of blood due to cancellations of blood drives during the coronavirus outbreak. During this time there is no walk-in policy – but will take you when we have openings. Temperatures will be taken and mask required. Fill out PASS form from Red Cross on computer is appreciated. Need a few volunteers – if you can help call Rosie @573-2552. Appointments call 1-800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org – code Upsala

A 40 Days for Life Thank You!

During this 40 Days for Life 2020 Fall Campaign, there have been 475 confirmed reports of babies saved from abortion around the world! Your prayers, sacrifices and prayerful vigil at Planned Parenthood and All Saints in Holdingford (on the sidewalk & in the church) have contributed in touching the hearts of moms so they had the grace to Choose Life for their unborn child. May God bless you abundantly for protecting His Precious Gift of Life!

“Paying for the sins of others”

“It is truly amazing how so many of you have come forward to help Jesus pay for the sins of others. This past week, our Three Saints Parishes gave \$2,100 which brings our current total amount to \$10,475! Your generosity helps our parishes not withdraw as much (\$15,500 per parish) from our savings account. Continue to pray that all these court proceedings will conclude in a timely fashion.” Fr David

Thank-you Ushers

Thanks much ushers for helping us during these difficult times. As we resume taking up collections within Mass, it is ever important especially amidst this “Third Wave” that ushers follow diocesan regulations to wear face coverings. Also, remember to help assist the people at communion time to maintain social distance with a single line. We understand if you have health problems in which you may not be able to wear a face covering. Wondering if there might be others willing to help out during this pandemic and are able to wear face coverings?

Winter Mass Schedule

With our new Mass schedule, remember that confessions will be offered before all Masses. There are no graces better than coming to Jesus in the sacraments.

YOUTH NEWS

Vocations Awareness

This past week, we prayed that more young men and women might consider the call to become a priest, religious sister or brother. Check out our website with our seminarian’s pictures and other information. Please continue to pray that some people would step forward to help organize more vocation awareness in our parishes. Bishop Kettler is asking that all parishes have such a committee in place.

Trick or Treat

“Thank you parents and children who came to the Church. It was great to see so many people come out even amidst this pandemic.” Fr David

Mass Server

Are you interested in serving Mass? We would love for you to consider this ever-important ministry. Those 3rd grade and older can help Fr David with ringing the bells, carrying the cross and other things. If you are a member of parish A, but attend parish B or C, know that you can serve in other parishes.

Family Based Religious Education

“I continue to pray and discern what might the Good Lord be asking of us in the coming years? I have spoken of looking into

alternative curriculums than what we are accustomed to using. Other parishes are finding another curriculum in which Dad and Mom are the primary teachers of faith. If you get a moment, check out this 5-minute video: <https://familyformationblog.net/> This link is also available on our webpage. Let’s pray that God’s will may be done.”

ST. MARY’S NEWS

Saturday, Nov. 14 – 4pm

EM of HC: Jan Kilian Lector: Joe Schumer
Greeters: Randy & Jane Tretter
Ushers: Ken Lange & Bob Blonigen

ST. EDWARD’S NEWS

Sunday, Nov. 15 – 8am

EM of HC: Dorene Czeck Lector: Dennis Biniek
Greeters: Sally Schleper
Ushers: John Kokett & Raymond Kokett

Cemetery Facelift

“Please storm Heaven with your prayers as I continue to discern what the Good Lord is asking of our parish. It appears to me that the cemetery needs some significant work. Parishioners, you know the cemetery much better than I. I am in discussion with the diocese as well as some parishioners as to what how best to move forward.” Fr David

ST. FRANCIS’ NEWS

Sunday, Nov. 15 – 10am

EM of HC: Joyce Koopmeiners Lector: Barb Moorman
Greeters: Bob Theisen & Dan Lange

NOTES FROM FR. DAVID

At the end of the liturgical year, the readings focus upon the end times and the last judgment. This year, those themes begin this weekend. We are reminded that we cannot know either the day or the hour. Therefore, we should always be prepared. Gathered together to celebrate the Eucharist this weekend as well as all those in their homes unable to join us but are spiritually united with us, let us consider our readiness for the Lord’s coming at the end of time.

All Souls’ Day Masses as well as Masses Tuesday morning (Unite our Nation)/evening Mass were greatly attended as well as our day of adoration. More people than ever came out those two days as it spoke volumes of your faith! By the way you prioritize your love for Jesus is truly phenomenal. The previous Friday evening, when I registered our Three Saints Parishes to host this day of adoration on election day, we were the 546th parish to register (mostly nationally but some were internationally). I received notification on Tuesday morning that the parish count rose to 660 who have registered and later in the week it had risen to 683! Amazing graces as with the power of prayer, mountains can be moved! (uniteournation.net/)

Near the sanctuary of our churches, throughout the month of November, which is the month of Poor Souls, there will be a Book of Remembrance in which you can write the names of loved ones who passed away. Know that people’s names can be written more than once. Each time your loved one’s name is written down along with your prayers, special graces go to them and you in return receive special graces.

Returning to Pope Francis and his recent statements on same sex civil unions. The Vatican (Nov 2) says Pope Francis’ comments on gay civil unions were taken out of context in a documentary that spliced together parts of an old interview, but still confirmed Francis’ belief that gay couples should enjoy legal protections. The Vatican secretariat of state issued guidance to ambassadors to explain the uproar that Francis’ comments created following the Oct. 21 premiere of the film “Francesco,” at the Rome Film Festival. The Vatican nuncio to Mexico, Archbishop Franco Coppola, posted the unsigned guidance on his Facebook page Sunday. In it, the Vatican confirmed that Francis was referring to his position in 2010 when he was archbishop of Buenos Aires and strongly opposed moves to allow same-sex marriage. Instead, he favored extending legal protections to gay couples under what is understood in Argentina as a civil union law.

While Francis was known to have taken that position privately, he had never articulated his support while as pope. As a result, the comments made headlines, primarily because the Vatican’s doctrine office in 2003 issued a document prohibiting such endorsement. The document, signed by Francis’ predecessor as pope, says the church’s support for gay people “cannot lead in any way to approval of homosexual behavior or to legal recognition of homosexual unions.” Please join me in praying for our brothers and sisters who experience same sex attractions as well as pray for their family members.

*Eternal rest grant unto
them, O Lord, and let
perpetual light shine
upon them. May the
souls of the faithful
departed, through the
mercy of God, rest in
peace. Amen.*



Please pray for all those who have passed away this past year.

St. Edward:

<i>Jeffery George Kalis</i>	<i>Dec. 28, 2019</i>
<i>Kenneth James Keisick</i>	<i>Jan. 30, 2020</i>
<i>Donald Francis Czech</i>	<i>June 26, 2020</i>
<i>James F. Carlson</i>	<i>July 2, 2020</i>

St. Francis:

<i>Josephine MaryTherese Roering</i>	<i>Nov. 13, 2019</i>
<i>Paul Nicholas Keppers</i>	<i>April 22, 2020</i>
<i>Audrey Bernice Pflueger</i>	<i>June 4, 2020</i>
<i>Norbert John Roering</i>	<i>June 28, 2020</i>

St. Mary:

<i>Marie Gertrude Atkinson</i>	<i>July 10, 2020</i>
<i>Diane Sharon Lange</i>	<i>July 31, 2020</i>
<i>Alvina Anna Theis</i>	<i>Aug. 29, 2020</i>