

The Catholic Churches of

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



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 23, 2022

Mass, Devotions & Events Schedule

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Sunday 1/23	Youth Mass
6:00 pm St. Mary	† Ty Poppenhagen & Katy Lynn Panek
Tuesday 1/25	Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle-Feast
6:00 pm St. Mary	Special Intention ~Dave & Renee Scholz
Wednesday 1/26	Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops-Memorial
8:00 am St. Francis	† Al Bauer ~Joan Gerads
Thursday 1/27	Saints Angela Merici, Virgin and Religious Founder
8:00 am St. Edward	† Arnold Carlson ~Margaret Carlson
Friday 1/28	Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Religious and Doctor of the Church ~ Memorial
7:30 am St. Mary	† Joyce Eveslage ~Lorene Koopmeiners
Weekend Masses	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Saturday 1/29	
4 pm St. Francis	† Irene Harren ~Barry & Colleen Harren
Sunday 1/30	
8 am St. Edward	For the People
10 am St. Mary	† Heather Hennek

Future Happenings

Jan 29/20: Blessings of Candles/Candle Sales
Feb. 1-4: Anointing of the Sick at Weekday Masses
Feb 3: Pastors meet at St Mary's (Helping Hands)
Feb 5/6: Home Candles for sale in all churches
Feb 3 and 5/6: St Blasé Blessing of Throats
Feb 12: Valentine Dinner @ St Mary's
Feb 13: Quilt Bingo 1pm @ Sobieski
Feb 12/13: World Day of Sick/Anointing of the Sick
Feb 20: Quilt Bingo 1pm @ St Mary's
Feb 26: Men's Conference @ St Francis Xavier in Sartell
Feb 27: St. Francis CUF Matching Grant Breakfast
Mar 2: Ash Wednesday

Friday Lenten Stations of the Cross What time would work best for you: 7 pm, 7:30 pm or 8 pm? We'll take a survey next week.

Brian Lange Family Benefit: Feb 6

Pancake and Silent Auction along with pancakes, eggs, sausage, etc. Join us at the Upsala Rec Building. Brian passed away from Covid-19 last month as he was on the City Council, Volunteer Fire Department, First Response, and in many roles here at St Mary's.

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, Lorene Koopmeiners, Marjorie Lehner, Brayden Harren, (SF, Chemo in St. Paul), Millie Spring (chemo, 1 1/2 years old), Judy Gerads (SF, cancer), Bruce Wolters (burn victim, at home, rehab), Marlene Vornbrock (SM, recovery from Covid), Fr. Peter Kirchner (Pastor at Opole/Rice, dialysis, in need of kidney transplant), Joe Primus (SM, Covid), Rita Lange (SF, blood clots), Marjorie Lehner (SM, moved to Mother of Mercy) Darwin Binek, & Kathy Hennek (SM, @ St. Otto's) **Linus Lehner (SM, moved to Mother of Mercy)**

family of +Joe Korman (SE,) family of +Lloyd Jarnot (uncle of Rosanne Vos, SF), family of +Gerri Klimek (Little Falls), **family of + Rosemary Jarnot (St Hedwig's)**

WEEKEND COLLECTION Jan 9, 2022

St. Edward: Adult: \$830, Loose: \$115, Central MN Catholic: \$20 Total: **\$965**

St. Francis: Adult: \$1,315, Loose: \$106, Votive: 206.85 Solemnity of Mary: \$27, Funeral Lunch: \$20, Centennial book sale: \$6 Total: **\$1,680.85**

St. Mary: Adult: \$2,329, Loose: \$144, Funeral Fund: \$30, Solemnity of Mary: \$20, Cemetery: \$100, Christmas \$100 Total: **\$2,723**

Faith Formation

Thanks Fr Doug Liebsch

Fr. Doug visited each classroom and we ended the evening in prayer. He has been a priest for over five years. He teaches at Cathedral High School. Initially he went to college (NDSU), but after the first year he knew God was calling him to enter the seminary. Surveys tell us that the main reason young people do not consider the priesthood is because they have never been asked.

Faith Formation Classes

For the next six weeks, students and teachers are required to wear masks just as they will be doing in our Catholic schools. See more information in 'Notes from Fr. David'.

Three Saints News

Guatemalan Coffee Sales

It was truly amazing how much coffee you purchased! Can you believe that we sold 23 bags of coffee? Please stop in the office as Jessie can help you. We have only a few left as we will have to get another order.

Catholic Men's Conference: Feb 26th @ Sartell

Listen to what two men said: "God used this conference to provide spiritual humility and healing of four generations of male relationships in my family." "This conference speaks to me honestly about the challenges faced by men, and the fundamental failing of men, with hope and without condemnation. It pushes me and encourages me to be a better man and follower of Jesus Christ." Cost is \$35. For more information or to register, call 320-258-7615 or email jzylia@gw.stcdio.org. You can register online.

Discipleship Quads

Kristin Molitor (New Evangelization Coordinator) is hosting a Discipleship Quad gathering on **Thursday, January 27th at 7:00 p.m. at All Saints - St. Mary's basement, Holdingford**. Grow in your faith together this year! Contact Kristin Molitor with questions: (320) 228-0105 evangelist@tworiverscatholic.com

ST EDWARD'S NEWS

Sun., Jan. 30, 8:00 am Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

EM of HC: Jim Wensmann **Lector:** Jeff Czech

Server: Isaac Harren

Ushers: Jeron Wensmann & Jim Czeck

Greeters: Megan Wensmann

Gift Bearers: Mike & Leonice Urbanski

ST FRANCIS' NEWS

Sat., Jan. 29, 4:00 pm Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

EM of HC: Mary Jane Boeckermann

Lector: Clara Pflueger

Server: Volunteers

Ushers: Mark Moorman & Syl Tschida

Gift Bearers: John & Marsha Rakotz

There will be a St. Francis Men's Society/CUF meeting

on Wednesday, January 26 at 8pm in the church basement. Anyone interested in joining or would like to find out more, please come! We will be discussing our upcoming Matching Grant fundraiser next month."

Journey with Jesus to Calvary

The Christmas Season is over and it is time to think about the "Journey with Jesus to Calvary" season. Should we do it or should we not? Please come to a meeting and give me your input and if you would like to be a part of this year's production. There will be a meeting in the church basement after Mass on Sat. Jan. 29th and on Sun. Jan. 30th at 1:00 pm. If you cannot make either meeting call Bob at 573-2933 and let him know what you think.

ST MARY'S NEWS

Sun., Jan. 30, 10:00 am Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

EM of HC: Christine Weber **Lector:** Leonice Prokott

Server: Lilli Leither & Alayna Weber

Ushers: Bob Blonigen & Mikel Nelson

Greeters: Randy & Jane Tretter

Gift Bearers: Duane & Rosie Harren

Bank Deposit: Tom Kilian

Three Saints News

Totus Tuus

Want to have a great summer experience? Become a Totus Tuus Leader for Summer of 2022! Totus Tuus "Totally Yours" is a program that puts on exciting, week-long, summer Catholic retreats for youth in Catholic parishes. Teams of four college students are trained and committed to work together to provide lively skits, songs, and lessons in the Catholic faith that help inspire youth to love Jesus and strive for holiness! Totus Tuus reaches out to both elementary students in the mornings and high school students in the evenings. Totus Tuus team leaders will receive an in-depth two-week training. Travel to six different parish areas during June and July with a break over the Fourth of July holiday.

We are looking for Confirmed and practicing Catholics who preferably have completed one year of college studies by May 2022. You should have working knowledge of the Catholic faith, desires to work with youth, be willing to live in homes of parish families with your team, be flexible through a rigorous daily schedule and be prepared to have fun!

Earn \$2,500, Share in the lives of faithful Catholic families, Make a lasting difference in the lives of hundreds of children, teens, parish staff, and parent volunteers, Develop lasting bonds of friendship with other teachers and teams, Grow in faith, hope and charity. Applications can be found at: <http://vocations.stcdio.org/totus-tuus/leaders/>

Three Saints News continued

Next Weekend Candles to be Blessed

The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord takes place on Feb 2. In an effort to encourage you to use candles in your homes, different candles will be on sale in front of our altars through Feb 5/6 weekend. There will be a basket for you to place your donation for the candles you purchase.

Valentine Mass & Meal Saturday, February 12th

St. Mary's Church in Upsala. Mass at 5 pm, Happy Hour from 6-7 with a candlelit meal to follow. \$50/couple. Make reservations at the St. Mary's Central Office before February 4th. (320) 573-2132. All proceeds will go to support our parishes youth activities. Contact Tamara Lange for questions. (320) 250-4688

Notes from Fr David

Bishop Kettler's letter to Pastors Jan 18: "As you've been hearing, there is another resurgence of COVID-19 around the world due to the fast-spreading omicron variant. Cases from this variant are expected to peak in our region over the next two to six weeks. CentraCare and other local health facilities are dealing with staff shortages and severe strains on their resources due to the virus. This impacts their ability to treat not only COVID patients but also those suffering from other illnesses and emergencies. I am asking you to make some additional sacrifices for the good of our communities and our people. Effective Monday, January 24, face coverings will be required for all indoor parish activities regardless of vaccination status. I am also encouraging parishes to limit group events and meetings as much as possible for parishioners and staff. This includes attendance at Masses, faith formation classes and other gatherings. Masks also will be required in our Catholic schools. Appropriate face coverings protect not only wearers but also those with whom they come in contact.

The masking requirement for liturgies applies to members of the assembly, choirs, altar servers and other group situations. Extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion and ushers must wear masks. Lectors and cantors may remove their masks when reading or singing.

Additionally, while the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation remains in place, I encourage you to remind parishioners of the exceptions to this requirement that have been in place since last July. If we have learned anything over the last two years, it's that the behavior of the virus is not always predictable. We can get through this latest surge if we work together. Please pray for an end to this pandemic, for all those who have lost loved ones to COVID, and for our medical professionals who have done so much to serve us during this challenging time and are feeling tired and overwhelmed." **Copies of a letter addressed to all the people of our diocese along with a list of circumstances one may be excused from the obligation to attend Mass at this time can be found in the entrances of our churches.**

Would you consider being so kind as to surprise my mother for her 89th birthday? If a few would send a card, that would be greatly appreciated. I have ten siblings and 39 nieces and nephews, so we are well on our way to getting her 89 cards on January 26th. I know most of you don't know her, yet I know this would make her day! She and my father have had this home for many years: Marilyn Grundman 8212 E. Medina Ave, Mesa, AZ 85209; c/o Sunland Village East.