

# The Catholic Churches

of

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

## 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 25, 2021

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

Raymond Kurowski, Ken Wielenberg, Don Maciej, Margaret Carlson,  
Brenda Wuebbers, Ron Dingman, Kristy Brezinka, Ramona Heurung,  
Arnold Scholz, Irene Lashinski, Robert Maciej, Cody Pappenfus, Frank &  
Doreen Gerads, Brayden Harren (SF, chemo in St. Paul until January),  
Bruce Wolters (2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> degree burns), Rodney Bartkowitz (SE, stage four  
cancer), Lorene Koopmeiners (SF, recovering at home), Joe Fuchs (SF,  
recovery from 4-wheeler accident, test), family of +Bernadine Bartkowitz

### WEEKEND COLLECTIONS

St. Mary: Adult \$1,743; Loose \$108 - \$1,851.00

St. Edward: Adult \$624; Loose \$70; Votive \$27; Food Shelf \$20 – \$741.00

St. Francis: Adult \$1,274; Loose \$103; Tent/chairs rent \$140 - \$1,517.00

Thank you!

Thank you to everyone for your kindness and help during my time as your Office Manager. It was a great joy and honor to serve you. I hope I lived up to your expectations during the past three years. I will help as much as I can to make the transition as smooth as possible. I will keep you all in my prayers and I ask that you please keep me, Fr. David, and each other in prayer as we all go through this transition. Stop by the Newman Center for a cup of coffee (or tea or cocoa) if you are ever in the neighborhood! Blessings to you all – I will miss you!

- Janice Wuebbers

### Area Church Gatherings

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Bazaar: July 25

Entertainment by LaVerne and the Starlites. Cash grand raffle drawing at 4pm.

St. Joseph Parish Bazaar in Pierz: August 1

Mass at 10am with St. Joseph's Folk Group choir. Events include food and refreshments, music by the Slew Foot Family Band and the Country Fried Grubbers Band. Grand raffle drawing at 4 p.m.

Albany Church Festival: August 8

Indoor polka Mass at 10:30am. Chicken dinner served from 11am to 1:30pm. Takeout available. Cash raffle for \$20,000 at 3pm.

Upsala Heritage Days: August 14

Come join others and Fr David for the 5K walk/run at 8am, vintage car show, bingo, kid's water fights, music in the park, fireworks, etc.

St. Francis of Assisi Parish Festival: August 22

Mass with music by LaVerne & The Starlites at 10am in our church. Chicken and ham dinner served indoors and outdoors starting at 11am. Event includes food and beverage stands, silent auction, fried bread, bingo, country store, fancywork, cake walk and games for kids.

## Mass & Devotions Schedule

July 26 – Aug. 1, 2021

Monday: 7/26 *Sts. Joachim & Anne*  
NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday: 7/27 *Sts. Nathalia, Aurelius, Liliusa, Felix, & George*

St. Mary 6:00pm † Alcuin Harren  
- Duane & Rosie Harren

Wednesday: 7/28 *St. Samson*

St. Francis 8:00am † Lavern Koopmeiners  
- Lorene Koopmeiners

St. Francis 7:30pm Cemetery Mass +Buried since 2019

Thursday: 7/29 *St. Martha*

St. Edward 8:00am † Deillah Fussy  
- Jerome Fussy

Friday: 7/30 *St. Peter Chrysologus*

St. Mary 9:00am † Frank & Alvina Theis

Saturday: 7/31 *St. Ignatius of Loyola*

St. Francis 8:00pm † Connie Ethel, & Jeff  
Middendorf

- Diane Herzog

Sunday: 8/1 **18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

St. Edward 8:00am People of the Parishes

St. Mary 10:00am † Diane Lange

### Youth News

#### Food Stand at Heritage Days: August 14

Thanks a million to Chad and Niki Koopmeiners from St Francis for running the Food Stand in Upsala. Did you know that all the proceeds go directly to the youth who will be attending NCYC in Indianapolis as well as to the Youth Group? Remember to bring your hearty appetites and support our young people! Youth, have you signed up to help out yet?

#### Totus Tuus Most Blessed!

Thanks to everyone for doing their part to help make this past week most memorable for our children and youth! No doubt that next year will be even better. When we work together, God can bring about great things. Plans for Summer 2022 will be for St Mary's to host the grades 1-6 here while the Holdingford parishes host grades 7-12.

### Help Wanted

Our Churches of St Edward, St Francis of Assisi and St Mary with hours flexible are seeking: Fulltime Office Manager (30 hrs/wk or Part-Time Secretary (20 hrs/wk) or Part-Time Bookkeeper (8-10 hrs/wk) with the option of contracted/out-sourced or work in office.

The Church Office Manager is both Secretary and Bookkeeper position which is responsible for coordinating and executing the tasks to ensure the church office operates efficiently. Please see the website for details. [www.238catholic.org](http://www.238catholic.org)

The parish office is located in St. Mary's Church in Upsala.

#### New Summer Central Office Hours

"As our parishes move forward with Janice resigning from her position as Office Manager, we are making temporary arrangements. The new hours for the summer will be Monday 9am-12noon and Thursday and Friday 9am-2pm. Thanks to those helping out during this time." Fr David



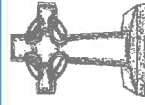
#### Over 80 Blessings! (August)

Caroline Sadlowsky (8/4) SM

Dee Booth (8/15) SE

Stanley Czech (8/16) SE

Marjorie Lehner (8/22) SM

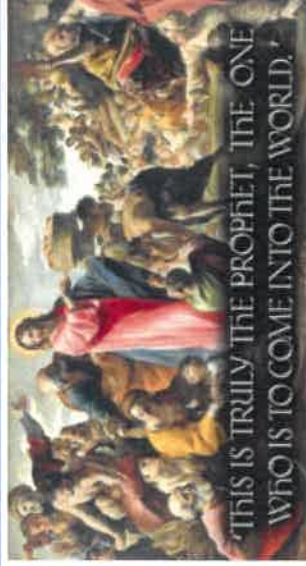


#### Schedule for Cemetery Masses

July 28 – St. Francis at 7:30pm

Aug. 4 – St. Mary at 6pm

Bring your lawn chairs!



### THREE SAINTS NEWS

#### **Gift Bearer Volunteer Sign-up**

We had some confusion last weekend, so let's try something different. On a given weekend, whether the Mass is offered for your loved one or you simply want to volunteer to bring up the gifts, please sign your name at the gift table as you come to Mass or speak to the ushers.

#### **Attention Mary and the Saints Parishes**

"Did you know that a Finance Council for each parish is required by Canon Law? Pastoral Councils are not required as we work toward dissolving each of our Pastoral Councils. Financially everything remains the same for each of our parishes. Keep praying daily as our parishes work toward developing a new "Joint Pastoral Council" including representation from all parishes. Our current ACC group will be working on necessary bylaws on August 4. We ask for your patience. Also, please discern if you or perhaps you know of others who would do well in this ministry" Fr David

#### **Helping Hands Weekend: August 14-15**

Neighboring churches will be using special scripture readings this weekend from Matthew 25 in which Jesus says, "whatever you did not do for the least of my brothers and sisters, you did not do for me." However, our Catholic Church does not allow us to use other readings, so we will have special prayer intentions for Helping Hands and all that it does for our communities. Karen Kobylinski (lay board member) will be speaking for a couple of minutes August 7<sup>th</sup> at 8pm Mass and August 8<sup>th</sup> at 10am Mass. She will be available to answer any questions following the Masses. Remember that our special collection will be the loose collection at our Mass the weekend of August 14-15.

#### **Reception into Full Communion/Confirmation: August 15<sup>th</sup>**

Becoming Catholic is one of life's most profound and joyous experiences. Some are blessed enough to receive this great gift while they are infants, and, over time, they recognize the enormous grace that has been bestowed on them. Others enter the Catholic fold when they are older children or adults. Congrats to Chad Poppenhagen from St. Mary's who will be receiving Confirmation and Holy Communion at our 10am Mass. Faith Hartung from St Francis will also be getting confirmed. Please remember to keep them in your prayers. Let's fill God's House that day!

#### **Our Fall Festival Weekend: August 22**

Please note that St Mary's will have the Saturday 8pm Mass while St Francis has the Sunday 10am Mass. There will also be an additional Mass Saturday at 4pm to help those working at our Festival.

### ST. FRANCIS' NEWS

#### **Sat., July 31 – 8pm**

EM of HC: Chad Koopmeiners Lector: Clara Pflueger  
Servers: Volunteers Gift Bearers: Volunteers

#### **Annual Church Cleaning**

The annual church cleaning will be Tues., Aug. 3 at 6pm. Everyone is asked to help. If you can't make it at that time, there will be a list in the kitchen with things to do. Come when you can and mark what you've done.

#### **Fall Festival News**

There will be a Fall Festival Meeting Mon., July 26 at 7:30pm.

#### **Festival Silent Auction**

Anyone interested in donating items, please let us know by Aug.15th. If you would like to donate and not sure what, call us for ideas also. Jane 232-3290, Rosanne 573-2068 Kathy 573-2509. Thank you.

#### **Many Thanks to Craig Voss**

Please remember to thank Craig for serving on our Finance Council for the past six years! He has been a great blessing in helping us financially discern what is best. We need someone to take his place. Is God calling you or for you to encourage someone else to consider this ministry? Please talk to Craig, Colleen Harren or Mark MacArthur (current members) for more information.

#### **Cemetery Mass**

Come join us for our final summer cemetery Mass this Wednesday at 7:30pm. There are special graces flowing when we pray in our cemeteries.

#### **Happy B-day Brayden**

Blessings to Brayden Harren as he celebrates his 8<sup>th</sup> b-day July 26. Continued prayers for him especially during his chemotherapy treatment in the cities. "Brayden know of our love, support and prayers even though your end date (January) for treatment seems a long way off, know that you can do all things through Jesus Christ who gives you strength (Phil 4:13)."

#### **Thanks a Million Janice!**

With the Fall Festival fast approaching, rest assured that all the

necessary accounting matters will be taken care of by Janice Wuebkers. Please remember to thank her for going above and beyond.

### ST. EDWARD'S NEWS

#### **Sun., Aug. 1 – 8am**

EM of HC: Dorene Czeck Lectors: Dennis Biniek  
Greeter: Megan Wensmann Servers: Isaac Harren  
Ushers: Brent Prokott & Andrew Prokott  
Gift Bearers: Volunteers

#### **Eternal Rest to + Bernadine Bartkowitz**

Please keep Bernadine and her family in your prayers. Visitation will take place 9-11am this Monday morning as the funeral will be at 11am (July 26) here at St Edward's.

### ST. MARY'S NEWS

#### **Sun., Aug. 1 – 10am**

EM of HC: Cindy Koehn Lector: Joe Schumer  
Greeter: Nathan & Laura Ripplinger  
Ushers: Tom & Jan Kilian Gift Bearers: Volunteers  
Servers: Christian Ripplinger & Emily Ripplinger  
Bank Deposit: Cindy Koehn

#### **Heritage Days Cake Walk**

Everyone is asked to bring two items for the Cake Walk. Please be mindful of the temperatures when preparing something ☺. Bring your items to the church on Aug. 13, or to the park the morning of Aug. 14.

#### **Cemetery Mass**

Next week will be our final cemetery Mass this summer. Mass intention will be for those who have been buried in our cemetery since 2019: + William Pohlman, James "Jake" Nilson, Hilaria "Larry" Nelson, Elaine Schumer, Audrey Lange, Marie Atkinson, Diane Lange, Alvina Theis, Irene Stern, Cindy Fleischhaker, Virgil Burg and Alcuin Harren.

### NOTES FROM FR. DAVID

"The whole is greater than the sum of its parts," we hear from time to time, meaning that a collection of things put together can be greater than what would be expected when each is alone. This weekend, we hear two accounts of times when a seemingly inadequate number of loaves of bread provide plenty for a huge crowd to eat. We hope to exemplify the same saying when we join together as Church. Separately, we may feel inadequate to carry on the mission of Jesus. But together we form the body of Christ, capable to building the kingdom of God here on earth. Joining together this weekend to be nourished in the Eucharist, let us dream of how together we can change the world.

The time has come as we say good-bye (July 26) to Janice Wuebkers, our Office Manager. Her work during the past three years have been second to none. Lord only knows what we will be doing in her absence, but let's continue to pray that the person or persons God wants for this ministry will be open to answering this call. No doubt Janice or anyone working for the Church are not here because of the money. I like to tell the staff, we know that we cannot pay a just wage, but we will strive to make it as fair as we can. Please note the new summer office hours. There will be many inconveniences, yet as we sacrifice together, let's also trust that we will be graced by the Lord. Please, please be open to considering this ministry or work and/or help spread the word to others. No doubt God knows the person or persons He wants for our Churches. "Holy Spirit breathe on us and help us discern what is God's will for our parishes."

Since my arrival as your pastor (July 2020), you have blessed me more than ever. Thank you for your love and understanding this past year which has been most challenging on many different fronts. We pray for some stability and peace to return to our lives and our churches. It has been said that "relationship needs to take place before mission". Just as during the time of Jesus, it is vitally important that we get to know one another better. Since the pandemic, social distance has brought in some isolation that have had lasting effects on our communities. In my other assignments, I have found when we would greet/introduce ourselves to one another before we begin Mass to be a blessing. I like to say that we have no strangers in God's House. Please be mindful of other's who may not wish to shake hands/touch, etc. as the COVID virus along with the multiple variants are still lurking about.

Your spoiled priest will be on vacation August 7-12. I will be going up north to spend some time with friends. We will be blessed to have Fr Virgil Helmin (retired priest who lives in Upsala) helping out with the weekend and daily Masses or in case of emergency. Know of my continued daily prayers for you and your loved ones.

**August Ushers: Bob Theisen & Dan Lange**

**Sat., Aug. 7 – 8pm – 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

EM of HC: Rebecca Schmidt  
Lector: Chad Koopmeiners  
Servers: Carter Roerick  
Gift Bearers: Volunteers

**Sat., Aug. 14 – 8pm – Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

EM of HC: Rosanne Voss  
Lector: Rebecca Schmidt  
Servers: Volunteers  
Gift Bearers: Volunteers

**Sat., Aug. 21 – 4pm – 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**\*Note time change\***

EM of HC: Sylvester Tschida  
Lector: Barb Moorman  
Servers: Carter Roerick  
Gift Bearers: Volunteers

**Sun., Aug. 22 – 10am – 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**\*Note time change\***

EM of HC: Judy Theisen  
Lector: Holly Keppers  
Servers: Volunteers  
Gift Bearers: Volunteers

**Sat., Aug. 28 – 8pm – 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

EM of HC: Chad Koopmeiners  
Lector: Clara Pflueger  
Servers: Volunteers  
Gift Bearers: Volunteers

**Sun., Aug. 1 – 8am – 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

EM of HC: Dorene Czech  
Lectors: Dennis Biniek  
Greeter: Megan Wensmann  
Ushers: Brent Prokott & Andrew Prokott  
Servers: Isaac Harren  
Gift Bearers: Volunteers

**Sun., Aug. 8 – 8am – 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

EM of HC: Julie Wensmann  
Lector: Shari Biniek  
Greeters: Raymond Kokett  
Ushers: Jeron Wensmann & Jim Czech  
Servers: Isaac Harren  
Gift Bearers: Volunteers

**Sun., Aug. 15 – 8am – Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

EM of HC: Jim Wensmann  
Lector: Tracey Hartung  
Greeter: Sally Schleper  
Ushers: Donald Welinski & Jeff Czech  
Servers: Isaac Harren  
Gift Bearers: Volunteers

**Sun., Aug. 22 – 8am – 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

EM of HC: Dorene Czech  
Lector: Jeff Czech  
Greeter: Jim & Julie Wensmann  
Ushers: Dennis Biniek & Nick Schleper  
Servers: Isaac Harren  
Gift Bearers: Volunteers

**Sun., Aug. 29 – 8am – 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

EM of HC: Julie Wensmann  
Lector: Adeline Molus  
Greeter: Megan Wensmann  
Ushers: Jim Wensmann & Justin Wensmann  
Servers: Isaac Harren  
Gift Bearers: Volunteers

**Sun., Aug. 1 – 10am – 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

EM of HC: Cindy Koehn  
Lector: Joe Schumer  
Greeter: Nathan & Laura Ripplinger  
Ushers: Tom & Jan Kilian  
Servers: Christian Ripplinger & Emily Ripplinger  
Gift Bearers: Volunteers  
Bank Deposit: Cindy Koehn

**Sun., Aug. 8 – 10am – 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

EM of HC: Chantelle Frie  
Lector: Leonice Prokott  
Greeters: Randy & Jane Tretter  
Ushers: Brian Lange & Matt Ripplinger  
Servers: Lilli Leither  
Gift Bearers: Volunteers  
Bank Deposit: Tom Kilian

**Sun., Aug. 15 – 10am – Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

EM of HC: Joe Schumer  
Lector: Tom Kilian  
Greeters: Mikel & Julie Nelson  
Ushers: Darren Lange & Mitch Lange  
Servers: Riley Klasesn & Wyatt Klasesn  
Gift Bearers: Volunteers  
Bank Deposit: Mikel Nelson

**Sat., Aug. 21 – 8pm – 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

EM of HC: LeAnn Beneke  
Lector: Kim Koehn  
Greeter: Walt & LeAnn Beneke  
Ushers: Bob Blomigen & Mikel Nelson  
Servers: Lilli Leither  
Gift Bearers: Volunteers  
Bank Deposit: Cindy Koehn

**Sun., Aug. 29 – 10am – 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

EM of HC: Jan Kilian  
Lector: Jan Kilian  
Greeters: Elmer Frie & Jan Kilian  
Ushers: Dave Brezinka & Nathan Ripplinger  
Servers: Beau Ripplinger & Anne Ripplinger  
Gift Bearers: Volunteers  
Bank Deposit: Marvin Wensmann



**Holdingsford  
Office Hours**  
Mon – Wed.  
10am – 3pm  
Thurs. 1 – 5pm

**Upsala Office  
Manager Hours**  
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**Confessions:** SE, SF, & SM –  
before weekend Masses; AS,  
IC & SC – by appointment

# August 2021

SE – St. Edward, Elmdale  
SF – St. Francis, St. Francis  
SM – St. Mary, Upsala

AS – All Saints, Holdingsford  
IC – Immaculate Conception  
SC – St. Columbkille

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> 8am Mass – SE 8am Mass – AS (SM) 10am Mass – SM 10am Mass – IC	<b>2</b> Women’s Group – AS 10:30am Adoration All Saints 12noon - 8pm (Praise & Worship 7 – 8pm) Women’s Group – IC 7pm	<b>3</b> 6pm Mass – SM <i>(Anointing of the Sick)</i> 7pm Mass – Watch bulletin for location	<b>4</b> 8am Mass – SF <i>(Anointing of the Sick)</i> 8am Mass – AS(SM) Adoration Upsala 12noon - 4pm Cemetery Mass @ SM 6pm ACC Mtg. 7pm @ SM	<b>5</b> 8am Mass – SE <i>(Anointing of the Sick)</i> 8am Mass – IC	<b>6</b> 9am Mass – SM <i>(Anointing of the Sick)</i> Adoration Elmdale 12noon - 4pm	<b>7</b> 8am Men’s Group First Saturday Mass – 11am @ IC – Rosary before Mass 5pm Mass – SC 8pm Mass - SF
<b>8</b> 8am Mass – SE 8am Mass – AS (SM) 10am Mass – SM 10am Mass – IC	<b>9</b> 8am Mass – SC Adoration All Saints 12noon - 8pm	<b>10</b> 6pm Mass – SM Adoration St. Francis 7am - 8pm 7pm Mass – Watch bulletin for location	<b>11</b> 8am Mass – SF 8am Mass – AS	<b>12</b> 8am Mass – SE 8am Mass – IC	<b>13</b> 9am Mass – SM	<b>14</b> 8am Men’s Group 5pm Mass – SC 8pm Mass - SF 8pm - Rural Catholic Singles Group Upsala Heritage Days
<b>15 Assumption</b> 8am Mass – SE 8am Mass – AS (SM) 10am Mass – SM 10am Mass – IC	<b>16</b> 8am Mass – SC Women’s Group – AS 10:30am Adoration All Saints 12noon - 8pm Women’s Group – IC 7pm	<b>17</b> 6pm Mass – SM	<b>18</b> 8am Mass – SF 8am Mass – AS Religious Ed Directors Meeting: 6pm @ AS(SM), AS, IC & SC	<b>19</b> 8am Mass – SE 8am Mass – IC	<b>20</b> 9am Mass – SM	<b>21</b> 8am Men’s Group 4pm Mass - SF 5pm Mass – SC 8pm Mass - SM
<b>22</b> 8am Mass – SE 8am Mass – AS (SM) 10am Mass – SF 10am Mass – IC St. Francis Fall Festival	<b>23</b> 8am Mass – SC Adoration All Saints 12noon - 8pm	<b>24</b> 6pm Mass – SM 7pm Mass – Watch bulletin for location	<b>25</b> 8am Mass – SF 8am Mass – AS	<b>26</b> 8am Mass – SE 8am Mass – IC	<b>27</b> 9am Mass – SM	<b>28</b> 8am Men’s Group 5pm Mass – SC 8pm Mass - SF
<b>29</b> 8am Mass – SE 8am Mass – AS (SM) 10am Mass – SM 10am Mass – IC Rel. Ed Fall Kick-Off after 10am Mass (SE, SF, SM)	<b>30</b> 8am Mass – SC Adoration All Saints 12noon - 8pm	<b>31</b> 3:30pm – Well-Read Mom’s – AS 6pm Mass – SM 7pm Mass – Watch bulletin for location	Fr. David Grundman 320-309-4174 Office 573-2132 Fr. Gregory Mastey 746-2231 – rectory Office 228-0105	Group Contact Info: Women’s Group – Kristin Molitor – <a href="mailto:evangelist@tworiverscatholic.com">evangelist@tworiverscatholic.com</a> Well-Read Mom’s – Susan Heroux – (320)224-6052 Rural Catholic Singles Group – Janel Heinen – (320)290-2877 Youth Ministry – Mitch Lange (SE, SF, SM), Kyle VanOverbeke (AS, IC, SC)		