

The Catholic Churches of

St. Edward
Elmdale

St. Francis of Assisi
St. Francis

St. Mary
Upsala

The LORD is
KIND and MERCIFUL,
SLOW to ANGER, and
RICH in COMPASSION.

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 13, 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 Bartkowitz, Irene Stern, Lorraine Frie, Donna Scholz, Cindy Fleischhacker, Carol Langner, Ralph Schleper, Mike Carlson, Delores Eiynek, Raymond Kurowski, Ken Wielenberg

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS

St. Mary: Adult \$1,646.00; Loose \$44.00; Fall Collection \$1,255.00-
\$2,945.00

St. Edward: Adult \$1,425.00; Loose \$10.00; Votive \$39.00;
Catholic Charities \$10.00; Fall Collection \$1,140.00 – **\$2,624.00**

St. Francis: Adult \$360.00; Loose \$14.00; Religious Education
\$25.00; Online Giving \$225.00 - **\$624.00**

Mass Schedule

Sept. 14 - 20, 2020

Monday: 9/14 *The Exaltation of the Holy Cross*
NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday: 9/15 *Our Lady of Sorrows*
St. Mary 6:00pm † Brian Boeckermann
- C & S Boeckermann

Wednesday: 9/16 *Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian*
St. Francis 8:00am Special Intentions
- Don & Eileen Stiller

Thursday: 9/17 *St. Robert Bellarmine*
St. Edward 8:00am † Elmer Molus
- Adeline Molus

Friday: 9/18
St. Mary 7:30am Special Intention
- Renee Scholz

Saturday: 9/19 *St. Januarius*
St. Edward 8:00pm †† Frank & Martha Biniek

Sunday: 9/20 *Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

St. Francis 8:00am † Mary Ann Fuchs
- Dan & Rita Lange

St. Mary 10:00am People of the Parishes

FUTURE HAPPENINGS

September 19/20 Second Collection CCHD

23 Fall Campaign '40 Days for Life' begins through Nov. 1

28 Deadline for Youth Ministry Position

29 ACC Meeting in St Mary's of Holdingford at 7pm

October 10 Public Square Rosary Crusade at St Mary's in Upsala at Noon

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



St. Mary 12 – 4pm First Wed. (10/7)

St. Edward 12 – 4pm First Fri. (10/2)

St. Francis 7am - 8pm 2nd Tues. (10/13)

Benediction follows Adoration in all parishes



Go even deeper into *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible* than the normal study allows.

This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to participate in a study led by the author himself!

The creator of *The Bible Timeline* Learning System (Jeff Cavins) will be leading the *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible* study live on Facebook and on the Ascension Press website, www.ascensionpress.com, starting Sept. 16, 2020 at 7:00 PM!

In this 8-week study, Jeff will be diving into topics that he did not have enough time to cover in the original *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible* study.

The live Bible study sessions are free and open to anyone who wants to view them. Workbooks are highly recommended for participants to gain the most from each session, but are not required.

If you would like to participate, but are not free at that time, the videos will be recorded and posted on Ascension's website and on Facebook for viewing after the live study is complete.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

III – Justin Wensmann & Anna Bruder Sept. 19 @ St. Edward
III – Casey Weber & Kristin Wuebkers Sept. 19 @ St. Paul's,
Sauk Centre

THREE SAINTS NEWS

CCHD

Please be generous in next week's special collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. In the U.S., one in six people lives in poverty. With this collection, you support programs that address the causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. More information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection

Pro-Life Ministry

Thanks for your interest in becoming more involved with 40 Days for Life which is a non-denomination pro-life cause. The fall campaign to end legalized abortion begins September 23, and runs through November 1. Participants in the campaign will pray and maintain vigil from 7am to 7pm Monday – Friday on the public sidewalk in front of Planned Parenthood (451 E. St Germain, St Cloud). Park on adjacent streets or in St Augustine Church parking lot. Two to four people are needed each hour. To sign up or for more information, visit www.40daysforlife.com/stcloud or contact Judy Haag at judy4life@meltel.net or 320-453-7592. The Holdingford area churches take Thursdays 1-7pm. More information will be forthcoming out as ACC community our parishes are encouraged to join them.

Family Based Religious Education

Fr David preached about this last Wednesday evening to the parents and teachers about how in time going to a new curriculum which is family based. Parents will be asked to teach their children at home. They would receive home packets of assignments to do each week at home as a family. We need to restore the sanctity of our families. Adult education will be crucial as we strive to restore our families to its rightful place in our churches and societies. A number of surrounding parishes are doing this model and the Holdingford area parishes are beginning this year. Nothing will happen overnight as this will take time to implement. Perhaps even next year will be too soon. Fr David is praying and discerning the Holy Spirit's next steps, so please join him in storming heaven for our families.

Prayer for Our New Bishop

Bishop Donald Kettler turned 75 last November, and according to tradition, submitted his request for retirement. A replacement bishop will be appointed by Pope Francis and may take some time. We pray for Bishop Kettler, for his replacement, and for all involved in the selection process.

Praise to you, Lord our God,
our eternal shepherd and guide.

In your faithfulness,
grant to the Diocese of Saint Cloud
a shepherd whose watchful care and kindly zeal
will continue the good work of his predecessors.

In your love for us,
give us a shepherd who will lead us
in being Christ's heart of mercy,
voice of hope, and hands of justice.

Help him to fill our minds and hearts
with the truth of the Gospel,
the power of the sacraments,
and the desire to build up your holy Church.

We ask this through Jesus Christ,
your Son and our Lord,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen

ST. EDWARD'S NEWS

Saturday, Sept. 19 – 8pm

EM of HC: Julie Wensmann Lector: Shari Biniek
Greeters: Jim & Julie Wensmann
Ushers: John Kokett, Raymond Kokett, Dennis Trettel

ST. FRANCIS' NEWS

Sunday, Sept. 20 – 8am

EM of HC: Rebecca Schmidt Lector: Holly Keppers
Greeters: Rosanne Voss & Janice Wuebkers

ST. MARY'S NEWS

Sunday, Sept. 20 – 10am **Confirmation**

EM of HC: Jan Kilian Lector: Chantelle Frie

Greeters: Jayne Lange, Rosie Harren

Ushers: Brian Lange, Matt Ripplinger, Ken Lange

New Child of God

Congrats to the parents of Arya Audrey Maxson, the son of Mason Maxson and Brianna Lange (engaged) as they will celebrate their baby daughter's baptism September 13th following our Sunday Mass. Blessings to her godparents/Christian witness: Otto and Amy Schmidt and Jessica Lange.

Landscaping Project

We are working with Treetop Nursery in Sauk Centre. We are looking at some dwarf blue spruce, hydrangea and weigela along with grass and Russian sage. Please feel free to go on their website. The cost for the plants, shrubbery, etc. is about \$1500. Would you be willing to help meet some of the expenses? Please make your checks out to St Mary's and in the memo line: 'Landscaping Project'.

Hearing Devices Available

Thanks to Linus Lehner as he helped us become aware of people who struggle with hearing loss. We have devices available as you come into Church. Please ask the ushers and they will help you. It is so important that you are able to hear when you come to Church.

NOTES FROM FR. DAVID

We gather each weekend with a family, friends, and neighbors to worship God, a God of healing, a God always willing to forgive. We are called to do the same. We are called to reconcile with our family member, our friend, our neighbor, just as God reconciles with us when we turn away. May the nourishment we receive at the Lord's altar strengthen us as we face the challenge of forgiving each other.

This coming Sunday, please, please consider joining us for our Confirmation Mass held at St Mary's. Would it not be awesome to fill our Church, dining room and entryway while we approach the 250 limit? We can do it as we know that with God all things are possible. What a testimony to our confirmands as they prepare to become soldiers for Jesus. They will be empowered with an outpouring of the Holy Spirit to help set our parishes on fire with Jesus! Newly confirmed, I want to get to know you better. In this upcoming year, I hope that you are able to join our Youth Group for various gatherings. Thank-you young people for your willingness to be Catholic!

Call me spoiled. Myself and a few priest friends will be spending our vacation (9/21-9/28) near Grand Rapids. This will be a time to relax, fellowship, bicycling and prayer. I know many of you fail to get a vacation and/or have yet to take a vacation for years. Thank you for allowing me this time away as I pray that I will return refreshed. I find such times grace-filled as I step back from the everyday demands. Know of my prayers for you as I will be having Mass every day. Bishop Kettler always reminds us of the importance of having Mass even on our days off and vacation. My Mass intentions will be for you and your family: Monday (SE); Tuesday (SF) and Wednesday (SM).

I need another favor. Would you be so kind as to wait until I get back before you go to Home to Jesus? I would love to be there for your family during this time of great loss along with the planning of your funeral. 😊 In all seriousness, we are most blessed to have Fr Virgil Helmin, a retired priest for diocese reside in our area. He will cover all the weekday and weekend Masses as well as any emergency. Please call the office and Janice will help you get in touch with Fr Virgil. Or you can give me a call and I can put you in touch with Fr Virgil. Please extend a heartfelt thanks to him following the Masses. This will be a treat for you as his homilies are not as long as mine!

Deadline for applications for Youth Ministry Position: September 28. Please, please be open to the Holy Spirit and its urging. Perhaps talking with others who could assist you by making this is team position or by committee. You have some great Youth Group Leaders that can help you: Shanna Dobmeier, Katie Jensen, Christian Ripplinger and Bryce Westrich! Job description and application form is online. Compensation has been set by myself and our Trustees. For now, it will be minimum hourly wage (\$10).