

The Catholic Churches

St. Edward
Elmdale

St. Francis of Assisi
St. Francis

St. Mary
Upsala



...be like servants who await their master's return from a wedding, ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks. Lk 12:32

The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 7, 2022

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RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Saturday: St. Francis ~ 7:15-7:45 pm,
Sunday: St. Edward ~ 7:30-7:45am, & St. Mary ~ 9:30-9:45 am

PRAYER LINES

(SM) Karen Liebsch 573-4127 & Kathy Koehn 573-2363
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ADORATION

St. Edward's –monthly, the 1st Friday of the Month, 12-9pm
St. Francis– monthly, the 2nd Tuesday of the month 7am-7pm
St. Mary– Weekly, every Thursday 12-9pm

Three Saints News

Vacation:

The Secretary, Jessie, will be on Vacation Monday, August 8th, Karen Liebsch will assist the Money Counters. Thank you!

Please note:

There will be a 4:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, August 27th at St. Francis as well as the 8:00 p.m. Mass that evening at St. Edward. The 4:00 p.m. Mass was accidentally left off the August Ministry Schedule. Are there any volunteers willing to serve at this Mass? Please call the office or let Father know. Thank you!

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary: August 15

Mass times will be: St. Francis 8:00 a.m. & St. Mary 6:30 p.m.

Heritage Days: Aug 13

There will be fun for the whole family at the Upsala Heritage Days! Don't forget to stop by the **St. Mary's Cake Walk Stand** to purchase items in support of St. Mary's Church. And before having dessert, stop by the **Youth Group Stand** for hamburgers, hot dogs, loaded Nachos, onion rings, French fries, cheese curds, mini corn dogs, pop & water!

St. Francis Fall Festival: Aug 28

The Festival begins with Mass at 10:00 a.m. Music is by Laverne and the Starlites followed by a Chicken & Ham Dinner, Kid's games, Bingo, Pull-Tabs, Straw Stand, Cake Walk, Country Store, Food, Fancy work, and more music by the Slewfoot Family Band. Grand Raffle 7:30 p.m. with over 100 prizes. Don't miss this event!

Please pray for us:

Raymond Kurowski, Ken Wielenberg, Margaret Carlson, Ron Dingman, Kristy Brezinka, Ramona Heurung, Arnold & Donna Scholz, Irene Lashinski, Darwin Binek & Kathy Hennek, Linus & Marjorie Lehner, Carol Langner, Judy Gerads, Bruce Wolters, Rose Beniek, Dennis Biniek (SE), Donald Herzog (SF), Collin Prom (SM, summer missionary in Colorado), Linda Mader (SF), Marlene Vornbrock (SM), Roger Thell (SF) Helen Heisick (SE)

Please call the Central Office if you would like your name added or removed from the prayer list. Thank you!

Mass, Devotions & Events Schedule

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| <u>Tuesday 8/9</u> | <i>Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr</i> |
| 6 pm St. Mary | No Mass |
| <u>Wednesday 8/10</u> | <i>Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr</i> |
| 8 am St. Francis | No Mass |
| <u>Thursday 8/11</u> | <i>Saint Clare, Virgin</i> |
| 8 am St. Edward | No Mass |
| <u>Friday 8/12</u> | <i>Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious</i> |
| 9 am St. Mary | No Mass |
| Weekend Masses | The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| <u>Saturday 8/13</u> | |
| 8 pm St. Edward | † George Casazza |
| <u>Sunday 8/14</u> | |
| 8 am St. Francis | † Ben & Claude Hoeschen ~ Gerry & Mary Jane Boeckermann |
| 10 am St. Mary | For the People |

Weekday Mass Intentions

For his private Masses, Fr. David will offer the weekday Mass Intention which had been scheduled. He is not accepting the stipend. Instead, your \$10 will be sent to the St Cloud Mission Office. Thus, two Masses will then be offered for your deceased loved one/s or for your particular need.

Fr David's Private Masses Offered for this week

8/9 +Matthew Wetzal, 8/10 +Scott Keppers, 8/11+Bernadine Bartkovicz, 8/12 + Ruthie Frie

Spiritual Bouquets for Fr. David

Spiritual Bouquet forms that can be filled with prayers for Fr. David are in the back of our churches. You can drop yours off in the collection basket or at the Central Office. They will be mailed to Fr. David to give him encouragement. Thank you!

Faith Formation

Registration forms can be found on our website or the back of our churches. Our Coordinators this year are Chantelle Frie, Reba Leither and Roseanne Throener. High School Seniors are welcome to come on Wednesday Evenings. Stay strong in your Faith and be an inspiration to your younger brothers and sisters!

Youth

Support our Youth and Pro-Life !

The Youth are again setting up a food stand at heritage days in Upsala on August 13th. **We need help for various shifts.** Please either call/text Chad at 320-293-7092 if you can help or the sign up sheet will be set out at St Mary's. **At least 50%** of the proceeds from this year's fundraiser will be donated to a pro-life organization of the youth groups choosing. Thanks!

St. Cloud Diocese Youth Council

Would you like to be on the Diocesan Youth Council and have a voice in planning upcoming Youth Events? The Council meets 5-6 times a year. Applications are available in the entry of our churches or you can email Kent Schmitz: Kschmitz@gw.stcdio.org. The first meeting will be August 16th.

Holdingford Job Opportunity-Confirmation Director

Are you being called into ministry? Would you like to prepare our youth for the Sacrament of Confirmation? We have an immediate opening starting mid-August on Wednesday evenings (approx. 20-30 students). Please let Fr. Gregory know that you are interested. This is a paid position.

Thank You

The Albany Knights of Columbus have given a donation of \$100 to the Faith Formation Program. Thank you for helping our students grow in their Faith!

ST EDWARD'S NEWS

Saturday, August 13th - 8:00 p.m

EM of HC: Julie Wensmann **Lector:** Jim Bartkovicz

Server: Isaac Harren

Ushers: John Kokett & Raymond Kokett

Greeters: Sally Schleper

Gift Bearers: Kris & Carrie Wensmann

ST FRANCIS' NEWS

Sunday, August 14th- 8:00 a.m

August Users: Allen Herzog & Leroy Pflueger

EM of HC: Jim Scholz

Lector: Rebecca Schmidt

Server: Carter Roerick

Gift Bearers: Gerry & Mary Jane Boeckermann

Silent Auction

Items needed. If you would like help with creative ideas for the auction, please contact Rosanne Voss at 320-248-8910, Kathy Thell at 320-293-7485, Evelyn Locnikar at 320-573-2628, or Jane Keppers at 320-232-3290.

Raffle

The raffle and quilt chances are ready to be picked up in the back of church. Raffle or Quilt chance tickets can be purchased in the office or call Joyce Koopmeiners (Raffle) 232-0592 or Kathy Thell (Quilts) 573-2509.

ST MARY'S NEWS

Sunday, August 14th 10:00 a.m.

EM of HC: Jan Kilian **Lector:** Mary Frie

Servers: Lilli Leither & Alayna Weber

Ushers: Darren Lange & Mitch Lange

Greeters: Jon & Reba Leither

Gift Bearers: Mikel & Julie Nelson

Bank Deposit: Marvin Wensmann

Funeral Luncheon Discussion: Aug 10

Wednesday August 10 at 7:00 p.m. there will be a Discussion Meeting, here at St. Mary's, to determine how we will proceed with Funeral Lunches. Please come to the meeting with your ideas and suggestions.

Cake Walk Fundraiser: Aug. 13

St. Mary's will have a cake walk fundraiser at Heritage Days. Parishioners should bring 2-3 items which can be left at church on Friday or brought to the park on Saturday after 9 am. Items will be out in the heat so do not bring anything refrigerated or that will melt in the sun. Contact: Mary Frie 573-2311.

Three Saints News continued

Marriage BANNIS I

Mathias John Brown & Marie Elizabeth Blonigen
October 8, 2022 at St. Edward, Elmdale

Commissioning Eucharistic Ministers: Aug 14

Jim Scholz was Commissioned to serve as a Eucharistic Minister for St. Francis of Assisi on Aug 4th. Janelle Roerick, Colleen Harren and Brittany Harren will be Commissioned at the 8:00 a.m. Mass August 14th. Thank you for your willingness to serve!



Diocesan listening consultations have ended and information is being recorded and sorted by the Diocesan Synod Team. The diocesan synthesis to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops was sent and received on June 30. The next stage in the worldwide process is a region synthesis. We belong to

region 8 which includes the six dioceses of Minnesota, two dioceses in North Dakota, and two dioceses in South Dakota. The synthesis will be available soon.

WEEKEND COLLECTION July 31, 2022

St. Edward: Adult: \$627 Loose: \$72, Votive: \$25.50

Total: \$724.50

St. Francis: Adult: \$602 Loose: \$101, **Total: \$703**

St. Mary: Adult: \$3,191, Loose: \$131, Votive: \$36, Monstrance \$100 **Total: \$3,458**

Area Church Events

Rural Catholic Singles Group: Aug 13

Join us for prayer, topical information, discussions, and social activities for single people ages 19-59 who are looking for support and socializing with other singles. We meet on the second Saturday of each month at 8:00 p.m. at All Saints-St. Mary's Church basement in Holdingford (on River Street). The August 13th meeting topic is Wounds, Scabs, & Scars from the Past to Healing and Hope for the Future. Fire and Fellowship in the back yard after. Call or text Janel @ 320-290-2877 for any questions.

Rural Life Celebration August 14

Join in at 10am at the David Trunk farm south of Foreston (address: 4383 120th Ave, Princeton MN). The day includes an outdoor Mass with Bishop Kettler followed by food and family friendly activities. The event is free and open to all.

Motorcycle Run: Aug 28

Motorcycle Run at Saint Paul's Catholic Church, Sauk Centre Gather at 2:00 p.m. for prayer and blessing of motorcycles Depart Saint Paul's at 2:45 p.m.

Return to Sauk Centre around 5:30 p.m. for meal (tentatively) at V.F.W., Sauk Centre. For more information, contact Father Mitchell Bechtold at 320-247-4907. All donations go towards supporting seminarian education for the Diocese of St. Cloud.

Upsala Blood Drive: Sept. 9

The community Covenant Church will host a Blood Drive from 10:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m. Contact: Linda: 573-2381. Additional information can be found at: redcrossblood.org.

Email Scam:

If you get an email that appears to be from your pastor but it seems suspicious-don't open it. It may start out with "Will you do me a favor." It is a scam.

Grow in your Faith

Annual All Day Pro-Life Retreat: Saturday, August 13

Assumption Catholic Church, Eden Valley

8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Outdoor Prayer Vigil & Eucharistic

Adoration 4:00 PM Benediction & Mass

5:00 PM Speaker Molly Winters "Standing Firm & HOLY" A light supper will be served. Contact: judy4life@metel.net 453-7592.



The Immaculate Heart of Mary

Across the month of August, Catholics around the world celebrate the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and we can turn also to St. Maximilian Kolbe. Martyred at Auschwitz and canonized by St. John Paul II in

1982, St. Maximilian created the Mission Immaculata early in the 20th century so we can all help our Blessed Mother fight the enemies of the Church. A great resource to support this devotion can be found at www.MissionImmaculata.com

A Note from Father

In today's Gospel, Jesus echoes last Sunday's parable of the rich man who tried to store up earthly treasure, only to have his life quickly come to an end. In Jesus' words today: "Provide money bags for yourselves that do not wear out, an inexhaustible treasure in heaven that no thief can reach nor moth destroy." It takes much faith to live in this way. We attend to our responsibilities here with hard work and perseverance. And yet we always look beyond what we can see. In the words of Hebrews, our second reading for today: "Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen."

Looking ahead, August 15th is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Normally this is a Holy Day of Obligation for all Catholics. This year however, the obligation to attend Mass is not binding, since this day falls on a Monday. Still, Catholics are highly encouraged to come to Mass, to honor Mary and to celebrate what God did in her life by raising her, body and soul, to heaven's reward at the end of her life. Mass times on that day will be 8:00 am at St. Francis and 6:30 pm at St. Mary's.

Fr. David Maciej