


## News and Events

 **Knights of Columbus  
St. Gregory Council  
Grand Knight Jeff Czech (320) 630-2753**

**Meeting:** Tuesday, September 3rd at 8:00 p.m. at St. Edward's Church Basement, Elmdale.

### Thinking About Becoming a Knight?

The Knights of Columbus Exemplification Ceremony will be on Monday, September 9th at 7:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Little Falls, MN.

For questions contact Jeff Czech.

### St. Rose Fall Festival

Sunday, Sept. 1st 10:00 a.m. Polka Mass followed by games & food stand, Bean Bag Tournament, Quilt Auction, Music by the JMD3 band, and Grand Raffle at 7:00 p.m.



Marriage and Natural Family Planning . . .

### Upcoming NFP classes:

Little Falls on Tues., **Sept. 3rd** at 7:30 p.m. at St. Gabriel's Hospital. Contact: Mary Bontjes: bontjesmary@yahoo.com (320) 360-6599.

Sauk Centre: Thurs. **Sept. 19th** at 6:30 p.m. at CentraCare Health – Sauk Centre Hospital. Contact: Jill and Isaac Uphus: uphus.nfp@gmail.com or (320)290-8751.

St. Cloud on Mon., **Sept. 23rd** at 6:30 p.m. at the Office of Marriage & Family. Contact: Sheila Reineke at omf@gw.stcdio.org or (320) 258-7609.

Alexandria On Mon., Sept. 16th. Contact: Jill and Isaac Uphus: uphus.nfp@gmail.com or (320)290-8751.

### Vianney Quotes:

*"The Heart of Jesus is infinitely good and loves each one of us, who ever we are. But we must have confidence in Him. There is a certain kind of fear which displeases Him."*

~St. John Vianney

Jesus, | Trust in you!

### Forever Young Choir:

Let there Be Peace Tour performances will be on Sun. Sept. 8th at 4:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Melrose, Tues., Sept. 10th at 7:00 p.m. at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Albany and Sun., Sept 15th at 7:00 p.m. at First Lutheran Church in Sauk Centre. Free Will offering and food shelf item.

### St. Cloud Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Annual

#### Fall Conference: Sat., Sept., 21st



Come to the Table of Plenty St. Anthony's Catholic Church, 2405 1st Street N. Conference begins at 9:00 a.m. with Registration & Refreshments. Keynote speaker: Fredrick Blonigen will speak about "Rediscovering with Amazement the Incredible Gift of the Holy Eucharist" Mass at 11:00 a.m. with Bishop Neary followed by lunch and then another talk "Praying, Understanding and Living the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass with the Faith & Fervor of the Saints" Contact Lora Knafla for questions (320) 393-2701.

### Have you been touched by the love of Christ and want to share it with others?

Central Minnesota Koinonia is a Catholic retreat experience for adults, aged 20 and older, joining together to get to know Jesus, God, each other and ourselves. Retreats are held at the TEC Center, Belle Prairie, 3 miles north of Little Falls. The next retreat is on Sept. 20-22nd. Cost of the weekend is \$70.00, includes meals and lodging. Scholarships are available for those in need. Registrations may be made online at [centralmnkoinonia.org](http://centralmnkoinonia.org) or by emailing [cmkoinonia@gmail.com](mailto:cmkoinonia@gmail.com)

### St. Mary's Cathedral Party: Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>

All are invited to St. Mary's Cathedral Block Party in downtown St. Cloud. We will celebrate the Feast of St. Cloud with Bishop Patrick Neary presiding at the 4:00 p.m. Mass in the Cathedral. Food, music, and fun follow until 10:00 p.m. Harper's Chord takes the stage at 6:00 p.m., followed by Janelle Kendall's Perfect Storm at 8:00 p.m. Enjoy a silent auction, wine wall, bingo, 50/50 raffle, kid's games, inflatables, beer garden, burgers and more.

### Marriage Encounter: Oct. 12-13th

The next Marriage Encounter weekend is at St. Mary's in Alexandria. Grow stronger in your marriage as you learn to listen, share, and connect more deeply. There's no group discussion. To register visit: [wwme.org](http://wwme.org) or call (507) 227-8229.

### Stewardship Day– Thursday, Oct 17th:

Our speaker is Bernie Evans, professor emeritus from Saint John's University, where he served as associate dean for faculty in the School of Theology and taught courses on Christian social ethics, environmental theology, and ministry in rural communities. His presentation will draw from his book "Stewardship: Living a Biblical Call." Please contact Anna Kampa if there is any topic or information your parish/ACC would find helpful: [anna.kampa@gw.stcdio.org](mailto:anna.kampa@gw.stcdio.org) or (320) 258-7654.

# THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF Elmdale, Upsala and St. Francis : MARY & THE SAINTS ACC

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**St. Edward's, Elmdale  
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St. Francis of Assisi, St. Francis**

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(320) 573-2975 : [triparishcom@gmail.com](mailto:triparishcom@gmail.com)

Sister Mary Pat Burger :  
St. Francis Rectory: (320) 573-2203

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**Bookkeeper:** Randi Klasen  
Hours: Tues. & Thurs. 8 am - 12 noon  
**Office Secretary:** Jessie Johnson  
Hours: Mon., Wed., Fri., 8 am.- 4pm  
Please update the office if your phone or address changes.

**RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE**  
Saturday: St. Edward: 7:30 pm - 7:45 pm  
Sunday: St. Francis: 7:30 am - 7:45 am  
St. Mary: 9:30 am - 9:45 am

**PRAYER LINES**  
Karen Liebsch 573-4127 & Kathy Koehn 573-2363 (SM)  
Judy Theisen 573-2933 & Joyce Koopmeiners 573-2728(SF)  
Sally Schleper 573-2127 (SE)

**MINISTRY TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND**  
Holy Communion can be brought to you or a loved one at home. Please contact the Central Office if needed.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**  
Couples need to begin preparations with Fr. Jimmy nine months in advance and must call him before setting the marriage date.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**  
Contact the office before the desired date.

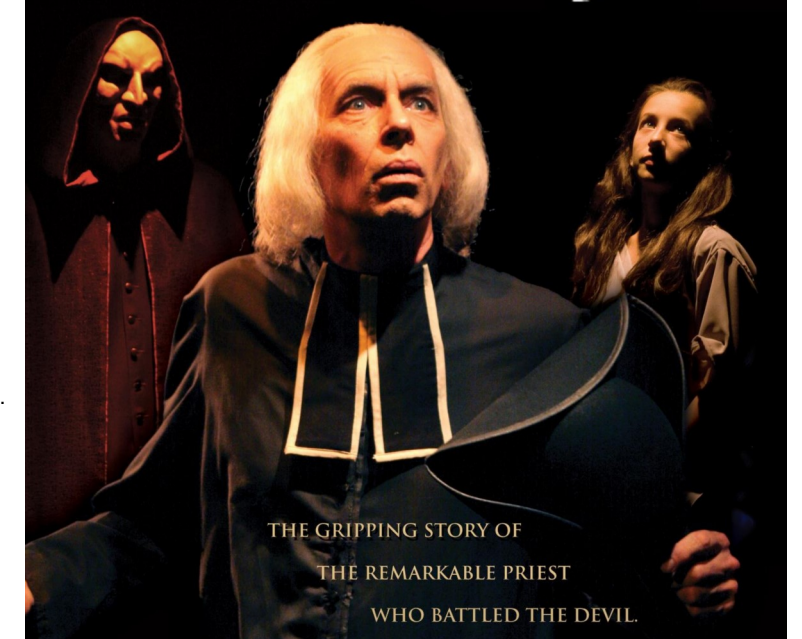
**Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sept. 1, 2024**

## Vianney

SAINT LUKE PRODUCTIONS  
PRESENTS

PERFORMED BY LEONARDO DEFILIPPIS



**Thursday, September 5 at 7:00 PM**  
**St. Edward's Church, Elmdale**  
8550 State Highway 238, Bowlus, MN 56314

**Admission:**  
Free-Will Offering

**Information:**  
The Catholic Community of  
St. Edward, St. Francis of Assisi & St. Mary  
(320) 573-2132  
[238catholic.org](http://238catholic.org)

Suitable for Ages 9 and Up

[WWW.VIANNEYDRAMA.COM](http://WWW.VIANNEYDRAMA.COM)

*"Let us open the door of the Sacred Heart, and shut ourselves in for a moment amidst its divine flames; we shall then realize what God's love means...."* ~St. John Vianney

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time		
Saturday 8/31		
8:00 p.m. St. Edward 11:00 a.m. St. Francis	For the People Wedding	<b>EM of HC:</b> Jerry Theisen, Joan Theisen c, Peggy Frieler c, <b>Lector:</b> Mike Heisick, <b>Servers:</b> Isaac Harren & Jacob Hartung, <b>Ushers:</b> Brent Prokott & Andrew Prokott, <b>Greeters:</b> Volunteers, <b>Gifts:</b> Ron & Nancy Stewart
Sunday 9/1		
8:00 a.m. St. Francis	† Sunny & Betty Zwilling ~ Ervin & Kari Hartung	<b>EM of HC:</b> Bob Theisen, Judy Theisen c, Rosanne Voss c, <b>Lector:</b> Jim Scholz, <b>Servers:</b> Volunteers, <b>Ushers:</b> Frank & Joyce Koopmeiners, <b>Gifts:</b> Joe & Barb Fuchs
10:00 a.m. St. Mary	† Brian Wensmann ~ Marvin & Shirley Wensmann	<b>EM of HC:</b> Renee Scholz, Dave Scholz c, LeAnn Beneke c, <b>Lector:</b> Chantelle Frie, <b>Servers:</b> Beau Ripplinger & Anne Ripplinger, <b>Ushers:</b> Darren Lange & Mitch Lange, <b>Greeters:</b> Nathan & Laura Ripplinger, <b>Gifts:</b> Elmer, Mary, Lorraine Frie, <b>Bank Deposit:</b> Tom Kilian

**Weekday Masses**

Monday, 9/2	<i>Labor Day</i>
6:30 p.m. St. Mary	Rosary & Chaplet of Divine Mercy
Tuesday, 9/3	<i>St. Gregory the Great, Pope &amp; Doctor of the Church</i>
6:00 p.m. St. Mary *Anointing of the Sick	† Rita Wensmann ~ Marvin & Shirley Wensmann
Wednesday, 9/4	
8:00 a.m. St. Francis *Anointing of the Sick	† Edmund & Delores Roerick and Rosie Bauer
Thursday, 9/5	
8:00 a.m. St. Edward *Anointing of the Sick	† Arnold Czech
Friday, 9/6	
7:30 a.m. St. Mary	† Daniel Gerads



Adoration  
2nd Tuesdays:  
St. Francis 8am -7pm  
Thursdays:  
St. Mary's 12 noon - 9 pm.

**Pray for us:** Jim Negen, Raymond Kurowski, Florence Kurowski, Margaret Carlson, Pat Euteneuer, Rose Binek, Ron Dingmann, Kristy Brezinka, Kathy Hennek, Carol Langner, Judy Gerads, Millie Gerads, Marlene Vornbrock, Roger Thell, Alan Schumer, Gary Larson, Helen Heisick, Jim Koczur, Geraldine George, William Hill, Lorraine Frie & Dee Booth

*God of might, giver of every good gift, put into our hearts the love of your name...*

**Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Saturday 9/7		
8:00 p.m. St. Edward	† Case Kaiser ~ Kaiser Family	<b>EM of HC:</b> Jim Wensmann, Julie Wensmann c, Karla Schneider c, <b>Lector:</b> Jeff Czech, <b>Servers:</b> Isaac Harren & Jacob Hartung, <b>Ushers:</b> Scott Wensmann & Dennis Trettel, <b>Greeters:</b> Megan Wensmann, <b>Gifts:</b> Greg & Renee Wensmann
Sunday 9/8		
8:00 a.m. St. Francis	Gary & Joan Rademacher 50th Anniversary	<b>EM of HC:</b> Brittany Harren, Colleen Harren c, Alice Westrich c, <b>Lector:</b> Rebecca Schmidt, <b>Servers:</b> Volunteers, <b>Ushers:</b> Frank & Joyce Koopmeiners, <b>Gifts:</b> Charlie & Sandy Boeckermann
10:00 a.m. St. Mary	For the People	<b>EM of HC:</b> Jan Kilian, Christine Weber c, Cindy Koehn, <b>Lector:</b> Tom Kilian, <b>Servers:</b> Alayna Weber & Lauryn Weber, <b>Ushers:</b> Matt & Rhonda Ripplinger, <b>Greeters:</b> Walt & LeAnn Beneke, <b>Gifts:</b> Dave & Renee Scholz, <b>Bank Deposit:</b> Judy Michels

**All Cluster News**

**24/25 Religious Education Registration**



Sign-up for religious education is now open. We are excited to use Flocknote to register. Please use the QR code to register. For questions contact Randi ([randiklasen@gmail.com](mailto:randiklasen@gmail.com)) (320) 493-5624 or Reba ([leitherreba@gmail.com](mailto:leitherreba@gmail.com)) (701) 426-1607.

**Religious Education Teacher Wanted** We are still looking for a volunteer High School Teacher. Please contact Randi if interested. Confirmation will be with Holdingford this year.

**Confirmation:** Sept. 4th - 6:00 p.m. All Saints-St. Hedwig's  
First meeting and Safe Environment  
Sept. 11th - 6:30 p.m. Opening Mass in Arban  
(All Saints-St. Hedwig's if bad weather)

**Grades k-10:** Sept. 18th St. Mary, Upsala  
6:30-6:55 p.m. gr. K-6  
7:00 p.m. Mass  
7:30-8:00 p.m. gr. 7-10

**Children's Liturgy**

On Sunday, Sept. 8th we will be having our first Children's Liturgy.

Contact: Chelsea Fuchs <[fuchschelsea92@gmail.com](mailto:fuchschelsea92@gmail.com)>

*Over 80 Blessings for September*



Jerome Stich (SM) 9/3  
Edmund Eggert (SM) 9/4  
Eileen Stiller (SF) 9/5  
Ione Brezinka (SE) 9/19  
Elmer Frie (SM) 9/23  
Rosemary Pundsack (SF) 9/25  
Jake Gerads (SF) 9/30



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**ONLINE CONTRIBUTIONS for July**

**St. Edward:** \$ 0  
**St. Francis:** \$ 405  
**St. Mary:** \$705

Sign-up for Online Contributions by filling out a form on our website or by contacting the Parish Office to have a form mailed or emailed to you.

**WEEKEND COLLECTION 8/25/24**

**St. Edward:** Adult: \$540, Loose: \$156, Fire Fund: \$100, Assumption: \$5, **Total: \$801**  
**St. Francis:** Adult: \$390, Loose: \$394, **Total: \$784**  
**St. Mary:** Adult: \$2,454, Loose: \$255, **Total: \$2,709**

**Office Closed**

Monday, September 2nd for Labor Day.

**Vianney Quotes:**

*"God does not require of us the martyrdom of the body; He requires only the martyrdom of the heart and the will."*

~St. John Vianney



**Bishop's Annual Appeal:**

The Diocesan TV Mass has been a lifeline for the homebound. Other diocesan ministries continue their work in support of faith formation, family life, Catholic schools, multicultural ministries, evangelization and vocational discernment. Will you help keep these ministries strong?

Visit [www.stcdio.org/annualappeal](http://www.stcdio.org/annualappeal).

**Catholic Campaign for Human Development**

There will be a special collection on Sept. 15th. Please find an envelope in your Collection Envelope packet. Learn more at [www.usccb.org/cchd](http://www.usccb.org/cchd)

**50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration**

Gary & Joan Rademacher are having an Open House on Sept. 7th at 1:30 p.m. Supper at 4:30 p.m. at the Pelican Lake Ballroom for their 50th wedding anniversary. No gifts please.

**Pray for Our Country** Let us gather together every Monday at 6:30 p.m. to pray the Rosary at St. Mary's for our country and for world peace.

**St. Mary's News**



Elliana Ann Cichon  
Daughter of Brock & Katie  
Aug. 24, 2024  
St. Mary's, Upsala

**St. Francis' News**



*Congratulations*

Christopher & Gabriella George  
August 24, 2024  
St. Francis of Assisi