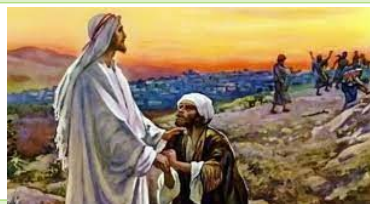




The Catholic Churches

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



The Lord has revealed to the nations His saving power.
~Psalm 98:1-4

The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 9, 2022

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RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE
Saturday: St. Edward~ 7:15-7:45 p.m.,
Sunday: St. Francis~ 7:30-7:45 a.m., & St. Mary ~ 9:30-9:45 am

PRAYER LINES

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ADORATION

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

Mass, Devotions & Events Schedule

<u>Tuesday 10/11</u>		<i>Saint John XXIII, Pope</i>
6 pm St. Mary	†	Randy Panek
<u>Wednesday 10/12</u>		
8 am St. Francis		Thanksgiving for Bob & Judy Theisen
<u>Thursday 10/13</u>		
8 am St. Edward	†	Arnie Marstein
<u>Friday 10/14</u>		<i>Saint Callistus I, Pope & Martyr</i>
7:30 am St. Mary	†	Joe & Celia Koczur, Herman & Veronica Notch ~ Jim & Mary Koczur
Weekend Masses		The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
<u>Saturday 10/15</u>		
5 pm St. Edward	†	Mark Wensmann & Brian Wensmann
<u>Sunday 10/16</u>		
8 am St. Francis		For the People
10 am St. Mary	†	Elaine, Joe & Mark Schumer

Faith Formation

Oct. 12 Grade 7-10 + 11, 12 & Parents/Adults welcome

Youth

Young Women's Night-11th & 12th grade: Oct. 16

Fellowship & Bible Study from 7:30– 8:30 pm at St. Mary's Church, Upsala. We will meet every other Sunday. Contact Brooke: (320) 630-3215 for more information.

Box of Joy – For children who wish for just one gift!

We will be once again participating in the Box of Joy program, a Christmas gift ministry facilitated by Cross Catholic Outreach. This is a great opportunity for students, parishioners and families to participate in a simple and tangible service experience that has both a material and spiritual impact on the poorest of the poor in developing countries. Boxes are located in the entryway of each parish. New this year...the Knights of Columbus will be covering the shipping fee for the boxes !!! Drop off information is included in each box, but the final drop off date is November 13th. Confirmation students looking for volunteer hours can work at the Drop of Center in November. For additional questions, please contact Tamara Lange at 320-250-4688.

2022 Public Square Rosary Crusade: Oct. 15

Everyone can participate! Meet us at noon in the St. Mary's Parking lot, Upsala. See Father's Note for more information. In *The Secret of the Rosary*, Saint Louis de Montfort said: "Public prayer is far more powerful than private prayer to appease the anger of God and call down His mercy, and Holy Mother Church, guided by the Holy Ghost, has always advocated public prayer in times of public tragedy and suffering.

St. Teresa of Jesus-Feast Day: Oct. 15

St. Teresa is a true teacher of Christian life for the faithful of every time. In our society, which all too often lacks spiritual values, St. Teresa teaches us to be unflagging witnesses of God, of his presence and of his action. She teaches us truly to feel this thirst for God that exists in the depths of our hearts, this desire to see God, to seek God, to be in conversation with him and to be his friends. This is the friendship we all need that we must seek anew, day after day. May the example of this Saint, profoundly contemplative and effectively active, spur us too every day to dedicate the right time to prayer, to this openness to God, to this journey, in order to seek God, to see him, to discover his friendship and so to find true life; indeed many of us should truly say: "I am not alive, I am not truly alive because I do not live the essence of my life". Therefore time devoted to prayer is not time wasted, it is time in which the path of life unfolds, the path unfolds to learning from God an ardent love for him, for his Church, and practical charity for our brothers and sisters".
~Pope Benedict XVI/ catholic-link

Three Saints News



Many thanks to the Quilting Ladies who created the quilts for our Quilting Bingo 2022. Stop by St. Mary's any Tuesday and join in to learn how to quilt and be a part of this tradition. Call Vi Wuebkers 573-2633 if interested. Thank you to all who helped set up, take down, prepare lunches or helped in any way. Our Bingo was enjoyed by all and was a great success!

Feast of St. Edward Potluck, St. Edward's: Oct. 15

Please join in our celebration of Saint Edward after the 5 pm Mass. Bring your favorite dish to share. Contact Ione 293-8774. There will be Confessions starting at 4:14 pm.

Knights of Columbus Annual Ditch Clean-up: Oct. 15

Knights, please meet at the St. Stanislaus Church parking lot at 10 am in Bowlus.



Turkey Bingo: Oct. 23

Mark your calendars! Join in the fun at St. Mary's, Upsala starting at 2 pm.

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), Linda Mader (SF), Marlene Vornbrock (SM), Roger Thell (SF), Alan Schumer (SM), Jim Negen (SF), Diane Petersen (SE)

ST EDWARD'S NEWS**Saturday, October 15 - 5 pm****EM of HC:** Julie Wensmann **Lector:** Jeff Czech**Server:** Isaac Harren**Ushers:** Derek Biniek & Scott Biniek**Greeters:** Megan Wensmann**Gift Bearers:** Pat & Kris Blonigen**Mark your Calendars for Mass Time Change: Nov. 12**

Saturday Mass times change from 8:00 pm to 4:00 pm for St. Edward Masses.

ST FRANCIS' NEWS**Sunday, October 16 - 8 am****October Ushers:** Mark Moorman & Syl Tschida**EM of HC:** Colleen Harren**Lector:** Jim Scholz**Server:** Volunteers**Gift Bearers:** Ron & Rebecca Schmidt

The Family of Dorothy Gerads would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to all our extended families, relatives, neighbors and friends for the kind words of comfort, cards, Mass offerings, gifts and food. We especially thank the caring staff at Mother of Mercy for their loving care the past 4+ years, and Moments Hospice for their compassionate care and support. Special thanks to Fr. David Maciej, the many family members and all others who were involved in a special way at the funeral service to make it truly memorable. Thank you to Patton-Schad Funeral Home for organizing the arrangements. God bless each and everyone of you, John, Dave, Diane, Donna, Judy & Peter

ST MARY'S NEWS**Sunday, October 16 - 10 am****EM of HC:** Cindy Koehn **Lector:** Chantelle Frie**Servers:** Riley Klasen & Wyatt Klasen**Ushers:** Tom Kilian**Greeters:** Randy & Jane Tretter**Gift Bearers:** Mike & Randi Klasen**Bank Deposit:** Marvin Wensmann**Turkey Bingo Volunteers: Oct. 23**

Please contact Nicole Frie at 573-2507 if you are available to help. Bingo will be at 2 pm.

Area Church Events**Rosary Coast to Coast: Oct. 9**

St. John Cantius will host a Rosary Coast to Coast Event at 3 pm in the Mary Garden. We will pray the Glorious Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Please join us or pray with us at home.

40 Days for Life Pro-Life Rosary: Oct 11

All Saints - St. Mary's, Holdingford is hosting an Pro -Life Rosary inside and outside church at 4 pm. Tuesdays throughout October (18 & 25) at the same time and place. Come join us! If unable to attend, please pray with us at home.

Knights of Columbus Chicken and Ham Dinner: Oct. 16

Pelican Lake Ballroom, St. Anna, 3:30—7 pm. Adults & Youth 11 & up: \$12, Children Ages 5-10: \$7, and under 4: FREE. Take-out available

Rummage Sale: Oct. 20-23

All Saints Christian Women/Mothers/Rosary Sodality will have their annual Rummage Sale at All Saints-St. Hedwig's Church Basement, Holdingford on Oct. 20-21 from 7:30 am –6:30 pm, Oct. 22 from 9 am –2 pm and on Oct. 23 from 9 am until noon.

St. John XXIII Feast Day: Oct. 11

"Only for today I will be happy in the certainty that I was created to be happy not only in the other world but also in this one."

WEEKEND COLLECTION October 2, 2022**St. Edward:** Adult: \$1,041 Loose: \$101 **Total: \$1,041****St. Francis:** Adult: \$525, Loose: \$119, Chair rental: \$15**Total: \$659****St. Mary:** Adult: \$1,967, Loose: \$93, Votive: \$66 **Total: \$2,126****Evening for Life: Oct. 14**

Register today to celebrate Elevate's 50 years of serving Life! This year's theme is "Love in Action." Event begins with a Social Hour at 5 pm. followed by dinner and program at 6 pm. We'll be introducing 'The Not - So - Newlywed Game with 3 of our favorite couples! Comedian Gordan Douglas will Emcee.

Engaged Couples Retreat: Oct. 22

Preparing for Marriage? This event will be held at Sacred Heart in Sauk Rapids from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Doors will open at 8:30 a.m. See our website for more details: <https://stcdio.org/engaged-couple-marriage-preparation/> or call the office with question (320) 252-4721.

World Mission Sunday: Oct 23

Plan ahead for this special collection. We are all called to carry out our Baptismal call as missionary disciples. Learn more at: www.stcloudmissionoffice.com or 238catholic.org.

Notes from Father David

We come together this weekend to give praise and glory to God in a spirit of gratitude. We are grateful to God for the gift of faith that blossoms within us and for God's healing presence in each one of us and in the world, which makes us whole again. During the pandemic there have been times collectively or individually we have not been able to be together. We are especially grateful whenever we can do so once again. Let us maintain our gratitude for God's blessings always.

Thanks to all the students, parents and parishioners who took part in the previous Wednesday evening (Sept 28). Deb Hadley spoke at length of her Catholic faith and how it helped her overcome the death of her 24 yr old daughter Kaley and 7 months later her 20 yr old son Tyler killed in a car accident. She said that over 2,000 times in the bible God says you will have trouble. It is normal. Expect it to happen, such is why we know and trust God. This trouble is very purposeful as there is purpose in suffering. Lastly, suffering is powerful as God can refine you as it takes unconditional faith from us and "trust God no matter what". A question to reflect upon: "Is your relationship with God truly the most important thing in your life?" Deb says, everything that has happened to me has already happened to His disciples. Check her out: kthumbleheartsfoundation.org

I pray that you will be joining us at 12 noon on October 15th in St Mary's parking lot for the Public Square Rosary Campaign. Imagine over twenty thousand rallies that will take place across the United States that day in public places. Faithful Catholics carry banners mentioning Our Lady of Fatima and her message. They gather together young and old to pray the rosary. They offer public witness to a message so often ignored. Please join us in offering reparation for the sins and offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary and to fervently pray for the conversion of the United States. Please bring your rosaries and join us on this very important day. Mary Jane Boeckermann 333-2472 or Karen Liebsch 573-2681 are organizing this Rosary for our parishes.

All are invited to join us in Elmdale next Saturday (Oct 15) for a special 5pm Mass in St. Edward's. Please note that there will not be the regularly scheduled 8pm Mass. Stay afterward for potluck supper to be held in the church basement. We will be celebrating the Feast of St Edward. He lived from about 1003 to 1066. St. Edward is the Patron Saint of difficult marriages and separated spouses. He is usually depicted on medals as wearing a crown on his head. His piety is well-known and he is once said to have taken a ring off his finger and handed it to a poor beggar. A famous painting hangs in the church that memorializes the gift of St. Edward. Today his name is called upon when marriages are struggling to survive in a world where too many marriages are treated as less than sacred. The first church was built and blessed in 1882. Due to efforts of 18 families who donated \$9,000 in depression times, the second and present church was built in 1920.

New Monstrance Blessing will also take place at all our weekend Masses October 15/16. St Mary's has purchased this beautiful vessel months ago and it has finally arrived. Following Holy Communion, we will have a few moments of prayer and adoration marking this special time. As Catholics, the Eucharist is central to our faith. May each of our parishes continue to deepen our love for Our Sweet Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Fr. David