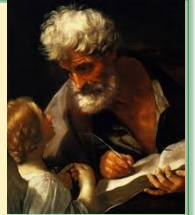




The Catholic Churches

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

St. Matthew, Apostle-Feast Day: Sept. 21st
Matthew was one of the twelve apostles – the first to respond to the call to follow Jesus. He wrote the first Gospel, recording the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. St. Matthew, before he was called by Jesus to become His apostle, was a Jewish tax collector. St. Matthew, *Pray for us!*



Twenty - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 17, 2023

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Secretary: Jessie Johnson
Hours: Mon., Wed., Fri., 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Please update the office if your phone or address changes.

RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Saturday: St. Francis: 7:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
Sunday: St. Mary: 7:30 a.m. - 7:45 a.m.
St. Mary: 9:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.

PRAYER LINES

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

K-6: Reba Leither
(701) 426-1607 leitherreba@gmail.com
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(320) 493-5624 randiklasen@gmail.com

Three Saints News



May Eternal Rest be granted to:

Marietta Mueller
Passed to Eternal Life: September 1, 2023
Funeral September 9, 2023 in St. Mary's, Upsala

St. Edward's Fire Fund

We have set up a link through Stearns Bank for donations to repair St. Edward's Church after the recent fire. Please visit our website to see photos of the church and for the link to donate. Or, if you would like, you can send a check to the Parish Office for "The St. Edward's Fire Fund." Thank you!

Raffle

Tickets will be available soon for our St. Edward Fire Fund Raffle. Watch this bulletin for more information coming.

West Central Deanery Board Meeting: Sept. 19th.

Please join us at St. Wendelin Church, (22714 State Hwy 15, St. Augusta) at 7:00 p.m. Contact: Kathy Thell 293-7485.

Engaged Couples Retreat: Sept. 23rd

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. Visit <https://stcdio.org/engaged-couple-marriage-preparation/> or call the office (320) 258-7615.

Pray for us: Raymond Kurowski, Florence Kurowski, Margaret Carlson, Ken & Pat Euteneuer, Ron Dingmann, Kristy Brezinka, Donna Scholz, Irene Lashinski, Darwin Binek, Kathy Hennek, Marjorie Lehner, Carol Langner, Judy Gerads, Rose Beniek, Dennis Binek, Jim Negen, Marlene Vornbrock, Roger Thell, Alan Schumer, Gary Larson & Helen Heisick

Mass, Devotions & Events Schedule

<u>Monday 9/18</u>	
No Mass	
<u>Tuesday 9/19</u>	<i>Saint Januarius, Bishop and Martyr</i>
6:00 p.m. St. Mary	† Rita Ritter
<u>Wednesday 9/20</u>	<i>Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, and Paul Chong Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs</i>
8:00 a.m. St. Francis	† Jeanette Waletzko
<u>Thursday 9/21</u>	<i>Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist</i>
8:00 a.m. St. Francis Noon-9:00 p.m. St. Mary	† Ethan Gerads Adoration
<u>Friday 9/22</u>	
7:30 a.m. St. Mary	† Elmer Molus ~Adeline Molus
Weekend Masses	Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
<u>Saturday 9/23</u>	<i>Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest</i>
10:00 a.m. Senior Living 8:00 p.m. St. Francis	Communion Service For the People
<u>Sunday 9/24</u>	
8:00 a.m. St. Mary 10:00 a.m. St. Mary	† Jordan Wensmann ~Jim & Julie Wensmann Healing and strength for Julie Jensen

Faith Formation

Wednesday, Sept. 20th: Welcome and Classroom Lesson
First Family Formation Session 6:30 –7:30 p.m. *Required
2nd grade families arrive at 6:15 p.m.

Youth

Youth Director

Are you are being called to be our Youth Director?
Please fill out an application on the website, call the Parish Office or let Fr. Jimmy know.

Cub Scouts Sign-up: Sept 21st

Sign-up for the Cub Scouts Pack #63 will be from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at All Saints-St. Hedwig's. Contact Ryan Harlander at (320) 267-9714 for questions.

Rural Catholic Young Adult Group: Sept. 16th

Join us for prayer, topical information, discussions, and social activities for people ages 18 - 30 who are looking to socialize with other young adults. We meet at 7:00 p.m. on third Saturdays at All Saints-St. Mary's Church base-ment, Holdingford. Contact: Katie 423-2203 or Marissa (320) 630-2433 to learn more about our group.

Messy Family Retreat: October 13th & 14th

Topics covered are: Parent's secret weapon-how to grow a dynamic family culture, How to step more fully into your role in forming your children, why and how to make your marriage the foundation of the family & how to become the spiritual leaders of your home! For more information or to sign-up <https://messyfamilyproject.org/mfu-registration-alexandria-mn/>. Cost \$65 per person.

Pray together as a family!

ST FRANCIS' NEWS

September Ushers: Bob Theisen & Dan Lange

September Bank Deposit: Jane Keppers

Saturday, September 23rd – 8:00 p.m.

EM of HC: Syl Tschida

Colleen Harren (C) Alice Westrich (C)

Lector: Mary Jane Boeckermann

Servers: Volunteers

Gift Bearers: Allen & Janelle Roerick

ST. EDWARD'S NEWS

Sunday, September 24th - 8:00 a.m. (at St. Mary's)

EM of HC: Jim Wensmann

Neil Frieler (C) & Peggy Frieler (C)

Lector: Tracey Hartung

Servers: Volunteers

Ushers: Brent Prokott & Andrew Prokott

Greeters: Raymond Kokett

Gift Bearers: Ken & Deb Wensmann

ST MARY'S NEWS

Sunday, September 24th– 10:00 a.m.

EM of HC: Christine Weber

Renee Scholz (C) Dave Scholz (C)

Lector: Tom Kilian

Servers: Alayna Weber & Lauryn Weber

Ushers: Matt Ripplinger & Rhonda Ripplinger

Greeters: Walt & LeAnn Beneke

Gift Bearers: Mitchell & Brook Kingston

Bank Deposit: Marvin Wensmann

Area Events

St. Rose of Lima Parish 125th Jubilee: Oct. 1st

Event begins with Mass at 10:00 a.m. followed by an Open House & Luncheon 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Mass of Hope & Healing: Oct. 5th This special Mass is for couples who have experiencing infertility or the loss of a child through miscarriage, SIDS, illness, accident or abortion. Part of this event consist of a Candle-lighting ceremony remembering those who have died. Please join us at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary of Mount Carmel, Long Prairie. Contact the Office of Marriage and family for more information: www.stcloudidiocese.org

Extraordinary Ministers Meeting

As part of the Eucharistic Revival's Year in the Parish, all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are invited to a free training workshop offered by the diocesan Office of Worship: Oct. 5th, 7:00 –8:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes, Little Falls, Oct. 7th, 9:30 –11:00 a.m. & Oct. 17th, 6:30-8:00 p.m. at Seven Dolors, Albany. Questions: Sr. Jeanne Wiest, OP: jeanne.wiest@gw.stcdio.org /255-9068.

St. John's Parish 39th Annual Craft Sale: Sat., Oct. 7th

Don't miss out on this year's event! Swanville High School Commons from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Beginning Experience: Oct. 6th-8th

This is a peer ministry weekend program for divorced, widowed or separated adults. BE is designed to facilitate the grief resolution process for adults thereby enabling them to again love themselves, others, and God. Those who attend the weekend should be beyond the initial feelings of anger and despair. To receive an application or for more information, call (320) 319-8863.

WEEKEND COLLECTION September 10, 2023

St. Edward: Adult: \$855, Loose: \$134, Catholic Campaign: \$10, St. Edward Fire Fund: \$320.25 **Total: \$1,319.25**

St. Francis: Adult: \$690, Loose: \$209, **Total: \$899**

St. Mary: Adult: \$1395, Loose: \$252.25, Votive: \$85, Rel. Ed: \$5, Funeral: \$105 **Total: \$1,842.25**

Marriage Encounter: Oct. 6th –8th

For more than 50 years, Marriage Encounter has helped over 3.5 million couples in almost 100 countries to unlock the power of their relationships with new ways to do the "I do." The Marriage Encounter experience helps you listen, share, and connect more deeply. Join us at the Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo. Contact Tracy Chessen (320) 234-7440.

Rural Catholic Middle Ages Singles Group: Oct. 14th

Join us for prayer, topical information, discussions, and social activities for people ages 30-60 who are looking to socialize with other single adults. We meet at 8:00 p.m. on the second Saturday of each month at All Saints-St. Mary's Church basement in Holdingford (on River Street). Call or text Janel (320)290-2877 for more information.

Chicken & Ham Dinner: Oct. 15th

Knights of Columbus, St. Isidore Council will sponsor a Chicken & Ham Dinner at the Pelican Lake Ballroom, St. Anna from 3:30 -7:00 p.m. adults & youth Ages 11 & up \$12, children ages 5-10 \$7 and under 4 FREE. Take out orders available.

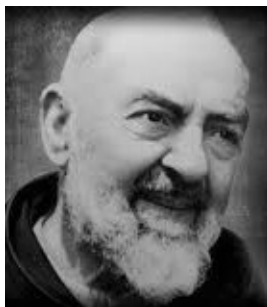
40 Days for Life is a focused pro-life campaign with a vision to access God's power through prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil to end abortion. Please sign up for an hour here: <https://signup.com/go/SKYavGJ>. Hours available from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday at Planned Parenthood – 451 East St. Germain St., St. Cloud MN 56304. Contact: Judy judy4life@meltel.net or Jan-hoelscherhorj@charter.net **Opening Rally:** Thursday, September 28 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at St. Augustine Church, 422 2nd St SE, St. Cloud.

Grief Support Group

CHI Health at home is sponsoring a support group for those who have lost a loved one in the past year or two. Meetings will be on 9/25, 10/9, 10/23, 11/13, 11/27, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Rose Room at St. Gabriel's Hospital (808 3rd Street SE, Little Falls) This is a free service. Registration is requested by feel free to just show up. Contact: Chaplain Blaine MacNeil (320) 631-5588 or email: blaine.macneil@commonspirit.org.

Natural Family Planning Instruction

A First Instruction in the Billings Ovulation Method will be offered in:
Alexandria: Mon., Sept. 18th & Oct. 16th at 6:30 p.m.
Little Falls: Tue., Oct. 3rd at 7:30 p.m.
Sauk Centre: Thur., Sept. 21st & Oct. 19th at 6:30 p.m.
St. Cloud: Mon. Sept. 18th & Thur., Oct. 26th at 6:30 p.m.
For additional sites, information or to register visit: www.stcdio.org/omf/nfp or contact Sheila Reineke at sreineke@gw.stcdio.org or (320) 252-4721 ext. 308.



Pio of Pietrelcina:

Feast Day Sept. 23rd. Generally known as Padre Pio, he was an Italian Capuchin friar, priest, stigmatist, and mystic. He joined the Capuchins at fifteen and spent most of his religious life in the convent of San Giovanni Rotondo.

"Saturate my entire being with your presence, love, joy and peace and draw me ever closer to you every moment of my life. And Father, fill me with your Holy Spirit and empower me to do your works so that my life will bring glory and honor to your holy name. I ask this in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen." Excerpt from St. Padre's Healing Prayer