

**Upcoming Event:**

Vianney, the inspiring live production performed by Leonardo DeFilippis of Saint Luke Productions, will be presented at St. Edward's Church, Elmdale on Thursday, September 5th at 7:00 p.m. The event is coordinated by our Catholic Community of St. Edward, St. Francis of Assisi & St. Mary. Experience the gripping story of Saint John Vianney, the humble priest who battled the devil to save souls. Filled with all of the elements of professional theater, the production runs 90 minutes and is suitable for ages 9 and up. Admission will be a free-will offering. For additional information, contact the Parish Office at (320) 573-2132 or 238catholic@sytekcom.com.

**Fr. Joe Herzing: August 4th**

Come celebrate Fr. Joe's 25th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood at Holy Family Church, (18777 Riverwood Drive, Little Falls. Outdoor Mass is at 1:00 p.m. with reception following until 5:00 p.m. Everyone welcome! RSVP: call Cindy at (320) 632-5720.

**Catholic Charities Emergency Service**

We are in need of volunteers for Food Shelf, Everyday Essentials Clothing Program and Home Delivery Drivers. If you can help please email: volunteer@cstcloud.org.

**Need a retreat? Aug. 1st: Go on the Tour of Churches!**

The DCCW 2024 Source and Summit Tour highlight western parishes. The tour begins at St. Paul's Parish in Sauk Centre where a bus (leaving at 7:00 a.m.) will transport pilgrims to St. Charles Parish in Herman, Ave Maria in Wheaton, St. Gall in Tintah, St. Thomas in Kent and St. Olaf in Elbow Lake. All are welcome to join in at any of the stops even if you drive yourself. If you are driving yourself but still want to join us for lunch, call to register. Call Lora Knafla at (320) 393-2701.

**Art of Conversation Gallery**


Hours: Fridays 4-8p.m., Saturdays 10am-2p.m. & Sundays Noon-2p.m. Local Artist are welcome to participate in our next show opening August 1st. Local artists may submit a work by bringing it to the gallery (Stearns Bank Building, Upsala) on **Sunday, July 28th from 5-7:00 p.m.** Please write down the Title, size of work, medium used, your name & year created and attach it to your art work. This show will open on August 2,3 & 4 and will be open for the Upsala Heritage Days celebration August 10th.

**Annual Pro-Life Retreat Sat., August 17th**

Join us at Assumption Church in Eden Valley from 8:00 a.m. to Noon for Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Benediction; KC led Procession & Prayer Service at the Tomb of the Unborn in the Assumption Church Cemetery. There will be a speaker at 11:00 a.m. with a light lunch to follow. Cost is Free Will offering with no pre-registration required. Contact Judy Haag: judy4life@meltel.net

**Mini Holy Family Fest: Aug 16th-18th**

Don't miss this opportunity to grow in Faith together as a family! Mass Confession, Adoration, Talks for Adults, Teens & Kids, Games, Rosary and more! Pray together and create lasting memories! Cost: \$250/family of 4 or more. Call (320) 632-5720.

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

The Article about St. Edward's Church renovations included with this bulletin was written on behalf of our council but produced by Knightline (an online newsletter).

Meeting Our next meeting is on August 6th at 8:00 p.m. at **St. Edward's, Elmdale.**

**All Cluster News (continued)**

**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) or Reba (leitherreba@gmail.com).

**Religious Education Teacher Wanted**

We are looking for teachers for various grade levels this fall. Please get in touch with Reba for K-6 grade (leitherreba@gmail.com) and Randi for 7-11 grade (randiklasen@gmail.com)

**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. Contact: Darren 293-8985.

**Ushers**

July Mass Counts will be finished after this weekend's Masses. Please return forms to the Parish Office. Thank you!

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

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**St. Francis of Assisi, St. Francis**

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**Bookkeeper:** Randi Klasen  
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**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.




Over 50,000 people attended the closing Mass for the Eucharistic Congress on July 21st. There were about 2,000 seminarians, priests, bishops and cardinals and the opening procession lasted 25 minutes! Bishop Cozzens announced that the next congress could be in 2033—2000 years since Jesus' Crucifixion or possibly sooner.

Now we are called to bring Jesus out to the world!

**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Saturday 7/27		
8:00 p.m. St. Edward	Living & deceased members of the Hartung Family	<b>EM of HC:</b> Jim Bartkowicz, Julie Wensmann c, Jim Wensmann c, <b>Lector:</b> Jerry Theisen, <b>Servers:</b> Isaac Harren <b>Ushers:</b> Derek Biniek & Scott Biniek, <b>Greeters:</b> Volunteers, <b>Gifts:</b> Chuck & Sheila Biniek
Sunday 7/28		
8:00 a.m. St. Francis	Edmund & Delores Roerick ~ Roerick Family	<b>EM of HC:</b> Judy Theisen, Bob Theisen c, Alice Westrich c, <b>Lector:</b> Mary Jane Boeckermann, <b>Servers:</b> Volunteers, <b>Ushers:</b> Mark Moorman & Syl Tschida, <b>Gifts:</b> AJ & Pam Welle
10:00 a.m. St. Mary	For the People	<b>EM of HC:</b> Mike Klasen, LeAnn Beneke c, Cindy Koehn c, <b>Lector:</b> Jan Kilian, <b>Servers:</b> Beau Ripplinger & Anne Ripplinger, <b>Ushers:</b> Patrick & Lisa Zabinski, <b>Greeters:</b> Shawn & Amanda Lampert, <b>Gifts:</b> Matt * Rhonda Ripplinger <b>Bank Deposit:</b> Marvin Wensmann

**Weekday Masses**

Monday, 7/29		 <b>Adoration</b> 2nd Tuesdays: St. Francis 8am -7pm Thursdays: St. Mary's 12 noon - 9 pm. First Fridays: St. Edward's 12 noon—9 pm <b>Pray for us:</b> 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
6:30 p.m. St. Mary	Rosary & Chaplet of Divine Mercy	
Tuesday, 7/30		
6:00 p.m. St. Mary	† Tony & Edna Boeckermann ~Gerry & MJ Boeckermann	
Wednesday, 7/31		
8:00 a.m. St. Francis	† Arnold Voss	
Thursday, 8/1		
8:00 a.m. St. Edward	Special Intention ~ Jim & Mary Koczur	
*Anointing of the Sick		
Friday, 8/2		
7:30 a.m. St. Mary	Lavern Koopmeiners ~Lorene Koopmeiners	

**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Saturday 8/3		
8:00 p.m. St. Edward	Living & deceased members of the St. Edward's Rosary	<b>EM of HC:</b> Jim Bartkowicz, Joan Theisen c, Jerry Theisen c, <b>Lector:</b> Jeff Czech, <b>Servers:</b> Isaac Harren, <b>Ushers:</b> Mike Urbanski & Nick Schleper, <b>Greeters:</b> Megan Wensmann, <b>Gifts:</b> Pat & Kris Blonigen
Sunday 8/4		
8:00 a.m. St. Francis	† Ron Leners	<b>EM of HC:</b> Rosanne Voss, Rebecca Schmidt c, Judy Theisen c, <b>Lector:</b> Jim Scholz, <b>Servers:</b> Volunteers <b>Ushers:</b> Bob Theisen & Dan Lange, <b>Gifts:</b> Allen & Janelle Roerick
10:00 a.m. St. Mary	For the People	<b>EM of HC:</b> Dave Scholz , Renee Scholz c, Amanda Lampert, <b>Lector:</b> Chantelle Frie, <b>Servers:</b> Beau Ripplinger & Anne Ripplinger, <b>Ushers:</b> Tom Kilian & Mary Frie, <b>Greeters:</b> Matt & Ronda Ripplinger, <b>Gifts:</b> Mikel & Julie Nelson, <b>Bank Deposit:</b> Tom Kilian

One body and one Spirit, as you were also called to the one hope of your call; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. (Eph 4:4-6)

**All Cluster News**

**Upsala Heritage Day Food Stand: August 10th**  
Upsala Heritage Days is fast approaching and we're looking to start signing people up for different time shifts to fill our Food Stand schedule. Help is needed setting up the tent the day before, also an assortment of time slots the day of Heritage Days and some help is needed also on Sunday with clean up and taking down the tent. PLEASE be generous with your time! Lots of helpers make less work on everyone. There will be sign-up sheets in the back of all 3 of our churches. Remember, all proceeds this year will go to St. Edwards Church for restoration efforts. We are also looking for donations, please call Chad Koopmeiners (320-293-7092) or the parish office for details. Thank you!"


**Youth Group:**  
Join us on Wednesdays, 7-9:00 p.m. at St. Mary's. Indoor Crafts & Outdoor Games. Contact: Natalie Wensmann 630-1678 or Paige Gerads: 423-1710.

**St. Mary's News**



Harper Grace Gerads  
Adaline Rose Gerads  
daughters of Frank & Alexandra  
July 21, 2024

**Cake Walk**  
St. Mary's will have the Cake Walk at Heritage Day, August 10th. Each parishioner/family is asked to bring two or three heat stable cakewalk items. Drop off in the church kitchen before 3:00 p.m. on August 10th or bring directly to the park after 3:00 p.m. Help is NEEDED. Contact Nicole Frie at 320.630.4374 to help from 4:30-6:00 p.m. or 6:00-clean up, or both shifts if you're willing.



May Eternal Rest be granted to:  
**Daniel Gerads Sr.**  
July 24, 2024  
St. Mary's, Upsala

**WEEKEND COLLECTION July 21, 2024**  
**St. Edward:** Adult: \$897, Loose: \$178, Fire Fund: \$25, **Total: \$1,100**  
**St. Francis:** Adult: \$510, Loose: \$124, **Total: \$634**  
**St. Mary:** Adult: \$1,245, Loose: \$213, Votive: \$88, Funeral Lunch: \$30, Cemetery Plot: \$250 **Total: \$1,826.00**

**St. Francis' News**

**Church Cleaning** Our annual church cleaning for the Festival will be at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, August 5th. If you are unable to come on that day but would like to help, the 'To Do' list will be in the basement the week prior so that you can help clean anytime!

**Fall Festival**  
**Silent Auction:** Anyone interested donating items, please let us know by August 1st. If you would like to donate but not sure what, call us for ideas. Homemade items are always nice! Jane 232-3290, Rosanne 573-2068, Kathy 573-2509 or Carol 290-9790 Thank you!

**The raffle chances and work slips** for our Fall Festival are ready to be picked up in the back of church. Additional raffle chances are available at the Parish Office or contact Kelly Wiechman (320-241-8203) or Joyce Koopmeiners (320) 573-2728.

**Posters** for the St. Francis Festival are printed and in the back of Church. Please take some to help distribute. Thank you!

**St. Edward's News**

**St. Edward's Ministry Schedule**  
Karla Schneider is new on the schedule and is willing to sub for you as needed. Contact Karla at: (320) 360-1031 or email: bowtech1965@hotmail.com

**Thank you**  
The family of Arnie Molus extends thanks to all for your support, prayers, Mass offerings, cards, gifts, flowers, monetary donations to the St. Edward's Fire Fund, your presence at the wake and funeral. Thanks to Fr. Jimmy Joseph for his visits at the hospital, comforting words and funeral Mass, Jim Bartkowicz for serving Mass, Peggy Frieler as the Eucharistic Minister, Michael Retka and the St. Edward's Choir, the Lectors and Gift Bearers, the ladies who prepared and served the lunch, the Upsala First Response Team and May Ambulance, the Knights of Columbus Council #12604 for the prayers and to the Bowlus American Legion Post #0642 for the Military Service. ~Carol, David, Gary, Sarah, Katelyn and Nathan

**Fire Fund Memorial:**  
\$1,200 was given to the St. Edward's Fire Fund in memory of Arnie Molus. *Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May almighty God bless us with his peace and strength, the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.*

The hand of the Lord feeds us; He answers all our needs.  
Ps 145: 10