

News and Events

Rosary for Life

Pray the Rosary with us on Tuesdays in October (15th, 22nd, 29th) from 4-5:00 p.m. inside or outside at All Saints-St. Mary's in Holdingford. If you can't be with us pray with us during that hour at home.

The Truth, Goodness and Beauty of the Catholic Faith: Oct 15th

Join us to listen to Fred Blonigen who will speak about *The Rosary: The Greatest Marian Prayer* at St. Anthony Catholic Church, St. Cloud at 7-8:30 p.m.

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."

Contact Anna Kampa if there is any topic or your parish/ACC would find helpful: (320) 258-7654 anna.kampa@gw.stedio.org.

Register: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FKTYHKB>.

All Saints Annual Rummage Sale

Oct. 17th & 18th: 7:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m.,

Sat., Oct. 19th: 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Sun., Oct. 20th: 9:00 a.m. – noon All Saints-St. Hedwig's. Sponsored by the All Saints Christian Mothers/Rosary Sodality.

Reboot: A life Changing Event: Sun., Oct. 20th

Inspirational Catholic speaker and author, Chris Stefanick will give you inspiring and practical ways to apply the beauty and genius of the Gospel to every aspect of your life. 6:00 p.m. at St. Mary's, Alexandria Tickets \$33 on RealLifeCatholic.com.

Mass of Hope & Healing

Thursday, October 24, 2024 there will be a Mass of Hope and Healing held at St. Mary's in Melrose at 7:00 p.m. This special Mass is for couples who are experiencing infertility & those who have suffered the loss of a child, miscarriage, SIDS, illness, accident, or abortion. We will have a candle-lighting ceremony remembering those who have died. Refreshments to follow. For information: omf@gw.stedio.org.

"Renew us in Sabbath rest and holy leisure." Ps 100

Turkey Bingo, Sunday, Oct. 13th

The St Columbkille Christian Women will have their Turkey Bingo starting at 1:00 p.m. at St. Columbkille Church, St. Wendel MN, Raffle Tickets are available at the door.

Chicken & Ham Dinner: Sunday, Oct. 13th

The Knights of Columbus, St. Isidore Council will have a Chicken and Ham Dinner at the Pelican Lake Ballroom, St. Anna from 3:30 –6:30 p.m. Tickets: Adults \$15, Ages 5-12 \$10, Under 4 Free.

Spud Fest

We will be serving Loaded Potatoes with over 10 different flavor combinations! Sunday, October 13th, 4:30-7 p.m. \$8 donation suggested. Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Upsala. The proceeds are split between the Youth Group and the Upsala Community Center.

Rural Catholic Young Adult Group: Oct. 19th

Join us on 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. at All Saints-St. Mary's, Holdingford on third Saturdays. Meetings include socializing, snacks, and games to follow. For more information contact Katie 423-2203 or Marissa 630-2433.

Novena for Life

Join thousands of Catholics praying the Respect Life Month Novena, Tuesday, October 22 – Wednesday, October 30. Get daily intentions, brief reflections, and more. Sign up at respectlife.org/celebrate!

Are You Ready?

A Day with PJ Anderson Our diocese is offering three events aimed at engaging adults in their faith on Oct. 26th. PJ Anderson is a worship artist and storyteller who has traveled the world sharing his music and stories for millions of Catholics. Check out his website: <https://pjandersonmusic.com>

1. Are You Ready?...for Surprise, Newness, Letting Go, Healing and Grace: 9-11:00 a.m. at St. Joseph's Church in St. Joseph. Register by Oct. 21st. Cost: Adults \$10. This is a morning reflection as we explore the story of Bartimeus (Mk 10: 46-52).

2. The Lord has Done Great Things for us ...Are You Ready? 2-4:30 p.m. at St. Joseph's Church in St. Joseph. Cost: Adults \$10, (children are free). This is an afternoon for Parents and Families as we dive into the great things God has done for us (Psalm 126).

3. Are You Ready?...for a Free Concert 7-8:30 p.m. at Bad Habit Brewery in St. Joseph. Join us for glorious praise with PJ Anderson.

4. High School Youth Day with PJ Anderson

On October 27th from noon to 7:30 p.m. in Alexandria. Grades 9-12. Cost is \$40 before Oct. 17th.

Register for any of these events on this website. <https://stedio.org/event/are-you-ready-for-pj-anderson/>.

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

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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.

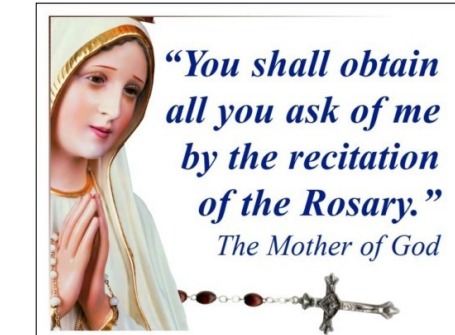
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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.

October is the Month of the Rosary



America Needs Fatima Public Square Rosary Rally

Rosary Rallies are held each year on the Saturday closest to October 13th, the day in 1917 when Our Lady of Fatima worked the famous Miracle of the

Sun. Some 70,000 people saw the sun "dance" in the sky as a confirmation of her Fatima message.

Every year, at St. Mary's Church Parking lot in Upsala there is a Public Square Rosary on that Saturday at noon. This event is for everyone who would like to pray together. If you missed this year (Saturday, October 12th) mark your calendar for Oct. 11, 2025.

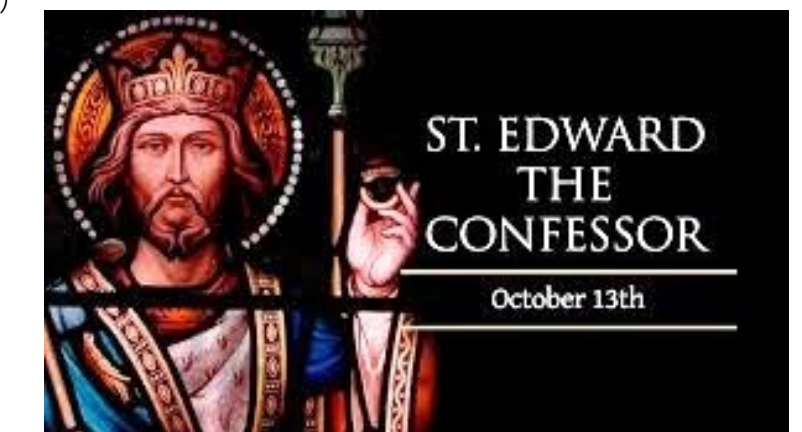
Pray with us for America and conversion.

Donuts

Stop by after the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Francis the Men's Society is serving donuts!

St. Edward's Feast Day Celebration

Saturday, October 12th, after the 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Edward's we will have a pot-luck celebration. Everyone is welcome to attend!



Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time


October 13, 2024

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Saturday 10/12		
5:00 p.m. St. Edward <i>Feast Day Celebration following Mass</i>	† Dennis Biniek ~Shari Biniek Public Square Rosary Noon at St. Mary's	EM of HC: Karla Schneider, Jerry Theisen c, Joan Theisen c, Lector: Tracey Hartung, Servers: Isaac Harren & Jacob Hartung, Ushers: Donald Welinski & Jeff Czech, Greeters: Raymond Kokett, Gifts: Dan & Barb George
Sunday 10/13		
8:00 a.m. St. Francis	Special Intentions for the Gerry & Mary Jane Boeckermann Family	EM of HC: Brittany Harren, Colleen Harren c, Alice Westrich c, Lector: Rebecca Schmidt, Servers: Volunteers, Ushers: Allen Herzog & Leroy Pflueger, Gifts: Kurt & Jackie Goebel
10:00 a.m. St. Mary Youth Mass	For the People	EM of HC: Christine Weber, Renee Scholz c, Dave Scholz c, Lector: Rel. Ed Students, Servers: Alayna Weber & Lauryn Weber, Ushers: Rel. Ed Students, Greeters: Rel. Ed. Students, Gifts: Rel. Ed. Students Bank Deposit: Judy Michels

Weekday Masses

Monday, 10/14	<i>St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr</i>
6:30 p.m. St. Mary	Rosary & Chaplet of Divine Mercy
Tuesday, 10/15	<i>St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church</i>
6:00 p.m. St. Mary	† Don Stiller
Wednesday, 10/16	<i>St. Hedwig, Religious, St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin</i>
8:00 a.m. St. Francis	† Donna Scholz ~ St. Francis Christian Mothers
Thursday, 10/17	<i>St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr</i>
8:00 a.m. St. Edward	† Elmer Molus ~ Adeline Molus
Friday, 10/18	<i>St. Luke, Evangelist</i>
7:30 a.m. St. Mary	† Donald Wensmann ~ Marvin & Shirley Wensmann



Adoration
2nd Tuesdays:
St. Francis 8am -7pm
Thursdays:
St. Mary's 12 noon - 9 pm.
Friday, Nov. 8th
St. Edward'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, Rosemary Pundsack, & Kevin Lampert

"Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth." Ps 100

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 10/19		
8:00 p.m. St. Edward	† Mark Wensmann	EM of HC: Jim Wensmann, Julie Wensmann c, Volunteer c, Lector: Jerry Theisen Servers: Isaac Harren & Jacob Hartung, Ushers: John Kokett & Raymond Kokett, Greeters: Volunteers, Gifts: Ken & Deb Wensmann
Sunday 10/20		
8:00 a.m. St. Francis	For the People	EM of HC: Rosanne Voss, Janelle Roerick c, Rebecca Schmidt c, Lector: Barb Moorman Servers: Volunteers, Ushers: Allen Herzog & Leroy Pflueger, Gifts: Andy & Brittany Harren
10:00 a.m. St. Mary	Special Intentions ~Dave & Renee Scholz	EM of HC: Chantelle Frie, Lisa Zabinski c, Jon Leither c, Lector: Jan Kilian, Servers: Emily Ripplinger & Lilli Leither, Ushers: Darren Lange & Mitch Lange, Greeters: Mikel & Julie Nelson, Gifts: Nathan & Laura Ripplinger, Bank Deposit: Marvin Wensmann

All Cluster News

Religious Education
K-6: Reba Leither (leitherreba@gmail.com) (701) 426-1607
7-10: Randi Klasen (randiklasen@gmail.com) (320) 493-5624
Confirmation: Bob Vouk (320) 249-3398, Jenny Revermann (320) 249-9939, Confirmation Assistant: Katie Urbanski confirmation@tworiverscatholic.com
October 16th
Grades 7-10: No Class MEA Break
Grades K-6: Home Lesson 2nd Grade: Lesson 5
Confirmation: No Class MEA Break


50th Wedding Anniversary
Thanks for making our 50th wedding anniversary so special! We are grateful for all of the warm wishes received, and for those who helped us celebrate in any way. Thank you again & God bless. ~Gerry & Mary Jane Boeckermann.

October Mass Counts
Twice a year, in July and October, the diocese collects data on the number of people attending Mass. Come to church and bring a friend:) Ushers please count the number of attendees at each Mass and fill out the Mass Count Form found in the sacristy for the month of October. The form can be turned into the Parish Office after the last October Mass. Thank you!

World Mission Sunday: Oct. 19th & 20th
We will join Catholic parishes all over the world in celebrating World Mission Sunday, This year, Pope Francis asks us to respond to that call saying, "Go and Invite Everyone to the Banquet." With our gifts and prayers, we help to build –up the church around the world where the witness of Christ and support of the poor is needed most. Envelopes are available in your monthly packets for donations. To Learn more visit: www.stcloudmissionoffice.com.

Hurricane Relief: Oct. 19th & 20th
Bishop Patrick Neary has asked that we take up a Special Collection to aid those affected by Hurricane Helene & Milton in Florida, Georgia, South Carolina and North Carolina where homes and highways have been washed away. If you were unable to donate at Mass but would still like to help you can write out your check to "The Diocese of St. Cloud" and mark it "Hurricane Relief". You can drop your check in the Collection Basket or bring to the Parish Office. All Donations will go to provide critical relief –including shelter, food and humanitarian aid to those most in need.

WEEKEND COLLECTION 10/6/2024
St. Edward: Adult: \$1,105, Loose: \$157, Mission: \$5, Fire Fund: \$225 **Total: \$1,492**
St. Francis: Adult: \$1,380, Loose: \$407, **Total: \$1,787**
St. Mary: Adult: \$2,071, Loose: \$166.10, Campaign for Human Dev: \$ 100, World Mission: \$100, Funeral: \$60 **Total: \$2,497.10**



40 Days for Life is a simple program of *Prayer ~ Fasting ~ Peaceful Vigil* to end abortion in the world. Fall Campaign: Sept. 25th-Nov. 3rd
Monday –Friday 7:00 a.m. –7:00 p.m.
To sign up or get more info. please call/text Marilou Sommers (320) 247-9838. Our parishes are going on Thursdays from 1-7:00 p.m. Sign up with a friend for an hour. If Thursday doesn't work for you, you can stop by any time M-F from 7am-7pm or call Campaign Coordinator: Judy Haag 320-453-7592 judy4life@meltel.net

All Saints Day –Holy Day of Obligation
Everyone is invited to attend Mass at St. Mary's on Friday, Nov.1st at 7:30 a.m.

Mass of Remembrance
We will be celebrating Mass for all those who have passed to Eternal Life on the weekend Mass Nov. 2nd & 3rd
Lectors
Workbooks are available in the Sacristy of your parish. Thank you for your ministry to our parishes!

Box Of Joy
Join the mission in giving a Box of Joy to a child in need! It's an opportunity for families to participate in a simple and tangible service experience that has both a material and spiritual impact on the poorest of the poor. Boxes are located in the entry-way of each parish. The Knights of Columbus will once again be covering the shipping fee for the boxes!!! Drop off information is included in each box, but the final drop-off date is November 5th.

Turkey Bingo
Don't miss Turkey Bingo at St. Mary's, 7:00 p.m. on Sunday October 27th!

"Indeed, how good is the Lord, eternal God's merciful love. God is faithful from age to age." Ps 100

St. Francis' News

Men's Society Meeting:
Mon., Oct. 14th at 8:00 p.m. at St. Francis.

All flowers need to be removed form the cemetery by Nov. 12th. Any flowers left on the cemetery on Nov. 13th will be removed and discard. Just the flowers need to be remove. All statue, lights, chimes, etc. can remain.