



The Catholic Churches

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



I will praise
your name for ever,
my king and my God. (Ps 145)

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 9, 2023

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RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE
 Saturday: St. Edward: 7:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
 Sunday: St. Francis: 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
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 (SE) Sally Schleper 573-2127

Three Saints News



Welcome to
 Fr. Jimmy Joseph V.C., our new
 pastor for St. Edward's, St. Francis
 of Assisi & St. Mary's!
 Father is now settling into his new
 home in the St. Edward's Parish
 House in Elmdale.

Fr. Jimmy was the pastor of St. James, Randall, Sacred Heart, Flensburg and St. Stanislaus, Sobieski for 12 years. He enjoys hunting and fishing with parishioners and helping out wherever needed. Next year he plans to plant a garden in Elmdale. Please introduce yourself to Father!



Stewardship as a Way of Life: "For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."
 Matthew 11:30

When we think of being good stewards, we may think that God is asking too much of us when He calls us to generously share our time, talent and treasure. However, we must remember that we are not "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. All He is asking is that we give back a small portion, in gratitude, of what He has already given to us.

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me,
 for I am meek and humble of heart;
 and you will find rest for yourselves. (Mt 11:29)

Pray for us: Raymond Kurowski, Florence Kuroswki, 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 Biniek, Marlene Vornbrock, Roger Thell, Alan Schumer, Jim Negen, Joe Primus & Gary Larson

Mass, Devotions & Events Schedule

Monday 7/10	
11:15 a.m. St. Mary	† David Voss
Tuesday 7/11	
<i>Saint Benedict, Abbot</i>	
11:15 a.m. St. Mary	Margaret Carlson's 100th Birthday
Wednesday 7/12	
11:15 a.m. St. Mary	† Arnold Scholz
Thursday 7/13	
<i>Saint Henry</i>	
11:15 a.m. St. Mary	† Jeanette Waletzko
Friday 7/14	
<i>Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin</i>	
11:15 a.m. St. Mary	† Julie Scholz
Weekend Masses	
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Saturday 7/15	
10:00 a.m. Senior Living 8:00 p.m. St. Francis	† Communion Service, Upsala Donald, Elizabeth & Duane Herzog
Sunday 7/16	
8:00 a.m. St. Edward 10:00 a.m. St. Mary	† Brian Wensmann For the People

Mass Counts

A reminder to all ushers that we will be collecting Mass Counts for the diocese for July. Mass Count forms will be in the Sacristy.

Youth

Totus Tuus: July 8th-14th

A warm welcome to Tobias Ellis, Jack Tyrrell, Richie Stenger and Joe Liebsch our Totus Tuus Team! Daily Masses will all be at St. Mary's at 11:15 a.m. Please feel welcomed to join in. Thank you to our host families: Barry & Colleen Harren and Nathan & Laura Ripplinger for their hospitality. Thank you to all who are volunteering and providing meals. Thank you to Fr. Jimmy (our new pastor) and Jamie Heurung (coordinator). Please keep all our Youth in your prayers this week!

Rural Catholic Young Adult Group: July 15th

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: Even months are at All Saints-St. Mary's Church basement in Holdingford (on River Street), and at St. Mary's Church in Upsala on odd months. The July 15th meeting will be held in Upsala. Meetings include socializing, snacks, and games to follow. Contact: Katie (320) 423-2203 or Marissa (320) 630-2433 for more information.

Faith Formation

Confirmation and Grades 7-10 Teachers needed

Are you called to teach our Faith to our Youth? Please let Fr. Jimmy know or call the Parish Office. Thank you!

Youth Director

If you are interested in leading our Youth to become stronger in their faith. Please let Fr. Jimmy know. You can fill out an application on the website or stop by the Parish Office.

ST FRANCIS' NEWS

July Ushers: Allen Herzog & Leroy Pflueger

July Bank Deposit: LeRoy Harren

Saturday, July 15th - 8:00 p.m.

EM of HC: Mary Jane Boeckermann
Rosanne Voss (C), Alice Westrich (C)

Lector: Jim Scholz

Servers: Volunteers

Gift Bearers: Herb & Sharon Wielenberg

St. Francis Festival: Aug. 27th

It is again time of the year to gather items for the silent auction. Canned pickles, jelly, craft items all go well. Call or text Carol 320-290-9790, Jane 320-232-3290, Rosanne 320-249-8910 or Kathy 320-293-7485, with question or donations.

The raffle chances and work slips for our Fall Festival are ready to be picked up in the back of church. Thank You!

ST. EDWARD'S NEWS

Sunday, July 16th - 8:00 a.m.

EM of HC: Ted Lewandowski

Lector: Shari Biniek

Servers: Volunteers

Ushers: Jeron Wensmann & Jim Czeck

Greeters: Raymond Kokett

Gift Bearers: Chuck & Sheila Biniek

ST MARY'S NEWS

Sunday, July 16th - 10:00 a.m.

EM of HC: Cindy Koehn
Renee Scholz (C), Dave Scholz(C)

Lector: Jan Kilian

Servers: Emily Ripplinger

Ushers: Patrick & Lisa Zabinski

Greeters: Nathan & Laura Ripplinger Family

Gift Bearers: Andy & Linda Langner

Bank Deposit: Marvin Wensmann

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL !

Benefits of Holy Communion from the Catechism of the Catholic Church paragraphs 1391-1398:

- increases our union with the Lord
- nourishes our spirits with what we need to grow spiritually
- separates us from sin and its power-strengthens God's love within us
- helps us to keep from falling into mortal sin
- deepens our unity as Church-helps us to recognize Christ in the poor and invites us to serve them.
- causes us to long for the full unity of all Christians and invites us to pray "that all may be one."

The Eucharistic Revival Prayer Team is announcing a contest for all ages to depict art, photography, poetry or a short reflection/essay about the Eucharist. Through prayer and reflection, individuals are asked to consider the theme, "What does the Eucharist mean to me?"

Winners will be determined for each age group. Preschool-Grade 2, Grades 3-5, Grades 6-8, Grades 9-12, Age 18-23, Age 24+. The final submission date is Aug. 6th.

Please send original submissions to: The Central Minnesota Catholic Attn: Word and Art Contest, 305 7th Avenue North, St. Cloud, MN 56303.

WEEKEND COLLECTION July 2, 2023

St. Edward: Adult: \$1,455, Loose: \$88, Votive: \$33.25
Totus Tuus: \$20 **Total: \$1,596.25**

St. Francis: Adult: \$400, Loose: \$135 **Total: \$535**

St. Mary: Adult: \$1,131, Loose: \$214 **Total: \$1,345**

Area Church Events

Healing Mass: July 16th

All are invited to join the Crosier Fathers and Brothers at the Holy Cross Priory Church, 102 Crosier Drive N., Onamia, at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, July 16th, for the annual healing Mass in honor of St. Odilia. The Mass will include the anointing of the sick and a ritual blessing with a relic of St. Odilia.

Parishioners from Holy Cross Parish will serve a brunch following the Mass. Reservations are not needed. Tickets will be available at the door.

In 1952, a major relic of St. Odilia was brought to the Crosier Priory in Onamia and the National Shrine of St. Odilia was established. The Crosier Fathers and Brothers at the priory have been guardians of the shrine since that time. For more information, contact the Crosiers at (320) 532-3103 or by email at onamia@crosier.org.

All City Women's Mixer: July 19th

Please join us at Jordies Trail Side Café, Bowlus for a get together and a Chicken Buffet Style Meal (around \$15-cash appreciated). Please RSVP at the Central Office (320) 573-2132 or any of our area churches. We had a great turn-out last year with a delicious meal & wonderful conversation. All are welcome.

Notes from Fr. Jimmy

Thank you for your warm welcome during my first week in these parishes. I am excited to be working with you in my new parish families. I want to take this time to thank Fr. David Grundman, for all the wonderful works he has done in these parishes and for the great commitment and dedication in his ministries for God and the Church. I know you miss him, but we wish Fr. David God's Blessings and pray for his new assignment.

I hope some of you have seen me or met me while I was in my former parishes of Sobieski, Flensburg and Randall. I come from a family of seven children, three girls and four boys and I am the youngest of my parents Joseph and Mary and my siblings: Thomas, Sr. Mercy, Beena, Francis, Sr. Alexia and Benny. I have three nieces and four nephews. My father died in 2004 and my mother died in 2015, so great and hardworking people and I pray for their souls everyday.

After my graduation I joined the Vincentian religious order and completed my studies from St. Joseph Pontifical Seminary and was ordained on January 4, 1997 in India. After working the first 11 years of my priestly life in various apostolic ministries in India, I reached in the USA in 2008 to work for the Diocese of St. Cloud. I started my ministry at St. Mary of Mount Carmel in Long Prairie and then at St. Anthony, Holy Spirit and St. John Cantius in St. Cloud for two years as Parochial Vicar. In July 2011, I was appointed as pastor in Randall, Sobieski and Flensburg. I am looking forward to getting to know all of you and working with you. I am finding my ways around and will be visiting the elderly and sick and bringing the Holy Communion on First Fridays. Please don't hesitate to call me at the office or my house in Elmdale (320-573-2975).

I hope you had a blessed July 4th weekend celebrating our Independence. We certainly have a lot to pray for, to truly live out our life, liberty and justice, and we know it is no small task, but we are so blessed to have the freedom to do so. God's many blessings and my prayers!
Fr. Jimmy Joseph