

News and Events



**Knights of Columbus
St. Gregory Council
Grand Knight Jeff Czech
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Meeting: Our next meeting will be at St. Edward's on November 5th at 8:00 p.m.

Faithfully Yours: Discover Natural Family Planning (NFP)!

NFP cooperates with nature and God's plan for married love. The Billings Ovulation Method is a natural, highly effective method for postponing or achieving pregnancy without the use of drugs or devices. The class is approximately 1½ to 2 hours long. *Note: Most insurance plans cover the cost of NFP Instruction and follow-up! A First Instruction in the Billings Ovulation Method will be offered in:

Alexandria on Monday, November 18 & December 16 at St. Mary's Church. For more information, or to register, contact Jill and Isaac Uphus at uphus.nfp@gmail.com or (320) 290-8751.

Little Falls on Tuesday, November 5 & December 3 at 7:30 p.m. at the NFP Office in the Unity Specialty Center of St. Gabriel's Hospital. For more information, or to register, contact Mary Bontjes at bontjesmary@yahoo.com or call the Little Falls NFP Office at (320) 631-5660.

Sauk Centre on Thursday, November 21 & December 19 at St. Paul's Church or Centra-Care Health – Sauk Centre Hospital. For more information, or to register, contact Jill and Isaac Uphus at uphus.nfp@gmail.com or (320) 290-8751.

St. Cloud on Monday, November 18 & Thursday, December 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the Office of Marriage & Family. For more information, or to register, contact Sheila Reineke at omf@gw.stcdio.org -258-7609.



40 Days for Life is a simple program of **Prayer ~ Fasting ~ Peaceful Vigil** to end abortion in the world. Contact: Marilou Sommers (320) 247-9838.

Closing Rally: Saturday, **November 2nd** from 10:00 a.m.-Noon at the Vigil site then proceeds to St. Augustine Church, 422 2nd St S.E., St. Cloud.

National Vocations Awareness Week: Nov. 3rd—9th

Are you considering the priesthood? "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." Fishing is an active verb. If you are being called to strengthen Christ's Church through a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, act. Talk to your priest or Call the Vocations Office: 251-5001 or vocations@gw.stcdio.org. Director: Fr. Doug Liebsch

But Jesus, because he remains forever, has a priesthood that does not pass away. (Heb 7:24)

St. Cloud seminarians will experience revisions to seminary formation this fall

The newly-added Propaedeutic stage occurs before men begin collegiate level study. It "seeks to provide seminarians with the basic groundwork they need to engage in priestly formation," according to the Program of Priestly Formation. The men will spend the year living together in community focusing primarily on growing in friendship with Jesus and each other through prayer and intentional communal life. Seminarian Collin Prom (St. Mary's, Upsala), now in his Discipleship I year, described how living in community helped quell a fear he had about pursuing priesthood — living alone and feeling lonely.

"If priesthood is where you are calling me to be, Lord, I will not be alone because I have these incredible men alongside me," Prom said. "Living in community with guys and getting to share your interior life with other men stirred up a greater desire for the priesthood."

After successful completion of the Propaedeutic stage and upon receiving the recommendation to move forward in seminary study, the Discipleship stage begins. At its core, this stage focuses on growing an intimate relationship with Jesus Christ through reflection and growth in Christian virtue. Prom looks forward to continued time in the seminary with the new structure guiding his studies.

"Getting to learn more about Jesus encouraged me to be able to say, 'Lord, I want to pursue you with my mind. I want to know you more,'" Prom said. "I can do that by reading and discussing, by coming to classes and by applying myself. It's so cool."

To read full article visit: thecentralminnesotacatholic.org.

A plenary indulgence, applicable only to the souls in purgatory, is granted to the faithful who on any and each day from November 1st to 8th, devoutly visit a cemetery and pray, if only mentally, for the departed. The typical requirements are needed as well, Sacramental Confession (within about 20 days before or after), Eucharistic Communion, praying for the intentions of the Holy Father (one Our Father and one Hail Mary suffices), and being detached from sin while performing the indulgence..

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.

Commemoration of all the FAITHFUL DEPARTED

St. Edward

Dennis J. Biniek ~ November 13, 2023
Arnold Czech ~ November 13, 2024
Darling Langner ~ April 8, 2024
Arnold Donald Molus ~ July 3, 2024
Stanley R. Czech ~ October 15, 2024

St. Francis of Assisi

Arnold Anton Voss ~ January 11, 2024
Donna Mae Scholz ~ February 12, 2024
Jordan Leah Orton ~ March 26, 2024
LeRoy Herman Schmitz ~ April 17, 2024
Donald Sylvester Stiller ~ May 12, 2024
Dorothea Gerads ~ May 17, 2024
Kelsey Schmidt ~ September 13, 2024
Dorothy V. Thell ~ October 18, 2024
Evelyn Locnikar ~ October 19, 2024


St. Mary's

Darwin Binek ~ November 7, 2023
Julie Ann Jensen ~ December 23, 2023
Rita Elizabeth Schiller ~ January 11, 2024
Marjorie Maxine Lehner ~ February 20, 2024
Terry James Theis ~ May 12, 2024
Daniel C. Gerads ~ July 19, 2024
Elizabeth Mae Melaas ~ Sept. 16, 2024

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 3, 2024

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time		
Saturday 11/2 First Saturday		
8:00 p.m. St. Edward Mass of Remembrance	† George & Rose Opatz	EM of HC: Jim Wensmann, Julie Wensmann c, Jim Bartkowicz c, Lector: Jeff Czech, Servers: Isaac Harren & Jacob Hartung, Ushers: Scott Wensmann & Dennis Trettel, Greeters: Megan Wensmann, Gifts: Pat & Kris Blonigen
Sunday 11/3		
8:00 a.m. St. Francis Mass of Remembrance	† Hubert, Florence & Marvin Lange	EM of HC: Mary Jane Boeckermann, Alice Westrich c, Brittany Harren c, Lector: Rebecca Schmidt, Servers: Volunteers, Ushers: Mark Moorman & Syl Tschida, Gifts: Dan & Sarah Roerick
10:00 a.m. St. Mary Mass of Remembrance	For the People	EM of HC: LeAnn Beneke, Amanda Lampert c, Christine Weber c, Lector: Chantelle Frie, Servers: Alayna Weber & Lauryn Weber, Ushers: Matt & Rhonda Ripplinger, Greeters: Dave & Mary Hollenkamp, Gifts: Mikel & Julie Nelson, Bank Deposit: Marvin Wensmann

Weekday Masses		
Monday, 11/4		
6:30 p.m. St. Mary	Rosary & Chaplet of Divine Mercy	
Tuesday, 11/5		
6:00 p.m. St. Mary	† Arnie Molus ~ Carol Molus *Anointing of the Sick	Adoration 2nd Tuesdays: Nov. 12th St. Francis 8am -7pm Tuesday, Nov. 5th St. Mary's 12 noon - 9 pm. Friday, Nov. 8th St. Edward's 12 noon-9 pm
Wednesday, 11/6		
8:00 a.m. St. Francis	† Irene Lashinski ~SF Christian Mothers	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 & Pat Harren
Thursday, 11/7		
8:00 a.m. St. Edward	Thanksgiving for Denis & Marlene Carlson *Anointing of the Sick	
Friday, 11/8		
7:30 a.m. St. Mary	† Daniel Gerads	

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time		
Saturday 11/9		
4:00 p.m. St. Edward	† Arnold Czech	EM of HC: Jerry Theisen, Joan Theisen c, Jim Bartkowicz, Lector: Tracey Hartung, Servers: Isaac Harren & Jacob Hartung, Ushers: Jim Wensmann & Justin Wensmann, Greeters: Raymond Kokett, Gifts: Scott & Karla Van Wienen
8:00 p.m. St. Mary Deer Hunter Mass	† Darwin Binek	EM of HC: Renee Scholz, Jan Kilian c, Dave Scholz c, Lector: Tom Kilian, Servers: Volunteers, Ushers: Volunteers Greeters: Volunteers, Gifts: Andy & Linda Langner, Bank Deposit: Tom Kilian
Sunday 11/10		
8:00 a.m. St. Francis	† Mike Schiller	EM of HC: Joyce Koopmeiners, Chris Fuchs c, Collen Harren c, Lector: Mary Jane Boeckermann, Servers: Volunteers, Ushers: Mark Moorman & Syl Tschida, Gifts: Bob & Sharon Thell
10:00 a.m. St. Mary	For the People	EM of HC: Cindy Koehn, Chantelle Frie c, Lisa Zabinski c, Lector: Leonice Prokott, Servers: Emily Ripplinger, Ushers: Beau Ripplinger & Nathan Ripplinger, Greeters: Walt & LeAnn Beneke Gifts: Mitchell & Brooke Kingston, Bank Deposit: Judy Michels

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

November 6th

Grades 7-10: No Class
Grades K-6: 6:30 p.m. Class 2nd Grade: Lesson 8
Confirmation: Class All Saints-St. Mary's, Holdingford

Children's Liturgy

We will be Children's Liturgy at the 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mary's. If you have questions contact: Chelsea Fuchs: fuchschelsea92@gmail.com.

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 entryway 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.

The "Thanks" Giving Tree

Jesus asks us to love our neighbor as ourselves. What better way to do this than to share your generosity with local children in need!

Once again you will noticed that we have the "Thanks" Giving Tree in the gathering space! The Social Justice committee is working with the Morrison County Human Services Dept. to provide gifts for children. There is a great need for educational books and toys/tools for infants, toddlers and elementary school age children. The "Thanks" Giving Tree will be displayed in the church from November 6th through December 6th. Help make Christmas Day a happy time for these children. Please see the sign-up book and follow the instructions given. Over the past years your help and generosity has been deeply appreciated by many. We should all take time to reflect on our blessing and reach out to help the less fortunate.



WEEKEND COLLECTION 10/27/2024

St. Edward: Adult: \$422, Loose: \$91, Votive: \$73, World Mission: \$20, Catholic Charities: \$340, **Total: \$946**
St. Francis: Adult: \$535, Loose: \$115, World Mission: \$100, Catholic Charities: \$20, Funeral Fund: \$220, **Total: \$990**
St. Mary: Adult: \$1,347, Loose: \$269, Catholic Charities: \$310, Funeral Fund: \$30, Thanksgiving: \$370 **Total: \$2,326.90**

Mass time Change for Daylight Savings

The Saturday evening Mass at St. Edward's will change to 4:00 p.m. instead of 8:00 p.m. starting Nov. 9th until spring.

Deer Hunter's Mass

There will be two Masses on Saturday, Nov. 9th. Our regularly scheduled Mass at St. Edwards (4:00 p.m.) and an 8:00 p.m. Deer Hunters Mass at St. Mary's.

Thanksgiving Mass Times:

6:30 p.m. Wed., Nov. 27th St. Mary's
 8:00 a.m. Thur. Nov. 28th St. Edward.
 Food Blessing after each Mass.

Holy Days Mass Schedule

Check our website for the Christmas, New Year's and Easter Mass Schedule.

Over 80 Blessings for November

Leonard Koroll (SE) 11/2
 Patricia Eggert (SM) 11/12
 Walter Beneke (SM) 11/29
 Jeanette Maciej (SE) 11/30
 Devota Nilson (SM) 11/30



St. Mary's News

Adoration

There will be adoration at St. Mary's from noon - 9:00 p.m. this Tuesday, Nov. 5th, Election Day with Mass at 6:00 p.m. Please stop by and pray for our school, community, state, and country. **Everyone is welcome to attend!**

There will **not** be adoration on Thursday, Nov 7th or Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 28th.

St. Francis' News

Church Locking

Starting on Nov. 4th, St. Francis Church will start locking up at 6:00 p.m. It will go back to 8:00 p.m. next spring.

All flowers

Please remove flowers from 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.

Thank you

to Father Jimmy Joseph, Sacristan, the choir, and the ladies who prepared and served the lunch for Dorothy Thells funeral. Her Family appreciates your kindness.
 ~Her Cousins