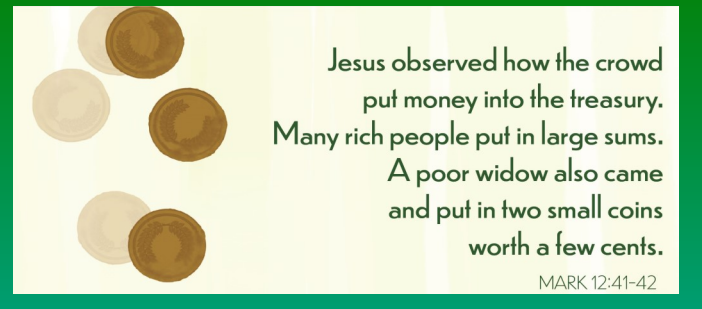


The Catholic Churches of

St. Edward
Elmdale

St. Francis of Assisi
St. Francis

St. Mary
Upsala



The 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time November 7, 2021

Mass, Devotions & Events Schedule

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<u>Tuesday 11/9</u>	<i>Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</i>
6pm St. Mary	+ Phyllis Vornbrock
	*Adoration and Benediction SF 7am-8pm
<u>Wednesday 11/10</u>	<i>Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church</i>
8am St. Francis	+Norbert & Josie Roering -SF Society
<u>Thursday 11/11</u>	<i>Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop</i>
8am St. Edward	For the health of Millie Spring – Fred & Rita Herbes
<u>Friday 11/12</u>	<i>Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr</i>
7:30am St. Mary	+Leo & Erma Blonigen `Bob & M.J. Blonigen
<u>Saturday 11/13</u>	<i>St. Francis Xavier Cabrini, Virgin</i>
8pm St. Francis	For Joyce Eveslage –healing –Lorene Koopmeiners
<u>Sunday 11/14</u>	<i>Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
8am St. Edward	+Jerry & Rita Fasen - Joan Berg
10am St. Mary	+Ty Poppenhagen & Katy Lynn Panek
8 pm All Saints-SM	Deer Hunters' Mass in Holdingford

Faith Formation

Grades K-6 Parents

Thanks to all the families who came this past Wednesday. We greatly appreciate all our parents and their willingness to be more involved in the faith lives of their children. Next week, the lesson is death, judgement and resurrection.

Grades 7-10, Guest Speaker: Nov 10

All parents and students are expected to be present at 7:00pm. Joe Towalski who is Director of Communications and Development for our diocese will be speaking to us on social media.

Youth News

Pray for our Young People: Nov 17-21

Thanks to the chaperones: Michael Klasen, Jonathan Leiter, Alice Westrich and Lisa Zabinski for their willingness to help our youth grow in their faith. We have 23 youth: SE: Emily Blonigen, Michael Blonigen, Kaitlyn George, Mitchell George, Hannah Luedtke and Natalie Wensmann; SF: Carter Roerick, Eli Roerick, Jacob Roerick, Kylie Roerick, Bryce Westrich and Cheyenne Wuebkers; SM: Rachel Ainali, Gracie George, Paige Gerads, James Jensen, Katie Jensen, Kaylee Kremers, Max Lange, Tyson Leners, Beau Ripplinger, Christian Ripplinger and Ali Stock. Their chartered bus departs for Indianapolis at 4am, so we hope everyone will get up to send them off! Our three parishes have the largest group from our diocese!

Remember in prayer those in need of the Lord's healing and strength:

Raymond Kurowski, Ken Wielenberg, Margaret Carlson, Brenda Wuebkers, Ron Dingman, Kristy Brezinka, Ramona Heurung, Arnold Scholz, Irene Lashinski, Frank Gerads, Lorene Koopmeiners, Linus & Marjorie Lehner, Marlene Vornbrock, Brayden Harren, (SF, Chemo in St. Paul), Bruce Wolters (nephew of Theresa Larson, SE, moved to rehab), Millie Spring (cancer, 18 mos. old granddaughter of Fred and Rita Herbes, SF, Rita flew to Texas to help out), Rudi Cazeau (terminal cancer, brother-in-law of Fr. David), Bev Johnson (cancer, Gethsemane), Judy Gerads (cancer, SF) Ambrose Herdering (St. Rose) family of +Anna Schulte, SM, family of +Irene Harren (Sacred Heart), family of +Marie Nelson

WEEKEND COLLECTION

St. Edward: Adult: \$838, Loose: \$43, All Saints: \$10, Fall Collection: \$1,400 Total: **\$2,291.00**

St. Francis: Adult: \$990, Loose: \$167, All Saints: \$20, Total: **\$1,177.00**

St. Mary: Adult: \$1,074, Loose \$173, Votive: \$25, Choir: \$100, All Saints \$10, Fall Collection: \$1,875.00, Total: **\$3,257.00**

Three Saints News

Thanksgiving Masses: Nov 24/25

6pm in St Mary's and 9am in St Edward's

Honor our Veterans Day: Nov 11

This day is always observed with speeches, parades, and church services across the United States and in many places the American flag is hung at half-mast. A period of silence lasting two minutes may be held at 11am. When the holiday first began, it had a different name, which was Armistice Day. Remember that we will be blessings all Veterans next weekend at our Masses.

Ushers Took Mass Count

Twice a year (July and Oct), our diocese asks that we count the number of people attending our weekend Masses. With the priest shortage, this helps them plan for the future. Thank you for coming to Mass and thank you for encouraging others to join us! All totaled, we had 1,599 people come in October. SE: 408; SF: 479; St Mary's: 787. Thank you ushers for always doing your very important part.

ACC committee update:

We have finished working on the bylaws and constitution as an ACC committee. They are being finalized and sent to the diocese for approval. There will be 2 members needed from each parish on the new ACC council. Prayerfully consider becoming a member of the new council. The current ACC committee will meet November 16 at 8 pm at All Saints-St. Mary's.

The "Thanks" Giving Tree

"Your life and mine shall be valued not by what we take... but by what we give."

The Giving Tree with its leaves is now in the taking a leaf and helping a family in need. We are asking that you return your **unwrapped gift By Sunday Dec.5th**.

Boxes of Joy are also available in the church entry. Thank you for sharing the Joy!

ST EDWARD'S NEWS**Sun., Nov. 14 -8:00am****EM of HC:** Jim Wensmann **Lector:** Dennis Biniek**Ushers:** Mike Urbanski & Shawn Urbanski**Greeters:** Megan Wensmann**Server:** Isaac Harren**Gift Bearers:** Doug & Jackie Wolbeck**New Child of God: Hendrix Donald Pfeiffer**

Congrats to his parents Derek and Sadie whose little boy was baptized this past week. Congrats to his grandparents Donald & Carmen. Hendrix was born June 30th - this is their first child. Blessings to his godparents: Katlin Welinski and Austin Johnson.

ST FRANCIS' NEWS**Sat., Nov. 13 -8:00pm****EM of HC:** Chad Koopmeiners**Lector:** Chad Koopmeiners**Ushers:** Mark Moorman & Sylvester Tschida**Server:** Volunteers**Gift Bearers:** Jake & Judy Gerads**Winter Mass Time Change: Nov 20**

With the cold season approaching, our Mass time changes to 4pm. We don't want to have our elders driving late in the evening.

Brayden Harren Benefit

Thanks to all who helped make this day most blessed. We ran out of eggs! We were hoping to serve 500 and it was well beyond that! Thanks to all who donated food and silent auction items.

ST MARY'S NEWS**Sun., Nov. 14 -10:00am****EM of HC:** Christine Weber **Lector:** Tom Kilian**Ushers:** Brian Lange & Matt Ripplinger**Greeters:** Elmer Frie & Jan Kilian**Server:** Lilli Leither & Alayna Weber**Gift Bearers:** Randy & Donna Roske**Bank Deposit:** Tom Kilian**New Child of God: Evelyn Mary Lange**

Congrats to his parents Mitch and Brooke (Westrich) Lange who will be baptized during our 10am Mass this coming Sunday (Nov 14). Congrats to her grandparents: Darrin-Tamara Lange and Mike-Alice Westrich. Blessings to her godparents Laura Lange and Chris Klaphake,

Glen Rose Thanks You

"Thank you so much for allowing me to park my camper in your lot. It was greatly appreciated. God bless all of you as you have been really great and wonderful to us. God bless."

Jeremy Phillips Memorial Service: Nov 12

Please join Cindy and their family 4-8pm. He was in the US Air Force from 1979-1986. He will be buried at Camp Ripley.

Tractor/Bucket Needed in Cemetery

Anyone able to help Fr David as the crucifix needs to be taken down? It would be great to have it restored.

Three Saints News Continued**Holy Land Religious Objects**

Again, we apologize for any inconvenience as they were not at last weekend's Masses. John and Ann Meisen contracted COVID-19 and are still recovering. She spoke of the fatigue and how long it lasts: "Thank you for the prayers and support that is better than anything. In God's perfect timing, we will return possibly this spring to your parishes."

Book of Remembrance

In our Churches, please write names of deceased loved ones. Know that people's names can be entered many times. The more times their names are written = the more

Three Saints New continued from below**Book of Remembrance** continued

graces and prayers sent heavenward. During November is an ideal time to also be praying for the Poor Soul's in Purgatory.

Make God's Love Visible

Catholic Charities is supported by generous individuals, foundations, businesses and faith communities. In 2020, we provided services to more than 44,000 individuals. For some, we provided a place to live; for others, food and clothing. You should have received a mailing, if not there are envelopes in the entrances of our Churches. Remember that God does not ask of the impossible, but wants nothing more than for you to do your part.

NOTES FROM FR DAVID

During November, we remember and honor all those who have preceded us in death. We recall especially those who have passed away this last year. It is normal to struggle with one's faith when in the throes of grief. Death comes with trauma and questions that we can never answer satisfactorily. Why was she taken so soon? Why did he suffer so much? How will our family get through this? We come together this weekend, and each Sunday, as a family of faith to be nourished at the table of the Word and the table of the Eucharist. May the resurrected Lord, whom receive in the Eucharist, strengthen and comfort us as we pray for those we have lost.

Thanks to the family who have loved ones who passed away this last year. It was great to join with you in prayer. Please let me know if you ever need anything. Suffering such grief can be overwhelming and it may be helpful to talk someone. Know that my door is open. We love having the candles of your loved ones burning on are altars. Know especially of our prayers and love during this month of November.

WOW ... St Francis you continue to outdo yourself for Brayden's Benefit! It was amazing what you or rather should I say what God pulled off through you. People are still commenting about the great decorations, awesome meal, engaging silent auction items and most importantly your loving hospitality! It also touched my heart seeing a good number of people from St Edward's and St Mary's. I need to correct myself as no doubt the prayers are second to none that healing and strength may come to Brayden. With little Millie Spring (only 18 mos. old) receiving treatment for cancer, we need double down on our prayers. Rosanne Vos from St Francis is looking into some ways that we can send our prayers and effort to her and her family in Texas.

Thanks to all the families who stopped into St Mary's the previous Friday afternoon for trick or treat. The numbers were off the charts as they just kept coming and coming! Unfortunately, I failed to know all of them, but cannot help but believe that many were non-Catholics! Much like our Turkey Bingo two weeks ago, we filled our dining room. Having so many different volunteers helping out spoke loudly how important it is for us to gather together. Any ideas of things how we can bring us together more in each of our churches?

This week, National Vocation Awareness Week is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promote vocations to ordained ministry and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations. Did you know that we have three new seminarians studying for the priesthood in our diocese? All totaled, we have fourteen young men in formation. Please take home tri-folds (entrances of our churches) with their pictures and other information.