



St. Joseph

The Catholic Communities of Bowlus, Holdingford and St. Anna

St. Stanislaus Kostka, Bowlus All Saints, Holdingford Immaculate Conception, St. Anna

The Third Sunday of Lent

March 15, 2020

Central Office in Holdingford

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Confession Times:

Before weekday Masses at 7:30 a.m.

Saturday: 7:30 p.m. St. Anna

Marriage: Couples are to begin
preparation 6-12 months in advance and
must call the Central Office to meet with
Father Gregory **before setting a date**.
Diocesan Marriage Preparation Classes
are required.

Baptism: Call to schedule Baptism.

A baptism class is offered quarterly.

Shut-Ins: Please call us.

New Parishioners: Please introduce
yourself to Father after Mass and call the
Central Office. **If you are leaving our parishes**
please call the central office so we can
update our census. Thank you.

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12 Ways to honor St. Joseph this March

1. **For your special intentions, pray to St. Joseph**
2. **Honor your fathers.** In Italy and Spain, Father's Day is celebrated annually on St. Joseph's Day. This is the perfect day for you to honor the older man in your life who has guided you, deepened your faith, or helped you. Send a card describing your gratitude, call them up, make them dinner, offer a Mass in their honor.
3. **Resolve to work smarter this month.** As a way befitting the patron saint of work, offer up your labor out of love and gratitude for St. Joseph. Remember that keeping holy the Sabbath and abstaining from labor on Sunday honors St. Joseph, too!
4. **Place an icon, statue, or image of St. Joseph on your table.** Put a treasured picture of our own family beside it as a way of seeking blessings and intercession from St. Joseph, Pillar of Families.
5. **Make Wednesdays special** In the Catholic tradition, Wednesday is the day of the week devoted to St. Joseph. Make your Wednesdays this March extra special by attending Mass. What a better month to begin the Nine First Wednesdays tradition in honor of St. Joseph?
6. **Make a St. Joseph's Day Altar.** This is a meaningful traditions for all Catholics to celebrate the feast day. Make it as simple or elaborate as you'd like with a St. Joseph statue and candles. Add special foods such as bread shaped as crosses, figs, olives, dates, fruits, artichokes and salads to have a St. Joseph Day feast!
7. **Adorn your St. Joseph's Day altar, or anywhere in your home, an Easter Lily.**
8. **Find a way to include St. Joseph in the décor of your home.** Have a framed work of religious art featuring St. Joseph in your home or add a statue of St. Joseph in your garden.
9. **Read the "Consecration to St. Joseph" by Fr. Donald Calloway.**
10. **Find ways to give.** Contact local Catholic organizations to donate.
11. **Pray for the sick and suffering.**
12. **At the end of the day, give your worries to St. Joseph** who communicates with God even in his dreams, to pray for your intentions and take you worries so you can get some rest! Pope Francis advises to place a note with your special intentions under a statue of the sleeping St. Joseph before you go to sleep. ~<https://aleteia.org/2020/03/01/12>



Feast Day of St. Joseph is March 19th

Evangelization Corner ~Kristin Molitor

Dear friends,
Evangelization can sometimes feel intimidating! Our encounters with sin and brokenness in this crazy, upside-down world can lead us wondering if we are “educated enough,” “holy enough” or “articulate enough” to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. Maybe, deep down, we even secretly wonder if the Gospel is even powerful enough to penetrate the dysfunction of sin in our fallen world.

When we experience tepidity and a lack of faith in evangelization, it's usually because *we have not experienced the saving power of Jesus Christ in our own life*. Sure, we may go to church, but many of us have not surrendered to Jesus the thing He wants most: our heart.

In today's Gospel, the Samaritan woman lets Jesus encounter her in her brokenness. Jesus knows she has a colorful past and probes the most shame-filled and tender areas of her heart. In this beautiful exchange, the Samaritan woman discovers someone who fully knows her *and still fully loves her*. This encounter compels the woman to change and it leads her to invite others to encounter Christ: “Come see a man...”

The Samaritan becomes an evangelist not despite her brokenness, *but because of it*.

Brother and sisters, what sin causes you the most shame? What addictions do you hide? Do you have faith to believe that your mission and purpose in the Kingdom of God are linked to Jesus touching and healing your wounds? *We can only share in the saving work of Jesus to the extent that we have experienced Christ's saving work in our hearts.*

This lent, give Jesus your heart. Let Him encounter you in your brokenness. Discover His love. Allow yourself to be healed. Experience the Gospel POWER. Like the Samaritan woman, you will discover that evangelization is something you no longer “do,” but something you naturally exude.

Take a risk, give Jesus your heart, and watch your faith grow and kingdom mission come alive.

Please let Father Gregory know if you are going into the hospital so he can visit. Let us know if you'd like to be on the bulletin prayer list and/or call your prayer line representative.



The Healing Power of God

Remember in prayer all who are in need of the Lord's healing and strength especially:

Teckla Scegura, Dave Scegura, Lee Larkey and Arnold Voss, Connie Young, Gretta Bayer, Lee Bieniek, Al Hartung, Kieran Kloss, Heidi Quinlan, Arlene Beniek, Lawrence Trettel, Melissa Scepurek, Baby Wyatt, Reagan Zierden, LeRoy Johannes, Rita K. Trettel, Bernard Kolles, Sharon Prokott, Sara Sobania

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Monday

All Saints-St. Mary's
8:00 a.m.– 10:00 p.m.

Every Saturday

St. Stanislaus Kostka
6:00 a.m.– 6:00 p.m.

Daily Mass Eucharistic Adoration is also held for one hour following daily Mass on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. No Adoration if there is a funeral on that day. Confession and the Rosary begin 1/2 hour before Mass.



This Week's Events

- Sun.** March 15 *Lenten Bus Pilgrimage*
- Mon.** March 16 *Adoration*
All Saints-St. Mary's
10:15 and 7:00 p.m. Women's Group
- Tues.** March 17
All Saints-St. Mary's
4:00 p.m. Rosary Walk for Life
- Wed.** March 18
- Thur.** March 19
All Saints-St. Mary's
9:00 a.m. Quilting
- Fri.** March 20
- Sat.** March 21
St. Stanislaus Adoration
All Saints-St. Mary's
8:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Group
- Sun.** March 22
All Saints-St. Hedwig's
2:00 p.m. Confirmation

If you are interested in being on the schedule or have changes in availability please contact:

Ministry Schedulers:

All Saints: Patty Becker 291-6582
St. Anna: Kathy Scegura 746-2814
St. Stanislaus: Margie Benusa 584-5405

Prayer Lines:

All Saints: Ramona Fedor 746-2395
Kathleen Ebnet 746-2227
St. Anna: Shirley Schwalbe 356-7209
Christine Maleska 356-7246
St. Stanislaus: Arlene Beniek 584-5235

News & Events



Weekly Readings

Monday 2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday Dn 3:25, 34-43/
 Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19
Thursday 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/
 Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Friday Hos 14:2-10/ Mk 12:28-34
Saturday Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14
Sunday 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/
 Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38



Knights of Columbus

Food For Families

The Knights are collecting food to go to local food organizations in March. Boxes are in the back of church to place items. Thank you!

The Annual Cash Raffle

Tickets are available now. Contact Duane Kunstleben (320) 290-3062 or Jamie Panek (320) 290 7752 or any Knight's members. Winners will be announced May 7th.

The annual Breakfast and Raffle

for the Knights of Columbus Council #12604 will be in Upsala on Sunday, March 29th, from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm. The breakfast will be all-you-can-eat, with a free will offering accepted at the door. Raffle tickets are available from our Knights, or can be purchased the day of. We look forward to seeing you there! Contact Peter Borash with any questions at 320-292-7004

Weekly Offering

Financial Contributions

PARISH INCOME

March 8, 2020

AS \$ 3,106.75

IC \$ 2,393.00

SS \$ 1,676.00

Thank you for your generosity!
 For where your treasure is, there also
 will your heart be." —Luke 12: 34

Holy Week Mass Schedule

Palm Sunday

Sat., April 4th at 8:00 p.m.

Immaculate Conception, St. Anna

Sun., April 5th at 8:00 a.m.

All Saints-St. Mary's, Holdingford

Sun., April 5th at 10:00 a.m.

St. Stanislaus, Bowlus

Holy Thursday

April 9th at 7:00 p.m.

St. Stanislaus, Bowlus with

Adoration until 11:00 p.m.

Good Friday

April 10th at 12 noon

All Saints-St. Mary's, Holdingford

April 10th at 3:00 p.m.

Immaculate Conception, St. Anna

Easter Vigil

Sat., April 11th at 8:30 p.m.

St. Stanislaus, Bowlus

8:15 p.m. Bon Fire before Mass

Wine and Cheese Party after Mass

Easter Sunday

April 12th at 6:30 a.m.

Arban Outdoor Mass with a

Bon Fire before Mass

April 12th at 8:30 a.m.

All Saints-St. Hedwig's, Holdingford

April 12th at 10:30 a.m.

Immaculate conception, St. Anna

Upsala Cluster Schedule

Palm Sunday

Sat., April 4th at 8:00 p.m.

St. Edward, Elmdale

Sun., April 5th St. Francis at 8:00 a.m.

St. Mary at 10:00 a.m.

Holy Thursday

April 9th at Mary's, Upsala 6:00 p.m.

until 9:00 p.m.

Good Friday

April 10th at St. Edward's at

3:00 p.m., St. Francis at 6:00 p.m.

Easter Vigil

April 11th at St. Edward's at

8:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday

April 12th at St. Francis 8:00 a.m.,

St. Mary's, Upsala at 10:00 a.m.



Crosier Fathers & Brothers

Lenten healing Mass March 22 The

Crosier Fathers and Brothers invite

all to a Lenten healing Mass at the

National Shrine of St. Odilia at 9 a.m.

in Onamia. includes the ritual blessing

with the relic of St. Odilia. Coffee and

rolls served in Holy Cross Center

Father Gregory's

25th Anniversary of priesthood
 will be on Sunday May 31st, 1 p.m.

Mass Immaculate Conception
 2-6 p.m. Pelican Lake Ballroom Party

Theology on Tap is on Thursday,
 March 19 at A.T. The Black and White
 in Little Falls. Social hour with food
 and/or drinks begins at 7:00 and our
 speaker Leah Ellen follows at 8:00.
 Come listen to the songs and powerful
 message as Leah shares her journey
 back to the faith after having an abor-
 tion. Join us for this great opportunity
 to grow in faith and fellowship.



May Eternal Rest

Be Granted to

Vernon Vos

Funeral was March 12, 2020

All Saints-St. Mary's



May Eternal Rest

Be Granted to

Lindsay Urbashich

Funeral was March 7, 2020

All Saints-St. Mary's

Presentation on Annulments

Fr. Helmin will be giving a

presentation after the 7:00 p.m.

Mass at All Saints-St. Mary's on

Tuesday, March 31st. Come to

learn and have your questions

answered.

Bernice Hadley would like to thank all who attended her 90th Birthday Party!

Parish News & Events



Catholic United Financial
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Community service rooted in faith

All Saints

Feasibility Study Books: Remember when you read the book ALL comments are not factual. 20 Feasibility Books are available for checkout at the Central Office. A seven page handout answering questions brought forth by the Feasibility Study are at the reception desk for you to take home.

Immaculate Conception

Parish Bazaar News Our parish bazaar is Sunday, June 28, 2020.
Cash Raffle--Businesses or individuals wishing to donate to the cash raffle, please contact Brenda Dobis at 241-6962 by Mon., April 20th. The Following donations are needed:

Paddle Wheel game—\$10-\$15 range prizes such as kitchen & household items, toys, sports equipment, dolls, stuffed animals, tools, jewelry and movie passes.

Kids games— Prizes under \$1, suitable for children such as coloring books, reading books, colors & trinkets

Country Store—\$1 range prizes such as canned goods, candles, jewelry, jellies & plants.

Silent Auction—Larger hand-crafted items preferred such as dish towels, wood items etc. Contact Pat Schmainda 420-6774

**** You may bring your donation to the church basement before or after the 8:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday. Please label your donations: "Bazaar prizes".**

St. Stanislaus

Ham Bingo Benefit for Melissa Scephurek
Sunday, April 5th at 1:30 p.m.
St. Stanislaus Church Basement

20 games for \$5...lunch will be served...Free kids prizes

Bake Sale starts after 10 a.m. Mass. Raffle winners will be drawn after Bingo. Buy your ticket before or after Mass.

Bake Sale Items: Parishioners are asked to bring bake sale items for the Ham bingo Benefit to the church basement on Saturday, April 4th or before Mass on Sunday, April 5th. Please have your baked items packaged for sale and priced if you prefer. Thank you for your help.

Raffle Items: Any raffle prize items or cash donations for the Ham Bingo Benefit would be greatly appreciated. Please call Rita Trettel 360-6767 or Joannie Fussy 584-5670. You can bring any items to the church basement before the bingo on April 5th.

All Cluster

Rosary for Life Everyone is welcome to join in to stand up for life! March 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th and 31st at All Saints-St. Mary's from 4:00-5:00 p.m. Meet inside church-Rosary for Life or outside church-Walk for Life.

Quilting Everyone is welcome on Thursdays at All Saints-St. Mary's Basement starting at 9:00 a.m. to help/learn to quilt. Come for as long or short of time as you'd like. Lunch will be served. Everyone welcome at any skill level. Come and learn a new skill and be part of this tradition! ~Teresa Ripplinger (320) 247-2990

When completing a task, **fill out one of the MinisTree cards** found in the back of church and turn it into the Central Office or collection basket. If more than one person is helping with the task, each should fill out a card. Thank you!

- *Help at the Ham Bingo
- *Make a meal for someone in need
- *Bring bars to a luncheon

We are expecting 2 visitors from St. Paul's Cathedral parish in Homa Bay, Kenya, in April. They will each need a home to stay in for about 13 nights. Dates are not finalized, but would most likely be April 15th – April 28th, 2020. It is preferred they stay in the same home the whole time. Hosts would need to provide their guest their own bed/bedroom and breakfast most mornings. Most other meals would be provided by others within the community, and at some community events.

If you are interested in hosting for the 2 weeks, or a few hours, or just want to share a meal, please call Janel Heinen (320-290-2877), or Marvin Skwira (320-428-5039).

Please note: Due to the timing of the visit of our delegates from Homa Bay this April we will not be baking and selling coffee cakes on Palm Sunday. Please look forward to meeting and visiting with the delegates and coffee cake sale in 2021.

Journey with Jesus to Calvary- written and performed by the parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi Church will be on Wednesday, April 1st at 7:00 p.m., Saturday, April 4th at 7:30 p.m. and Palm Sunday, April 5th at 1:00 p.m. St. Francis of Assisi Parish. Free event!



All Cluster Confessions

Lenten confessions will be on March 29th from 2:00-5:00 p.m. at St. Stanislaus, Bowlus

Baptism Class is offered 4 times a year and is required before the Baptism of your first child. The next class is April 19th, 11:30 a.m. in the Central Office. Call 228-0105 to register.

Mass Schedule



Mon.		
Mar. 16	8:00 a.m. St. Stanislaus and Stations	+Joe Trettel
Tues.	<i>Saint Patrick, Bishop</i>	St. Isidore
Mar. 17	7:00 p.m. All Saints-St. Mary's and Stations	Knights of Columbus Vocation Mass
Wed.	<i>Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i>	+Clara Donnelly
Mar. 18	8:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Hedwig's	
Thurs.	<i>Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	
Mar. 19	8:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception and Stations	+Vernon Vos
Fri.		
Mar. 20	No Mass	
Sat.		
Mar. 21	8:00 p.m. Immaculate Conception	For the People
Sun.	<i>The Third Sunday of Lent</i>	For the Respect for Life and an end to abortion
Mar. 22	8:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Mary's 10:00 a.m. St. Stanislaus	+Art Zapzalka

Father Gregory will have Stations of the Cross each week. Always check bulletin Mass Schedule.

Faith Formation & GIFT (*Generations In Faith Together*)



Thank you Father Gregory and all who helped with the 1st Communion Teaching Mass and Retreat!

Faith Formation Directors

All Saints: Katrina Kolles, 292-1575,
allsaints@tworiverscatholic.com

St. Stanislaus: Cindy Fussy, 584-5982

Immaculate Conception: Jeff Johnson
260-4959, Jeffrey.Johnson@clcmn.edu

Confirmation: Teresa LeBlanc 420-4576

Youth Events: Shelley Vouk 248-2860

Confirmation: March 22nd at
2p.m. All Saints-St. Hedwig's

Pray for a Priest or Seminarian each day: Father Gregory is scheduled for prayer on March 16th. Join in with your prayer for Father.

Confirmation Choir practice
Today

March 15th at All Saints-St. Hedwig's
at 11:30 a.m.

**All choir members from our cluster are
welcome!**

Please come and sing for this special event