



The Catholic Communities of Bowlus, Holdingford and St. Anna

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

The Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 22, 2020

Central Office in Holdingford

Hours: Mon.-Wed. 10 to 3, Thurs. 1 to 5

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Father Gregory Mastey, Pastor

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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.

P.O. Box 308,
Holdingford, MN 56340

Due to the Coronavirus the Bishop has asked they we cancel
Masses through Easter. Churches will be open for prayer.



Thank you to Fr. Gregory and all those who attended the
Lenten Bus Pilgrimage on Sunday, March 15th.



Evangelization Corner ~Kristin Molitor

Dear Friends,

Last week I broke my Lenten Facebook fast so I could stay up-to-date on the COVID-19 pandemic. But when all was said and done, I felt more confused than educated. Each news article had a different spin on the crisis and every person with a Facebook account was suddenly an expert health specialist.

All the competing voices made my mind spin and I soon realized that I had listened to every voice but God's. I finally settled myself down, took some prayer time, and asked God about the COVID-19 crisis. When I opened my Bible, my eyes landed upon Psalm 10:13-14.

The psalm says: "Why should the wicked scorn God, say in their hearts 'God doesn't care?' **But you do see; you do observe this misery and sorrow, you take the matter in hand.** To you the helpless can entrust their cause; you are the defender of the orphans."

God wants you to know that **He sees you**. He knows you might be afraid, but you can be certain that He is taking this matter in hand.

The blind man in today's Gospel reading could not see Jesus. **Nor could he see that Jesus saw him.** In our frantic scanning of the news, we are losing sight of Jesus. When we can't see Jesus, **we can't see that He sees us.**

Jesus sees you, and like the man born blind, He pauses before you, too. While your gaze is focused on the news, His gaze is focused on you. He studies you. He knows you. And *He cares*.

What would happen if we turned off the news long enough to rest under Jesus's gaze? How would our lives be different if we never left His gaze?

Brothers and sisters, during this COVID-19 crisis the best place to be is under the gaze of Jesus. His gaze is certain and unchanging. Let His gaze calm your fears and expand your trust.

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 22
- Mon.** March 23 *Adoration*
- Tues.** March 24
All Saints-St. Mary's
4:00 p.m. Rosary Walk for Life
Location to be announced
3:30 p.m. Well-read Mom's Group
- Wed.** March 25
- Thur.** March 26
- Fri.** March 27
- Sat.** March 28
St. Stanislaus *Adoration*
All Saints-St. Mary's
8:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Group
- Sun.** March 29

Stay healthy everyone!
Our Central Office will be closed to visitors due to the concern over the Coronavirus. Please continue to call and email us.

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

The SEVEN BLESSINGS of the ROSARY

St Louis Marie
Grignon De Montfort
(1673-1716)

"The Rosary recited with meditation on the mysteries brings about the following marvellous results:

1. It gradually gives us a perfect knowledge of Jesus Christ;
2. It purifies our souls, washing away sin;
3. It gives us victory over all our enemies;
4. It makes it easy for us to practice virtue;
5. It sets us on fire with love of Our Blessed Lord;
6. It enriches us with graces and merits;
7. It supplies us with what is needed to pay, all our debts to God and to our fellow men and finally, it obtains all kinds of graces for us from Almighty God."

Fr. Gregory advises that everyone pray the Rosary always but especially during this time. A strong prayer life is a part of good health.

For more ways to pray and grow in your faith, sign up for your free **FORMED** account at:
<https://tworiverscatholic.formed.org>.
Free app for your phone:

Online Mass is available at :
<http://worship.stcdio.org/tv-mass>
<https://thesundaymass.org/>
Relevantradio.com
VirtualAdoration.Home.BLOG



Join in the Rosary/Walk for Life!



It's time to update our **Cluster Parish Directory**

If you weren't included last time, or if you have a change to your family, Please sign up for your photography Session for April 28, 2020
All Saints-St. Mary's church
Call: (320) 228-0105
to schedule your appointment

The Family of Marcie Selinski would like to thank everyone for your prayers, kindness and support shown to us in the loss of our dear mother. Thank you to all who sent cards, flowers, memorials and especially the kind words and the warm hugs that were given to all of us. Thank you Father Gregory for the special Mass of celebration of our mom's life especially your homily. Thank you also for visiting our mom at St. Otto's anointing her and giving her the Apostolic Pardon so she could go straight to heaven. Many thanks to the musicians and choir at St. Stanislaus Kostka who beautifully sang the songs our mom picked out. Thank you to the Funeral Group who served the luncheon, Janelle Maciej, the Parish Nurse, who visited our mom and anyone we may have missed. God Bless you all!

Take Care of your Health-10 ways to boost your immune system:

Eat nutrient rich whole foods.
Take Vit. D.
Drink water-Soda doesn't count.
Get 7-8 hours of sleep.
Eat yogurt, kefir and sauerkraut for The probiotics that stimulate anti-bodies to fight infection.
Take Fish Oil-reduces inflammation
Take Vit. C also found in broccoli, Strawberries and bell peppers.
Exercise 30 minutes per day.
Take Zinc also found in meat, shell Fish and legumes.
~Back to Health Acupuncture & Chiropractic Center, P.A.



Weekly Readings

Monday Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday Is 7:10-14, 8:10/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
Thursday Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47
Friday Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Jn 7:1-2, 10,25-30
Saturday Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53
Sunday Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45



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 Knights of Columbus Council

#12604 Annual Breakfast and

Raffle, scheduled for March 29th in Upsala, has been postponed to an undetermined date following Bishop Donald Kettler's recommendations regarding COVID-19. When we are able to set a new date, we will share that with you. In the meantime, feel free to contact Grand Knight Peter Borash (320-292-7004) with any questions.

Weekly Offering

Online Giving

PARISH INCOME

January 2020

AS \$ 666.00
IC \$ 1,900.00
SS \$ 300.00

Financial Contributions

PARISH INCOME

March 15, 2020

AS \$ 2,945.80
IC \$ 997.00
SS \$ 4,324.51

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

Parish News & Events



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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

Please pick up any bowls, pans or other containers left in the kitchen after a funeral or other parish event. Any remaining items will be disposed of after April 1st. Thank you!

Spring Church Cleaning: Tues., April 7th at 9:00 AM. Bring a pail and cleaning cloth. List of tasks to be completed on the table in the Gathering Space. (Hopefully the sacristy remodeling will be complete by then.)

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.

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

All Cluster

Rosary for Life

Everyone is welcome to join in to stand up for life! March 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.

Homa Bay -From the Mission Office: We are sorry to announce that due to the recent health concerns, it has been decided to postpone the delegations from Maracay and Homa Bay, and Partnership Reunion. The Spring Mission Rally has been canceled. Thank you for all that you have done to support of these events and activities.



Jesus,
I trust
in you.
He is
always
with us!



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.

Protect all life



Mass Schedule

Mon. *Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop*
Mar. 23 **No Mass**

Tues. *Saint Oscar Romero, Bishop and Martyr*
Mar. 24 **No Mass**

Wed. *The Annunciation of the Lord*
Mar. 25 **No Mass**

Thurs.
Mar. 26 **No Mass**

Fri.
Mar. 27 **No Mass**

Sat.
Mar. 28 **No Mass**

Sun. *The Fifth Sunday of Lent*
Mar. 29 **No Mass**

See note about your weekly collection below.
Thank you!



Make an act of faith

Come up with your own prayer or use a traditional one to express to the Lord our faith in his real presence in the Eucharist.

Make an act of love

Say a prayer that expresses your love and gratitude to the Lord. Thank Him for his infinite love as well



The 4 steps for Spiritual Communion

~Catholic Link

Express your desire to receive him As you are not able to physically receive the Lord, express your desire to receive Him in your heart.

Invite Jesus to come into your heart. With a humble and contrite heart we ask the Lord to come to us just as He would if we were able to receive the sacrament.

We are asking that instead of making your weekly contribution to the church to think of others who may need financial assistance, food, or help with daycare. Please continue to pray. Please see above for the four steps for Spiritual Communion. Check on your neighbors by giving them a call.

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

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

Nursing homes are not receiving visitors right now due to the Corona virus. Join the St. Stanislaus Religious Education Program by simply coloring a picture or writing a letter for a person in a nursing home. Then, drop it off in the collection box in the St. Stanislaus Kostka entryway. Coloring pages can be printed from the web and there are also some coloring pages in the St. Stanislaus entryway.

"Pray, hope, and don't worry."
~St. Padre Pio

Please note that Faith Formation and Confirmation are postponed.
Blessings to all!

