



The Catholic Communities of Holdingford, St. Anna, and St. Wendel

All Saints, Holdingford Immaculate Conception, St. Anna St. Columbkille, St. Wendel

The Fourth Sunday of Lent
March 14, 2021

Central Office in Holdingford

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

Website: tworiverscatholic.com

Office: (320) 228-0105

Father: (320) 228-0110

In case of emergency or a death, call
Father at the **Rectory** 746-2231.

Parish Pastoral Team

Father Gregory Mastey, Pastor
Kristin Molitor,

New Evangelization Coordinator
evangelist@tworiverscatholic.com

Janice Wuebkers, Business Manager

Office hours: Wed. 10 to 3 p.m.
businessmanager@tworiverscatholic.com

Jessie Johnson, Secretary
secretary@tworiverscatholic.com

Confession Times:

By appointment only

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 the Central Office to
schedule Baptism.

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



Keep your focus on Jesus this Lent!

Fr. Gregory has recorded the Stations of the Cross in each of our churches.
These are available on our website: tworiverscatholic.com

O God, prepare my heart for it is hard for me to trust in your will.

Give me clarity of vision, that I may see your way.

Open my ears, that I may hear your words.

Place your hand on my shoulder, that I may feel your guidance.

Enlighten the darkness of my soul, that I may be filled with your light.

"...in moments of darkness and confusion, let's fix our eyes on the crucifix and
remember that *God can be trusted!* ~ Kristin Molitor (see inside bulletin)



Evangelization Corner ~Kristin Molitor

Dear Friends,

Ever since the fall of Adam and Eve, every single one of us has had to wrestle with this question: will you trust God?

Because of the effects of original sin and our own experiences of human betrayal, we tend to be skittish and skeptical with our trust in God. Our hearts are often full of darker questions that we'd rather not voice out loud: *Is God really all Good? Does He really desire my happiness? Does He have a plan for my life? Does He really love me?*

Trust, however, grows with transparency. I've often heard the word "intimacy" as best described as "Into Me, See." When we love someone, we share the deeper parts of our hearts with them; we let them see inside of us. In today's Gospel, Jesus lays bare the heart of God: *"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life."*

The Father shows us the deeper parts of His heart when Jesus is lifted up on the cross. When we gaze on Christ Crucified, we can tangibly see the Father's love. St. Paul affirms this in Romans 5:8: *"God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us."*

In Christ Crucified, we no longer have to wonder if God is for us because we can concretely and definitively see just how far the Father will go to bring us back to himself.

Brothers and sisters, in moments of darkness and confusion, let's fix our eyes on the crucifix and remember that *God can be trusted!*

St. Clare of Assisi once said, *"Love Him totally, who gave Himself totally for your love."*

May St. Clare and all the holy men and women of God pray for us as we continue to return to God with our whole heart this lent.

Please call the Central Office if you would like to be added or removed from the Prayer List. Let us know if you'd like a visit from Fr. Gregory for prayers, sacraments or if you having a surgery or procedure done soon.



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, Arnold Voss, Residents and Staff at Mother of Mercy, Al Hartung, Arlene Beniek, Theresa Johannes, Fr. Gregory, Shelley Ostendorf, Theresa Pierskalla, Jerome Young, David Fischer, Idella Moore, Tom Studniski, Loren Philippi, LeRoy Johannes, Ardith Mosier, Mickey Jeffers, Leon Opatz, Carol Kuklok, Ron Stanoch, Casey Tschida, Don Breth

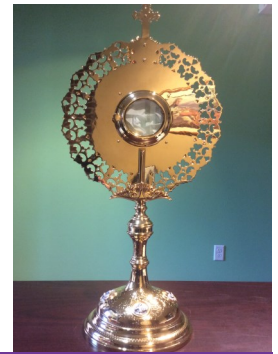
Eucharistic Adoration

Cluster Adoration

Every Monday

12 noon to 8 p.m.

All Saints-St. Mary's



This Week's Events

Catholic Radio

K-YES Radio 1180 www.kyesradio.com

Father Gregory's Radio Show is every Friday on K-YES Radio 1180 AM or 93.5 FM at 8:30 a.m. and the new time 11:00 p.m.

KASM Radio 1150 AM

Rosary with Father at 6:00 p.m. daily
relevantradio.com

Contemporary Christian Music

SPIRIT 92.9 FM www.spirit929.com

Check websites for additional resources

www.tworiverscatholic.com

A new tab has been added to our website called "Lenten Resources" It includes Night Prayer and recordings of Stations of the Cross and Litany of Trust with Fr. Gregory. Pray with Father!

www.238catholic.org (Upsala cluster)

Virtual Mass:

www.stcdio.org/tvmass

EWTN TV 7a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m., 11 p.m.

Read the Bible: www.ascensionpress.com

The Catholic Bible read aloud to you in 365 days

March 13th is the eight anniversary of Pope Francis' election. Please keep him in your prayers.

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

Ministry Schedulers:

All Saints: Patty Becker 291-6582

Immaculate Conception: Kathy Scegura 746-2814

St. Columbkille: Carol Kuklok 247-3427

Prayer Lines —

All Saints: Ramona Fedor 746-2395

Kathleen Ebneth 746-2227

Immaculate Conception:

Shirley Schwalbe 356-7209

Christine Maleska 356-7246

St. Columbkille: Esther Struzyk 251-4984

Susan Opatz 363-8160

News & Events

"Saints Within Us"



www.stcloudccw.org

Sponsored by the St. Cloud Diocesan Council of Catholic Women

**Join in the
Annual Women's Lenten Retreat
March 13, 2021
Sponsored by DCCW**

To register go to the above website and click on the link at the bottom of the page. An email will be sent to you with the Zoom link.

March 25 ☩ Chrism Mass

The annual Chrism Mass will be celebrated at 7 p.m. at St. Mary's Cathedral in St. Cloud. Because of COVID restrictions, attendance at this Mass is by invitation-only. The Mass will be livestreamed on the Cathedral's Facebook page. This special Mass takes its name from the chief anointing oil, the holy chrism, which can only be consecrated by the bishop. At the chrism Mass, Bishop Donald Kettler will bless the oils that will be used for the sacraments of baptism, confirmation, holy orders and the anointing of the sick. Also at the Mass, priests of the diocese will come together to renew their priestly vows.

All Cluster



**All Saints-St. Mary's, March 21st
2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
Four priests will be present.**



Knights of Columbus

Pop Tab Collection

Mid April in St. Anna, St. Wendel and Holdingford there will be a drop box for pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. This is a great way to help families stay with their child when they are hospitalized.



The Saint Isidore Council Knights of Columbus is again doing their annual Feed the Families Food Drive for the local Food Shelf. The Food Drive is underway and continues through the April 24th -25th Weekend Masses at St. Columbkille, St. Wendel, All Saints-St. Mary's, Holdingford and Immaculate Conception, St. Anna. Please bring your non-perishable food and personal care items and place in the boxes in the back of the churches or envelopes with cash donations marked for the K of C Food Drive can be placed in the collection. Thank you for your support! For questions please contact Mike Peters 746-2377 or Grand Knight, Jamie Panek 290-7752



The Annual Holdingford Firefighters Relief Association Breakfast

Sunday, March 14th

8 a.m. to noon

Holdingford City Center.

This year will be a take out service only: Pancakes, Eggs, Sausage, Ham, Hashbrowns & Carmel rolls.

Free will donation. Thank you!



Join Catholics from across Minnesota for a day of prayer!

Thursday, April 15th from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Become informed on issues impacting life and process to the Capitol: catholicsatthecapitol.org



Weekly Readings

Monday Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47

Friday 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

Saturday Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53

Sunday Jer 31:31-34/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33

The Lenten prayer campaign for 40 Days for Life is 2/17 - 3/28. Our

parishes are filling hours on Thursday afternoon from 1pm to 7pm for the prayer vigil at Planned Parenthood. We make sure there are at least 2 people for each hour and provide Choose Life signs at the vigil site. To sign up call: Marilou @ 247-9838.

Religious Ed Coordinator/s

St Edward's in Elmdale, St Francis of Assisi Parish and St Mary's in Upsala have openings for two part time positions beginning the Fall of 2021 [K-6 with the new curriculum: "Family Formation" <https://www.familyformation.net> or grades 7-11 with curriculum flexible]. For more info visit our website: www.238catholic.org or call Fr David Grundman (320) 573-2132.

Weekly Offering

Financial Contributions

PARISH INCOME

March 7, 2021

AS \$ 3,095.00

IC \$ 1,093.50

SC \$ 1,579.00

Online Giving

February 2021

AS \$ 1,846.00

IC \$ 2,400.00

SC \$ 740.00

Thank you for your generosity!

"For where your Treasure is, there also will your heart be." ~Luke 12:34

Parish News & Events

St. Columbkille

Ministry Schedule available in back of church.

Immaculate Conception

Christian Mothers will meet on Monday, March 22nd at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement. All women, members and non-members are welcome. Please bring a mask and prepare for social distancing.

All Saints

Soldier's Shrine One of this year's goals for All Saints is to clean up the Soldier's Shrine. We need 5 or 6 people who are gardeners and/or have a good eye for suggestions to head this group. If you are interested please call the Central Office.

All Cluster

Women's Group Our Women's Group will meet to continue our discussion of "A Devotional Journey into the Mass."

The evening group will meet on Monday, March 15th at 7 p.m. via Zoom and the morning session will meet on Tuesday, March 16th at 10:30 a.m. at All Saints - St. Mary's Basement in Holdingford.

Consider Joining a Discipleship Quad Contact Kristin if you would like to learn more about joining a Discipleship Quad.

Well-Read Mom Well-Read Mom will be meeting on March 23 at 4-5:30 p.m. Our book for discussion will be *In the Time of Butterflies* by Julia Alvarez. For more information call Susan at (320) 224-6052.

Rural Catholic Singles Group

Join in for prayer, topical information and discussions for single people who are discerning their vocation and looking for social connections in the process. Our next meeting is March 13th from 8-9:30 p.m. at All Saints-St. Mary's. Contact Janel Heinen 290-2877 to find out more information about this newly formed group meeting for fun and faith!

Prayer Vigil for Life

A prayer vigil (both inside & outside All Saints-St. Mary's) in Holdingford will be on Tuesdays from 4-5 at starting February 23rd and ending Mar 23rd. Please join in to protect Life!

Pilgrimage: Take up your Cross and Follow Me

All that are able are welcome and encouraged to join us, along with Fr. Gregory from 9-11:00 a.m. on Good Friday at the Arban site. We will walk on the road about 1 mile, pray, meditate, reflect, sing and recite the 14 Stations of the Cross at intervals along the road. Wear good walking shoes and dress for the weather. Bring Stations booklet if you have one. Contact Rene Harlander 746-2581 if you have any questions.

The Year of the Family— March 19th marks the fifth anniversary of the Apostolic Exhortation *Amoris Laetitia*, on the joy and beauty of familial love. Pope Francis announced the Year of *Amoris Laetitia*, which will conclude on the X World Meeting of Families in Rome June 26, 2022 <https://www.usccb.org/topics/marriage-and-family-life-ministries/amoris-laetitia>



Each month, The Central Minnesota Catholic will feature a story about a modern-day "Good Samaritan" from the diocese — someone who exhibits the work of the Gospel through their life and service, and who exemplifies the teachings in Pope Francis' newest encyclical, "Fratelli Tutti." This month's Good Samaritan is Bruce Gerards of All Saints Parish in Holdingford. See this month's addition to read full story.

Wedding Banns

© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Banns III

Kaitlyn Hellmann & Joshua Villa
April 17, 2021 All Saints-St. Mary's



Consecration to St. Joseph

All are invited to join us for a parish-wide consecration to St. Joseph to commemorate the Year of St. Joseph declared by Pope Francis. This consecration process will take 33 days and we will begin with a kick off Mass on March 30th and consecrate at the weekend Masses on May 1st and 2nd in honor of the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker. We will be following Fr. Donald Calloway's book "Consecration to St. Joseph," which will be available for purchase from the parish at a highly discounted price of \$5 and will be distributed on March 30th at the kick off Mass.

Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary is on Friday, March 19th

✠ May Eternal Rest
be Granted to

Aaron Welle All Saints - St. Mary's,

Died March 5, 2021 Funeral: March 9, 2021

Donna M. Warzecha All Saints-St. Hedwig's

Died March 3, 2021



Mass Schedule

Mass Intentions
said by Fr. Gregory
For the intentions of the
First Communicants
and their parents

Mon. † Craig Peleske
Mar. 15 10:00 a.m. St. Columbkille with Stations and Adoration

Tues. † Russel Paul Heitzman
Mar. 16 7:00 p.m. All Saints-St. Hedwig's with Stations and Adoration

Wed. † Marcella & Dominic Marsolek
Mar. 17 *Saint Patrick, Bishop*
8:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Mary's with Adoration

Thurs. † Leander Bieniek
Mar. 18 *Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop*
8:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception with Adoration

Fri. *Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary*
Mar. 19 Mass said by Fr. Gregory

Sat. † Terry Burg
Mar. 20 5:00 p.m. St. Columbkille

Sun. † Rolland & Rita Simones
Mar. 21 *Fifth Sunday of Lent*
8:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Mary's
10:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception For the People

Family Faith Formation & GIFFT (*Generations In Family Faith Together*)

"Family Together" will be expanding its "Becoming Eucharist" table discussion tool to include video resources for Lent. The printable table tent containing discussion questions for the week's readings can be shared at the dinner table. Recently added are "Lenten Reflections" which are Lent mini retreats with reflection and music meditations developed in collaboration with the Diocese Catholic Education Ministry:

<https://familytogether.stcdio.org/lentenreflections/>

March 28 Senior High Youth Rally

Plans are in motion to have a Senior High Youth Rally on Sunday, March 28 from 1:30-4:00 p.m. Youth and leaders will gather safely at their parishes for small groups to reflect and discuss from the information given by speakers and presenters over Zoom. Watch the Youth Rallies/Conferences page of the Catholic Education Ministries site for the most up to date information, <https://stcdio.org/cem/youthministry/youthrallies/>.

Youth Group Fish Fry
Pelican Lake Ballroom
from 5-8:00 p.m.
March 12th, 19th and 26th
Come support our youth!



Youth Praise and Worship Adoration

April 5th, 7:00-8:00 p.m., All Saints-St. Mary's
For more information contact Shelley at 248-2860
Join in this event every 1st Monday of the Month!

GIFFT Night

Wednesday, March 17th

6:30 p.m. at All Saints-St. Mary's.

At this next GIFFT Night we will learn about what the Bible says about forgiveness and we will discuss the sacrament of reconciliation. Bring your Bibles! We will also learn some facts about St. Joseph and St. Patrick. GIFFT Night will be on Zoom, talk to your Faith Formation Coordinators or Kristin Molitor to get the zoom link. evangelist@tworiverscatholic.com

All Saints: Katrina Kolles, 292-1575, 746-2917
allsaints@tworiverscatholic.com

Immaculate Conception & Confirmation Jeff Johnson
260-4959, Jeffrey.Johnson@clcmn.edu
St. Columbkille: Jenny Revermann 249-9939
stwendelfaith@gmail.com

Keep our First Communion and Confirmation
students in your prayers

First Communion Retreat was March 6th

First Communion weekend is April 25th

Confirmation is March 23rd

All Saints-St. Hedwig's 7:00 p.m.

Church Name and Address:

The Catholic Communities of Bowlus, Holdingford and St. Anna
311 River Street, P.O. Box 308
Holdingford, MN 56310

Bulletin Number: 392949

Phone: (320) 228-0105

Contact person: Jessie Johnson

Email: secretary@tworiverscatholic.com

Transmission time: Wednesdays at 11:00

Sunday Date of Publication: **March 14, 2021**

Number of pages sent: 5 plus this sheet

Special instructions: Please send our usual 650 bulletins.

Thank you and blessings for a good day!