

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

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

The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 13, 2022

## **Central Office in Holdingford**

**Hours:** Mon.-Wed. 10 to 3, Thurs. 1 to 5 **Website:** tworiverscatholic.com

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

## Parish Pastoral Team

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Before daily Mass
And by appointment

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.

**<u>Baptism:</u>** Call the Central Office to schedule Baptism.

Homebound: 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.

Address: Central Office P.O. Box 308 Holdingford, MN 56340



Catholic Funerals—How to mourn when you live in a Community

## God's uplifting promise to us

"The promise of eternal life with God once the earthly journey of a faithful disciple has ended is the greatest hope, comfort and strength of our Catholic faith...Uplifted by the knowledge that Christ has won for us the victory over death, we can begin to understand what he proclaims in the Gospel: "Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted" (Matthew 5:4). As Christians, our comfort is the Resurrection and the hope of new and eternal life."

A Secular Celebration of Life is a more relaxed and party-like atmosphere but as Catholics we celebrate the passing of a loved one with a Mass.

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"Reflecting on the Paschal Mystery and the profound hope that we are called to embrace, our faith leads to action. Throughout the ages, the prayer of the Church at the time of death has been one of hope, not resignation or despair. Indeed, we have a responsibility to mark the passing of our deceased brothers and sisters in Christ in a way that gives witness to our faith and anticipates the consolation that Christ has promised us in the Kingdom of God."

#### We are a Catholic Community not living in isolation

"As the Church, we have shared a life of faith with one another, been nourished by the same sacraments, and experienced God's grace together. The bonds that have united and defined us as God's people do not end with the conclusion of this earthly life. In death, we remain "one body in Christ" (Romans 12:5)...As an expression of unity with the deceased and a fervent profession of faith, a funeral is not a private event...For this reason, the Church has taken care to ensure that the celebration of funerals truly embodies the beliefs we hold. The signs, symbols, actions, and words...invite us to lift our gaze to heaven so that we may find hope in our sadness. Joined in prayer with one another we are consoled, and we dare to welcome Christ into our lives during our time of grief. For as our Lord has promised, "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them" (Matthew 18:20).

Quotes are Excerpts from That We May Have Hope: Funerals in the Catholic Tradition/Most Rev. Richard J. Malone, Th,D., S.T.L., Bishop of Portland.

Putting this all together, the preferred way to mourn a Catholic's passing is with a public funeral mass at a Church. The mass is the most perfect prayer we can offer and it is important that the community be allowed the chance to mourn the passing of their brother or sister in Christ. It is doing a disservice to the **deceased and the community** to have private services outside of the Church, void of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

## Grow in your Faith!

## Revival's in the Air



AN EXCITING
JOURNEY AHEAD

Our world is hurting. We all need healing, yet many of us are separated from the very source of our strength. Jesus Christ invites us to return to the source and summit of our faith: his Real Presence in the Eucharist. The National Eucharistic Revival is a

movement to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery here in the United States. **Join us for GIFFT Night on November 16th from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at All Saints-St. Hedwig's** 

## **Watch on FORMED**

## True Worship by Fr. Mike Schmitz

Father Michael Schmitz inspires and educates in this Lighthouse Talk about the highest form of worship—the Mass. Through this vibrant presentation, Fr. Mike makes sure that you will have a deeper and more profound experience of the Mass.



FR. MICHAEL SCHMITZ

Sign up for FORMED https://tworiverscatholic.formed.org In the search bar under 'Create a new account' type in 'Holdingford'. Then Click on: Two Rivers Catholic Community. Type in your name and then your email.



Please note that the prayer list will be refreshed at the start of the new liturgical year, which is Nov. 27th. If you would like to remain on the list, please call the office.

## The Healing Power of God

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

Teckla Scegura, Lee Larkey, Arnold Voss, Theresa Johannes, Tom Studniski, Fr. Gregory, Jerome Young, David Fischer, Idella Moore, Loren Philippi, Ardith Mosier, Mickey Jeffers, Carol Kuklok, Nancy Bieniek, Ambrose Gertken, Laverne Woidylla, Allan Warzecha, Frances Breth, David Platz Sr., David Platz, Jr., Pat & Ken Euteneuer, Kim Roth-Koning, Si Koning, Casey Tschida, Dave & Anita Scegura, Doris Elfering, Robby Pollreis, Daniel Kulas, Mary Geise, Kevin & Lynn Pierskalla, Katie Yurczyk, Judy Schehr, Lorraine Warzecha, Jeanette May and Virginia Tretter

## Eucharistic Adoration

Cluster Adoration is every Monday at All Saints – St. Mary's. 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. to pray for our Staff and all priests.





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Protect us Lord

Protect us Lord
as we stay
awake watch
over us as we
sleep. That
awake we may
keep watch
with Christ and
asleep, rest in
His peace.

Listen to the Rosary led by Fr. Gregory and Fr. Mark Stang on KASM 1150 AM at 6:00 p.m. daily.

## Listen to Fr. Gregory's

Rural Life Radio Show on KYES 1180 or 93.5 FM at 8:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. Friday.

## **Night Prayer**

Join Fr. Gregory in prayer most nights at 9:00 p.m. on his Facebook page. We are averaging over 250 families each night. You can ask for a request that Father keeps in his prayers. Night Prayer is added to our webpage the next day to watch anytime. www.tworiverscatholic.com



MinisTree Cards can be found in the back of our churches with unmet volunteer opportunities you can take part in. Each card completed earns \$5 for that parish up to \$500 annually. Completed cards can be placed in the collection basket. Let Katie in the Parish Office know if you recognize any unmet needs so she can add it to a card.

## Prayer lines

All Saints: Ramona Fedor 746-2395 Kathleen Ebnet 746-2227

## **Immaculate Conception:**

Christine Maleska 356-7246

## St Columbkille:

Esther Struzyk 251-4984 Susan Opatz 363-8160

## News & Events

## Haven of Mercy ACC is hosting a **Parish Mission:**

"How to See Jesus in the Eucharist" Born from Above Sunday, Nov. 20 @6:30 p.m. at St. James in Randall. Baptized with the Holy Spirit and Fire Monday, Nov. 21 @6:30 p.m. at St. Mary's in Little Falls. Do this in Remembrance of Me Tuesday, Nov. 22 @6:30 p.m. at St. Mary's in Little Falls All are welcome



So renowned was St. Albert as one of the great, respected scholars of his age, that during his lifetime itself, he was already being honored with the title 'Great'. Yet, by always studying the things of this world with an eye on things from above, St. Albert was among the forerunners in concretely explaining the relationship between faith on one hand, and philosophy, reason and the sciences on the other. As Catholic author Kevin Vost wrote in his biography of St. Albert, "For Albert, there was never conflict between science and religion, faith and reason, the material and the spiritual realms ...for him 'the whole world was theology,' because 'the heavens proclaim the glory of God'." Feast Day: Nov. 15. (He was St. Thomas Aquinas' teacher!) Catholic-link/Fr. Brenton Cordeiro

## **November 13 World Day of the Poor**

"Celebrating the Sixth World Day of the Poor, we are asked to keep our gaze fixed on Jesus, who "though he was rich, yet for [our] sakes became poor, so that by his poverty [we] might become rich" (cf. 2 Cor 8:9). To read Pope Francis's message for this year's World Day of the Poor: https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/ en/messages/poveri/documents/20220613messaggio-vi-giornatamondiale-poveri-2022.html.

## **Natural Family Planning Witness** Couple Gathering: Nov. 8

We are blessed to have many NFP "Witness Couples" in our diocese. We would like to add a few more to this amazing group! Many couples tell us that NFP brought joy and blessings to their marriage & family life. If you know of a couple willing to speak for 10-15 minutes about their experience using NFP, please invite them to consider witnessing. Ask them to call Sheila Reineke, NFP Program Coordinator, (320) 258-7609

## Come and Be Retreat for women.

or sreineke@gw.stcdio.org.

Join us at Saint Benedict's Monastery for a weekend of selfdiscovery and vocation discernment with other women. Learn and discover some of our Benedictine / Christian Values. Listen to some personal reflections from sisters. Learn about our Benedictine prayer and life style as you join us for our common prayer, Eucharist and meals. We have scheduled two weekends November 25-27, 2022 and March 10-12, 2023. The link provided will connect you to the registration form. https:// sbm.osb.org/come-and-bediscernment-retreats/. If you have questions please contact Sr. Lisa Rose at Irose@csbsju.edu.



## Weekly Readings

Monday: Rv 1:1-4;2:1-5/Lk 18:35-43 Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Lk 19:1-10 Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11/Lk 19:11-28 Thursday: Rv 5:1-10/Lk 19:41-44 Friday: Rv 10:8-11/Lk 19:45-48 **Saturday:** Rv 11:4-12/Lk 20:27-40 **Sunday:** 2 Sm 5:1-3/Col 1:12-20/Lk

23:35-43



## **Online Giving:**

Go to the URL address for your church as listed below. Click on "Sign up for Your New Account" and complete your initial registration. Please call 800-348-2886 Option 2 for assistance. Thank you! **URL Addresses:** All Saints, Holdingford, MN www.osvonlinegiving.com/1723 Immaculate Conception, St. Anna www.osvonlinegiving.com/1720 St. Columbkille, St. Wendel

www.osvonlinegiving.com/1721

## <u>Financial Contributions</u>

ONLINE GIVING

## October 2022

AS \$ 2,291.00

IC \$3,210.00

SC \$865.00

## Weekly Offering

## Financial Contributions

PARISH INCOME

Nov. 6, 2022 AS \$2,968.00 IC \$1,422.50

Loose Contributions sent for the Military Collection: AS: \$47, IC \$145, SC \$30

SC \$1,555.00

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

## Parish News & Events

## **More on Catholic Funerals**

## Vigil Service (Wake)

"At the vigil, the Christian community keeps watch with the family in prayer to the God of mercy and finds strength in Christ's presence." The Vigil Service usually takes place during the period of visitation and viewing... In prayer we ask God to console us in our grief and give us strength to support one another. This can take the form of readings from Sacred Scripture accompanied by reflection and prayers. It is most appropriate, when family and friends are gathered together for visitation, to offer time for recalling the life of the deceased. For this reason, eulogies are usually encouraged the Vigil Service. In our parishes the wake can take place either in the funeral home or the church.

## Rite of Committal (Burial or Interment)

The Rite of Committal, the conclusion of the funeral rite, is the final act of the community of faith in caring for the body of its deceased member. It should normally be celebrated at the place beside the open grave or place of interment. In committing the body to its resting place, the community expresses the hope that, with all those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith, the deceased awaits the glory of the resurrection. The Rite of Committal is an expression of the communion that exists between the Church on earth and the Church in heaven: the deceased passes with the farewell prayers of the community of believers into the welcoming company of those who need faith no longer, but see God face-to-face.

Church's preferred way is a funeral and burial of a body. The second way is funeral with body, then cremation and burial afterwards. And lastly is a cremation for entirety.

"At the death of a Christian, whose life of faith was begun in the waters of Baptism and strengthened at the Eucharistic table, the Church intercedes on behalf of the deceased because of its confident belief that death is not the end, nor does it break the bonds forged in life."

~usccb.org/Order of Christian Funerals

#### **All Cluster**

## **New Evangelization Coordinator Job opening- Paid**

The person hired for this position will assist the Pastor in ministering to and evangelizing in our three parish cluster and overseeing RCIA. Other specifics of this position will be tailored to the individual hired and the needs recognized within our parishes. Deep knowledge of the Catholic faith and apologetics is essential; degree in Theology or extensive previous evangelization experience is preferred. 30-35 hours a week with benefits.

#### Man on a Mission

As a man, how do I protect, provide, and pray for my family? Join Fr. Gregory Mastey and Kevin Olson at All Saints - St. Hedwig's at 7:00p.m. on November 19 to dive deeply into how to become the man your family needs. Men of all ages welcome!

#### **Mass Intentions**

There is no greater prayer than the Mass! Masses can be offered for the deceased, in thanksgiving, or for a particular person and their needs. If you would like to have a Mass offered for a particular intention, there are Mass Intention Request Forms in the back of each of our parishes. Turn one of these into the parish office along with the Mass stipend of \$10 and we will get one scheduled. If you have a specific date you would like a Mass to be offered, please make note on the request form, but know that masses are scheduled on a first come, first serve basis and we cannot always accommodate specific requests. Please note that masses are currently booked out through February so please be patient when requesting mass intentions. We are blessed to have a faithful community who loves to pray!

## **Watch on FORMED**

## ETERNAL REST.

THE ART OF DYING WELL

Eternal Rest: The Art of Dying Well is exclusively on FORMED. Unpack the mystery of death and have your questions answered in Episode 1: The Story of Death.

## **All Saints**

#### **Building Project**

Thank you to all who attended the meeting with the architects on Oct. 30. We will take feedback given in moving forward. Please continue to keep the building project and committee in your prayers!

### Thank you

to Catholic United Financial for their generous donation of \$3392.78 toward the All Saints Religious Education program! Thank you for investing in our young people, the future of the Church!

#### **Church Decorator**

We are still in need of an individual to volunteer to decorate the All Saints - St. Hedwig church building. Without someone stepping up to fill this role, the church will not be able to be decorated for the upcoming Advent/Christmas season.

	Mass Schedule	
Mon. Nov. 14	8:00 a.m. St. Columbkille with Adoration	† Ray & Rose Koblinski
Tues. Nov. 15	Saint Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church 7:00 p.m. All Saints-St. Mary's	For an increase of vocations
Wed. Nov. 16	Saint Margaret of Scotland; Saint Gertrude, Virgin 8:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Hedwig's with Adoration	† John Gross
Thurs. Nov. 17	St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious 8:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception	† Roger Blenker
Fri. Nov. 18	Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts Peter and Paul, Apostles No Mass	
Sat. Nov. 19	5:00 p.m. St. Columbkille	† Dolores Huls
Sun. Nov. 20	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe 8:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Hedwig's with the ministries for the 8:00 a.m. Mass.	For the People † Veronica Roth

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

## **GIFFT Night**

The Eucharistic Revival: What does it mean for us? November 16th from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at All Saints-St. Hedwig's. All religious education, Confirmation students and their parents are expected to attend. All parishioners welcome!

## Have you Heard? God is doing something new—and He is calling you to be a part of it!

Jesus desires to heal, renew, and unify the Church and the world. How will he do it? By uniting us once again around the source and summit of our faith—the Holy Eucharist. The National Eucharistic Revival is the joyful, expectant, grassroots response of the entire Catholic Church in the U.S. to this divine invitation. To learn more about the exciting journey ahead, and sign up for weekly updates on what's happening in this unprecedented national movement! eucharisticrevival.org

#### **Faith Formation Directors**

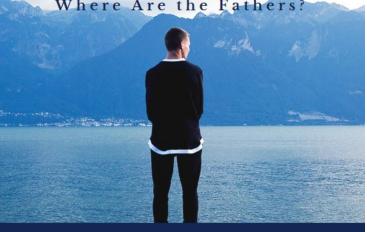
All Saints & Immaculate Conception: Katrina Kolles 292-1575 allsaintsff@tworiverscatholic.com St. Columbkille: Jenny Revermann 249-9939 stwendelfaith@gmail.com

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confirmation@tworiverscatholic.com Youth Minister: Kyle VanOverbeke vouthminister@tworiverscatholic.com Fr. Gregory Mastey and Kevin Olson Present:

## MAN ON A MISSION

Where Are the Fathers?



NOVEMBER 19 @ 7:00PM ALL SAINTS - ST. HEDWIG'S

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