



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

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

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 12, 2023

### Central Office in Holdingford

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**Confession Times:** 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.

**Baptism:** Call the Central Office to  
schedule Baptism.

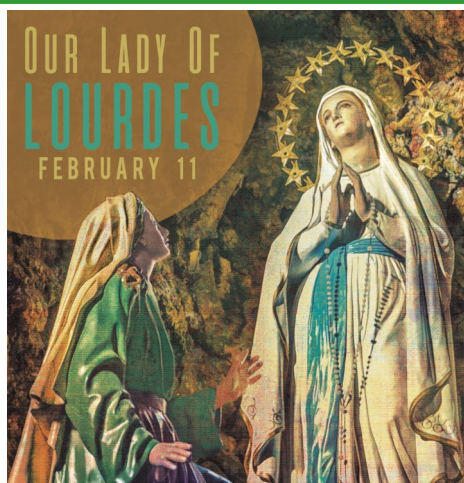
**New Parishioners:** Please introduce  
yourself to Father after Mass and call the  
Central Office. If you are leaving our parishes  
please call the central office so we can  
update our census. Thank you.

### **Address:**

**Central Office**

**P.O. Box 308**

**Holdingford, MN 56340**



February 11th is the feast day of Our  
Lady of Lourdes and February 18th is  
the feast day of Saint Bernadette.

Lourdes in 1858 was an inconspicuous  
little French town on the Gave de Pau  
River at the foot of the Pyrenees, with  
around 4,000 inhabitants. One of them  
was a former miller named François  
Soubirous. He and his wife, Louise, had  
six children. The eldest was their  
daughter Marie-Bernarde, known as  
Bernadette. Saint Bernadette saw the  
first of her 18 visions in Lourdes on  
February 11th in 1858. Her story

spread round the town like wildfire and more and more townspeople began  
to go to the grotto with Bernadette, but there was considerable skepticism,  
from the parish priest among others.

On February 25th the Lady told Bernadette to drink the water of a spring that  
flowed under the rock. As there seemed to be no spring, Bernadette dug in  
the ground. Nothing happened, but a day or so afterwards the water started  
to flow. Bernadette drank it and washed in it and others did the same and  
the water acquired a reputation for healing properties. The spring is still  
flowing at the rate of 32,000 gallons a day.

On February 27th and March 2nd the Lady told Bernadette that the priests  
should be told to build a chapel at the site and have people come there in  
processions. Word of what was going on reached the French newspapers and  
the crowds accompanying Bernadette to the grotto swelled to thousands and  
had to be controlled by the police.

On the feast of the Annunciation of the Virgin Mary on March 25th, the Lady  
at last proclaimed her identity. Speaking to Bernadette in the local Lourdes  
dialect, she said 'I am the Immaculate Conception'. The doctrine of the  
Immaculate Conception had been proclaimed only a few years before, in  
1854. Bernadette saw her last apparition on July 16th, the feast of Our Lady  
of Mount Carmel. Bernadette spent much of the rest of her life in the  
convent of the Sisters of Charity at Lourdes, where she died in 1879 at the  
age of thirty-five. She was beatified in 1925 and canonized in 1933.

The latest (the 70th) approved miracle involving a healing in the water of  
Lourdes took place on July 11, 2008 and after extensive investigation was  
approved by the Church in January 10, 2018. Read about the validated  
Miracles of Lourdes, Guadalupe and Fatima at [magiscenter.com](http://magiscenter.com)



# New Evangelization Corner

## By Deacon Dan Dullinger

Hello from Deacon

Dear Friends,

It's been a blessed first week! I want to thank you, the staff, and Father Mastey, for the warm welcome and opportunity to serve this faith community as an evangelist and minister. I was asked, in this my first evangelism bulletin insert, to help you get to know me better. When someone new comes into our life, it can be nice to first know their background, so I will share that today.

I grew up on Grand Lake near Rockville and graduated from Rocori High School. My now wife's parents, who lived in the Twin Cities area at the time, had a summer cabin on the Grand Lake. This is where I met my wife, both 17 years old at the time. I moved to the Twin Cities area after high school to attend Brown Institute to become an electronics technician, which eventually ended up being a career working with computers (Information Technology). Teri and I were married and raised our family (3 girls) in Big Lake, MN. We now have three grandchildren, and one on the way. We were members at Saint Henry's in Monticello for 25 years, where we were active in many ministries.

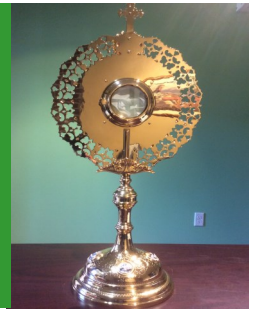
There is a tragedy in our story, we lost our 16 year old daughter Kristy in 2004 due to a car accident. I hope to help those who are grieving any type of loss as my ministry develops. Call me, I am here for you! We miss Kristy dearly, but as a family we were determined to "live on" and do what God needs us to do, because He is our strength and hope.

In 2011, I began a two year study of the Catechism at the Catechetical Institute. During that time frame, I was called by our Lord, through that faith community, to the diaconate. I attended the initial diaconate inquiry sessions in the Archdiocese, but quickly learned I belonged to the Bishop in Saint Cloud because technically you belong to the diocese where you live, not worship. For this reason my formal education and training to become a deacon was at Saint Johns; I was ordained in 2017. Teri and I purchased her parent's place on Grand Lake near Rockville that year, and here I am, on Grand Lake again. It has been a wonderful journey. My first assignment didn't last long because of the ACC restructuring, two of the three parishes I initially served were pulled away, and Saint Boniface in Cold Spring was added, so I am no stranger to moving my ministry.

That is my story and I look forward to hearing yours! Moving forward, in this bulletin section, I will provide helpful information, catechesis, and encouragement to help you come closer to our Lord Jesus Christ. I am privileged to do this work, walking with you on your journey of life and faith, which leads back to the Father in heaven. God bless you all! Deacon Dan

## Eucharistic Adoration

Cluster Adoration is  
every Monday at  
All Saints – St. Mary's.  
9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Come encounter our  
Eucharistic Lord!



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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.

*The heart with which we offer our good  
deeds matters as much as the deeds them-  
selves. For Christ, the law is more than a  
code of conduct. It's a mindset.*

### 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

Please let us know if you'd like to be added or  
taken off the prayer list. Let Fr. Gregory know if  
you are in need of a blessing or having a surgery.



## The Healing Power of God

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

Pat & Ken Euteneuer, Robby Pollreis, David Platz  
Sr., David Platz Jr., Theresa Johannes, Daniel  
Kulas, Loren Philippi, Carol Kuklok, Tom Studniski  
Dave Scegura, Claude Opatz, Katie Yurczk, Judy  
Schehr & Dave Huls



## News & Events

### Vespers: February 13th

On the eve of Bishop-elect Patrick M. Neary's episcopal ordination, Vespers will be prayed at 5:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Mary. A reception will follow in the lower church. This event is open to the public. For livestream visit [www.stcdio.org/new-bishop](http://www.stcdio.org/new-bishop).

### Knights of Columbus Family Fishing Outing St. Isidore Council #9307



Sunday, February 19, 2023 on Two Rivers Lake from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and the Holdingford Boy Scouts. Feel free to come and join us for this outdoor fun!

### The Eucharistic Revival Initiative



is hosting a series of "BREAD Talks" in the diocese's five regional deaneries, each at a different brewery. Events are modeled after the popular Ted Talks, local speakers will share brief testimonies - their "Eucharistic love stories." Following their sharing, a main speaker will give a longer talk, about 20-30 minutes, on a Eucharistic theme. These are in-person-only events. Come join us for these free, faith-filled gatherings! Upcoming event: February 19th at 2:00 p.m. at Sunken Ship Brewing, Princeton with Matt Kehrer and guests Joe Molitor & Leah Weinhold.

**40 Days Opening Rally** will be on Saturday, February 25th from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Starting at Planned Parenthood (451 East St. Germain, St. Cloud) and proceeding to St. Augustine's for a program and pizza. **Our Lenten Campaign** is from February 22nd to April 2nd. Please join us with prayer, fasting & peaceful witness to protect the Sanctity of Life. We come together at Planned Parenthood to pray for the safety of all unborn babies and their mothers as well as for the conversion of all who participate in the abortion industry. Please consider spending an hour in prayer with your fellow parishioners on Thursday afternoons from 1:00-7:00 p.m. as part of your Lenten sacrifice. To sign up or get more information, please call Marilou Sommers 247-9838.

### The Holdingford Lions will hold their Annual Indoor Fishing Contest

on February 26 1:00-3:00 at the Pelican Lake Ballroom. Tickets are \$20 and need to be purchased before 1:00. Ask any Holdingford Lion about tickets. Contact: Joe Christensen (320) 493-8874

### Eucharistic Revival First Friday Novena



Join people from around the diocese for a Cor Jesu (Heart of Jesus) First Friday Novena - March 3rd at 6:30 p.m., All Saints, Holdingford with Fr. Gregory Mastey. Visit: [www.stcdio.org/Eucharistic-Revival](http://www.stcdio.org/Eucharistic-Revival).

### New Lenten Resource Planned!

The Revival prayer team is presenting a Lenten Prayer Journal which will focus on interior revival. Using quotes from Scripture, Saints and Catholic resources, this journal will provide 40 days of reflections and questions to help deepen understanding and love for the Eucharist. Watch the website [stcdio.org/eucharistic-revival](http://stcdio.org/eucharistic-revival) for a free pdf!

### Save the Date for the Women's Lenten Retreat March 18th.

Register now by sending \$20 (Check payable to St. Cloud DCCW) to Lora Knafila, 11719 16th Ave. N.W. Rice, MN 56367. (320) 393-2701



## Weekly Readings

**Monday:** Gn 4:1-15, 25/Mk 8:11-13

**Tuesday:** Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/  
Mk 8:14-21

**Wednesday:** Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/  
Mk 8:22-26

**Thursday:** Gn 9:1-13//Mk 8:27-33

**Friday:** Gn 11:1-9//Mk 8:34-9:1

**Saturday:** Heb 11:1-7/Mk 9:2-13

**Sunday:** Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/1 Cor 3:16-23/  
Mt 5:38-48



### 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](http://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1723)

Immaculate Conception, St. Anna

[www.osvonlinegiving.com/1720](http://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1720)

St. Columbkille, St. Wendel

[www.osvonlinegiving.com/1721](http://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1721)

## Monthly Online Giving

### Financial Contributions

ONLINE GIVING

**January 2023**

AS \$ 2,351.00

IC \$ 2,570.00

SC \$ 745.00

## Weekly Offering

### Financial Contributions

PARISH INCOME

**February 5, 2023**

AS \$ 6,294.00

IC \$ 2,322.00

SC \$ 1,591.00

**Thank you for your generosity!**

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

## Parish News & Events

### All Cluster

#### Chicken Soup for our Widows/Widowers

A family in our cluster will be making homemade chicken soup for the widows/widowers of our parishes. If you are a widow/widower in our 3-parish community and are interested in receiving a quart of chicken soup, please call Amy at 248-3440 to reserve your container by Sunday, February 12th. Soup will be made for pickup on Saturday, February 18th at 2:00 p.m. at the Immaculate Conception Church in St. Anna. If you are unable to drive or pick up your soup, let us know when you call to order.

#### Rural Catholic Young Adult Group:

Join us for prayer, topical information, discussions, and social activities for people ages 18 - 30 who are looking to socialize with others. We meet at 7:00 p.m. on third Saturdays:

Even months are at All Saints-St. Mary's Church basement in Holdingford (on River Street), and at St. Mary's Church in Upsala on odd months. The February 18th meeting at All Saints-St. Mary's will be an introduction evening and sharing of ideas, with socializing, snacks, and games to follow. Call or text Janel at 320-290-2877 for more information.

#### Marti Gras –All are welcome to attend!



On Sunday, February 19th from 2:00-5:00 p.m. we will be celebrating with food and music at the Legion in Holdingford. Bring a dish to share. Confirmation students can come help to get service hours. Volunteers are

welcome to come set-up and help throughout the afternoon. Contact: Virginia (651) 214-9791

#### Pro-life Rosary

Pray the Rosary with us inside or outside All Saints-St. Mary's in Holdingford on February 28th, March 7th, 14th, 21st, and 28th from 4:00-5:00 p.m. If you are unable to join us please pray at home. Everyone is welcome!

#### World Marriage Day ~February 12th

On this day honors husband and wife as the foundation of the family – the basic unit of society. It salutes the beauty of their faithfulness, sacrifice, and joy in daily married life. The idea of celebrating marriage began in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in 1981, when couples encouraged the mayor, the governor, and the Bishop to proclaim St. Valentine's Day as "We Believe in Marriage Day." The event was so successful, the idea was presented to and adopted by Worldwide Marriage Encounter's National Leadership.

By 1982, 43 governors officially proclaimed the day, and celebrations spread to U.S. military bases in several foreign countries. In 1983, the name was changed to "World Marriage Day," designated to be celebrated each year on the second Sunday in February. In 1993, Saint Pope John Paul II, imparted his Apostolic Blessings on World Marriage Day. ~wwme.org/



**MinisTree Cards** can be found in the back of our churches with unmet volunteer opportunities. 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.



#### Knights of Columbus St. Isidore Council #9307

#### Knights of Columbus Membership

The St. Isidore Holdingford Council #9307 Knights of Columbus are asking all Catholic men 18 years old and older to prayerfully consider joining our council as new members. Contact Marvin at 320-845-7797 to learn more and to join!

#### How can we live our faith?

##### In Today's First Reading: Sir 15:20

The Jewish sage Sirach speaks of the wisdom in being obedient and loyal to God's will and commandments. How can you exercise obedience and loyalty to God this week?

##### Second Reading: 1 Cor 2:7

Paul instructs the Corinthians about the power of the Holy Spirit who guides believers to a mature faith and to understanding God's wisdom. In what ways do you experience the Holy Spirit in your

### All Saints

#### Building Project

The Building Committee is continuing to take steps forward in the process of building our new Church. We are currently preparing for a meeting with Diocesan Building Commission to get their feedback on our initial drawings as well as interviewing fundraisers for the project. Please continue to pray for the success of the Building Project!


#### Decorators Needed

We are looking for creative parishioners who would like to decorate All Saints-St. Hedwig's. Please contact the Central Office if interested.

### Immaculate Conception

#### Bazaar Committee Meeting

We will be meet on Monday February 20th at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement. New faces & ideas are always welcome.

	<i>Mass Schedule</i>	
<b>Mon. Feb. 13</b>	<b>8:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Mary's</b>	<b>Special Intention</b>
<b>Tues. Feb. 14</b>	<i>Sts. Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop; Valentine's Day</i> <b>No Mass— Fr. Gregory at Bishop-Elect Neary's Installation</b>	Watch the livestream at <a href="http://stcdio.org/our-bishops/new-bishop/">stcdio.org/our-bishops/new-bishop/</a>
<b>Wed. Feb. 15</b>	<b>8:00 a.m. All Saints— St. Mary's with Adoration</b>	† <b>John Gross</b>
<b>Thur. Feb. 16</b>	<b>8:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception with Adoration</b>	† <b>Fred Ruprecht</b>
<b>Fri. Feb. 17</b>	<i>The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order</i> <b>No Mass</b>	
<b>Sat. Feb. 18</b>	<b>5:00 p.m. St. Columbkille</b>	† <b>Irene Kociemba</b>
<b>Sun. Feb. 19</b>	<i>Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> <b>8:00 a.m. All Saints - St. Mary's</b> <b>10:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception</b>	<b>Healing for couples experiencing infertility For the People</b>

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

Feb. 15th

It's going to be

**EPIC**

Mega-Fun Games! Faith-Filled Friendship!

Every Person In Christ

What: EPIC Youth Nights

Who: All Students Grades 6-12 (All Parishes Welcome)

When: Wednesdays after Religion Class: 7:45-8:30 p.m.

Where: All Saints-St. Hedwig Church Basement

Have a blast with friends and grow closer to God

WE WANT YOU HERE!

youthminister@tworiverscatholic.com

Kyle VanOverbeke (Youth Minister)

### Youth Fish Frys

Come and support the Youth that are going to Steubenville! Upcoming Fish Frys are February 24th, March 3rd, March 10th at the Pelican Lake Ballroom from 5:00-8:00 p.m.

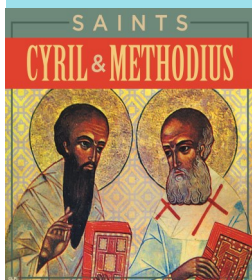
### Confirmation Retreat February 25

Please pray for our Confirmation Students, retreat leaders and staff for the upcoming retreat. We pray that the Holy Spirit may fill their hearts and souls with the love and gifts of Jesus our Savior and God our Father.

### FORMED



Millions of people each year go on a pilgrimage to Lourdes, a place where miracles frequently occur. Explore the origins of this miraculous place of encounter with the Lord in this movie on FORMED- which depicts Mary's apparitions to St. Bernadette.



Feast Day February 14th—Two brothers, Saints Cyril and Methodius, are called the "Apostles of the Slavs" for their tireless work in spreading the Gospel throughout Eastern Europe in the ninth century. Such was their influence in Church history, through their evangelization efforts, that the late Pope John Paul II named the two

brothers the patron saints of Europe along with fifth century monastic leader St. Benedict. **Pray for us Sts. Cyril & Methodius!**