

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

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

Fifth Sunday of Lent
March 26, 2023

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Confession Times: Before daily Mass
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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.

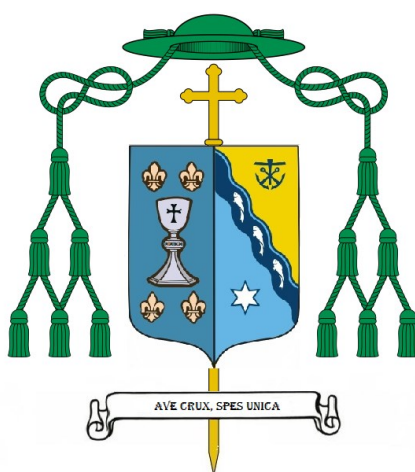
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Most Reverend Patrick M. Neary, C.S.C. ~Coat of Arms



Designing his shield - the central
element in what is formally called the
heraldic achievement - a bishop has an
opportunity to depict symbolically
aspects of his life and heritage, and
elements of the Catholic faith that are
important to him. A diocesan bishop
shows his commitment to the flock he
shepherds by combining his personal
coat of arms with that of the diocese, in
a technique known as impaling. The
shield is divided in half along the pale or
central vertical line. The arms of the
diocese appear on the dexter side-that

is, on the side of the shield to the viewer's left, which would cover the right
side (in Latin, dextera) of the person carrying the shield. The arms of the
bishop are on the sinister side-the bearer's left, the viewer's right.

The gold processional cross behind the shield is a Celtic cross in honor of
St. Patrick, the bishop's patron saint, who was a missionary bishop to the
Irish people and is known as the "Apostle of Ireland."

The Cross and anchors are a symbol of the Congregation of Holy Cross, the
religious order of the bishop. The anchor is an ancient Christian symbol,
signifying that in the storms of life we must cling to the cross and the hope it
brings. It is a visible symbol of the motto of Holy Cross chosen by the bishop:
"Ave Crux, Spes Unica" -"Hail the Cross, Our Only Hope."

The river symbolizes the Jordan River, where Jesus was baptized, thus
reminding us of our own baptism into Christ's death and resurrection. It also
recalls the great rivers in area where the bishop has served: the Nile River in
Uganda, the Columbia River in Oregon, and the Mississippi River in
Minnesota.

The fish recalls Jesus' call of the fisherman to be his disciples, as well as the
miracle of the loaves and fishes. Fish are also a symbol of Christ, which was
used by the early Christians to identify themselves as followers of Jesus.
(The Diocese of St. Cloud is blessed to be in a region that provides ample
opportunities for fishing its beautiful lakes and rivers.) Last, the six-pointed
star recalls Mary, Star of the Sea, a title attributed to her since the eighth
century, meaning that Mary is the star to be followed on the way to Christ.



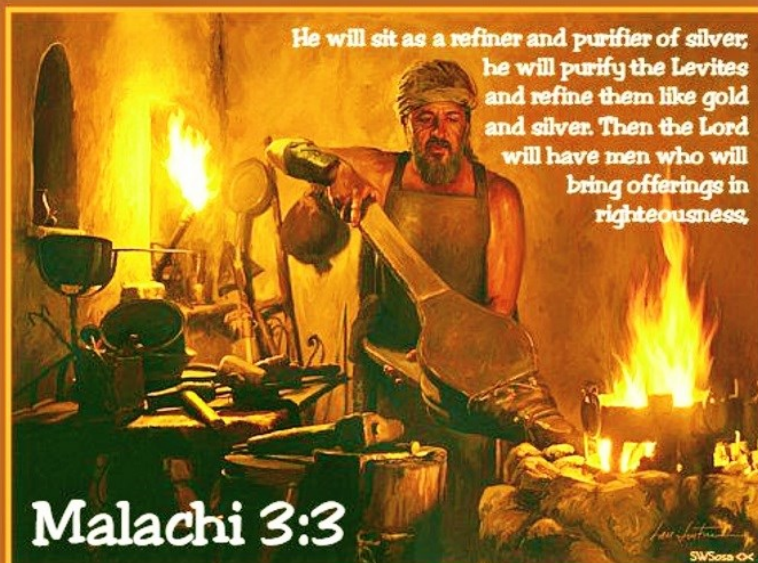
New Evangelization Corner

By Deacon Dan Dullinger

Have you been “refined” this Lent?

As I said in a previous reflection, Lent is a time to take a look in the mirror, and make those changes we know God is calling us to make, we need to “refine” our lives.

When I was providing spiritual direction to an elderly man, he shared with me the following reflection based on the Book of Malachi chapter 3 verse 3.



The Reflection

A women's bible study group was studying Malachi chapter 3. One of the women became curious about how a silversmith actually purifies and refines silver, so she went to a silversmith to watch the process. The silversmith took a piece of silver and put it in the middle of the fire. The silversmith said that to burn away all of the impurities, you have to put the silver in the hottest part of the fire. The silversmith had to sit there the whole time during the process to wait for the exact moment when the silver was purified. The lady asked, how do you know when it is purified? The man said, that is the easy part, as I watch over it, when I can see my image in the silver, I know it is purified.

God never gives up on us, and to bring us closer He refines us in the fires of our life, and then waits for us to reflect his image back to the world.

- Peace in Christ, Deacon Dan

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

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!



Proudly Airing Relevant Radio™

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.

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.

Holy Week Schedule

April 6th: Holy Thursday

7:00 p.m. Immaculate Conception

April 7th: Good Friday

12 noon St. Columbkille (possibly outdoor)

3:00 p.m. All Saints-St. Mary's

April 8th: Easter Vigil

8:15 p.m. All Saints-St. Hedwig's

April 9th: Easter

6:30 a.m. Arban

8:15 a.m. St. Columbkille

10:15 a.m. Immaculate Conception

The Healing Power of God

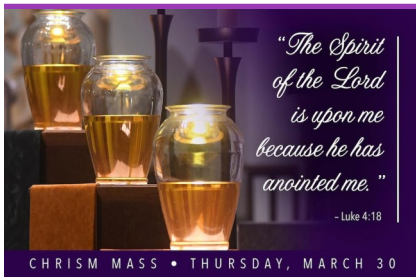
Remember in prayer all who are in need of the Lord's healing and strength especially:

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 & Steve Stoermann

News & Events

40 Days Lenten Campaign

Please join us with prayer, fasting & peaceful witness to protect the Sanctity of Life at Planned Parenthood (451 East St. Germain, St. Cloud) through April 2nd. 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 (320) 247-9838.



Chrism Mass: March 30th

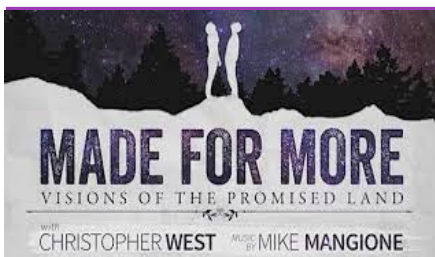
The St. Cloud Diocese will celebrate the Chrism Mass at 7:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Mary. Singers are needed! Visit: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/stdiochoir2023> to sign up. Rehearsal schedule will be email to you.

St. Mary's Choir to Present "Via Crucis": March 31st

St. Mary's Cathedral is pleased to announce the performance of "Via Crucis," a choral and organ work by Franz Liszt. This special Stations of the Cross features Dr. Charles Echols on the organ and the Cathedral choir. It will be held on Friday, March 31, at 7:00 pm. All are welcome in the upper church of St. Mary's Cathedral in St. Cloud for this free performance.

Tenebrae - A Tradition at St. Mary's Cathedral

Everyone is welcome at St. Mary's Cathedral on Good Friday evening, April 7, at 8:00 pm for Tenebrae, which is Latin for shadows or darkness. At this event, participants will experience the gradual extinction of all lights in the church, symbolizing the temporary triumph of the prince of darkness over the Light of the World, and loud noises created at the end of the service by the assembly and ministers, suggesting the earthquake described in the Passion Narratives.



Made for More

A worldwide tour event offered by the Theology of the Body institute is coming to Sauk Centre on April 12th. At 7:00 p.m. This special evening featuring Christopher West & Mike Mangione will include music, art and presentations. "If

anyone is concerned about what is going on in the culture today, they will discover in this event that the Holy Spirit has already given us the answer to the crisis of our times through the teachings of St. John Paul II." ~Christopher West. Order tickets now: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/made-for-more-sauk-centre-mn-tickets-449811938617>

Martha's Meals - New Ministry in our Parishes

Martha's Meals is a ministry we are starting in our parishes for families welcoming a new child by birth, adoption, or fostering or for those who are suffering a miscarriage or loss of a child. Families receive meals shortly after their child comes home or after the loss of their child. We are looking for volunteers who will commit to bringing a meal and show their support to families in this new stage of life. Our hope is to grow our volunteer base so you won't have to make a meal every time there is a need, but rather when it works with your schedule. Please email marthasmeals125@gmail.com or call 320-228-0105 to be added to the list of volunteers.



Weekly Readings

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56

Sunday: Mt 21:1-11/Ls 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14—27:66 or 27:11-54



Stewardship as a Way of Life: "Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?'" — John 11:40

Many of us say that we believe in God. We attend Sunday Mass and participate in parish events. But when life gets hard and the pressure is on, when things aren't going our way, do we really believe? Do we really put our trust in the Lord? When we live a life of gratitude, recognizing all that we have been given, we really do see that God is providing for our needs. Living a grateful and generous life allows us to see God's active presence in our daily lives and we become "partakers of the divine nature."



Weekly Offering

Financial Contributions

PARISH INCOME

March 19, 2023

AS \$ 3,925.00

IC \$ 1,162.00

SC \$ 1,932.00

Thank you for your generosity!

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

Parish News & Events

All Cluster

Easter Flowers in Memory

If you would like to donate money for Easter Flowers in memorial of a loved one, please make note of that on your giving envelope. The decorators will be informed of the gifts in Memorial and be able to include a note of those within the Easter Decorations.

Pro-life Rosary

Pray the Rosary with us inside or outside All Saints-St. Mary's in Holdingford on March 28th from 4:00-5:00 p.m. If you are unable to join us please pray at home.

Open House



Please come and help celebrate Frances Breth's 100th Birthday!

April 14th 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the American Legion in Holdingford. All are invited.

All Saints

Please join us in Quilting

We will begin quilting two quilt tops which will be for the faith formation program and the CM/W/RS breakfasts. Please join us March 28th and March 30th anytime between 9:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. at All Saints -St. Mary's church basement. We will continue this schedule the following weeks till finished. Stop in and check it out!!! Anyone interested in providing a lunch for the quilters please call Joan at (320) 241-3264. Thanks to all.

Thank You

The Leona Lashinski family would like to thank the All Saints community for the kindness and compassion shown after the passing of our daughter and sister Judy. A special thank you to Fr. Gregory for the beautiful Mass and the parishioners who served the lunch.

Matching Grant Breakfast: April 2nd

Catholic United Financial and the St. Joseph Council is sponsoring a matching grant breakfast and quilt raffle on Palm Sunday, April 2nd at The Church of All Saints – St Mary's basement. They are serving pancakes, sausage, ham, eggs and fresh carmel rolls from 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Free will offering with the proceeds going towards the religious education program. We are in need of parents/students to help serve and work at the Matching Grant breakfast. Please call Joan at (320) 241-3264 to be scheduled.

Church cleaning

All Saints - St. Hedwig's will have it's church cleaning day on Thursday, March 30th 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Please plan to come and help clean at your convenience. The list of cleaning duties will be in the church basement. All families, men, women, and children are asked to help clean the Lord's House. If unable to help please donate \$10 for cleaning supplies. Thank You!

Church Decorating

Thank you to Lois Schmit and Alice Kobylinski who will be leading the "Decorating Squad" who stepped forward to take over decorating at All Saints-St. Hedwig's!

Building Project

10 acres have been donated to the All Saints Parish for the building of the New Church that is located directly across from the high school just North of the Dollar General and South of the Community Church on the empty field. The Building Committee is continuing to take steps forward in the process of building our new church. We had a meeting with the Diocesan Building Commission to get their feedback on our initial drawings on March 22nd. Please continue to pray for the building project!

All Saints Christian Mothers/Rosary Sodality Bake Sale

will be on April 8th at 9:00 a.m. in All Saints - St. Hedwigs Basement. Donated goods can be dropped off on Friday in the basement!

St. Columbkille

St. Columbkille Church cleaning

will be on Tuesday, April 4th. The church will be open all day. If you are unable to help please put \$10 in the collection marked church cleaning.

St. Columbkille Christian women

will be sponsoring the rosary on KASM radio station April 10th.

Immaculate Conception

Parish Bazaar News


Our parish bazaar will be held on **Sunday, June 25, 2023**. The following prize donations are needed:

Cash Raffle - \$50 or greater from businesses and individuals, Contact Brenda Dobis 320-241-6962 by Monday, April 24th.

Country Store - Canned goods, candles, jewelry, jellies & plants
Kids Games - Suitable for children – coloring books, crayons, markers, reading books, Summer items: bubbles, sunglasses, sand pail sets, beach and water toys.

Silent Auction – Gift certificates, Large hand crafted items: dish towels, wood items etc.,

****Please bring your donations for the Country Store, Kids Games and Silent Auction to the church basement before or after the 10:00 am Sunday morning Mass. Please label your donations: "Bazaar prizes". If you are unable to bring them at this time, please contact Pat Schmainda at 320-420-6774 to make other arrangements. Thank you for your generosity!**

	<i>Mass Schedule</i>	FIFTH WEEK OF LENT
Mon. Mar. 27	8:00 a.m. St. Columbkille with Adoration/Stations of the Cross	† Nancy Bieniek
Tues. Mar. 28	8:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Hedwig's	† Richard Kolodjeski
Wed. Mar. 29	8:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Mary's with Adoration	† Lloyd Fedor
Thur. Mar. 30	Chrism Mass 7:00 p.m. St. Mary's Cathedral All are welcome to attend.	
Fri. Mar. 31	No Mass	
Sat. April 1	5:00 p.m. St. Columbkille	† Leo, Monica, and David Trutwin
Sun. April 2	<i>Palm Sunday</i> 8:00 a.m. All Saints - St. Mary's 10:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception	† Jeanette May For the People

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



Lenten Penance Service:

March 26th

2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

All Saints-St. Mary's,
Holdingford

(Multiple priests will be available)

March 29th

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)

"Praying the Rosary, a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land"

In replacement of Stations of the Cross Wednesday at Noon at All Saints - Saint Mary's, come downstairs and pray the Holy Rosary with Deacon Dan while meditating on the sites of these Sorrow Mysteries as they exist in the Holy Land today. This is all done via video with narration, pictures, and music. Hope to see you there! Deacon Dan

Ministry Opportunities for Holy Week

If you are interested in participating in any of the following, please call the parish office and let Katie know by April 3rd. She will compile a list and pass it along to the Sacristans. As a reminder, these liturgies are for our entire parish cluster, so anyone, regardless of the parish you belong to or typically attend is welcome to participate at any of these liturgies:

Holy Thursday

- * 12 people for foot washing
- * All Eucharistic Ministers are welcome to be in the Eucharistic Procession
- * All Servers are welcome to serve (bring an outfit from your parish)

Holy Saturday

- * All Servers are welcome to serve (bring an outfit from your parish)
- * 6 lectors
- * Volunteers to hand out candles starting at 7:45 p.m.
- * Volunteers to attend to the fire starting at 7:45 p.m.