



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

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

The Third Sunday of Easter
April 23, 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

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Congratulations Confirmation Class of 2023!

All Saints, Immaculate Conception & St. Columbkille

Benjamin (Michael) Bieniek son of Daniel & + Nancy Bieniek

Paige (Monica) Doll daughter of Joseph & Lana Doll

Grace (Teresa) Doucet daughter of Charles & Lisa Doucet

Hunter (Hubert) Dubbin son of Allen & Linda Dubbin

Gracelyn (Mary) Gerads daughter of Tim & Karey Gerads

Breanna (Dymphna) Gertken daughter of Les & Stephanie Gertken

Dominick (Joseph) Hoikka son of Bradly & Sarah Hoikka

Lindsey (Christopher) Klaphake daughter of Joel & Jessica Klaphake

Jacob (Jerome) Klein son of Jason & Alicia Klein

Brice (Isidore) Kolles son of Bernard & Katrina Kolles

Landon (Catherine) Lashinski son of Michelle Pelka

Felicity (Blaise) LeBlanc daughter of Shawn & Teresa LeBlanc

Evan (Francis) Lichy son of Duane & Angie Lichy

Lily (Joan of Arc) Notsch daughter of Ed & Amy Notsch

Aubrie (Catherine) Opatz daughter of Joey & Judy Opatz

Luke (Hubert) Opatz son of Mike & Tricia Opatz

Jenna (Lucy) Pallow daughter of Joshua & Elizabeth Pallow

Evan (Lawrence) Petron son of Eric & Bridget Petron

Carter (Sebastian) Schwalbe son of Steve & Lisa Schwalbe

Makenna (Marie) Sparks daughter of Jason & Alicia Klein

Dominic (Nicolas) St. Marie son of Steve & Marie St. Marie

Grant (Arthur) Welle son of Jesse & Lisa Welle

Aiden (Isidore) Young son of Ed Young & Shelley Young

Ayla (Anastasia) Young daughter of Ed Young & Shelley Young

St. Edward, St. Francis & St. Mary

Claire (Joan of Arc) Arvig daughter of Scott & Sara Arvig

Brice (Benno) Binek son of Brad & Rebecca Binek

Hunter (Christopher) Boeckermann son of Russel & Gina Boeckermann

Noah (Benedict) Boeckermann son of Peter & Joan Boeckermann

Nathan (Philip) Breth son of Dale & Stacy Breth

Peyton (Hubert) Gerads son of Jamie & Rebecca Gerads

Carter (James) Hartung son of Brian & Tracey Hartung

Daniel (Isidore) Kokett son of John & Lori Kokett

Kaylee (Colette) Kremers daughter of Chris & Jeanna Kremers

Kaylea (Alma) Loscheider daughter of Matthew & Laurie Loscheider

Monica (Cecilia) Nienaber daughter of Mark & Kaye Nienaber

Erica (Elizabeth) Roske daughter of Randy & Donna Roske

Madison (Stella) Tschida daughter of Michael & Melissa Tschida

Dustin (Hubert) Yurczyk son of Duane & Lisa Yurczyk

St. Joseph, Grey Eagle

Corryn (Catherine) McDermond daughter of Brad & Brenda McDermond

New Evangelization Corner

By Deacon Dan Dullinger

Happy Easter, Alleluia Alleluia!

Thanks to all of you, Father Mastey, and our entire staff, serving this faith community has been, and will continue to be, a true blessing to me. From the office to the pews, thank you all for your warm welcome.

When the position I now hold, "New Evangelist", was described to me, something struck me regarding the primary purpose of this position. The primary purpose of my position is to help people go deeper in their Catholic faith, and in doing so come closer to Christ. By our baptism and confirmation, we are all called to be evangelists. So, I would like to hear from all of you evangelists out there.

The Best Ideas Never Heard / The Best Inspirations Kept Secret

We are all members of "The Body of Christ", and we are all on this journey together. If you have ever said things like, I wish our parish would do this (fill in the blank) or that (fill in the blank), please call me, let's talk. If you have ideas of how we, as a faith community, can bring people closer to Christ, call me, let's talk! Simply stated, I am inviting you to share with me your experiences, ideas, inspirations, your thoughts, and maybe your time and talent too.

Also, do you feel called to the consecrated or religious life? A Nun? Deacon? Priest? Let's talk!

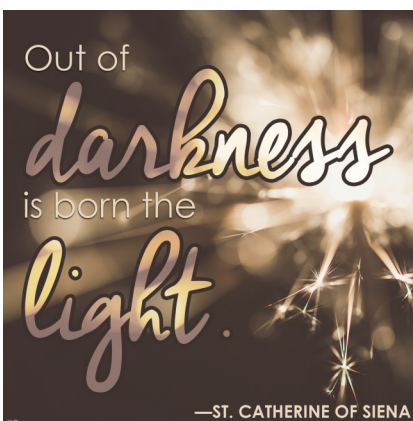
Most weeks, I am here Monday through Thursday. I often have early evening times available on Tuesdays before the 7:00 p.m. Mass.

May God richly bless you and your families!

Stewardship as a Way of Life:

"Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked to us on the road, while He opened to us the scriptures?" ~Lk 24:32

How often do you take the time to discern what Jesus is calling you to do with your life? Are your prayers always petitions, asking Jesus to do things for you? If so, that's a one-sided relationship. Living our faith means developing a personal relationship with Jesus. Just like any friendship, there is give and take, each side listening to the other and helping each other out. Take time, in silence, to listen to what Jesus is asking of you today.



St. Catherine of Siena

was canonized by Pope Pius II in 1461. In 1866, she was declared a patron saint of Rome, 1939, a patron saint of Italy and just one week after naming St. Teresa of Avila the first female Doctor of the Church in 1970, the Church bestowed the same honor on St. Catherine of Siena.

Fest Day is April 29th.

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!



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.

"And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight." (Lk 24:30-31)

The Healing Power of God

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



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

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

News & Events

West Central Deanery Gathering: April 26th

Join us at St. Rose of Lima Parish (28905 County Road 17, Freeport for a meeting and a meal (\$6) Contact: Marilyn Bergmann: Bergmann@albanytel.com

Joyful Beauty Women's Conference: April 29th

This is a day for women to be refreshed in body, mind and soul in God's grace and love and a renewed passion to live out their identity as a daughter of Christ. Leah Jacobson, an international speaker, will be the keynote. Hosted by Cross Rock Area Catholic Community, Immaculate Conception, Rice MN. Call (320) 393-2527 or visit: crossrockacc.org to register. \$40 per ticket.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations: April 30th

Please pray specifically for more vocations that those being called will hear His voice.

Nominations open for the 2023 *Humanae vitae* Award

Humanae vitae Mass & Award Presentation will be on Thursday, July 27th at Saint Mary's Cathedral, Saint Cloud at 7:00 p.m. with Bishop Patrick Neary. If you know a person(s) who has demonstrated courage in promoting Natural Family Planning, submit your nomination in writing (500 words or less). For more information visit: <https://stcdio.org/event/humanae-vitae-award-nominations-2023/> Send nominations before **May 1st** to the Office of Marriage and Family, omf@gw.stcdio.org

Cor Jesus Novena: May 5th

Join others from around the diocese for a Cor Jesu (Heart of Jesus) First Friday Novena at 6:30 p.m. at St. Catherine, Farming. For more information visit: <https://stcdio.org/eucharistic-revival/>

St. Joseph's Hammer Book signing: May 7th



Meet the Author
Leah Brix!

Join us from 1-3:00 p.m. at Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish Center, Rockville, MN Door prizes, kids activities, and food all provided! Opportunity to meet the author and celebrate St. Joseph with other area Catholics.

Leah Brix is a Catholic wife, homeschool mom and writer. Originally from Rockville, MN, she currently resides on a cattle farm near Albany, MN with her husband, Adam, and 7 children. Leah blogs weekly at Catholic Country Chronicles. St. Joseph's Hammer-An unlikely narrator comes to life in this charming and delightful tale about one of the Bible's most quiet, yet remarkable men.

Deacons to Wear Roman Collars Bishop Patrick Neary, C.S.C. announced at the beginning of the April that Deacons within the Saint Cloud Diocese are permitted to wear the Roman collar with the standard black clerical shirt. He said he sees the collar as "having witness value, giving a public sign to the people of God and the wider society. If anything, we need more signs of this in our society today, which is becoming increasingly secularized." The Roman collar is not a mandatory dress but rather an option at celebrations of the Eucharist, other liturgies that involve a deacon, and when they are publicly carrying out formal ministry as deacons.

World Marriage Encounter: May 5th - 7th

Celebrate your Sacrament of Marriage by signing up for a World Marriage Encounter Weekend on the weekends of May 5th-7th or October 6th - 8th Buffalo MN. Contact: Brent & Tracy Chessen at (612) 234-7440.



Weekly Readings

Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Mk 16:15-20
Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40
Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51
Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59
Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Jn 6:60-69
Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

Bishop's Annual Appeal:

Please remember the diocesan ministries that, through your generosity, continue to build the Kingdom of God here in Central Minnesota. Keep them thriving by making a gift at www.stcdio.org/annualappeal.



They set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven and those with them who were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!"
Lk 24:33-34

Weekly Offering

Financial Contributions

PARISH INCOME
April 16, 2023
AS \$ 3,340.00
IC \$ 1,172.00
SC \$ 881.00

Thank you for your generosity!

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

Parish News & Events

All Cluster

Couple/Family Get Together

Thank you to everyone who came to the couple and family get together on Saturday, March 18th. We had an enjoyable morning of visiting and Gaga ball. All are welcome to the next get together for couples and families on Saturday, **April 29th** at 8:30 a.m. We will again meet in the All Saints-St. Hedwig's basement and have a morning of visiting, Gaga ball, games, and time to get to know our fellow parishioners. All are welcome! Call Katie at the Parish Office if you have any questions.

Arban 150th Anniversary

The Albany Pioneers Club will be showcasing the 150 anniversary since Arban parish began in 1873. Please contact Don Evens (320-248-2995) if you have any pictures, stories, memorabilia, etc. that you can share.

*"The Lord has truly
been raised!" (Lk 24:34)*



Knights of Columbus St. Isidore Council #9307

Knights of Columbus members will be handing out Tootsie Rolls after all Masses on April 29th & 30th. All donations will be given to the Albany Special Olympics. Thank you! Knights of Columbus Widow/Widowers Social: Sunday, May 21st from 12:00-4:00 p.m. in the All Saints-St. Mary's Basement. Starting with lunch and moving into cards, games and socializing.

Women's Group: May 1st

Join us on the first and third Mondays of the month at 10:30 a.m. in the All Saints-St. Mary's basement.

Men's Group

Calling all men to join us Saturday mornings 8:30-9:30 for prayer, faith talk, and fellowship. We meet in the All Saints-St. Mary's basement.



All Saints

Christian Mothers & Rosary Sodality

Our next meeting is on April 24th at 7:00 p.m. at All Saint's -St Mary's.

Building Project

All Saints to Conduct a Planning Study. We need your participation! All Saints Catholic Church's leadership has been working with an architect to create a plan for a new church. We are now moving forward with a planning study to get the thoughts and opinions of parishioners regarding a capital campaign to fund this project. In the next couple of months, all parishioners will receive a letter inviting them to participate in a feasibility study. Study results will assist in determining the size of our project. Mark Davy & Associates, a firm with 33 years of experience working with parishes, has been hired to conduct the study. The primary areas of focus are:

- Clarity of our vision
- All Saints' strengths
- Areas of concerns that may affect a capital campaign
- Communication preferences of parishioners
- Potential leadership and volunteers to conduct a successful campaign
- Financial support available.

Please prayerfully consider participating when invited. Your feedback is important to the success of this effort. Thank you!



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. Thank you!

Immaculate Conception

Parish Bazaar

will be on Sunday, **June 25, 2023.**


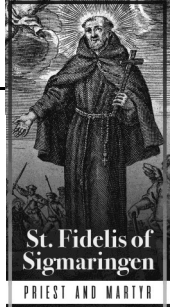

The following prize donations are needed:

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!

*Lord, you will show us
the path of life. (Ps 16)*

	<h1>Mass Schedule</h1>	Keep Fr. Gregory in your prayers. He is on retreat this week.	
Mon. April 24	<i>St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr</i> No Mass		
Tues. April 25	<i>St. Mark, Evangelist</i> No Mass	Area Mass Times this week: April 25, 6:00 p.m. St. Mary's, Upsala April 26, 8:00 a.m. St. Francis, St. Francis April 27, 8:00 a.m. St. Edward, Elmdale April 28, 7:30 a.m. St. Mary's, Upsala	
Wed. April 26	No Mass		
Thur. April 27	No Mass		
Fri. April 28	<i>St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr; St. Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest</i> No Mass		
Sat. April 29	<i>St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church</i> 5:00 p.m. St. Columbkille	† Catherine & Edmund Skroch	
Sun. April 30	<i>Fourth Sunday of Easter</i> 8:00 a.m. All Saints - St. Hedwig's 10:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception	First Communion Weekend (at all three Masses)	† For the People Joyce Hess

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

Works of Mercy

Food Drive

The 7th Grade All Saints Faith Formation students will be hosting a food drive for the Holdingford Food Shelf. We will be accepting non-perishable goods. Faith Formation students can bring their donation to class. The Food Drive began on April 12th and will end on April 26th. Please consider donating.

Please pray for our First Communicants!

April 26th

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)

The Shepherd is Calling: April 30th

Jesus talks a lot about being a Good Shepherd. This is a chance for you and your children to learn what it means to be a Shepherd to better understand what it means for Jesus the Good Shepherd to love and give his life for each of us. We will be hands on with young lambs and have a variety of other activities for kids that help us realize how much Jesus loves us.

Please Come: The Shepherd is Calling- Sunday April 30th, 1:00-6:00 p.m. at the Mike and Alice Westrich farm (1652 Abbey Road, Burtrum, MN 56318). Mass at 4:00 p.m. with potluck supper to follow. Hog roast provided.

Please register by April 21st at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2023ShepherdisCalling>.

Upcoming Vocations Events :

Vocations Camp: Faith, Friends & Fun! Tuesday-Thursday, June 20th –22nd in Avon for young men in grades 7th - 12th. This camp is at the beautiful Mead family residence on the lake. The days will be filled with physical and spiritual activities. To Register: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2023VocationCamp>

Paschal Challenge: Saturday, August 19th in Sauk Centre for young men in grades 9th - 12th. Follow Jesus and experience the Last Supper, the Way of the Cross and His Resurrection in a whole new way!

To Register: <https://www.surveymonkey.comr/2023PaschalChallenge>.