

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

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

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time September 3, 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!

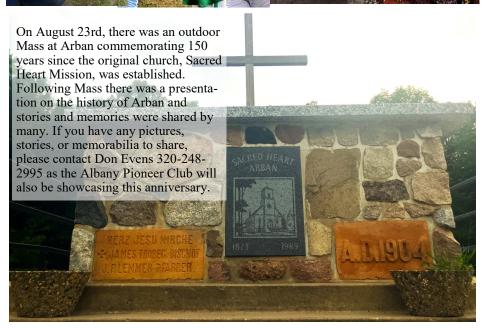
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Arban 150th Anniversary

August 27th, 1989 was the last Mass in the Sacred Heart Church in Arban. This year we celebrated the 150th Anniversary.





Something miraculous happened at Fatima, Portugal in 1917! Do you know what it's all about?



Come to All Saints-St. Hedwig's, Holdingford Thursday, November 16th 6:30 p.m. All are welcome to attend!

In mid June we celebrated devotion to both the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Did you know how the devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary came to be? It started in Fatima Portugal.

At the height of World War I, Pope Benedict XV appealed to the Blessed Mother to intercede for peace. Just over a week later, Our Lady began appearing to three young shepherd children in Fatima Portugal.

On November 16th come listen to Barb Ernster to tell us about the amazing story of Fatima. Barb is the national coordinator and communications director for the World Apostolate of Fatima, USA., a frequent guest on Catholic radio, podcasts and video productions, she speaks at conferences and parishes across the country. She has written extensively on the message of Fatima since 2007.

This is an amazing story and the message of Fatima is as relevant now, maybe more so, than it was in 1917. Please mark your calendars for this very special event.

Eucharistic Adoration Cluster Adoration is every Monday No Adoration on Sept. 4th for Labor Day







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

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.

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

Take up your cross and follow Jesus!



Saint Cloud was born in 522 A.D. as an heir to the throne of the Franks. After the death of his parents, he was raised by Saint Remigius, the Bishop of Rheims. Little is known of Cloud's life from the age of five until eighteen. He lived most of those years with the Bishop of Rheims, and the latter years with Saint Severin, a hermit. During these formative years he drew closer to God through silence and solitude. Cloud lived eleven years as a hermit. During those years, he spent time poring over the Scriptures. These were not idle years for the prince who had fled the royal court for a life devoted to Christ! Cloud radiated that deep joy of a Christian heart in love with God. Others recognized this in Cloud and came to live near him. In time, he became a leader and teacher of those who joined him. They formed a religious community, not like a convent or monastery, but an association of persons dedicating themselves to love of God and service to God's people. The last seven years of his life, Saint Cloud lived in this community attached to the Church of Saint Martin Tours. Surrounded by the community, he died serenely on September 7, 560 A.D., at age 38.



The Healing Power of God: Remember in prayer all who are in need of the Lord's healing and strength especially: Dave Scegura, Pat & Ken Euteneuer, David Platz Jr., Claude Opatz Theresa Johannes, Loren Philippi, Carol Kuklok, Tom Studniski, Katie Yurczk, Judy Schehr, Jim Ruprecht, Ardith Mosier, Sharon Prokott, Gerald-

ine Kunstleben, Madonna Nentl, Gary Lange & Linda Harren

Prayer lines

All Saints: (call or text) Joan Frie (320) 241-3264 & Val Hommerding (320) 746-9921 Immaculate Conception: Christine Maleska

(320) 356-7246

St. Columbkille: Esther Struzyk (320) 251-4984 & Susan Opatz (320) 363-8160

News & Events

Holdingford Area Community Picnic in the Park: Everyone is welcome to attend on September 10th at Noon to 3:00 p.m. for food, games and music hosted by the Holdingford Lions.

Grief Support Group

CHI Health at home is sponsoring a support group for those who have lost a loved one in the past year or two. Meetings will be on 9/11, 9/25, 10/9, 10/23, 11/13, 11/27, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Rose Room at St. Gabriel's Hospital (808 3rd Street SE, Little Falls) This is a free service. Registration is requested but feel free to just show up. Call Chaplain Blaine MacNeil (320) 631-5588 blaine.macneil@commonspirit.

Eucharistic Ministers

As part of the Eucharistic Revival's Year in the Parish, all Extra ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion as well as those considering the ministry are invited to a free 90 minute workshop offered by the diocesan Office of Worship. It will include formation and training essential to serving as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. There are 10 opportunities across the diocese during September and October. Visit: https:// stcdio.org/eucharistic-revival/ for more information.

Sept. 13th 7:00 –8:30 p.m. Sacred Heart, Sauk Rapids,

Sept. 30th 9:30–11:00 a.m., St. Mary's, Alexandria,

Oct. 7th, 9:30 –11:00 a.m. & Oct. 17th, 6:30-8:00 p.m. at Seven Dolors, Albany. Questions may be directed to Sr. Jeanne Wiest, OP: jeanne.wiest@gw.stcdio.org (320) 255-9068.

Believe in His true presence.



Koinonia

True happiness isn't a destination, true happiness is the journey to Jesus. Central Minnesota Koinonia is a weekend Catholic retreat program sponsored by the St Cloud Diocese and is designed for adults to help you on your faith journey. Retreats are held at the TEC Center north of Little Falls, Minnesota. The next weekend will be held September 22-24, 2023, cost of the weekend is \$70.00. Go to: www.centralmnkoinonia.org for more information and to register for retreats.

Fruits of the Holy Spirit: Sept. 16th

The Annual St. Cloud Diocesan Council of Catholic Women's Fall Conference will be at St. Ann's Catholic Church (514 1st Street S.E., Wadena). from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Cost is \$20 payable to St. Cloud DCCW. Mail to Lora Knafla 11719 16th Ave. N.W., Rice, MN 56367

Healing Rosary for Ethan Gerads

All are invited on Sunday, September 3rd at 6:00 p.m., to pray the Rosary together at Seven Dolors Church, Albany offering our prayer for Ethan Gerads and the community's intentions. We will use the Living Rosary that Ethan and his father constructed for the Harvest of Hope Community. After our prayer, anyone who wishes will be invited to stay and share stories about him or thoughts about his tragic death. A mental health professional will be present to offer ideas for handling loss.



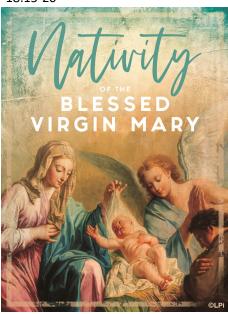
Weekly Readings

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/13/

Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday:1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/ Lk 4:31-37 Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Lk 4:38-44 Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Lk 5:1-11 Friday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/ Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23 Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Lk 6:1-5 Sunday: Ez 33:7-9/Rom 13:8-10/Mt

18:15-20





Donations for the Crosier/Congo Mission

AS \$901.00 SC \$635.00 IC \$472.34 Total \$2,008.34

Weekly Offering

<u>Financial Contributions</u>

PARISH INCOME

Aug. 27, 2023

AS \$3,507.00

IC \$1,398.00

SC \$1,181.00

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

Parish News & Events

All Cluster

Well-Read Mom is beginning a new year. Well-Read Mom is open to any woman (not only mothers) that is interested in deep conversations about subjects that touch upon women's lives. Each month our discussions are based on a different book. If you are curious please come to our first meeting. We will read together a section from Saint Augustine's Confessions and discuss. Our first meeting for this year is on Tuesday, September 5th at 7:00 p.m. We are meeting at Neighbors restaurant in St. Joseph. If you have any questions call or text Susan at (320)224-6052.

Rural Catholic Middle Ages Singles Group: Join us for prayer, topical information, discussions, and social activities for people ages 30-60 who are looking to socialize with other single adults. We meet at 8:00pm on the second Saturday of each month at All Saints-St. Mary's Church basement in Holdingford (on River Street). The next meeting on Sept. 9th will not be held. Some group members are joining the Frassati Outdoor Club trip to Boundary waters Sept. 8-10. Others are encouraged to join the festivities of St. Mary's Cathedral Block Party this night starting with 4:00pm Mass. Call or text Janel @ 320-290-2877 for more information on either event.

Study on FORMED

Jesus and the Eucharist is a seven episode video series that draws viewers to a greater love of the source and summit of the Catholic faith - the Eucharist—using segments from Presence and The Search, two award-winning Augustine Institute series available on FORMED. Deacon Dan will be showing the videos and hosting small group discussions on this series soon

Women's Group: September 11th

We would like to extend a welcome to all women in the parish to join our vibrant and uplifting group. Our next meeting will be at 10:30 a.m. -11:30 a.m. at All Saints- St. Mary's.

Miraculous Medals

We had a generous donation of Miraculous Medals to our parishes. 300 will be given to the Religious Education students and more are available at the Parish Office. Please stop by and pick a few up!

Labor Day: Monday, Sept. 4th

The Parish Office will be closed for Labor Day. There will be no Mass or Adoration. On Monday, September 11th, Adoration will be moved back to All Saints-St. Mary's.

All Saints

Annual Rummage Sale!

All Saints Christian Mothers/Women and Rosary Sodality will have our Annual Rummage Sale on MEA weekend at All Saints-St. Hedwig's basement, October 19 - 22nd. Members of CMW/RS interested in helping with this event should contact Rene Harlander 320.746.2581 or Corrine Hadrich 320.310.1260. All parishioners are welcome and encouraged to help with this event.

Building Committee

The parish has purchased copies of the book *Rebuild My House: A Guide to Building or Renovating a Catholic Church* for parishioners to check out from the Parish Office. It covers the "Program" (essential elements of a Catholic Church), Liturgical Elements, and what the overall process looks like. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to check one out.

St. Columbkille

Thank you to Julie Wruck who as been donating time to make sure our church is clean. Her work has been a gift to our parish!

St. Columbkille Christian Women

We will be having a meeting on Tuesday, September 5th at 7:00 p.m. All women are welcome!

Congratulations!



P Brandon & Maddie Skroch

Married: August 26, 2023

May Eternal Rest be granted to:



John Pelka (nonparishioner)

Passed to eternal life on 6/13/2023

Funeral: 9/16/2023

Immaculate Conception

Christian Mothers Meeting

All women are invited to attend our meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Immaculate Conception Church Basement, St. Anna on September 18th.

New members welcome!

Tables for Bazaar

We are looking at upgrading the tables we use for the Bazaar. Is there anyone within the parishes who works for a company that sells 8 foot plastic tables? We are looking to buy a large quantity of ones that do not fold. Please call the Parish office if you or someone you know has these for sale.

Prayer Line

We are currently looking for more people to be a part of the Prayer Line. This would consist in receiving a phone call with a prayer request, passing the prayer request onto the next person on the list, and then praying for the request that you received. We are also looking for someone to be the first contact person. If you are interested in either of these, please contact Brenda Zierden at 320-845-4349.

Grow with your community!

	Mass Schedule			
Mon. Sept. 4	No Mass		Labor Day - No Mass	
Tues. Sept. 5	6:30 p.m. On the Road Mass St. Hedwig's		Fairview Apartments 111 3rd Street, Holdingford	
Wed. Sept. 6	8:00 a.m. All Saints - St. Hedwig's & Adoration		Bernard & Alvina Ebnet	
Thur. Sept. 7	8:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception	†	Roger Blenker	Pray for Fr. Gregory as he attends the Clergy Retreat Day
Fri. Sept. 8	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary No Mass			·
Sat. Sept. 9	Saint Peter Claver, Priest 5:00 p.m. St. Columbkille	†	Anton Kostreba	
Sun. Sept. 10	Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 a.m. All Saints 10:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception	†	Tillman & Genevieve Knapp For the People	

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

Faith Formation

If there is anyone who hasn't gotten a letter or that is new to our community please contact Katrina as soon as possible so information can be sent to you. Please prayerfully consider volunteering in the program this year. We are still in need of a 7th grade teacher, along with classroom volunteers and substitutes. We would also like to restart the after school program if possible and need 4-5 volunteers to teach. Lastly, if you are American Sign Language Certified, and would like to volunteer/help with Faith Formation we are in need of an interpreter. Thank you all! Katrina Kolles <u>allsaintsff@tworiverscatholic.com</u> or call/text 320-292-1575.

Faith Formation Directors

Religious Education: Katrina Kolles allsaintsff@tworiverscatholic.com

Confirmation Directors: Bob Vouk & Greg Eiynck

Confirmation Assistant: Katie Vouk confirmation@tworiverscatholic.com

Youth Minister: We are still looking to fill this position!

Parent Night: Sept. 6th

Welcome a new year of Faith Formation!

All Religious Education students, Confirmation Students and parents will meet at 6:30 p.m. at All Saints-St. Hedwig's.









Go to church every Sunday and all Holy Days of obligation



Choose a cause to collaborate with financially or by volunteering



Use Catholic paintings or statues to add richness to the family's devotion



It is important to encourage all members of the family to go to confession regularly



It is a good resource to keep all the members of the family close to God and

the Church

Saints' Day, Church Seasons... Keep the joy of the Gospel in your family!



Hiring a Youth Minister

Are you being called to help our Youth grow in their faith? This is a 10 hours a week position. You would be running the Wednesday Night EPIC (Every Person in Christ) Program for our youth. Please let Fr. Gregory know if you are interested.