

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

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

The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 28, 2024

Central Office in Holdingford

Hours: Mon.-Wed. 10—3, Thurs. 1 - 5

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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



Miscarriage Ministry

If you would like to be involved in supporting couples experiencing loss, please let us know. Opportunities include: writing cards or letters of encouragement to couples currently or previously experiencing miscarriage, stillbirth of a child, or child loss, sewing baby blankets for parents to keep as a memento, helping to assemble boxes of items to give to couples experiencing loss to aid them in their grieving, and being a prayer warrior to intercede for couples. If this is a ministry you would like to participate in or if you have suffered a loss, please reach out to the Parish Office (320) 228-0105.

New Miscarriage Ministry

Louis & Zelig's Babies is a new ministry in our parishes meant to spiritually support parents and families who have experienced miscarriage, stillbirth, or infant loss. We offer Catholic resources to aid in the emotional, physical and spiritual healing during and after loss. Our ministry is founded on the example of Saints Louis and Zelig Martin who experienced sorrow in their own loss of several children. Saints Louis and Zelig recognized how God was with them throughout their challenges in married life, parenting, and loss, and can serve as a consolation and example to couples who are walking their own grief journey.

Please call the Parish Office if you have experienced loss and would like to receive one of our Louis & Zelig's Babies boxes. They have various resources that are meant to help you through the healing process such as a Certificate of Life, a baby blanket for you to keep and one to bury your child with, a gift certificate to a local vendor to purchase a memorial item as well as a few practical things like how to plan a burial. If you are currently or have recently experienced a miscarriage and would like a burial vessel to put the remains in, we have some available at the Parish Office.



Louis & Zelig's Baby Box

Burial Vessel

New Evangelization Corner ~Deacon Dan Dullinger

Allow Me Reintroduce Myself



It has been almost a year since I came onboard as your Evangelist. It has been, and will continue to be, a wonderful experience working with Fr. Gregory, the staff, and all of you. Beyond the title "New Evangelization Coordinator" my first and primary duty is to support Father Gregory and other staff members in the overall mission. My duties include things like RCIA, Marriage Prep, GIFFT Nights, and to

organize faith building opportunities for you. Another role I have is to support you in your evangelization efforts, giving support and direction where needed.

I was hired as an evangelist, who happens to be a Deacon. Although being a Deacon has come in handy at times, I am not assigned here as a Deacon by our Bishop. Some of you have bumped into me in the Cold Spring, Rockville, Richmond area ACC on weekends, serving at Mass or preaching. This is because I am assigned by the Bishop to serve that ACC in the role of Deacon. At that ACC, on nights and weekends, I do more "deacon" type things, like presiding at baptisms, marriages, funeral wakes, etc.

We are all called to grow in faith and to evangelize! My job is to help you do that! God Bless you Deacon Dan.

Spend an hour with Jesus in Adoration!

The Eucharist is the Sacrament of Love; It signifies Love, It produces love. The Eucharist is the consummation of the whole spiritual life. ~St. Thomas Aquinas



We have refreshed our Prayer List. If you would like to be added please call the office. Call us if you are homebound and would like to receive a bulletin (mailed or online) or if you cannot attend Mass and would like Communion. Also, let Father Gregory know if you are in need of a blessing for illness or upcoming surgery.

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

Pat & Ken Euteneuer, Don Breth, Fr. Gregory, Claude Opatz, Linda Harren, Carol Kuklok, Cass MacDonell, Stanley Symanietz & Jayne Wruck

Jesus, by God's Will, heal those who would be healed and comfort all who are sick. Amen.

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!



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.



Prayer lines

All Saints: 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



Quilt Bingo

Hand-stitched Quilts

Sunday, Feb. 4th at 1:00 p.m.

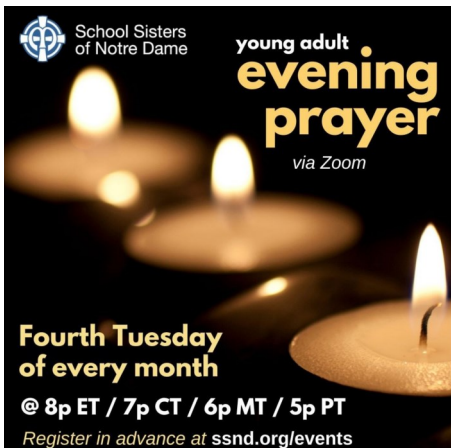
St. Mary's Church, Upsala

20 games for \$10 Blackout extra

Free Lunch served after

Proceeds go to the St. Mary's

Mission Group



Valentine's Mass & Meal: Feb. 10th

Mass at 5:15 p.m. followed by a social gathering and 7:00 p.m. candlelit dinner at St. Mary's, Upsala. Choice of Prime Rib or Stuffed Chicken Breast. Cost is \$60 per couple. For tickets call 573-2132.

Totus Tuus Leaders

Do you know of young adults that are college-aged who are ready to take their faith to the next stage. Invite them to apply to be a Totus Tuus team leader. Application deadline is March 15th. For more information, visit: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2024TotusTuus>.

Valentine's Mass & Dinner: Feb. 13th

Saint Stanislaus Kostka Church in Bowlus is having their annual Valentine's Mass & Dinner. 5:00 p.m. Mass & 6:00 p.m. dinner. Cost \$20 per person. Stuffed pork chops & sides, Salad, dinner roll, Dessert, Coffee/milk. For tickets call Tom Fussy 232-5703 or visit Psyck's Grocery in Bowlus.

Catholic Men's Conference: Feb. 24th

This event will be held at St. Francis Xavier in Sartell. This year's theme is "Sharing our Eucharistic Journey" with keynote speaker Fr. Tim Donovan from the Diocese of Orange, CA. Other speakers include Fr. Matthew Crane, Deacon Mike Benda, and Deacon Ed Shoener from Scranton, PA. Find more details and register at <https://stdio.org/event/catholic-mens-conference-2024/>.

Upcoming Seminary Visits

Feb. 15th-17th Saint John Vianney

Mar. 15th-18th The Immaculate Heart of Mary

Men ages 16 and up are invited to join these impactful days with seminarians to engage in daily Mass, adoration, discernment talks, classroom visits, listening to seminarians, open gym and a night out with the seminarians of St. Cloud! When men meet real seminarians, all the stereotypes break down! It is a game-changer for their ongoing discernment. Please contact Fr. Doug (320) 533-0291 or email: dougliebsch@gmail.com

Annual Women's Lenten Retreat

Join Deb Rudolf, Retreat Leader, on a "Journey of a Woman's Life: Using the Sacraments to Grow in Our Faith" for the annual DCCW (St. Cloud Diocesan Council of Catholic Women) Lenten Retreat to be held Saturday, March 9th at St. Martin's Parish in St. Martin. Registration at 8:30 a.m. then Deb will kick off the Retreat at 9:00 a.m. Bishop Patrick Neary, C.S.C. will celebrate Mass at 11:00 followed by lunch/social, and conclusion of the presentation. Registration is \$20. Check payable to St. Cloud DCCW by March 1st. Mail payment to Lora Knafla, 11719 16th Ave. NW, Rice, MN 56367 Contact Lora for questions: (320) 393-2701.

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Ps 95)



Weekly Readings

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/ Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Mk 6:30-34

Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39



Bishop's Annual Appeal 2024:

Announcement Weekend Feb. 3 - 4:

You will receive bulletin inserts high Lighting diocesan ministries and be asked to consider a gift to support these ministries on Commitment Weekend.

Commitment Weekend Feb. 10 - 11:

This is your opportunity to support Diocesan ministries with a 2024 gift To the Appeal. You may bring the envelope your receive in the mail or use a response envelope that will be Provided at Mass. Both will be grate fully received in the offertory.



Weekly Offering

Financial Contributions

PARISH INCOME

January 21, 2024

AS \$ 6,247.00

IC \$ 1,112.00

SC \$ 1,044.50

Thank you for your generosity!

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

Parish News & Events



Pre-Lent Pot Luck: Feb. 11th

Come to the Holdingford Legion & Bring a dish to share! Chicken strips, French fries, Lemonade, water, and coffee will be provided. A cash bar will be available. Gene Ostendorf Band will be playing from 2-5:00p.m. Help needed to: Set up from 12-2:00 p.m., Greet and help with the food tables from 2-5:00 p.m., Clean-up from 5-6:00 p.m. Thank you!

World Day for Consecrated Life: Feb.

2nd. "I will raise up for them a prophet like you." If you think that you may be set apart by the Lord to serve Him as a priest or as a consecrated sister or brother, talk to Fr. Gregory or contact the Vocations office: 251-5001.

Soup for Widows/Widowers

If you are a widow/widower in our 3-parish community and are interested in receiving a quart of soup, please call Amy at 320-248-3440 to reserve your container by Wednesday, February 14th. Soup will be made for pickup on Saturday, February 17th at 2:00 p.m. at the Immaculate Conception Church Parking Lot in St. Anna. If you are unable to drive or pick up your soup at this time, let us know when you call to order.

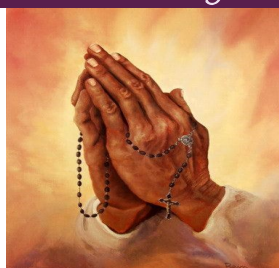
Prepare for Lent together!

Learn about the Eucharist:

Do you want to unlock the secrets of the last Supper? Join our discussion group for the book *Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist* by Brant Pitre. We meet the second & fourth Thursdays of the month from 9:45-11:15 a.m. in St. Mary's church basement. Anyone is welcome.

Start Your Lent in Prayer

Saint Monica Prayer Retreat



Saturday, February 17th at
All Saints - Saint Mary's

Retreat Intention:

For all our loved ones who have fallen away from their Catholic Faith. 9-11:30 a.m. with refreshments after.

Holy Rosary-A Pilgrimage to the Holy

Land: Pray the Rosary while viewing and experiencing the actual sites of the Sorrowful Mysteries, as they exist today, in the Holy Land. This is a unique pray-along devotional wrapped in scripture, narration, music and a video of these Holy Rosary mystery sites, all as we pray the Rosary.

Power of Silent Prayer in Everyday

Life: A short talk by Deacon Dan Dullinger.

**** Due to accessibility for all,** this entire retreat will be held in the basement of All Saints - Saint Mary's Church at **311 River Street, Holdingford, MN.** **For handicap access** enter the back church door across from the double garage service door. This retreat is sponsored by the All Saints Christian Mothers/Women/Rosary Sodality and is FREE of charge.

Families & Couples Get Together

On Saturday, February 3rd, families and couples are invited to All Saints-St. Hedwig's Basement at 8:30 a.m. for games and fun! Come and get to know the other families and couples in our parishes!

Join Christian Women:

All Saints Christian Mothers/Rosary Sodality: Teresa Ripplinger 247-2990

St. Anna Christian Mothers:

Berni Larkey 345-0755

St. Wendel Christian Women:

Sue Burg 250-8810

Immaculate Conception

May Eternal Rest be granted to:



Ladonna Reisdorf

Passed: Jan. 19, 2024

Funeral: Jan. 26, 2024

All Saints

Coffee Social: Feb. 4th



Join in our Coffee and Snack Social following Sunday Masses on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. If



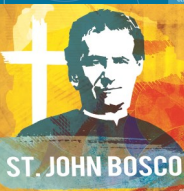

you would like help serve, call Karen Solarz at 250-6903.

Building Committee

Father Gregory met with the Architects and the Building Committee met last Tuesday. Please keep praying for the success of our project. Thank you to those who spent extra time while Art Lohsen was visiting. A video of Art's talk is on our website: tworiverscatholic.com. Go to the Home Menu and the click on Building Project. God bless you and your families!

Christian Women/Mothers/Rosary Sodality

Our next meeting will be January 29th at All Saints-St. Mary's. Prayer begins at 6:30 p.m. with the meeting to follow at 7:00 p.m. If you need a ride, please contact Karen 250-6903 or Teresa 247-2990.

	<h1>Mass Schedule</h1>		
Mon. Jan. 29	National Catholic Schools Week 8:00 a.m. St. Columbkille & Adoration	† Duane Feld	
Tues. Jan. 30	12 Noon All Saints-St. Mary's	† MaryAnn Czeck	
Wed. Jan. 31	<i>St. John Bosco, Priest</i> 8:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Mary's & Adoration	† Mary Heitzman	
Thur. Feb. 1	8:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception & Adoration	For the Intentions of Kim & Si Koning	
Fri. Feb. 2	<i>The Presentation of the Lord</i> No Mass		
Sat. Feb. 3	<i>St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr, St. Ansgar, Bishop</i> 5:00 p.m. St. Columbkille	† Loren Philippi	
Sun. Feb. 4	<i>The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 8:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Mary's 10:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception	For the People † JoAnn Condon	

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



Watch Episode 1 of *The Catholic Parent* is now available on FORMED!

Be inspired by other parents trying to form their kids well in the faith amid the messiness of life. This new six-part series on FORMED comes with a free downloadable participant guide with discussion questions to spark conversation with your spouse or parish small group. Laugh, cry, and learn with the families featured in episode one about our Sunday Mass obligation and why it's so important...

GIFFT Night

*Everyone is welcome to join us on
February 7th at 7:00 p.m. at All Saints
-St. Hedwig's for GIFFT Night.
Come learn more about the greatest
gift of all:
The Eucharist!*

Andrew Dinner: Feb. 8th

The next Andrew Dinner will held at the Marmion House. Do you have young men in grades 8-12 in your parish who have potential for a priestly calling? Fr. Doug would love to hear from you! This simple and powerful evening consists of evening prayer and dinner with Bishop Neary while priests share their vocation stories. Young men find it very meaningful and special to have a night with the bishop & priests! Pastors are encouraged to join their young men. Email or call: Fr. Doug at dougliedsch@gmail.com or (320) 533-0291.

Faith Formation Directors

Religious Education:

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allsaintsff@tworiverscatholic.com

Confirmation:

Bob Vouk (320) 249-3398
Greg Eiyneck (320) 493-3690
Confirmation Assistant: Katie Vouk
confirmation@tworiverscatholic.com

Youth Minister:

Fr. Gregory Mastey (320) 228-0105

Jan. 31st

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

When: Wed. 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!

Mark your
calendar for
the cookie
decorating
contest on
Feb. 7th!