



...remain in my love...(Jn 15:10)

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

All Saints, Holdingford

Immaculate Conception, St. Anna

St. Columbkille, St. Wendel

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2024



Confirmation Class of 2024 at All Saints-St. Hedwig's Thank you to

Bishop Neary, Fr. Gregory, Fr. Jimmy, Bob Vouk, Greg Eynck, Katie Vouk, Chantelle Frie, sponsors, parents, choir, servers, sacristans, lectors and all who helped our Students receive the Holy Spirit.

New Evangelization Corner

~Deacon Dan Dullinger



**May is the
Month of Mary!**
**Have you ever thought
about our Blessed Mother's
First Communion?**

We don't know for sure when Mary's first Communion would have taken place but imagine being Mary in that moment.

St. John Paul II pondered in his encyclical letter, (*Ecclesia de Eucharistia*), the profound connection between Mary carrying Jesus in her womb and a person receiving Communion.

"At the Annunciation, Mary conceived the Son of God in physical reality of his body and blood, thus anticipating within herself what to some degree happens sacramentally in every believer who receives, under the signs of bread and wine, the Lord's body and blood."

Next, St. John Paul II ponders how Mary would have felt when she first heard about the Eucharist, as he continues.

"What must Mary have felt as she heard from the mouth of Peter, John, James and the other Apostles the words spoken at the Last Supper. 'This is my body which is given for you'? (Luke 22:19)

The body given up for us and made present under sacramental signs was the same body which she had conceived in her womb!"

"But Mary kept all these things, pondering them in her heart" (Luke 2:19)

** Taken in part from an article by the National Catholic Register.

If you would like to be added to the prayer list 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.

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



The Healing Power of God: Remember in prayer all who are in need of the Lord's healing and strength especially: Don Breth, Pat Euteneuer, Fr. Gregory, Claude Opatz, Linda Harren, Carol Kuklok, Stanley Symanietz, Jayne Wruck, Tom Studniski, Donald Doll,

Emily Becker, Bernice Ebnet, Katie Yurczyk, Cass MacDonell, Jim Ruprecht & Leona Lashinski

Eucharistic Adoration

Cluster Adoration is every Monday at All Saints – St. Hedwig'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 400 views 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



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



2024 First Communion
Please keep
all our
Youth in
your
prayers!



Thank you to Fr. Gregory and Fr. Gilbert for giving the sacraments to our 2nd graders, Jenny Revermann for assistant directing, to Wanda Heitzman and Stephanie Gertken for teaching the 2nd graders, Marie St. Marie for playing piano/organ and conducting the choirs at all three masses beautifully, the choirs for the beautiful music, the decorators, and everyone else who helped make the Masses wonderful.

The 3rd Annual Mini Holy Family Fest will be right here in MN on Friday, August 16-18th at Holy Family Church, in Little Falls, MN.

The Apostolate for Family Consecration® (AFC) supports and challenges Catholic families to grow in holiness, grow in truth, and grow together so that they can become fully alive in Christ. They offer Catholic family vacations, retreats, and resources to lead families to an encounter with Jesus and form them in the truths of our Catholic Faith.

This Family weekend has activities for children of all ages. The guest speakers work with the middle and high school aged children in the mornings and evenings. The adults have morning sessions. And quality activities are planned and available for elementary age children in the mornings. All afternoon there are fun activities like volleyball, gaga ball, bouncy house, yard games and more for the whole family to enjoy while building community. There is a nursery and childcare area available as well. Staff from the AFC will be present throughout the weekend. This is all offered on top of the sacramental experiences of daily Mass, Adoration and confession throughout the weekend as well as a daily Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet. To learn more visit: <https://afc.org/>



Weekly Readings

Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26—16:4a
Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Jn 16:12-15
Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/Jn 16:16-20
Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20
Friday: Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23
Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday: *Ascension:* Acts 1:1-11//Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20
Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/1 Jn 4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19



Knights of Columbus
St. Isidore Council # 9307

The Knights of Columbus will be handing out baby bottles again this Mother's Day weekend. Your donations will go to the Pregnancy Resource Center in St Cloud. We're asking for your loose change and would like to have the bottles returned by Fathers Day weekend. Thank you for your generosity.

"No one has greater
 love than this,
 to lay down one's life for
 one's friends." (Jn 15:13)

Weekly Offering

Financial Contributions

PARISH INCOME

April 28, 2024

AS \$ 7,821.00

IC \$ 1,375.00

SC \$ 1,795.15

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

Parish News & Events

All Cluster

Women's Group: May 6th

We would like to extend a welcome to all women in our parishes 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.

Rural Catholic Middle Ages Singles

Group: May 11th 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 7:00 p.m. on the second Saturday of each month at All Saints-St. Mary's Church basement in Holdingford. Contact: Janel at 290-2877.

New book Group

Men and women from our area are invited to a group discussion of the book, The Apostles by Pope Benedict XVI. We will meet in the basement of All Saints-St. Mary's in Holdingford on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month. Our first meeting will be May 23rd at 9:45-11 a.m. Please call or text Susan Heroux at (320)224-6052 if you are interested or have questions. There are a limited number of books available for \$5. All are welcome to become a part of our lively, friendly group. *Please note date change due to a shipping issue.

Men's Group **Do you want to grow in your faith?** Our men's group meets every Saturday at 8:30 a.m. at All Saints-St. Mary's Basement. All are welcome!

Terebinth Refuge: May 19th

St. Columbkille Christian Women are hosting a conversation from 1-3:00 p.m. led by a team from Terebinth; a Christ-centered shelter that brings hope and healing services to sexually exploited women. This refuge provides healthcare, psychological support & personal and employment coaching for women who need the support now more than ever.

Eucharistic Revival Event: May 21st

We will have a Eucharistic Procession after the 6:00 p.m. Mass in St. Anna followed by a BBQ celebration.

Join us on the Marian route, the northern arm of the pilgrimage.

Details about each event listed below (locations, Masses, activities, meals) can be found at: <https://stcdio.org/eucharistic-revival/eucharistic-revival-pilgrimage> (or tworiverscatholic.com)

Wednesday, May 22: Mora to Gilman (activities all night)

Thursday, May 23: Leave Gilman for several stops: Little Falls, Long Prairie, Sauk Centre, St. Mary's Cathedral in St. Cloud (all day and all-night activities)

Friday, May 24: St. Mary's Cathedral in St. Cloud to Clear Lake.

Thank you for all your support, prayers and words of kindness as we grieve the loss of our beloved daughter. We greatly appreciate the multitude of resources, gifts of memorabilia and support presented on behalf of the church and community. The outpouring of kindness warms our hearts during this difficult time. We cannot thank you all enough and hope we can offer this same support to other families throughout our parishes. Sincerely, Troy, Marissa, Tristen, Maria, and Trenton Studniski

All Saints

Christian Mothers/Women/Rosary Sodality

Fall Rummage Sale

We are looking for an event chair person(s) for the Rummage Sale happening over MEA week. Men & women volunteers are needed to help organize the sale. If interested, call Corrine Hadrich (320) 310-1260.

Building Committee

Please continue to pray for the success of the building project! Pray Pray Pray!

St. Columbkille

Mother's Day Flowers May 12th

A group of parishioners will be selling carnations following Mass on Mother's Day weekend to benefit Elevate Pregnancy & Family Resource Center.

Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love. (1 Jn 4:8)

Immaculate Conception

Christian Mother's

Meeting will be on the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima, Monday, May 13th in the church basement at 7:00 p.m. We will start with the Rosary. All ladies are welcome to attend.

Enrollment for new members in the Christian Mothers is May 19th.

Please call Bernie Larkey 345-0755 or Betty Hartung 356-7419 by May 15th if you plan on being enrolled. Bake Sale is May 26th. Please bring your goodies to the Church basement by 9:30 a.m. on Sunday.

Parish Bazaar News

Our parish bazaar will be held on **Sunday, June 30, 2024.**



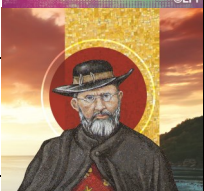
Country Store: Canned goods, candles, jewelry, jellies & plants

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., Contact Pat Schmainda, 420-6774

****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 them: "Bazaar prizes". The deadline for donations is Sunday, June 16.**

If you are unable to bring your donations on Sunday morning, please contact Pat Schmainda at 420-6774 to make other arrangements. Thank you for your generosity!

	Mass Schedule		
Mon. May 6	8:00 a.m. St. Columbkille & Adoration	† Donald Warzecha	 <p>MAY 10</p> <p>FEAST OF ST. JOHN OF AVILA</p>  <p>ST. DAMIEN DE VEUSTER OF MOLOKA'I</p> <p>FEAST DAY MAY 10</p>
Tues. May 7	8:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception & Adoration	Isabella, Trinity, Felicity & Caiden LaBlanc	
Wed. May 8	No Mass	Fr. Gregory will be at the 100th Anniversary of the Catholic Rural Life Event in St. Paul	
Thur. May 9	<i>The Ascension of the Lord</i> No Mass		
Fri. May 10	<i>St. John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church; St. Damien de Veuster, Priest</i> No Mass		
Sat. May 11	5:00 p.m. St. Columbkille	For the People	
Sun. May 12	<i>The Ascension of the Lord</i> 8:00 a.m. All Saints– St. Mary's 10:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception	† Nancy Bieniek Troy & Marissa Studniski & Family	

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Steubenville

The youth attending this year's Steubenville Summer Retreat in July are selling beef sticks after all Masses on May 4th and 5th. Please support our Youth to grow in their Faith!

We Support Catholic Education!

There are many good Catholic schools in the area! Please let the office know by May 15th if you will be sending your child to Catholic School for the 2024-2025 school year. Catholic Schools request funds from the parish so we need to know prior to setting our Parish Budget for the Fiscal Year.

Religious Education Teachers 2024

Grade K - Lily Notsch - Helper: Jennifer Schwalbe

Grade 1 - Katie Auer - Helper Jennifer Schwalbe & Susan Goodwin

Grade 2 - Wanda Heitzman & Stephanie Gertkin

Grade 3 - Amanda Fedor - Helper: Wendy Udermann

Grade 4 - Melissa Swenson - Helper: Kerry Gerads

Grade 5 - Dawn Wenderski - Helper Harvey Wenderski & Scott Rausch

Grade 6 - Tracy Ebnet

Grade 7 - Renee Sand

Grade 8 - Virginia Tretter - Helper: Marie St. Marie

Grade 9 - John Ruprecht

Grade 10 - Mary Solarz, Karen Solarz, Jenny Revermann - Helpers:

Josh Revermann & Steve Auer

Substitute teachers: Carla Engebretson, Jessica Wells & Deborah Binsfeld

Thank you for teaching our students how to grow in their Faith and get closer to Jesus!

Totus Tuus: June 16th –22nd

St. Mary's in Upsala is hosting this year's Totus Tuus. Registration forms are now available in the Parish Offices in Holdingford and Upsala for students entering grades 1st-12th. Forms can also be found at: 238catholic.org.

Our coordinator this year is Shanna Dobmeier: 733-0761 or email:

shannamary@gmail.com. Totus Tuus, a Latin phrase meaning "Totally

Yours." was the motto of St. John Paul II. Taken from the St. Louis de

Montfort's *True Devotion to Mary*, it signifies our desire to give ourselves entirely to Jesus Christ through Mary.