

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

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

The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 11, 2024

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<u>Confession Times:</u> 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



Knights of Columbus

Our council, St. Isidore # 9307 has been recognized by the Minnesota State Council, for achievements in programs, as well as adding 5 new members this past year. (Not pictured: Landon Wenderski)



Chaplain: Fr. Gregory Mastey, Grand Knight: Marvin Eiynck, Financial Secretary: Lloyd Rausch, Deputy Grand Knight: Eric Ebnet, Chancellor: Adam Knapp, Recorder: Duane Kunstleben, Treasurer: Landon Wenderski, Randy Willoughby (Proxy), Trustee 1: Robert Vouk, Trustee 2: Mike Peters, Trustee 3: Jayme Panek, Lecturer: Leonard Heitzman, Advocate: Robert Pueringer, Warden: Louis Heitzman, Outside Guard: Brandon Skroch, Inside Guard: Jonah Fleck

Blessed Michael McGiveney

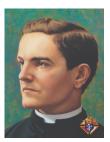
On March 29, 1882, the then 29-year-old assistant pastor of St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Conn., gathered a group of parish men to found a lay organization with the goal of uniting men in the Catholic Faith and protecting the families of deceased members.

Through that act, the founder of the Knights of Columbus, Father Michael McGivney, became a central figure in the

growth of Catholicism in America, and remains a model today of faith in action. His example of charity, evangelization and empowerment of the laity continues to bear fruit and guide Knights of Columbus around the world.

Winter Coat Drive

Holdingfords council Knights of Columbus will now begin seeking donations from businesses to help purchase winter coats for our school aged children. If any parishioners would like to contribute to this program, make checks payable to Knights of Columbus and either leave them with our parish office, or send to Marvin Eiynck: 19747 Morningstar Rd Avon MN 56310 Coats will be distributed by our local elementary schools in early October. Thank you!



New Evangelization Corner ~Deacon Dan Dullinger



"It is my hope, then, that the Eucharistic Congress will inspire Catholics throughout the country to discover anew the sense of wonder and awe at the Lord's great gift of himself and to spend time with him in the celebration of the Holy Mass and in personal prayer and adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. I believe that we have lost the sense of adoration in our day. We must rediscover the sense of adoration in

silence. It is a form of prayer that we have lost." ~ Pope Francis (to the organizing committee of the National Eucharistic Congress, June 19, 2023.

Eucharistic Congress Recap Meeting

I would like to invite all parishioners who attended the Eucharistic Congress, in person or remote via broadcast, to a Recap Meeting. This meeting will be held this week Wednesday August 14 starting at 10:30 AM at All Saints - St. Mary's; we will meet in the basement. The purpose of the meeting is to share our experiences and brainstorm ideas on how we can carry out "the mission" the Eucharistic Congress called us all to.



"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." (In 6:51)

Convalidation, RCIA, Confirmation... Yes please!

Are you married outside of the Catholic Church and want to have your marriage recognized by the Church? Are you thinking about becoming Catholic or even just learning more about what the Catholic faith teaches? Were you baptized Catholic but never Confirmed and want to be? Give us a call! We would love to sit down with you and accompany you during this time!



Call us if you would like to be added to the prayer list, are homebound and would like to receive a bulletin (mailed or online) or if you cannot attend Mass and need 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 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, David & Anita Scegura and Rod Harren

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!**





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 Proudly Airing Relevant Radio 11:00 p.m. Friday.

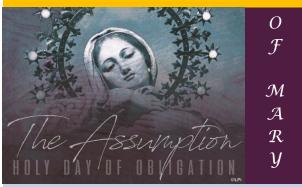
Protect us Lord as we stay awake. Watch over us as we sleep. That awake we may keep watch with Christ and asleep, rest in His peace.

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

Youth Minister

Are you being called to lead our Youth? We are hiring a Youth Minister. This position is up to 10 hours a week and would be running the Wednesday Night EPIC (Every Person in Christ) Youth Program. Please contact Fr. Gregory or the Parish Office.



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

Annual Pro-Life Retreat: Aug 17

Assumption Church in Eden Valley is hosting this retreat from 8:00 a.m. –noon. Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Benediction, Knights of Columbus led Procession & Prayer Service to the Tomb of the Unborn. Speaker at 11:00 a.m. with a light lunch to follow. Cost: Free Will Offering with no preregistration required. Contact Judy Haag: judyflife@meltel.net (320)

Rural Life Celebration: Aug. 18th

The annual Rural Life Celebration will begin at 1:30 p.m. with outdoor Mass with Bishop Patrick hosted by St. Mary of Mount Carmel Parish in Long Prairie. The event will take place on the Nathan and Samantha Middendorf farm (17655 Co. Rd. 36). This event, which raises funds for the Rural Life Fund, will include the presentation of the Catholic Century Farm Awards and Catholic Rural Business Award.

St. Francis Fall Festival: Aug. 25th

Join us for the 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Francis of Assisi Church with music by LaVerne and the Starlites. Dinner of roast beef & ham with all the fixings will be served followed by Silent Auction, Bingo, Straw Stand, Country Store, Cake Walk, Fancy Work, Pull-tabs and more. Live music by The Eagle Valley Playboys. Grand Raffle at 7:00 p.m. Raffletickets available in the Upsala Parish Office (320) 573-2132.

Frassati Outdoor Club Event

Boundary Waters Fishing/Canoeing/ Hiking: Sept 12th –15th Private or shared lodging options in

Private or shared lodging options in bunkhouses or tent campsites are open. Carpool(s) from Immaculate Conception, St. Anna, Thursday at 9:00 a.m. We would love you to adventure with our friendly group! Text or call Rachelle with question (320) 230-9837.



He got up, ate, and drank; then strengthened by that food, he walked forty days and forty nights to the mountain of God, Horeb. (1 Kgs 19:8)

Upcoming performance: Sept. 5th

Vianney, the inspiring live production performed by Leonardo Defilippis of Saint Luke Productions, will be presented at St. Edward's Church, Elmdale on Thursday, September 5th at 7:00 p.m. Experience the gripping story of Saint John Vianney, about the humble priest who battled the devil to save souls. Filled with all of the elements of professional theater, the production runs 90 minutes and is suitable for ages 9 and up. Admission will be a free-will offering. 573-2132 or 238catholic@ sytekcom.com. Watch the trailer at www.VianneyDrama.com.



Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: Ez 2:8—3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:15-20 Thursday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56 Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Mt 19:3-12 Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 19:13-15 Sunday: Prv 9:1-6/Ps 34:2-3, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (9a)/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58



Stewardship as a Way of Life

"Get up and eat or the journey will be too much for you!" 1 Kings 19:7 God knows that committing to a stewardship lifestyle is difficult. However, we were not designed to do it on our own, we need God's help. Fortunately, God gave us the greatest gift of all, His son, Jesus. Through the gift of the Eucharist, we unite our sacrifice with Jesus' sacrifice to do the will of God, Our Father. We receive the strength and courage to be His missionary disciples.

Weekly Offering

Parish income

August 4, 2024

AS \$4,047.00

IC \$ 1,487.00 SC \$ 2,919.00

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

Parish News & Events

All Cluster

Rural Catholic Middle Ages Singles Group: Aug. 10th 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.

Mass Intentions

We are booked for Mass Intentions until September. In the meantime, we can help facilitate sending Mass Intentions to other parishes, priests, and religious orders or you can send it to: Diocese of St. Cloud Mission Office, 11 South 8th Ave., St. Cloud. MN 56303.

Rural Catholic Young Adult Group:

Aug. 17th Join us on for prayer, topical information, discussions, and social activities for people ages 18 - 30 who are looking to socialize with other young adults. We meet at 7:00 p.m. at All Saints-St. Mary's, Holdingford on third Saturdays. Meetings include socializing, snacks, and games to follow. For more information contact Katie 423-2203 or Marissa 630-2433.

Women's Group

Due to Labor Day, Women's Group will meet on the 2nd and 4th Mondays in September at 10:30 –11:30 a.m. We are starting a new book titled 'You are Called to Greatness' by Leo J. Trese. All are welcome to join us!

Baptism Class

If you are a new parishioner or having your first child you will need to attend a baptism class prior to scheduling the baptism.

The remaining classes for the year are September 15th and November 10th. Please call the Parish Office to sign up for the class.

Lord, lead us to you!

Sacristies

The Sacristies are places for liturgical ministers only. If you have business and need to talk to Father, please wait outside of the Sacristy until he finishes up. Thank you!

Couple/Family Gathering

How important it is to surround ourselves and our families with those who have similar values! Come to the Holdingford School Playground on August 24 at 8:30am to meet other couples and families from our parishes and grow in friendship with those who share similar values. We will meet at All Saints - St. Hedwig's in case of rain.





Amy Arnold RCIA Confirmation Aug. 6, 2024

Please keep Amy in your prayers!

St. Columbkille

St. Columbkille Christian women are looking for donations for their Turkey Bingo Raffle. If you would like to donate, you can call Steph at 320-290-1646 or Sue at 320-250-8810. We need to have the information by August 16th. Thank you!

St. Columbkille

May Eternal Rest be granted to:

Margarent Yurczyk
Passed: July 30, 2024
Funeral: Aug. 3, 2024

May Eternal Rest be granted to:

Francis Yurczyk
Passed: July 29, 2024
Funeral: Aug. 8, 2024

Immaculate Conception



Marriage Banns
BANNS III

Abigayle Starz & Derek Peters September 7, 2024

All Saints

<u>Christian Mothers/Women/Rosary</u> <u>Sodality</u>

Our next meeting will take place on Monday, August 26th starting at 6:30pm with prayer in ASSM Church Basement.

Rummage Sale

will be happening over MEA break. If you want to volunteer, contact Corrine Hadrich. (320) 310-1260.



Sophie Magdalena Gross Daughter of Jacob & Tina Baptized 8/4/2024



Marriage Banns
BANNS ||

Amy Arnold & Eugene Ostendorf September 14, 2024



Marriage Banns
BANNS II

Katelyn Vouk & Gabriel (Irbanski September 14, 2024

	Mass Schedule		
Mon. Aug 12	St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious 8:00 a.m. St. Columbkille and Adoration	† John Pelka	STS. PONTIAN AND HIPPOLYTUS
Tues. Aug 13	Sts. Pontian, Pope & Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs 6:30 p.m. On the Road Mass	Edward & Amy Notsch 33026 Nettle Road, St. Joseph	OALUT (P)
Wed. Aug 14	St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest & Martyr 8:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Mary's and Adoration	† John Gross	MAXIMILLIAN MARY KOLBE
Thur. Aug 15	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 7:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Mary's Noon St. Columbkille 7:00 p.m. Immaculate Conception	For the People In Thanksgiving (Offered by Judy & Lenny Heitzman) † Roger Blenker	
Fri. Aug 16	St. Stephen of Hungary No Mass		
Sat. Aug 17	2:00 p.m. Immaculate Conception 5:00 p.m. St. Columbkille	Wedding: Grace Phillipp & Ben Scegura For the People	ST. STEPHEN
Sun. Aug 18	Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 a.m. All Saints 10:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception	† Roman & Sophie Zwak † Dorothy Panek	OF HUNGARY FEAST DAY AUGUST 16

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

St. Jane Frances de Chantal | August 12

Saint Jane Frances de Chantal was born to a noble family in Dijon, France, on January 28, 1572. Her mother died when she was an infant. Her father raised her and provided for her education. In 1592 She married the Baron de Chantal, the couple were devoted to each other. They had six children, three of whom died in infancy. As Baroness, Saint Jane Frances restored the custom of daily Mass, and was famous for her charitable works. Unfortunately, her husband died in a hunting accident only eight years after their marriage. Devastated Jane Frances was forced to live in her father-in-law's strict household where she took a vow of chastity. In 1604 while visiting her father in Dijon, she met Saint Francis de Sales and he became her close friend and spiritual director. Although not many of their epistles have survived, the pair had a lively correspondence which lasted until Saint Francis died. Under the direction of St. Francis de Sales and with his partnership she established the Congregation of the Visitation at Annecy in 1610. The saint died at the Visitation Convent in Moulins on December 13, 1641. At the time of her death, there were 86 convents of Visitation nuns. She was canonized in 1767 by Pope Clement XIII.



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Reflection Questions for August

- 1. If an artist were to draw your heart, what symbols would they include?
- 2. What areas in your heart need our Mother's help to mend?
- 3. Who do you know who reminds you of Mother Mary's love?
- 4. Whose pain pierces your heart?
- 5. Do you have a heart like Christ?

August Catholic Challenges

- 1. Spend time drawing your heart and include symbols that you want to be represented by.
- 2. Attend Mass on at least on of the August Feast days!
- 3. Receive Holy Communion on August 15th, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
- 4. Most importantly, go to confession and confess anything and everything impure in your heart.