

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

All Saints, Holdingford Immaculate Conception, St. Anna St. Columbkille, St. Wendel Fifth Sunday of Easter May 18, 2025

#### **Central Office in Holdingford**

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#### **Parish Pastoral Team**

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**Confession Times:** Before daily Mass

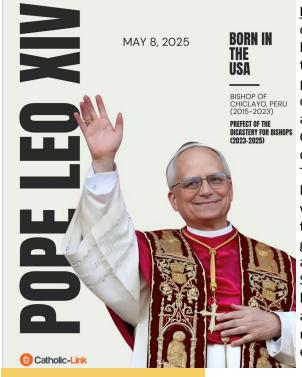
and by appointment

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





Pope Leo XIV's coat of arms

offers a clear reflection of his Augustinian roots and the values he seeks to promote during his pontificate, particularly unity and communion within the Church The shield is divided diagonally into two sections. The upper half features a blue background with a white lily The lower half of the shield has a light background and displays an image that recalls the Order of Saint Augustine: a closed book with a heart pierced by an arrow. This is a direct reference to the conversion experience of Saint

Augustine himself, who described his personal encounter with God's Word using the phrase: "You have pierced my heart with your Word." Pope Leo XIV has also chosen a motto that reflects this Augustinian tradition: In Illo uno unum, which means "In the One, we are one." The phrase is taken from Saint Augustine's Exposition on Psalm 127 where he explains that "although we Christians are many, in the one Christ we are one." Pray for him as we will for the first time in community today.

Pope Leo, Pray for Us!



# New Evangelization Corner

With some sadness, but much discernment, I announce that I am leaving my position here as your Evangelist Coordinator; it has been a wonderful experience!

To people seeking God's Will, I always tell them two things: the Lord's Will is simply that we know Him, love Him, and serve Him, and then to listen to, not only what we hear internally, but what comes from outside of us: in conversations, coincidences, a homily, etc.

I have recently gone through such a discernment process, and so with clarity and confidence, but of course some sadness, I am announcing that I am leaving my position here as the New Evangelist Coordinator. In these past two-plus years, I have had a wonderful experience here and made many new friends. I was warmly welcomed, supported by Father Gregory, the staff, and all of you. Through all of you, I have been richly blessed. Thank you all!

I will be moving to a new phase in my life. I will be working only part time in sort of a pre-retirement mode as a chaplain at the Cancer Center. I discerned this with my wife, and others who were praying for me. The right opportunity, that checked all the boxes, finally came along.

I can't thank Father Gregory enough for the growth I have received through his guidance and the opportunity he gave me here. I also can't say enough about our staff, and all they taught me by their example. To all of you that I have served here, brought to the Sacraments, or connected with in any way, I am confident the Lord will continue to draw you closer; be open to His promptings.

May God bless you all! Deacon Dan

Deacon's last day was May 12th. Thank you Dcn. Dan

## Prayer Lines

All Saints: Call or text Joan Frie (320) 241-3264

Val Hommerding (320) 746-9921 Immaculate Conception: Call or text Marissa Studniski (507) 848-1104

St. Columbkille: Esther Struzyk (320) 251-4984

& Susan Opatz (320) 363-8160



Call the Parish Office if you would like to be added to the prayer list, are homebound and would like to receive Communion or a bulletin (mailed or online) or if you are in need of a blessing for illness or before a surgery.



Carol Kuklok, Keith Woitalla, Amy ray for... Ostendorf, Fr. Gregory, Jayne Wruck, Katie Yurczyk, Jim Binsfeld, Claude

Opatz, Jim Ruprecht, Jerome Young, Darlene Young, Craig Knudtson, George Bieniek, Theresa Johannes, Darlene Salitros, Nancy Linz, Brenda Dobis & Abby Doll

## Eucharistic Adoration

**All Cluster Adoration** is every Monday at All Saints—St. Hedwig's from 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 leep, 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 1000 views each night. You can ask for a request that Father keeps requests in his prayers.

## Memorial Day Services: May 26, 2025 7:30 a.m. Mass at the Soldiers Shrine, Holdingford **Holdingford American Legion 211**

8:15 a.m. Soldiers Shrine

8:40 a.m. St. Mary's Cemetery, Holdingford

9:00 a.m. St. Hedwig's Cemetery, Holdingford

9:30 a.m. Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Opole

9:50 a.m. South Elmdale Cemetery

10:05 a.m. St. Mary's Orthodox Cemetery

10:25 a.m. Highland Cemetery

10:50 a.m. St. John's Lutheran Cemetery

11:10 a.m. Holdingford Park

#### **Holdingford VFW 5160**

8:15 a.m. Soldiers Shrine

8:40 a.m. St. Mary's Cemetery, Holdingford

9:00 a.m. St. Hedwig's Cemetery, Holdingford

9:20 a.m. Arban Cemetery

9:40 a.m. St. Anna Cemetery

10:05 a.m. St. Anthony Cemetery

10:30 a.m. St. Francis Cemetery

10:55 a.m. St. Mary's, Upsala

11:10 a.m. Holdingford Park

The Holdingford Legion and VFW invite all who wish to honor our deceased veterans to please come to the cemeteries of your choosing. In case of rain, no cemetery visits by Legion and VFW honor guards.

#### News & Events

### Help Us Build Our New Church -Join a Committee

The building committee has been working steadily behind the scenes, and we're excited to begin the next phase of planning. While many key steps have been completed, there is still much work ahead - and we invite you to get involved. We will be forming seven committees to support the project. Three are ready to begin now:

#### **Prayer Committee -**

To suggest prayer intentions and inspire spiritual support.

#### **Capital Campaign Committee -**

To recommend a campaign partner and support fundraising strategy

#### **Communications Committee -**

To help craft updates and respond to questions

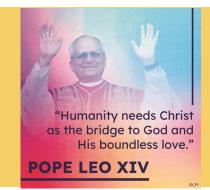
Additional committees will launch as construction approaches:

- 1. Design & Construction
- 2.Liturgy, Music, Sound & Sacristy
- 3. Administration & Classrooms
- 4. Kitchen 5.Landscaping

To express your interest in joining a committee, visit https:// forms.gle/yjdwieECBzNQXpjv8

#### **Prayer of Christian Love**

Fill our hearts, O Lord, with Your love, the deepest, richest, purest love any of us has ever known. May Your love be our standard for love. May Your love be what we bring and communicate to the world. May Your love define us as Christians, made in Your image and likeness. Amen. ©LPi



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# **Breakfast!**



May 18, 2025



9:00 AM - 12:30 PM

St. Francis of Assisi Church, St. Francis

#### Free Will Offering

Proceeds to support youth from the Elmdale, St. Francis, and Upsala parishes attending the Steubenville Youth Conference

Pancakes (w/fruit toppings, syrup, whipped



Hash browns, sweet bread

and beverages

Thank you for your support!

# Readings Week

Sunday: Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 (see 1)/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3 -4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-

2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a,

2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10

and 12/Jn 15:12-17

**Saturday:** Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2,

3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

**Sunday:** Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2 -3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn

14:23-29



#### **Missionary Visit**

We will have 2 Sisters of the Emmanuel visiting us the weekend of May 31st-June 1st who need a place to stay. If you have a spare room or 2 with beds, will you please consider hosting them? Please call the parish office if you are able to host them.

Weekly Offering

PARISH INCOME: May 11, 2025

AS \$4,383.00

IC \$1,150.00

SC \$2,082.00

Thank you for your generosity!

"For where your treasure is, there

## Parish News & Events



#### **Baby Bottle Fund Raiser**

St. Isidore's council will be handing out baby bottles on Mother's Day weekend Masses. We are seeking donations for the Pregnancy Resource Center and Elevate Resource Center (formerly Birthline). We wish to have the bottles returned by Father's Day weekend. We really appreciate your participation in this event. These donations help lots of people, while promoting the choice for life. Thank you all!

#### **Christian Women**

If you would like to join, call the contact person from your parish:

All Saints Christian Mothers/
Women/Rosary Sodality:
Teresa Ripplinger 320-247-2990
Karen Solarz 320-250-6903
St. Anna Christian Mothers:
Bernie Larkey 320-345-0755
Betty Hartung 320-356-7419
St. Wendel Christian Women:
Sue Burg 320-250-8810

Women's Group: Mon., May 19th
We will meet from 10 - 11 a.m. at
All Saints- St. Mary's basement.
All women are invited to join in!

The Thursday Morning Book Group May 22nd All men & women are welcome to meet in the community room at Fairview Apartments (111 - 3rd St. Holdingford) from 9:45-11:00 a.m. contact Susan Heroux 320-224-

#### **Updating Parish Registries**

We are updating our parish registry by removing those who are postcollege from their parent's profiles. If you are post college age and want to remain a parishioner, please call the office to become a registered member of the parish. Thank you!

#### **Memorial Day**

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Please note: there will be no Adoration at All Saints on Memorial Day, Monday, May 26th. <u>The Parish</u> Office will also be closed. Thank you!

#### On the Road Mass

Join us this summer for On the Road Masses for prayer and fellowship. If anyone would like to sign-up to host an On the Road Mass please call the Parish office to schedule. **This is an event for the whole family**. It is not required that the hosts provide food.

#### Men's Group

Need some support and inspiration? Our men's group meets every Saturday at 8:30 a.m. at All Saints-St. Mary's Basement.

#### St. Columbkille

#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM



William Bruce Harren
Son of Steve & Maria
May 10, 2025

#### **All Saints**

#### Fellowship: May 18th

Donuts, snacks, coffee, and juice will be served after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Come down for a special treat & the last fellowship until September. Hope to see you there!

## Christian Mothers/Women/ Rosary Sodality

#### Please note:

Due to activities being held at the High School on May 19th, our meeting is rescheduled for June 2nd at All Saints - St Mary's at 6:30 p.m. starting with the Rosary and meeting to follow. Thank you! Hope to see you there!



Marríage Banns II
May 31, 2025

Elizabeth Solarz & Abraham Barnard

#### **Immaculate Conception**

#### Fatima Rosary Procession! May 18th

Join us after the 10am Mass at Immaculate Conception in St. Anna. All welcome to this great family event sponsored by the Christian Mothers.

#### Christian Mothers

The Christian Mothers are having their annual Memorial Weekend Bake Sale on May 25, 2025. Please make your favorite items and bring them to the church basement by 9:15 a.m. on May 25th.

#### **Parish Bazaar News**

Our parish bazaar on Sunday, June 29th is approaching fast!
The raffle books, worker's list and important updated bazaar information are ready for parishioners to pick up in the entryway of the church. Please contact Brenda Dobis at 241-6962 for extra raffle tickets.
All raffle tickets must be returned to the quilt and raffle stand by the 5:00 p.m. drawing.

# Prize donations needed: Deadline – Sunday, June 15

<u>Country Store</u> - Canned goods, candles, jewelry, jellies, plants, gently used household items, no broken items accepted.

<u>Paddle Wheel</u> - Adult gifts such as as garden items, movie passes, gas or retail gift cards

<u>Kids Games</u> - Suitable for children – coloring books, crayons, markers, reading books, Summer items: bubbles, sunglasses, sand pail sets, beach and water toys.

<u>Silent Auction</u> – Gift certificates, Large hand crafted items: dish towels, wood items etc., Contact Pat Schmainda, 320-420-6774

\*\*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 15 to allow ample time for chairpersons to label and organize them. If you are unable to bring your donations on Sunday morning, please contact Pat Schmainda at 320-420-6774 to make other arrangements. Thank you for your generosity!

	Mass Schedule		
Mon. May 19	No Mass		SAINT
Tues. May 20	St. Bernadine of Siena, Priest 7:00 p.m. St. Columbkille	† Donald Warzecha	BERNARDINE of SIENA
Wed. May 21	St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, & Companions, Martyrs 8:00 a.m. All Saints—St. Hedwig's	† Gene Breth	
Thur. May 22	St. Rita of Cascia, Religoius 8:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception & Adoration	† Carl & Lorraine Ruprecht	ST. CHRISTOPHER MAGALLANES
Fri. May 23	No Mass		PRIEST AND MARTYR
Sat. May 24	5:00 p.m. St. Columbkille	† Kevin Phillipp	
Sun. May 25	Sixth Sunday of Easter 8:00 a.m. All Saints 10:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception	† James Wenderski For the People	St. ORita OF CASCIA

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

#### Youth Fundraiser

Youth will be selling meat sticks following Masses on May 17th and 18th. Please support our young people!

<u>Totus Tuus</u>, a summer Catholic youth program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic Faith through evangelization, catechesis, Christian witness, and Eucharistic worship will be the week of July 6th-11th at St. Mary's Church in Upsala. Shanna Dobmeier is our coordinator: shannamaryd@gmail.com (320) 733-0761. Registration and T-shirt order forms are in the entry of church.es.



#### **Vocations Camp - Called to Adventure**

Kevin and Jacinita Kroll are hosting a vocations camp for young men in our parishes! The camp will start on June 24th at 10a.m. (drop off beginning at 9:30am) and will conclude on June 25th at 9 p.m. There will be Mass, competitions/challenges, swimming, delicious food, and multiple priests will come to talk about Astronomy, drones, and other hobbies some of our Diocesan Priests have. All young men grades 7th-12th are invited to attend but there will be a cap as to how many they can hold so call the office to reserve your spot! If you would like to donate food or money to the camp, please call Jan Krych at the Parish Office.

#### **Holy Family Mini-Fest-For the Whole Family!**

Help bring Holiness Home this August 15-17th at the Holy Family Mini Fest in Little Falls, MN. To learn more www.havenofmercycatholic.org/mini-family-fest.

<u>Thank you</u> to everyone who helped make this years Faith Formation a big success! Thank you Katrina Kolles, Jenny Revermann, Bob Vouk, Katie Urbanski, all the teachers, helpers & Students. Much time and effort went in to preparing our students for Sacraments and to grow stronger in their faith. Special thank you to Fr. Gregory and Deacon Dan. Please pray that our students will continue to learn more and participate in Mass and parish gatherings.. May God bless them!