



Alleluia!

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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 Ascension of the Lord
June 1, 2025

The Christian Women are growing!



Congratulations!

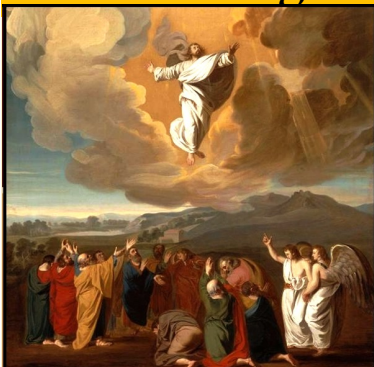
New members of the Christian Mothers/Women/Rosary Sodality for All Saints

(Back left to right) Melissa Swenson, Lisa Bertum, Angie Lichy, Amanda Thompson, Christy Kierzek, Sidney Ebneth (Front left to right) Katie Hellmann, Janessa Sobania, Janel Heinen, Jessica Wells, Ruby Eiden, and Katrina Kolles.

New members of the Christian Mothers for Immaculate Conception, St. Anna:

Rachelle Schmit and Becky Dobis. Thank you to Bernie Larkey for all her continued generous service to the Christian Mothers. Thank you to Fr. Gregory for blessing them after Mass.

New Evangelization Corner



Ascension of the Lord

ASCENSION: the act of rising to a higher level

On this day, Jesus was taken up to Heaven in his resurrected body in the presence of his apostles 40 days after the resurrection of Jesus (Easter).

Biblical References:

While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. (Lk 24:51)

So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven and sat down at the right hand of God. (Mk 16:19) As the apostles were watching, Jesus was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven" Acts 1:9-11

The ascension is also professed in the Nicene Creed and in the Apostles' Creed: "He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father..." ~ Archdiocese of Toronto
Jesus remains present and active in the affairs of human history through the power and the gifts of his Spirit; he is beside each of us even if we do not see him with our eyes, He is there!

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 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, Emily Rudnicki & Kelly Welle

May you receive God's Complete Healing:

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!



Listen to the Rosary

led by Fr. Gregory and
Fr. Mark Stang on KASM
1150 AM at 6:00 p.m. daily.



Proudly Airing Relevant Radio™

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 in
his prayers. Night Prayer is
added to our webpage the
next day to watch anytime.
www.tworiverscatholic.com

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.

"Lord Jesus,
make us capable
of loving
as you love."

— Pope Francis

30 Years in the Priesthood!

Congratulations and blessings to Fr. Gregory who will be celebrating his 30th Anniversary as a priest on Tuesday, June 3rd. There will be a Mass at 5:00 p.m. at All Saints-St. Hedwig's and everyone is invited to attend. Please continue to pray for Father in his priestly ministry.

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.

This committee has now been formed. Please join us in praying for the success of the building project for our new church.

"IN ILLO UNO UNUM—In One, we are one" ~ Pope Leo XIV

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>

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

Why do Catholics need to go to Mass every Sunday?

The heart of the Church's instruction that we are to attend Mass on Sundays goes back to the Third Commandment: "Take care to keep holy the sabbath day as the LORD, your God, has commanded you" (Deuteronomy 5:12). Although the Jewish People celebrate the Sabbath on Saturday, the first generations of Christians began to observe the sabbath on Sunday, recognizing how important it is for Christians to celebrate the day that Jesus rose from the dead. As the United States Catholic Catechism for Adults observes, "Sunday extends the celebration of Easter throughout the year ... It makes present the new creation brought about by Christ" (364).

The focus of our Sunday should be the celebration of the Eucharist in the Mass. This is our time to be formed by God's Word and nourished at the table of the Lord, becoming prepared to live out and share our faith in the week that follows. In his encyclical, *Dies Domini*, Pope Saint John Paul II reminded us that Christians "cannot live their faith or share fully in the life of the Christian community unless they take part regularly in the Sunday Eucharistic assembly" (no. 81). This is why the Church teaches us that Sunday Mass is a non-negotiable part of being a Christian (see *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 2192).

Beyond being a time of worship, we should also remember that Sunday is intended to be a day of rest, when we make time for recreation, for sharing meals, and enjoying the company of friends and family. Sunday is given to us as a day to take stock of and enjoy the blessings that God has given us (see *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 2187). Pope Francis reminds us, "The day of rest, centered on the Eucharist, sheds its light on the whole week, and motivates us to greater concern for nature and the poor" (*Laudato Si'*, no. 237). ©LPi

Praise Him always!

Readings of the Week

Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25

Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 *Extended Vigil:* Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/ Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/

Men's Group

Start something new this summer.

Join our Men's Group! All men are welcome for prayer and discussion. We meet every Saturday at 8:30 a.m. at All Saints-St. Mary's Basement. This is a great way to grow in your faith!

Ordinations: June 7th

Deacon Nathaniel Daubner and Deacon Joseph VanDenheuvel will be ordained to the priesthood.

Permanent Diaconate ordination:

June 15th

Both events are at 10:30 a.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Mary, St. Cloud.



Weekly Offering

PARISH INCOME: May 25, 2025

AS \$	Unavailable due to
IC \$	Memorial Day
SC \$	

Thank you for your generosity!

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

Parish News & Events



Knights of Columbus
St. Isidore Council # 9307

Baby Bottle Fund Raiser

St. Isidore's council handed out baby bottles on Mother's Day Masses to collect donations for the Pregnancy Resource Center and Elevate. Please return your filled bottles 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.

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.

Women's Group: Mon., June 2nd

We will meet from 10 - 11 a.m. at All Saints- St. Mary's basement. All women are invited to join in!

All Saints

The All Saints Christian Mothers/ Women and Rosary Sodality

meeting will be on June 2nd at All Saints St Mary's basement. Prayers and Rosary are at 6:30 pm, meeting at 7 pm. We would like to WELCOME the new members to their first meeting to see what meetings are like and share their new ideas.

Immaculate Conception

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM



Emma Jane Skroch
Daughter of Dan & Cortney
May 25, 2025



Thank you to the men who worked to add the rock around the Arban Altar and those who donated. It looks great!



Thursday, June 26th: St. Cloud DCCW FUN, FOOD, & FUND DAY!

Please join us at St. James Parish (403 E. Minn. Ave., Randall, MN) for this event sponsored by the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women North western Deanery

8:30 a.m. Registration & Refreshments

9:00 a.m. Welcome

Entertainment & Games

11:00 a.m. Mass

12:00 Lunch

Rosary & Musical Sing-A-Long

9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Silent Auction

Send \$20 Registration to St. Cloud DCCW: 14267 Fairway Lane, Becker, MN 55308 (\$25 after 6/10). Contact: Teresa (320) 247-2990 for questions.

St. Columbkille

May Eternal Rest be granted to:



George Theodore Kierzek
Passed: May 23, 2025
Funeral: May 28, 2025

The St. Wendel Christian Women will be holding a REGULAR meeting on June 10th at 6:30 in the room behind the sacristy. There's lots of discussion. All women are invited.

Raffle

St. Columbkille Parish will once again be holding a raffle. Over 10,000 dollars in prizes and only 200 tickets will be sold at the price of \$100 a ticket. The drawing will be held on Saturday July 19th after Mass. Please contact Lloyd Koopmeiners at 267-5679 or Maury Meyer at 290 1283 if you would like to buy a raffle ticket.



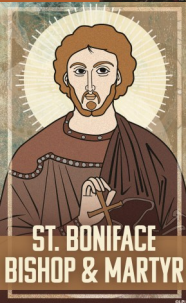
Parish Bazaar News

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.

Prizes are needed for: The Country Store, Paddle Wheel, Kids' Games & Silent Auction by June 15th:

Canned goods, candles, jewelry, gently used household items (not broken), jellies, plants, garden items, movie passes, gas or retail gift cards, embroidered hand towels, hand crafted furniture, coloring books, crayons, markers, reading books, Summer items: bubbles, sunglasses, sand pail sets, beach and water toys.

****Please bring your donations labeled "Bazaar prizes" to the church basement before or after the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass. If you are unable to bring your donations on Sunday morning, please contact Pat Schmainda at 320-420-6774 to arrange a pick-up time. Thank you for your generosity!**

	<h1>Mass Schedule</h1>		 <p>SAINT Charles Lwanga and Companions, MARTYRS</p>
Mon. June 2	<i>Sts. Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs</i> 8:00 a.m. St. Columbkille & Adoration	† Marvin Kremers	 <p>ST. BONIFACE BISHOP & MARTYR</p>
Tues. June 3	<i>St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs</i> 5:00 p.m. All Saints-St. Hedwig's	In Thanksgiving of Father's 30th Anniversary of Ordination	
Wed. June 4	8:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Mary & Adoration	† Deceased members of the Harlander and Breth Families	 <p>ST. NORBERT FEAST DAY JUNE 6</p>
Thur. June 5	<i>St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr</i> 8:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception & Adoration	† Anton & Bernice Woitalla	
Fri. June 6	<i>St. Norbert, Bishop</i> No Mass		
Sat. June 7	5:00 p.m. St. Columbkille	† Terry Morgel	
Sun. June 8	<i>Pentecost Sunday</i> 8:00 a.m. All Saints 10:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception	For the People † Tom Ruprecht	

The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth. (Ps 97)

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



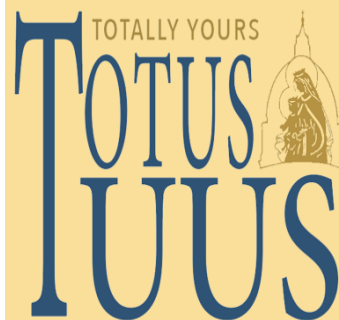
Vocations Camp - Called to Adventure

Keven & Jacinta Kroll are hosting a vocations camp for young men in our parishes! The camp will start on June 24th at 10:00 a.m. (drop off beginning a 9:30 a.m.) and will conclude on June 25th at 9:00 p.m. If you would like to donate food or money to the camp, please call Jan Krych at the Parish Office.

Please keep our campers and those leading them in your prayers. May the Holy Spirit surround and inspire them to listen to God's plan.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." (Rv 22:13)

Frassati Outdoor Club Summer Festival Join us on August 1st-3rd as we travel to Duluth for a Catholic Adventure Pilgrimage to honor the Canonization of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati. There will be Mass & Prayers and opportunities for hiking, camping & water sports. On Sunday evening there is a Bonfire Jubilee Reception at the St. Scholastica College Science Center Plaza. For lodging and other details contact Rachelle: Call 230-9837 or text 200-8331. Blessed Pier Giorgio is known for his joyful spirit serving others with a generous heart.



Totus Tuus, 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 churches. Help your children grow in their faith this summer!

"I have given them the glory you gave me, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may be brought to perfection as one." Jn 17:22



Holy Baptism
Children gathering close to watch Father Gregory baptize Emma Jane Skroch. "Let the little children come to me..."