

The Catholic Communities of Holdingford, St. Anna and St. Wendel *All Saints, Holdingford* *Immaculate Conception, St. Anna* *St. Columbkille, St. Wendel* *Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time* *August 3, 2025*

Central Office in Holdingford

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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!

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New Evangelization Corner

The Immaculate Heart of Mary

Across August, we revere the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and this was at the center of the messages of Our Lady of Fatima in 1917, the most extraordinary supernatural event since the Resurrection. She spoke of it repeatedly, and with the June 13th apparition, Our Lady showed her Immaculate Heart in the palm of her hand to Lucia, Jancinta, and Francisco. When she said to the children, *in the end, my Immaculate Heart will triumph*, all of us received one of the most important promises to ever come from Heaven.

And 100 years ago on December 10th, Our Lady appeared again to Lucia at a convent in Pontevedra Spain with the child Jesus who said *Have compassion on the Heart of your most Holy Mother, covered with thorns with which ungrateful men pierce It at every moment, and there is no one to make an act of reparation to remove them*. Three months later, Jesus appeared to her again with an urgent request to promote the Five First Saturday Devotion, and Lucia did what she was told for the rest of her long life on earth.

We helped atone for the five grievous offenses against the Immaculate Heart of Mary: blasphemies against her Immaculate Conception, Perpetual Virginity, Divine Maternity, insults against her Holy Image, and the stirring of indifference, scorn, and even hatred in children.

Seek them out, the way our Blessed Mother is endlessly seeking us out and striving to lead our human hearts to the Sacred Heart of her Son our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. ~Jeff Johnson

Prayer Lines

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.

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

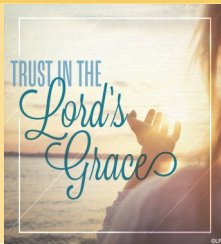
Val Hommerding (320) 746-9921

Immaculate Conception: Call or text

Marissa Studniski (507) 848-1104

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

& Susan Opatz (320) 363-8160



May you receive God's Complete Healing:



Carol Kuklok, Keith Woitalla, Amy Ostendorf,
Fr. Gregory, Jayne Wruck, Katie Yurczyk, Claude
Opatz, Jim Ruprecht, Jerome Young, Darlene

Young, Craig Knudtson, Theresa Johannes, Darlene Salitros, Nancy
Linz, Brenda Dobis, Abby Doll, Patricia Caspers, Alan (Pebbles)
Pueringer, Linda Harren, Grant Kiley & Debra Knapp

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!



Proudly Airing Relevant Radio™

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

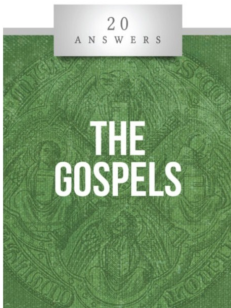
Rural Life Radio Show on
KYES 1180 or 93.5 FM at
8:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m. and
11:00 p.m. Friday.

Night Prayer

Join Fr. Gregory in prayer
most nights at 9:00 p.m. on
his Facebook page. We are
averaging 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.
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New Inspiration from our Kiosks: Grow in Your Faith

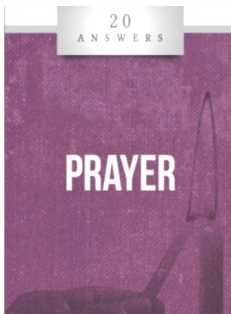


The Good News Starts Here

Can we really know who wrote the Gospels and when? What are some of the different ways that Matthew, Mark, Luke and John tell the story of Jesus? Why are other ancient 'gospels' not part of the canon of the Bible? Did the Church try to suppress them? How can the Gospels be inspired when there are so many differences and contradictions in them especially between the synoptics and John? In this booklet you'll find smart,

solid answers to these questions and many more.

Almost everything we know about Jesus and his ministry on earth comes from these four short books that Christians revere as the culmination of God's saving revelation to humanity. They are the most studied and discussed documents in the world. ~Catholic Answers



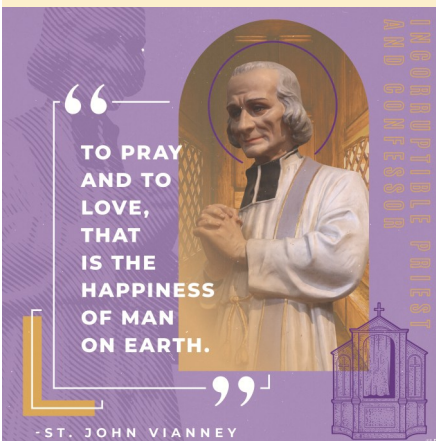
Ascending in Hope

What are the different kinds of prayer? I prayed for something and God didn't grant it. Why? Doesn't the Bible condemn repetitious prayers like the rosary? Why do I have to say traditional prayers in a church instead of just talking to God in my own way? Prayer is the Christian's source of strength and peace, a channel of grace, a medium of joy and consolation. By it

we open our minds to the One who made us and loves us, to give him praise and thanks and to tell him our needs. And we also open our hearts to him, asking him for wisdom and direction in our life. But prayer doesn't always come easily, especially when we have questions about how or why we should do it. **20 Answers: Prayer** addresses some of the most common questions, giving you profitable understanding of what prayer is. ~Catholic Answers Find pamphlets on The Gospels and Prayer in the Kiosks in the entry of our churches as well as such topics as: Salvation, Conversion, The Church, The Mass, & The Rosary.

Building our New Church

Pray for the success of the building of our new church. Decisions made now will ensure the strength of our Faith Community for generations to come!



A Prayer For the Building of Our New Church

Heavenly Father,
send your Holy Spirit upon us, your people.
Give us vision to seek your truth,
and the courage to lovingly accept your will,
Guide us in the decisions we must make,
that the work we do now,
in building our new place of worship,
will ensure the presence of
Your reign on earth.
Help us to see that what we must build
is not just brick and stone,
but love, compassion,
and understanding among all people.
We make this prayer through
Jesus Christ,
Your Son, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
~ prayer from StPatricksBR@archtoronto.org

Readings of the Week

Monday: Nm 11:4b-15/Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mt 14:13-21
Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36
Thursday: Nm 20:1-13/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 16:13-23
Friday: Dt 4:32-40/Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16 and 21/Mt 16:24-28
Saturday: Dt 6:4-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47 and 51/Mt 17:14-20
Sunday: Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 (12b)/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

St. Francis of Assisi 69th Annual Fall Festival Sunday, August 24, 2025

Mass at 10:00 am in air conditioned church
Music led by LaVerne and the Starlites

After Mass, join us for a roast beef and ham dinner with all the fixings, serving indoors and outdoors, starting at 11 am.

Silent Auction throughout the day.

Grand Raffle at 7:00 pm
100+ prizes!

Live Music all day by LaVerne and the Starlites
then Eagle Valley Playboys Polka
sponsored by Freeport State Bank

- Food Stand
- Kids Games
- Bingo
- Straw Stand
- Fancywork and more
- Country Store
- Cake Walk
- Fried Bread
- Pull Tabs

Fun for the whole family!



Weekly Offering

PARISH INCOME: July 27, 2025

AS \$ Unavailable due to
IC \$ early bulletin
SC \$

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

Parish News & Events

Office Hours

Until our new secretary arrives, Office Hours will be on Wednesdays from 10am-3pm. If there is a death or emergency, please call the rectory phone and leave a message. The messages at the office will be checked weekly. Thank you!

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Ps 90)

Seek Conference

We are planning a young adult trip (18-40) to SEEK conference in Columbus, Ohio from Dec. 31st - Jan. 5th. Text or call Marissa Throener for more details. (320) 630-2433.

On the Road Mass

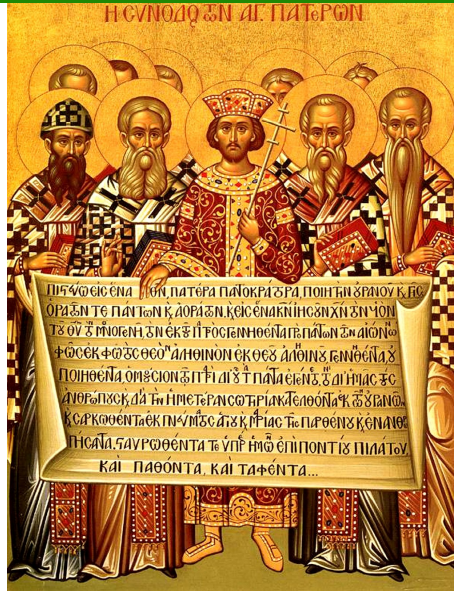
Join us this summer for On the Road Masses for prayer and fellowship. If anyone would like to sign-up to host an On the Road Mass please call the Parish office to schedule. **This is an event for the whole family.**

ACC Listening Sessions

All members of the Mary and the Saints ACC are invited to join the All Things New planning committee for a listening session. We will share information we have and listen to your suggestions about vibrancy and the future of our church. Members from any of our 6 parishes can attend one or both of our sessions: **Sunday, August 17th** at 2:00 p.m. in Upsala at the St. Mary's Church in the Assumption Hall
Thursday, August 28th at 7:00 p.m. in Holdingford at All Saints St. Mary's church basement.

Rural Catholic Middle Ages Singles Group: August 9th

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.



Nicene Creed

We all mark time with anniversaries and birthdays, and of course this is especially true of our great Catholic Church. 1700 years ago, this past June in the year 325, Emperor Constantine summoned many Catholic Bishops to assemble in Nicaea to clarify the totality of our beliefs with a single prayer. This was a turbulent time in the early Church because many heresies were flourishing, most notably Arianism which argued that Christ was not divine. Blessed by the Holy Spirit, those bishops led by Eusebius of Caesarea wrote the first version of the Nicene Creed which Catholics pray at every Mass, and it really is a wonderful summary of everything we believe! While we pray for their conversion to the one true Church of Christ, it is a comfort to know that many Christian denominations pray it right along with us at their services.

Women's Group: Mon., August 4th

New members always welcome to stop by. We will meet from 10 - 11 a.m. at All Saints- St. Mary's basement. All women are invited to join!

Men's Group

Join our Men's Group! 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!

For what profit comes to man from all the toil and anxiety of heart with which he has labored under the sun?
(Ecc 2:22)

A ministry of All Saints, Immaculate Conception, and St. Columbkille

Martha's Meals

Meals for those welcoming a child through birth, adoption, or fostering and those suffering a miscarriage or loss of a child.

Volunteer or request meals by emailing marthasmeals125@gmail.com or by calling 320-228-0105

Immaculate Conception

St. Anna Bazaar

Post Bazaar Meeting will be Monday Aug 4th at 6:30 p.m. in the church basement. All chair people are asked to attend. New people are always welcome. Thank you!

All Saints


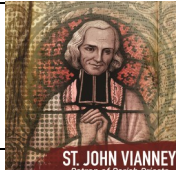
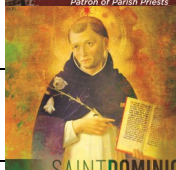
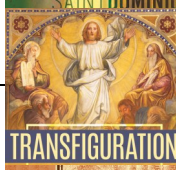
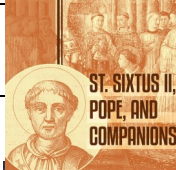

Flowers for church

If you have fresh cut flowers and you would like to bring some bouquets to All Saints- St. Mary's, please call Joan Frie 320-241-3264. The decorators would love to use your bouquets in decorating the church throughout the summer.

St. Columbkille

Turkey Raffle

St. Columbkille Christian Women are looking for donations for the Annual Turkey Bingo Raffle. If you would like to donate, please call Stephanie Gerken at 320-290-1646 or Sue Burg at 320-250-8810 by Aug. 10th.

	<h1>Mass Schedule</h1>		 ST. JOHN VIANNEY Patron of Parish Priests
Mon. Aug. 4	<i>St. John Vianney, Priest</i> 8:00 a.m. St. Columbkille	† Joseph Pogatchnik	 SAINT DOMINIC
Tues. Aug. 5	<i>The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major</i> 7:00 p.m. On the Road Mass	Ed & Amy Notsch 33026 Nettle Road St. Joseph, MN	 TRANSFIGURATION
Wed. Aug. 6	<i>The Transfiguration of the Lord</i> 8:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Mary's & Adoration	† George Eiden	 ST. SIXTUS II, POPE, AND COMPANIONS
Thur. Aug. 7	<i>St. Sixtus II, Pope & Companions, Martyrs, St. Cajetan, Priest</i> 8:00 Immaculate Conception & Adoration	† Mary Rausch	 St. Teresa Benedicta OF THE CROSS
Fri. Aug. 8	<i>St. Dominic, Priest</i> 8:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Mary	† George Bieniek	
Sat. Aug. 9	<i>St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin & Martyr</i> 5:00 p.m. St. Columbkille	For the People	
Sun. Aug. 10	<i>Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 8:00 a.m. All Saints 10:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception	† Roman & Sophie Zwak † Christine Maleska	

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

Teach our children about our Catholic Faith. Teaching our faith helps you grow in your faith!

It is that time of summer again! The Faith Formation program will be looking for volunteers in August. Please prayerfully consider teaching or helping in a classroom this year. Contact: Katrina Kolles (320) 292-1575

Parents are the first catechists, first evangelizers and their children's first teachers. The Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC 2221-2231) spells out in great detail what is expected of the parents in the education of the children. The first thing parents need to teach their children is to live as children of God (CCC 2222). This means being obedient to the Father in Heaven and putting God's will first in everything. This could only be done by example.



Steubenville 2025 Thank you to Fr. Gregory, chaperones, Shelley Vouk & all who made this retreat possible. Pray for our Youth to be on fire with their faith!

