



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

*All Saints, Holdingford  
Immaculate Conception, St. Anna  
St. Columbkille, St. Wendel  
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 7, 2025*

## Central Office in Holdingford

**Hours:** Mon.-Wed. 10—3, Thurs. 1 - 5

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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**

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**Holdingford, MN 56340**



**Saint Cloud** was born in 522 A.D. He was the grandson of Clovis, founder of the Kingdom of the Franks, and his wife Saint Clothilde. Following the death of his parents, Cloud and his two brothers were cared for by their grandmother, Saint Clothilde, the widowed queen. Upon his father's death, Cloud's uncles sought to seize his father's throne by plotting the murder of Cloud and his two brothers. They succeeded in killing his brothers, but Saint Cloud escaped and sought sanctuary with Saint Remigius, the Bishop of Rheims, located a short distance from Paris. During these formative years he drew closer to God through silence and solitude. Although this life-style was forced upon him by his uncles' plot to murder him, Cloud grew to appreciate his separation from the world and a life of silence. And so, Cloud grew from childhood into young manhood under the guidance and protection of the holy bishop and his sainted grandmother. At the age of twenty, Saint Cloud left his hermitage, appeared before the Bishop of Paris surrounded by religious and civic leaders and members of the royal family — his royal family. Remember, Cloud was a prince and heir to the throne! He clothed himself in royal robes and carried a scissor in one hand and a coarse garment in the other. He offered the coarse garment to the bishop who clothed him with it as a symbol of his preferred "spiritual" rather than "material" riches. With the scissors, the bishop cut Cloud's long hair, which was a symbol of his royalty. In the silence and solitude of his hermitage, Cloud had established priorities in his life. He had learned the difference between true and false pleasures. **Sept. 7th is a solemnity** in the parishes within the city of St. Cloud since he is the patron of the city. ~ stcdio.org



## New Evangelization Corner

### Meet our New Evangelization Coordinator/Youth Minister



Our new evangelist and youth minister, Doug Herbek, is attending St. John's University in Collegeville. Previously, he worked in Youth Development as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Morocco, and as a teacher at a Catholic middle school in Chicago. More recently, in California, he was a Benedictine monk at a monastic retreat center, helping give retreats and extending hospitality to retreatants. Now a lay person, when he is not studying for his classes, he enjoys reading, watching movies,

going for walks outside, and learning new things. He is excited to start serving in our community, though he is part-time, working 10 hours per week. He wants to host the kind of faith conversations and retreats you want to have, so let him know what you want to talk about! (Look for the short questionnaire in the Youth Ministry section of this week's bulletin—after you've completed it, feel free to tear it out of the bulletin, and put it into the collection basket at Mass).

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.

### 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



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 Pueringer, Linda Harren, Grant Kiley, Delrose Symanietz & Don Elfering



Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? (Lk 14:27-28)

### 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!



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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 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](http://www.tworiverscatholic.com)



### Sept. 12th is the Feast of the Most Holy Name of Mary

There are hundreds of titles for Mary the Mother of God. Why are there

so many different names for one person? Each title reveals to us a different aspect of Mary's character and allows us to connect with her in a more personal way. What should you call Mary? That can change over time depending on your life circumstances. If you are in a stressful situation;

### Queen of Peace

Mary, Queen of Peace, be my comforter in times of trouble. Lead me closer to the Prince of Peace. I ask for your intercession in times of anger, anxiety and distress. Put your loving mantle over me and guide me. Bring peace to my soul, my home and throughout the world. Help me come to know you better as the Queen of Peace. Amen. ~ [Catholic-link.org/which-title-of-mary-will-you-identify-with-the-most-personality-quiz](http://Catholic-link.org/which-title-of-mary-will-you-identify-with-the-most-personality-quiz).



## News & Events

### Frassati Outdoor Club Event

Journey in the beauty of the Boundary Waters hiking the terrain and canoeing the pristine blue waters in Catholic Adventure with the Frassati Outdoor Club. Sept 11-13. Bunk-house Lodging (\$225) for ages 18+. Text Rachelle for details & RSVP to (320) 200-8331. We would love to add new members to our group!

### Central MN Koinonia

Are you seeking spiritual direction in your faith life and are experiencing growing pains along the way?

Central Minnesota Koinonia is a Catholic retreat program that can help you find your way. Sponsored by the St. Cloud Diocese and designed for adults, the next weekend is scheduled for September 19-21, 2025, at the TEC Center north of Little Falls, Minnesota. Cost of the weekend is \$70. Visit: [www.centralmnkoinonia.org](http://www.centralmnkoinonia.org)

### World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly: Sept. 7th

Grant, O Lord of life,  
That we may savor every season of our lives as a gift filled with promise for the future.

Grant that we may lovingly accept your will, and place ourselves each day in your merciful hands.

And when the moment of our definitive "passage" comes, grant that we may face it with serenity, without regret for what we shall leave behind.

For in meeting you, after having sought you for so long, we shall find once more every authentic good which we have known here on earth, in the company of all who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith and hope.

Mary, Mother of pilgrim humanity, pray for us" now and at the hour of our death." Keep us ever close to Jesus, your beloved Son and our brother, the Lord of life and glory. Amen!  
~ St. John Paul II, Letter to the Elderly

**Happy Grandparents Day!**

### St. Cloud DCCW

The annual Fall Conference of the St. Cloud Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will be held Saturday, Sept. 20th at the Church of St. Benedict (212 1st Street SW, Avon) from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Registration of \$20 payable to St. Cloud DCCW is due by Sept. 10th. Mail to Sue Burg (39006 Co. Road 151, Avon, MN 56310; \$25 after Sept. 10th or at the door.

### **Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) Collection: Sept. 20th & 21st**

CCHD is the domestic anti-poverty office of the U.S. bishops, focusing on poverty, education, outreach, and grants to grassroots organizations working to address poverty across the U.S. Funds collected are used for grants locally and nationally, with a *minimum of 25% of all funds raised in our parishes remaining in our diocese to help local organizations.*

*Special collection envelopes are in your parish packets already. For additional information contact: [Kateri.Mancini@gw.stcdio.org](mailto:Kateri.Mancini@gw.stcdio.org).*

### Beacon of Hope 14th Annual Kyes

**Benefit** Join us on Friday, September 26th St. Francis Xavier Church in Sartell for a Social Hour at 6:00 p.m. and Program featuring Bishop Patrick Neary, and our Keynote speaker Glen Lewerenz at 7:00 p.m. Light Snacks & beverages will be provided. Visit: [kyesradio.com/2025-benefit-registration/](http://kyesradio.com/2025-benefit-registration/).

Perhaps this is why he was away from you for a while, that you might have him back forever. (Phil 1:15)

### **Suicide Healing and Remembrance Weekend: Sept. 27th & 28th**

*Bishop Neary will have a Mass for Suicide Healing and Remembrance at St. Mary's Cathedral on Sat., Sept. 27 at 5:00 p.m.*

## Readings of the Week

**Monday:** Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/  
Ps 13:6ab, 6c/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

**Tuesday:** Col 2:6-15/Ps 62:6-7, 9/Lk 6:12-19

**Wednesday:** Col 3:1-11/Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab/Lk 6:20-26

**Thursday:** Col 3:12-17/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 6:27-38

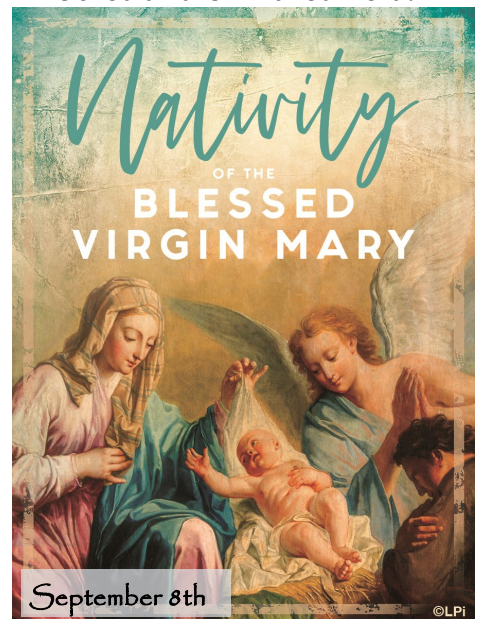
**Friday:** 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11/Lk 6:39-42

**Saturday:** 1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7/Lk 6:43-49

**Sunday:** Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

### Inspiration of the Week

Today, Jesus tells us the cost of true discipleship - and it turns out, it's everything. We must reject the world in order to love God. What attachments are holding us back from the relationship we could have - we should have - with our Lord?



### Weekly Offering

**PARISH INCOME: August 31, 2025**

AS \$ 3,019.00

IC \$ 1,334.50

SC \$ 1,599.00

**Thank you for your generosity!**

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

## Parish News & Events

### Thursday Morning Book Group

**Sept. 11th** All men & women are welcome to meet in the community room at the Fairview Apartments (111 -3rd St. Holdingford) from 9:45-11:00 a.m. on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays of the month.

### Rural Catholic Middle Ages Singles Group: September 13th

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.

### Men's Group

Join our Men's Group! We meet Saturdays at 8:30 a.m. at All Saints-St. Mary's Basement. This is a great way to grow in your faith!

In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge. (Ps 90)

### St. Columbkille

**Christian Women** will be having a meeting on Tuesday, September 9th at 6:30 p.m. in the room behind the sacristy. All women are invited.



**The Christian Women Turkey Bingo party** is set for October 5th and starts at 1:00 p.m. in the

church basement. A raffle will follow bingo. Tickets will be \$2.00 a piece. That day we will have door prizes, a bake sale and refreshments. Contact Stephanie Gertken at 320-290-1646. or Sue Burg at 320-250-8810 for questions.

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM



Wyatt Theodore Skroch  
Son of Jeremy & Abigail  
August 30, 2025

### All Saints

#### All Saints Christian Mothers/Women/Rosary Sodality Annual Rummage Sale

will be at All Saints-St. Hedwig's Church basement over MEA week. This is a FREE-WILL sale so "One person's unneeded item might be a treasure for another," All proceeds benefit our youth. Sale dates:

Oct. 16th 7:30 a.m.- 6:30 p.m

Oct. 17th 7:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Oct. 18th 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Oct. 19th 10:00 a.m. - noon

Clean, gently used items may be dropped off at the All Saints- St. Hedwig's

basement Oct. 12th thru 14th from

7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Oct. 15th

from 7:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Absolutely

NO major appliances, electronics,

exercise equipment, baby equipment,

headboards or mattresses will be accepted.

DO NOT DROP OFF items OUTSIDE the door at any time.

NO PRE-SALES.

We are also looking for someone to take down chairs Thursday morning at All Saints-St. Hedwig's basement-tables stay. We also need many hands to pack up and haul away remaining items on

Monday the 20th starting at 7:30 a.m.

We'll need 3 pick-up trucks by 9 a.m.

to load and haul away items by 10 a.m.

Goal is to be done packing & cleaning

before noon. If you would like to

volunteer please contact Corrine

Hadrich (320) 310-1260.

**Meeting:** Another enrollment will be on Sept. 21st at 8:00 a.m. Mass. If you would like to be added as a new member contact Corrine Hadrich by **Sept. 10th.** (320) 310-1260.

### Immaculate Conception



#### **Marriage Banns II**

October 4, 2025

Immaculate Conception

Emily Notsch & William Dobmeier

#### **Christian Mother's**

Our next meeting is Sept. 22nd in the church basement at 6:30 p.m. New members welcome!

### Join in our 40 day prayer challenge!

The prayer challenge starts Sunday September 7th, the Feast of St.

Cloud ending on October 16th, the Feast of St. Hedwig.

Everyone, young and old, is invited to pray while you work, exercise, hunt, fish, spend time with family and even while you are relaxing.

This is to help focus on the success of the building of the new church.

The reward is that the more prayers we say the stronger the foundation will be for our new parish and its parishioners.

#### Our First prayer challenge intention:

Breaking down barriers & cultivating unity within our parishes.



Pray  
for Our  
New Church

Here is the fourth prayer composed by the Prayer Committee:

*We come to You seeking guidance as we move forward on the journey to build a new church to meet the needs of our parishioners, families, and community.*

*Open our hearts and minds to Your will for us, give us attentive understanding to one another, grateful generosity, and a desire to work diligently together. Grant wisdom to our pastor, building committee, architect, and all those working on our project.*

*May this new church endeavor strengthen and unite us, create a space to continue to deepen our faith, celebrate the sacraments and draw us closer to You. We place this project in Your hands, trusting that You will guide us to build a house of worship that serves our community for generations to come.*

*Through Jesus and our Blessed Mother, Mary. Amen.*

*St. Joseph, the Worker, Pray for us!*



# Mass Schedule

<b>Mon. Sept. 8</b>	<i>Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> <b>No Mass</b>	
<b>Tues. Sept. 9</b>	<i>St. Peter Claver, Priest</i> <b>6:30 p.m. On the Road Mass</b>	Gerald Heitzman 15845 County Road 151, Avon, MN 56310 <b>Intention of the Heitzman's</b>
<b>Wed. Sept. 10</b>	<b>8:00 a.m. Mass All Saints-St. Mary &amp; Adoration</b>	† Cyril Feia Jr.
<b>Thur. Sept. 11</b>	<b>2:00 p.m. Immaculate Conception &amp; Adoration</b>	† Roger Blenker
<b>Fri. Sept. 12</b>	<i>The Most Holy Name of Mary</i> <b>8:00 Mass All Saints-St. Mary's</b>	† Vicky Pavlas
<b>Sat. Sept. 13</b>	<i>St. John Chrysostom, Bishop &amp; Doctor of the Church</i> <b>5:00 p.m. St. Columbkille</b>	† Alois Luethmers
<b>Sun. Sept. 14</b>	<i>The Exaltation of the Holy Cross</i> <b>8:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Mary's</b> <b>10:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception</b>	† Tilman Knapp For the People

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

And thus were the paths of those on earth made straight. (Wis 9:18)

### Religious Education Director:

Katrina Kolles 292-1575

[allsaintsff@tworiverscatholic.com](mailto:allsaintsff@tworiverscatholic.com)

### Confirmation Directors:

Bob Vouk 249-3398 &

Jenny Revermann 249-9938

**Assistant:** Katie Urbanski

[confirmation@tworiverscatholic.com](mailto:confirmation@tworiverscatholic.com)

### Teach Children about our Catholic Faith.

We are in need of a 7th grade teacher.

Helpers are needed in all grades.

Contact: Katrina Kolles (320) 292-1575.

### Upcoming Faith Formation Dates:

#### **9/10 Informational Meeting:**

Confirmation at 6:15p.m. at All Saints-St. Mary

K-10 at 6:30 p.m. All Saints-St. Hedwig's.

#### **9/17 & 9/24 Class night for all**

Confirmation at 6:15 p.m. All Saints-St. Mary

K-10 at 6:30 p.m. All Saints- St. Hedwig's

Please welcome Doug Herbek to our parishes!

Our New Evangelization Coordinator would like to know:

*What kind of faith conversations would you like to have?*

*What kinds retreats would you like to go on?*

*What is your favorite way to pray?*

(Return this form in the Collection Basket or Parish Office).