

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

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

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 1, 2026

### 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**

**P.O. Box 308**

**Holdingford, MN 56340**



EPIC youth bowling event. Youth grades 6th-12th come join EPIC at 7:45pm-8:30pm most Wednesday nights ASSH basement led by Doug Herbek.



ACC Middle School Diocesan Winter Spectacular lock-in participants. This event took place at the St. Cloud YMCA January 24th -25th.

## New Evangelization Corner

### Doug Herbek

"For our sake He was presented to the Lord that we may learn to offer ourselves to God."

- Saint Thomas Aquinas

"La Sagrada Familia"  
by Kelly Latimore  
kellylatimoreicons.com (image)



### The Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord

This week, we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord. As Simeon foretold when Mary and Joseph presented Jesus in the Temple, Christ is The Light of all people,<sup>1</sup> symbolized by candles lit and carried during processions on this feast day.

We carry the Light of Christ. If we welcome Jesus into our hearts, the Light of Christ will shine through us, fulfilling Jesus' words, "You are the light of the world."<sup>2</sup>

We are to be light in a world that often seems dark, as we are tempted to despair due to violence of many kinds. War rages in Gaza and Ukraine, making many into refugees. Other violence causes many others to be fearful, including in Minnesota. Yet be of good courage; Jesus has overcome the world.<sup>3</sup> We overcome through the love of God, which is sown in our hearts when we spend time with Jesus every single day, whether in meditating on Scripture or in Eucharistic Adoration. Then we are not anxious, but the peace of God which passes all understanding fills our hearts.<sup>4</sup> Then the love of God is seen in the Light of Christ shining in us; through us God brings peace to our fractured world.

<sup>1</sup> Luke 2:32; <sup>2</sup> Matthew 5:14; <sup>3</sup> John 16:33; <sup>4</sup> Philippians 4:6-7

Sources: vatican.va, uscatholic.org

### 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

 Claude Opatz, Jackie Tempel, Bill Ertl, Brenda Dobis, Jayne Wruck, Donnie Wentland, Josh Wentland, Bridget Williams, Christopher Breth, Carol Kuklok, Curt Johannes, George Platz Sr., Pat Caspers, & Mike Hennen.

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

### Eucharistic Adoration

All Cluster Adoration is every Monday at All Saints—St. Mary'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.



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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.

### 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)



**SAINT AGATHA**  
MARTYR

**Feast Day**  
**February**  
**5th**

Agatha was born in Catania, Sicily, in southern Italy, around the year 230. Like many women of her time, she decided to consecrate her life to Jesus Christ by remaining a virgin.

The governor of Sicily, fell in love with Agatha and sought her in marriage. However, the young woman rejected each of his proposals. The constant refusals greatly annoyed the proconsul who ordered punishment.

Tradition has it that Agatha miraculously survived the horrors and cruelties committed against her, and during the night while she was bleeding to death, St. Peter the Apostle appeared to her to heal her wounds and encourage her to remain steadfast. At dawn, when the guards realized that the woman had recovered, the executioners resumed the tortures and Agatha gave up her life. It was the fifth day of the second month of the year 251.

## News & Events

Catholic Men's Conference  
**February 28 | 8:30 am-4:30 pm**  
Saint John's University, Collegeville

**WALKING TOGETHER AS BROTHERS:**  
A call to authentic accompaniment



**Craig Gould**

Cost: \$40 or  
\$35 each for Group of 5  
\$10 each ages 15-22  
Deadline: Wed., Feb. 12

For more information contact  
Jan (320)258-7615 or  
janzylla@gw.stcdio.org



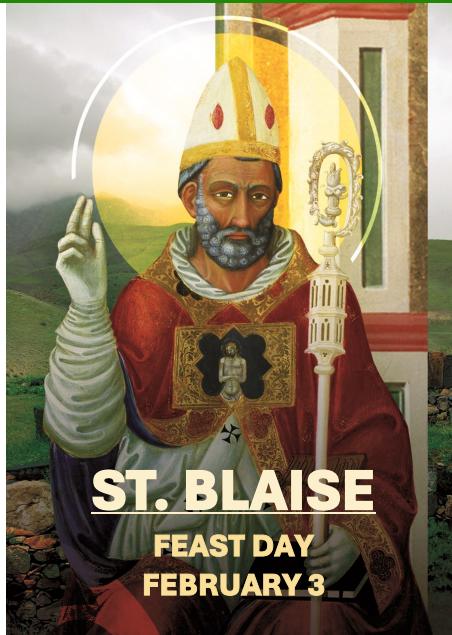
Heavenly Father,  
We come to You with grateful hearts asking Your guidance and blessings. Open our hearts and minds to Your will. We ask the Holy Spirit to help and guide us in building a church where we can deepen our faith, celebrate the sacraments now and for generations to come.

St. Joseph the Worker pray for us.  
Amen

The prayer card above was created for the building of our new parish, by the prayer committee. They are located in the back of each All Saints parish.

Please take one to help build a strong foundation.

**Ordinary Time:** The goal of Ordinary Time is to order our life to Christ's. For a disciple, ordinary time is extraordinary time.



You may be familiar with the annual "blessing of throats" that many parishes in the United States use to commemorate the beloved bishop and martyr. St. Blaise lived in the fourth century in Turkey and Armenia. Due to religious persecution, he was forced to flee and hide in a cave in the back country in order to save his life.

History has it that one day a group of hunters stumbled upon where St. Blaise was living. They found the bishop kneeling in prayer, surrounded by wolves, lions, and bears that he had tamed. The legend has it that as the hunters dragged Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command, the child was able to cough up the bone and thus lived.

Today we remember the saint on his feast day by taking two candles, crossing them against the throat, and saying the following prayer:

Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.  
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## Readings of the Week

**Monday:** Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/  
Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

**Tuesday:** 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a,  
30-19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/  
Mk 5:21-43

**Wednesday:** 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/  
Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 6:1-6

**Thursday:** 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/  
1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/  
Mk 6:7-13

**Friday:** Sir 47:2-11/  
Ps 18:31, 47 and 50, 51/Mk 6:14-29

**Saturday:** 1 Kgs 3:4-13/  
Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/  
Mk 6:30-34

**Sunday:** Is 58:7-10/  
Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/1 Cor 2:1-5/  
Mt 5:13-16

When times feel chaotic, dark & heavy, this may actually be an opportunity or invitation to be an agent of positive change. We all have the ability to create change. Recently a reel was shared on Facebook by Plating Grace with Father Leo. In this reel an immigrant who is a priest, Fr. Leo Patalinghug explains that this is a time to discern issues & not react to them. The best way to do this he explains "is to walk a mile in the other persons shoes. Approach topics with humility, prayerfulness & more presuming the better of one another. Hopefully a humble exercise allowing people to treat others with dignity and respect."

## Weekly Offering

### PARISH INCOME: JANUARY 18, 2026

AS \$	1,499.00
IC \$	961.00
SC \$	945.00

### PARISH INCOME: January 25, 2026

AS \$	3,883.00
IC \$	793.00
SC \$	1060.00

**Thank you for your generosity!**  
"For where your treasure is, there

## Parish News & Events



### Lenten Retreat: February 21, 2026

All Saints –St. Mary's Basement

8:30 a.m. –12:00 p.m.

Guest Speaker Diane Hanson

This event is **FREE** and open to everyone.

**Sponsored by the CMWRS OF ALL SAINTS.**



Congratulations to  
*Jim & Carol Stodolska*  
On 55 Years of Marriage!

May Eternal Rest be granted to:



**Gary T. Hadrich**

Passed: January 17, 2026

Burial: January 29, 2026

### Future Family Campout:

We are planning a family parish campout. This campout will be taking place instead of the Steubenville youth conference this year.

Any interested parties please attend an informational meeting on Sunday, February 1st, 7:00 pm at All Saints-St. Mary's basement. If you have questions, contact Shelley Vouk at (320)248-2860 or [rsvouk1@gmail.com](mailto:rsvouk1@gmail.com).



**Mardi Gras**

Potluck & Dance  
February 15, 2026

Holdingford Legion  
560 Main Street

Music by  
The Old Tyme  
Country Boys

Hosted by All Saints,  
Immaculate Conception  
& St. Columbkille.

Come to the Holdingford Legion on Sunday February 15th for our annual Catholic Mardi Gras Potluck & Dance. Chicken strips, fries, water, coffee, & lemonade, will be provided, please bring a dish to share if you are able. A cash bar will be available.

The Old Tyme Country Boys will be playing from 2:00pm-5:00 pm.

#### Help is needed:

Set up from 12:00pm—2:00pm, greet and help with the food tables from 2:00pm-5:00pm, clean up from 5:00pm-6:00pm.

This is a great opportunity for confirmation students to spend time volunteering. If you can help, call Virginia at (651)214-9791.

### All Saints



The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed immediately after mass on February 8th for the building of our new church.

Praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet will happen monthly. Please join us in prayer for a strong foundation for our Catholic community.

**Welcoming new members to the Evangelization team:** We plan events such as the Evangelization table with information & people to pray with you at the bazaar in St. Anna & Holdingford Daze. We also planned the Journeys of Hope event where there was lunch & personal testimonies. We meet the first Monday of the month from 11:15-12:15 in All Saints-St. Mary's basement. We welcome you to come to a meeting & see if God is calling you to this way of serving. The next meeting is Monday, February 2nd. 11:15am-12:15pm in All Saints-St. Mary's basement.

### St. Columbkille

**Money Counter Needed:** Anyone interested in being a money counter for St. Columbkille contact Julie at [secretary@tworiverscatholic.com](mailto:secretary@tworiverscatholic.com), or (320)228-0105.

### Immaculate Conception

#### Christian Mothers Meeting:

There will be a Christian Mothers Meeting on Monday February 9th, 6:30 p.m. at Immaculate Conception in the basement. Be dedicated to our Blessed Mother. Enrollment planned for May.

New members are welcome.

Please contact Bernie Larkey at (320) 345-0755, with questions.

**Funeral Lunch Group Meeting:** There will be a funeral lunch group meeting for all group leaders on Monday, February 2nd at 6:30 pm in the church basement. We ask that all leaders are present, but also any members who have questions, concerns, or ideas on how we can make improvements. Keep in mind that some of our group leaders are aging out in the next few years and we really need individuals who will step up and lead a group. Without leadership, this benefit to our parish will fall to the wayside. If you have questions, you can call/text Tina VanHeel at 320-217-4022.



# Mass Schedule

<b>Mon. Feb. 2</b>	<i>The Presentation of the Lord</i> <b>8:00 a.m. St. Columbkille &amp; Adoration</b>	<b>† Emily Rudnicki</b>
<b>Tues. Feb. 3</b>	<i>St. Blaise, Bishop &amp; Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop</i> <b>11:00 a.m. All Saints— St. Mary's</b>	<b>† Amber Czech</b>
<b>Wed. Feb. 4</b>	<b>8:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Hedwig's &amp; Adoration</b>	<b>† Doris Radziej</b>
<b>Thur. Feb. 5</b>	<i>St. Agatha, Virgin &amp; Martyr</i> <b>8:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception &amp; Adoration</b>	<b>† JoAnn Condon</b>
<b>Fri. Feb. 6</b>	<i>St. Paul Miki &amp; Companions, Martyrs</i> <b>No Mass</b>	
<b>Sat. Feb. 7</b>	<b>5:00 p.m. St. Columbkille</b>	<b>For the People</b>
<b>Sun. Feb. 8</b>	<i>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> <b>8:00 a.m. All Saints—St. Mary's</b> <b>10:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception</b>	<b>† Gary Hadrich</b> <b>† Members of Kunstleben &amp; Pyka Families</b>

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

### Religious Education Director:

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Katie Urbanski

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### Youth Minister

Doug Herbek

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### Ash Wednesday:

February 18th,

Attend Mass

### Upcoming Faith Formation Dates:

**Feb. 4, Feb. 11 (GIFFT), & Feb. 25**

K-10 at 6:30 p.m.

All Saints-St. Hedwig's.

Confirmation at 6:15 p.m.

All Saints-St. Mary's

It's going to be

**EPIC**

Mega-Fun Games!  
Faith-Filled Friendship!  
Every Person In Christ

**What:** EPIC Youth Nights

**Who:** All Students Grades 6-12

**When:** Wed. after Class:  
7:45-8:30 p.m.

**Where:** All Saints-St. Hedwig  
Church

Have a blast with friends  
and grow closer to God!

**WE WANT YOU HERE!**

### GIFFT Night

Mark your calendar

All Saints-St. Mary's

6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

February 11th

### Topic:

Healing

For all Faith Formation  
Students, Parents and  
Confirmation.

Everyone welcome  
to attend.