



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

*All Saints, Holdingford
Immaculate Conception, St. Anna
St. Columbkille, St. Wendel
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 8, 2026*

Central Office in Holdingford

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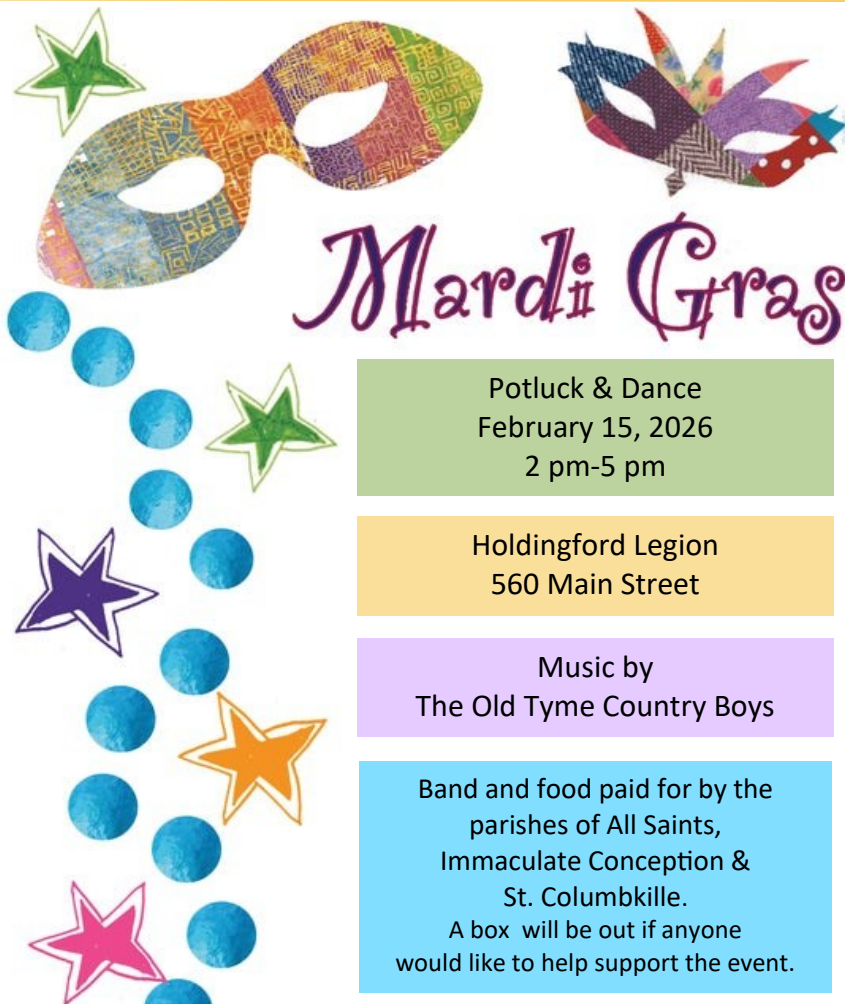
Confession Times: Before daily Mass
and by appointment.

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!

Address:
Central Office
P.O. Box 308
Holdingford, MN 56340



Join us for Mardi Gras!

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 2:00 pm-5:00 pm.

Help is needed:

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

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

New Evangelization Corner

Doug Herbek



Feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes

"If you cannot listen to your brother, you cannot listen to the Holy Spirit."

Virgil Vogt, quoted in the book *Celebration of Discipline* by Richard Foster
"Mama" by Kelly Latimore
kellylatimoreicons.com image

Recently someone told me that he had not watched the video footage of the shootings of Renee Good and Alex Pretti in Minneapolis last month. However, if we see for ourselves, we can decide for ourselves. As Jesus said, "Why do you not judge for yourselves what is right?"¹

We should decide for ourselves, because as Jesus said, "Whoever has ears to hear ought to hear."² Similarly, whoever has eyes to see ought to see. If we fail to look, we will never see, and we will never decide for ourselves. If we look, we must look with open hearts and minds. Otherwise, we will be as Jesus described, "They hardly hear, they have closed their eyes, lest they see and hear and understand with their heart and I heal them."³ We can ask Our Lady of Lourdes to pray for us that we be healed from the violence afflicting us, but to be healed, all of us must open our hearts.

We all need to open our hearts so we can perceive and understand, to be able to speak in favor of what is right. The Good Samaritan stopped to help the beaten man on the ground,⁴ instead of averting his eyes from the beaten man. We too must look to see what has happened and what we are to do. Once we have looked, we can decide if it was wrong, and if we think so, we can speak in favor of justice as we are all called to do as Christians. Often I have heard non-Christians wonder how people can be Christian but not speak up and act in favor of justice, given the Bible's teachings. Instead, let's get them to say about us, "I don't understand how they have such different views among themselves, yet they respect, listen to and learn from each other so well." Then they will say, "Look how they love one another!"⁵

¹ Luke 12:57; ² Mark 4:9; ³ Matthew 13:15; ⁴ Luke 10:30-35; ⁵ *Apology* by Tertullian

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!



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Listen to the Rosary

led by Fr. Gregory and
Fr. Mark Stang on KASM
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8:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m. and
11:00 p.m. Friday.

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

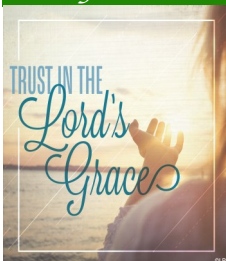
The Bread of
heaven came
down to earth
to feed the
hungry.



-ST. CYRIL OF JERUSALEM



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.

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



Holy Family School
Preschool & Kindergarten
Open House
February 22, 2026
11 AM- 12:30 PM
Holy Family School
160 Second Street S., Albany

More information call 320-845-2011
holyfamilyalbany.org
msowada@holyfamilyalbany.com

**Seminary Visits: for young men in
 10th grade through college:** In
 February, Fr. Doug, the vocations
 director for the Diocese of St. Cloud,
 will be making seminary visits. This is
 a unique opportunity to be immersed
 in an environment where everyone
 around you seeks to give their life to
 Jesus & follow him wherever he
 leads. On these weekends we pray
 hard & play hard. It is a good combo!
 Weekend visits are Feb. 12-14, 21-23.
 Questions & registrations is on
 bottom of vocations page:
stc.dio.org/vocations

News from our Neighbors

This is an excerpt of a longer note
 from Fr. Edward Vebelun to the
 Harvest of Hope community.

Seven Dolors in Albany will serve
 as the primary church, where offices
 are located, daily mass is held, and
 ministries are centralized.
 St. Benedict and St. Martin will serve
 as partner churches with Sunday
 Eucharist. St. Anthony and
 St. Catherine will remain open for
 occasional use.

There will be changes in priest
 assignments as well.
 Fr. Edward Vebelun will move back
 to Saint John's Abbey to begin a
 term of service as prior on July 1.
 Fr. Julius will transition to
 Benedictine Living Communities:
 Mother of Mercy in Albany and
 Assumption campus in Cold Spring
 after Easter. Fr. Greg Miller will
 accept an assignment with Spanish
 ministry July 1.

Fr. Nick Kleespie, OSB will be
 assigned as pastor of the newly
 formed parish, beginning July 1,
 2026. Fr. Michael Peterson, OSB will
 be assisting on weekends as
 Sacramental Minister.

Holy Hour for Peace

Bishop Neary has asked each
 parish to offer a Holy Hour of peace.
 He is hosting a Holy Hour on
 Thursday, February 5th, 6:30pm at
 the St. Mary's Cathedral in St. Cloud.

Please join us for a Holy Hour
 Monday February 9th in
 Holdingford, at All Saints-St. Mary's,
 each hour between 9am to 8pm.
 Spend time in prayer before the
 Lord, trusting that Christ hears his
 people and draws near to those who
 seek him.

The intention is peace:
 peace on our world, peace in our
 communities & peace in the hearts
 of all who are burdened by violence
 or division.

Readings Week of the

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/
 Ps 132:6-7, 8-10/Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/
 Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11/Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10/
 Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40/Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/
 Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40/
 Mk 7:24-30

Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/
 Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15/
 Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/
 Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22/
 Mk 8:1-10

Sunday: Sir 15:15-20/
 Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34/
 1 Cor 2:6-10/
 Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

Andrew Dinner: Young men in
 grades 9-12 are invited to join the
 bishop and area priests in learning
 more about what the life of a priest
 is like. There will be time for prayer,
 games, and tons of food! Invite
 your own priest to join you and
 please consider attending. You can
 sign up at the bottom of our voca-
 tions page: stc.dio.org/vocations/

My Catholic Will: My Catholic Will
 is a free resource designed to help
 Catholics ensure that families are
 protected and that their wishes
 regarding estates & charitable
 Intentions are respected.
 My Catholic Will can be found at:
Mycatholicwill.com/stcdio.

Weekly Offering

PARISH INCOME: February 1, 2026

AS \$ 8,221.00

IC \$ 1,311.00

SC \$ 2,948.00

Thank you for your generosity!

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

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.

Fellowship February 15th, 2026

February: the shortest month but filled with the **greatest**

opportunities for love and

fellowship. Happening on

February 15, 2026 at

All Saints-St. Mary's basement

Please join us for donuts, rolls, fruit, juice, coffee, and crafts for small children. Donated by the All Saints Christian Mothers/Women and Rosary Sodality.



Thank you: Thank you to everyone who attended the Christmas Parish Open House and Bernice Eiden's retirement party. Thank you to everyone who made it happen. Bernice thank you for 20 years of house keeping. Prayers for a wonderful retirement.
Fr. Gregory Mastey

Parish Family – Family Camping Trip

Moose Lake State Park

July 12-15, 2026

Bring the family all ages welcome!

Things To Do: Sunday Mass, daily prayers, hiking, fishing, boats, swimming, kayaks, canoes, bikes, group meals, rosary around the campfire, & much more!



Informational Meeting:

More information right after Mardi Gras, 5:00 pm at the Holdingford Legion.

For Details Contact:

Shelley Vouk (320) 248-2860

rsvouk1@gmail.com

St. Columbkille

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



Congratulations!

Congratulations to

Carol & Jim Stodolka

On their 55th Wedding Anniversary!

A Note of Gratitude

Special thank you to Fr. Gregory for photographing my special day, Jan Krych, Mary Sowada, Betty Mastey & Diane Gapinski. Good Memories!
Bernice Eiden

All Saints



**Pray
for Our
New Church**

Calling all Quilters: All those who quilt or would like to learn, All Saints Christian Mothers will begin quilting on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning February 17, 9:30 am –3:30 pm, at Kathleen & Jerome Ebnet's Home: 18827 County Road 17, Holdingford For information call (320)746-2227.

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.


Help Needed: Assist with Linen

washing of Church décor.

If Interested contact

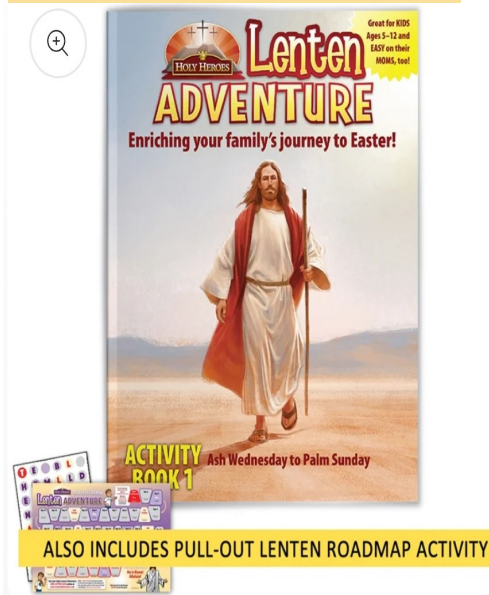
Julie in office at (320)228-0105 or secretary@tworiverscatholic.com



	<h1>Mass Schedule</h1>	
Mon. Feb. 9	8:00 a.m. St. Columbkille & Adoration	† Mary Louise Huls
Tues. Feb. 10	<i>St. Scholastica, Virgin</i> 8:00 a.m. All Saints– St. Mary’s	† Debra Knapp
Wed. Feb. 11	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes World Day of the Sick</i> 8:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Hedwig’s & Adoration	Joseph & Andrea Larson 4th Wedding Anniversary
Thur. Feb. 12	<i>Lincoln’s Birthday</i> 8:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception & Adoration	St. Anna Christian Mothers
Fri. Feb. 13	No Mass	
Sat. Feb. 14	<i>St. Cyril, Monk; St. Methodius, Bishop; Valentine’s Day</i> 5:00 p.m. St. Columbkille	† Ted Solarz
Sun. Feb. 15	<i>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 8:00 a.m. All Saints–St. Mary’s 10:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception	† Judy & Jim (living) Vos For the People

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

Great Lent resources for Kids! This book can be found online at holymen.com.
Activity book 1 includes a pull-out Lenten roadmap activity.



GIFFT Night

Mark your calendar
All Saints-St. Hedwig’s
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
February 11th

**Topic: About Our Lady of Lourdes
World Day of the Sick, Healing &
Anointing of the Sick**

For all Faith Formation Students,
Parents and Confirmation Students.
Everyone welcome to attend.

Special invitation to elderly
and anyone needing healing
who would like to be anointed.
Please sit towards the front.

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!