



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

*All Saints, Holdingsford
Immaculate Conception, St. Anna
St. Columbkille, St. Wendel
Third Sunday of Lent
March 8, 2026*

Central Office in Holdingsford

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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

Holdingsford, MN 56340



Congratulations Confirmation Candidates. Blessings on your Sacrament of Confirmation. Go forward to witness, defend and live out your faith. Thank you to everyone that helped make this day extra special.



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New Evangelization Corner
Doug Herbek



Third Sunday of Lent

“No armed victory can compensate for the pain of mothers, the fear of children, or stolen futures.”
 - Pope Leo XIV

Image: “Our Lady Protectress of the Most Vulnerable” by Kelly Latimore from kellylatimoreicons.com

In previous reflections, I’ve focused on how our Lenten practices should help us be more loving toward God, ourselves, and others so we can heal as persons, as communities, and as a nation. We also need to heal as a global community.

To heal as a world, we need to know about conflicts across the earth, not just war in the Ukraine and Gaza. In the last three years, over 120 armed conflicts have raged over the earth. Civil war persists in Myanmar and Sudan. Gang violence is rampant in Haiti. In attacks between India and Pakistan, homes have been reduced to rubble.

We need to not just know of these conflicts. We also need to feel empathy and compassion as we pray for those facing such challenges, as one of our kids at EPIC recently showed me. He not only prayed for those in war-torn areas but he went further, understanding their plight, praying for them as they have no electricity.

When we feel with those suffering, we show compassion as Jesus did. Then we take action to stop violence whenever we can. Then we heal, rather than perpetuating conflict through Indifference, hatred and injustice. We seek justice if we have God’s love in our hearts, which heals us as a world.

Sources: icrc.org, theguardian.com, bbc.com, rescue.org

Prayer Lines

Pray For... 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, Jeff Symanietz, & Cheryl Barnes.

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!

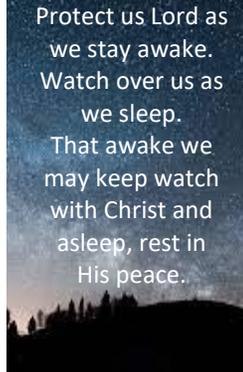


Listen to the Rosary led by Fr. Gregory and Fr. Mark Stang on KASM 1150 AM at 6:00 p.m. daily.



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.

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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

I’m thirsty Lord! Soften my heart so that I can recognize you today. Lord, open my eyes to see everyone as you see them. Lord teach me to pray especially when it is difficult. Father, thank you for the wisdom of your law. Thank you, Jesus, for revealing the Father’s untiring love. Thank you for your mercy, Lord! The Word Among Us



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:
 Susan Opatz (320) 363-8160

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.

News & Events

Healing the Whole Person

Video Series by Dr. Bob Schuchts
& Sr. Miriam James Heidland



8-Part Group Series
8 Talks | Community
Reflections | Healing | Restoration

Little Falls:

Mondays April 13, 20, 27 & May 4
7:00 pm, JohnPaul II Center
108 3rd St. NW, Little Falls
Register by April 3rd,
\$20 / person

Holdingford:

***Only 50 spots available**
April 17 3:00 pm-8:30 pm
April 18 9:30 am-4:00 pm
April 19 10:00 am-4:30 pm
The Gathering Barn-
35204 County Road 155, Avon
Register by April 8th
\$50 / person (includes meals)

St. Cloud:

Saturdays April 25, May 2, 16, & 30
8:00 am-12:00pm
Christ Church Newman Center-
396 1st Ave. S., St. Cloud
Register by April 15
\$20 / person

Questions

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healing@spiritandsaints.org

REGISTRATION

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Or scan QR code on posters

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Feast Day: March 9th

Patron Saint of : Widows,
Motorists, and automobile drivers.

Benedictine Oblates: She founded
the Olivetan Oblates of Mary, a
group of women dedicated to
serving the poor without taking
formal monastic vows.

Lenten Journey ideas for a week.

1. Prepare yourself for difficult times that may take your eyes off Jesus. Return often to Psalm 62:5-8 to help remind you to trust in God alone. Go to Mass.
2. Be patient. Read Genesis 15 the story of God's covenant with Abraham. Reflect on how God always fulfills His promises in His timeline. Can you see examples from your own life experience?
3. Almsgiving opportunity. Deny something you truly want. Use the money you would have spent and offer it to a charity or someone in need.
4. Remember Jesus is your friend. Write him a handwritten letter today. Share all the good and bad with your best friend.
5. Read about the Saints. Give your time to a loved one. Give up watching a clock and truly enjoy your time together. It is a gift.
6. Fasting day. Skip something you are really looking forward to. Think about when you sin, you separate yourself from the Shepherd who is the true source of good, happiness and beauty. Attend Confessions.
7. Look for ways to use your time, talents and treasure to serve others. Attend Stations of the Cross this week.

Readings of the Week

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/

Ps 42:2, 3; 42:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/

Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/

Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/

Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/

Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/

Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/

Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab,
14 and 17/Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/

Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/

Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Eph 5:8-14/

Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Journey with Jesus to Calvary

A special performance written and performed by parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi Church. Experience Holy Week in a new light.

Wednesday, March 25, 7:00 pm

Friday, March 27, 7:30 pm

Saturday, March 28, 7:30 pm

Palm Sunday, March 29, 1:00 pm

Join us at St. Francis of Assisi Parish
Free event. All are welcome!

Monthly Online Giving

PARISH INCOME: FEBRUARY, 2026

AS \$ 3,321.00

IC \$ 3,300.00

SC \$ 830.00

Weekly Offering

PARISH INCOME: March 1, 2026

AS \$ 4,607.00

IC \$ 2,208.00

SC \$ 1,744.50

Thank you for your generosity!

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

Parish News & Events

Rosary Walk for Life:

Meet at 4:00 pm to walk for life outside at All Saints-St. Mary's or pray inside.

If you are unable to attend, pray at home with us during that hour. March 10th, March 17th, & March 24th.

Stations of the Cross:

Monday March 9, 8:30 am at St. Columbkille

Wednesday March 11, No Stations due to funeral.

Friday March 13, 6am & 7pm at Immaculate Conception

Community Rosary: Join us in praying a community rosary, Saturdays, 8:00 am men's group at All Saints-St. Mary's basement. This is a **community rosary** and is a great way to grow in your faith! Everyone is invited, please join us.

Journeys of Hope :

The Journeys of Hope witness talks will be happening again on Sunday, March 22 following the 10:00 am Mass at Immaculate Conception. This is free and open to anyone. Concluding by 1:00 pm.

Thursday Morning Book Group:

March 12th: All men & women are welcome to meet in the community room at the Fairview Apartments from 9:45-11:00 a.m. on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays of the month.

Rural Catholic Singles Group:

March 14th: 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.

Extra Confessions Times for the Third Week of Lent 2026

**Thursday March 5th,
5:30 pm-6:30 pm, ASSM**

**Saturday, March 7th,
4:00 pm-4:45 pm, SC**

**Sunday, March 8th
ACC Confessions-
Extra Priests
2:00 pm-4:00 pm, ASSM**

**Thursday, March 12th
5:00 pm-6:00 pm, ASSM**

Fellowship at All Saints

Welcome MARCH with a heart full of hope and join your fellow parishioners for fellowship on MARCH 15 after Mass at All Saints.

We will be serving rolls, donuts, fruit, coffee, *iced coffee*, and juice. There will also be a craft activity for small children.

This event is generously donated by the All Saints Christian Mothers and Rosary Sodality.

"Let us welcome March with open arms and hope in our heart."
Anna Davis

St. Columbkille

St. Columbkille Christian Women

We will be having a meeting on Tuesday, March 10 at 6:30 pm. We will meet in the room behind the sacristy. All women are invited.

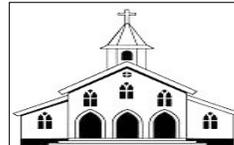
All Saints

May Eternal Rest be granted to:



Matthew Pilarski

Passed: March 1, 2026
Funeral: March 11, 2026



Pray
for Our
New Church

The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed immediately after mass on March 22nd 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.

Lord, let this project always reflect Your glory and purpose. May our hearts remain focused on You and not just the physical structures. Amen.

**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!



For Details Contact:
Shelley Vouk (320) 248-2860
rsvouk1@gmail.com

**Fr. Gregory will be
joining us to
celebrate Sunday Mass.**



Mass Schedule

Mon. Mar. 9	<i>St. Frances of Rome, Religious</i> 8:00 a.m. St. Columbkille & Stations	† Ken & Marilyn Pierskalla
Tues. Mar. 10	8:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Mary's	† George Eiden
Wed. Mar. 11	8:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Mary's	† Alan Pueringer
Thur. Mar. 12	8:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception & Stations	† Geraldine Kunstleben
Fri. Mar. 13	No Mass	Stations 6:00 a.m. at IC Stations 7:00 p.m. at IC
Sat. Mar. 14	5:00 p.m. St. Columbkille	† David Huls
Sun. Mar. 15	<i>4th Sunday of Lent</i> 8:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Mary's 10:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception	For the People † Terry Burg

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



March 21, 8:00 am
All Saints-St. Hedwig's
Please keep our students in your prayers!



Religious Education Director:
Katrina Kolles 292-1575
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Katie Urbanski
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Youth Minister
Doug Herbek
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GIFFT Night
Mark your calendar
All Saints-St. Hedwig's
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
March 25th

Topics:
-Healing
-Holy Week

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

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
Why: Have a blast with
friends
and grow closer to God!
WE WANT YOU HERE!