

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

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

*Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord  
 April 5, 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**



## THE FIVE PROPERTIES OF RESURRECTED BODIES\*

"Christ's Resurrection was not a return to earthly life...Christ's Resurrection is essentially different. In his risen body he passes from the state of death to another life beyond time and space. At Jesus' Resurrection his body is filled with the power of the Holy Spirit: he shares the divine life in his glorious state, so that St. Paul can say that Christ is 'the man of heaven'".

- Catechism of the Catholic Church 646

PROPERTY	SUMMARY	SCRIPTURE
<b>IMMORTAL</b>	The body will not die again. Eternal life is not just the survival of the spirit in a spiritual realm but the glorification of the entire soul, body & spirit together, in the new heaven and new earth.	1 Co. 15:42, 53-54 Lk. 20:35 Rv. 21:1-4
<b>LUCID        (CLARITY,        LIGHTSOME,        GLORIOUS)</b>	The body will be beautiful, perfect, and radiant, reflecting the interior beauty of the spirit perfected in grace. As the moon reflects the glory of the Sun, the blessed will, restored in Christ's image & likeness, reflect the glory of the Son.	Dn. 12:3 Ws. 3:7 Mt. 13:43 1 Co. 15:41, 43, & 49
<b>SPIRITUAL        (SUBTLETY)</b>	The body will be in accordance with a rightly ordered intellect & will (integrity) instead of being dominated by passions. This is not suppression of desire, rather the perfect harmony between man's body & his principle form (spirit), in communion with God's will.	Is. 60:31 1 Co. 15:44 2 Pt. 1:4
<b>IMPASSIBLE</b>	The body will not suffer from disorder, pain, or illness. Evil will have no place in the soul. The mind will still gain knowledge & pleasure through sensory experience but with ease.	Is. 25:8 1 Co. 15:42 Rv. 7:16-17 Rv. 21:4
<b>AGILE        (POWER)</b>	The body will be physical but not be bound by time and space. It will be quick to carry out what the spirit desires without difficulty or labor.	Jn. 20:19 1 Co. 15:40 1 Co. 15:43

\* Immortality is today separated from impassibility by recent theologians to classify five properties. The original four properties of resurrected bodies is based on St. Thomas Aquinas' work in *Summa Contra Gentiles*, Book IV, Chapter 86, # 1-6.



## New Evangelization Corner Doug Herbek

### Easter Sunday! Happy and Joyous Easter to you!

“We shall share Christ’s power, if, through holy faith and the sacraments, we willingly accept the grace Christ earned for us, and live by that grace and in obedience to Christ.”

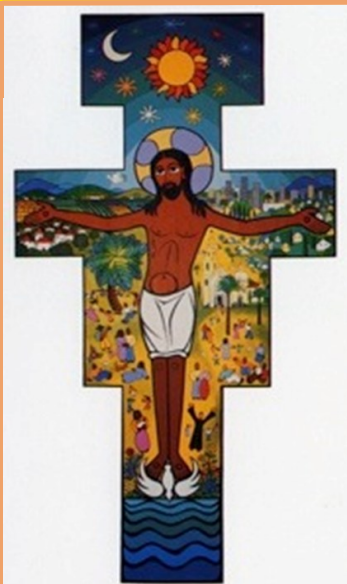
- Saint Charles Borromeo

Image:

“Christ of the Americas”

by Fr. Arthur Poulin, O.S.B. Cam.

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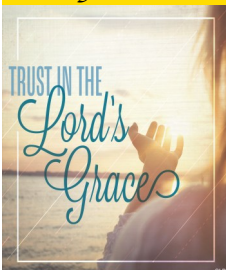
We receive grace through the sacraments. Yet there is grace in the sacramental life because of the Cross and the Resurrection. After the Crucifixion on Good Friday, we rejoice at Our Lord Jesus rising from the dead on Easter Sunday, because upon Jesus’ triumph over death, God abundantly bestows grace upon us.

Having been so richly empowered, we are called to cooperate with the grace God has given us, as Saint Thomas Aquinas explains.<sup>1</sup> As Saint Anselm tells us, we are to be obedient, just as Christ was obedient even unto death.<sup>2</sup> If we do so, then as Saint Bonaventure suggests, we become vessels of grace.<sup>3</sup>

We see this truth in the grace-filled lives of the saints. God gives grace to the humble.<sup>4</sup> As saints have humbled themselves, and have cooperated thoroughly with God, God has given them much grace, and has worked miracles through them. If we humble ourselves, God will give us grace, and through us will heal our world.

<sup>1</sup> *Summa Theologica*, 111.2; <sup>2</sup> *Cur Deus Homo*, LIX; <sup>3</sup> *Breviloquium*, VI.1.5; <sup>4</sup> *Proverbs* 3:34; *James* 4:6; *1 Peter* 5:5

### 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:** Call or text

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.

### 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.

### 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)

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.



Claude Opatz, Jackie Tempel, Brenda Dobis, Donnie Wentland, Josh Wentland, Bridget Williams, Carol Kuklok, Curt Johannes,

George Platz Sr., Pat Caspers, Mike Hennen, Jeff Symanietz, & Cheryl Barnes.

## News & Events



### Did you Know

Un-eggs-pected Easter trivia!

**1.** Pastel colors used in many Easter celebrations hold religious meanings.

White: represents light, triumph, & glory. Lavender: represents penance, power, & royalty.

Pink: represents joy, and love.

Red: represents sacrifice, blood, & martyrdom. Green: represents hope & eternal life.

**2.** Pretzels used to be linked to Easter. The way a pretzel is twisted symbolizes arms being crossed in prayer.

**3.** The Easter bunny isn't the only holiday mascot, the lamb is an important symbol as well. Due to Christian tradition of eating lamb to commemorate Christ's death and sacrifice.

**4.** Easter Eggs go back to an old medieval kids game where a priest would give choir kids a hard boiled egg. They were to pass it around to each other continuously. When the clock commenced, the child holding the egg had to eat it.

**5.** Easter lilies signify the true meaning of the holiday. The blooming process had parallels to Christ's resurrection. The bulb initially grows beneath the Earth's surface is attributed to Jesus' death, while the actual sprout symbolizes his resurrection.

### Divine Mercy Sunday in St. Cloud, at St. Mary's Cathedral:

Celebrated on the Second Sunday of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday was originally based on the Catholic devotion to the Divine Mercy that Faustina Kowalska reported as part of her vision of Jesus and is associated with special promises from Jesus and indulgences issued by the Catholic Church.

This year we are happy to announce two speakers at the event. Chris True will give his testimony on his Catholic Faith, and Fr. Jeremy Ploof will give a meditation.

Divine Mercy Sunday will be held at St. Mary's Cathedral on Sunday, April 12, from 1:00-3:00 pm. There will be Adoration and reconciliation.

Healing the Whole Person  
8-Part Group Series  
8 Talks | Community

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



Reflections | Healing | Restoration

#### Little Falls:

**Mondays April 13, 20, 27 & May 4**

#### Holdorf:

**April 17, 18, & 19**

#### St. Cloud:

**April 25, May 2, 16, & 30**

video



#### Questions

Janice (320)640-7623

[healing@spiritandsaints.org](mailto:healing@spiritandsaints.org)

#### REGISTRATION

[forms.gle/NZkuqkG6xUnXy4mw7](https://forms.gle/NZkuqkG6xUnXy4mw7)

or scan this QR code.

Registration:



**Monday:** Acts 2:14, 22-33/

Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/

Mt 28:8-15

**Tuesday:** Acts 2:36-41/

Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/

Jn 20:11-18

**Wednesday:** Acts 3:1-10/

Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35

**Thursday:** Acts 3:11-26/

Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48

**Friday:** Acts 4:1-12/

Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/

Jn 21:1-14

**Saturday:** Acts 4:13-21/

Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/

Mk 16:9-15

**Sunday:** Acts 2:42-47/

Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1

Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31



### The Feast of Divine Mercy

The Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments issued on May 23, 2000 a decree (at the suggestion of St. John Paul II) in which the feast of Divine Mercy would be celebrated each year on the second Sunday of Easter. [Catholic-link.org](http://Catholic-link.org)



### Weekly Offering

**PARISH INCOME:** March 22, 2026

AS \$ 4,006.00

IC \$ 1,594.07

SC \$ 1,291.40

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

# Parish News & Events



**Journey of Hope:** Blessings to our speakers Tom & Jeff, for sharing your emotional and inspirational journeys of faith. Welcome to everyone that was able to join us. Thank you to the evangelization team for all your work to make this event possible. Plan is to do this two times a year.

**First Communion**  
May 2nd-3rd  
Pray for our First Communion recipients.

**MAY Crowning**  
May 9th-10th  
Crowning of Mary Weekend!

**Graduation Mass**  
Arban  
6:30 pm  
(outdoor, bring a chair)

**Parish Family – Family Camping Trip**  
Meeting  
April 12th, 7pm  
All Saints-St. Mary's  
Join us to learn more about  
Moose Lake State Park  
July 12-15, 2026  
Bring the family, all ages welcome!  
For Details Contact:  
Shelley Vouk  
(320) 248-2860  
rsvouk1@gmail.com

stationerytree.com

**Thank You!** Blessings to all who joined us for the Pro Life Rosary walk the last 5 weeks.

**CAUTION!** Please be aware of false emails stating they are from Fr. Gregory. We have been made aware of a phishing attempt by someone, while falsely posing as Fr. Gregory from an email address not associated with us. Do not open or respond to anyone with an email address you are unfamiliar with.

**St. Columbkille**

**Christian Women Meeting:**  
Tuesday April 7 at 6:30pm. Meeting will be held in the room behind the sacristy. All women are invited.

## All Saints



The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed immediately after mass on April 12th for the building of our new church.

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

**Kyla Irene Sowada**  
Daughter of Trevor & Marissa  
March 28, 2026

**Marriage Banns III**  
April 25, 2026  
Immaculate Conception  
Reanna Laing & Ryan Stroeing

**All Saints Christian Mothers/ Women and Rosary Sodality Enrollment:** will be held on Sunday, May 10th, during the 8:00 am Mass. All women aged 19 and older, whether married or single, are welcome to join. If interested contact Corrine (320)310-1260 or Teresa at 320-247-2990

## Immaculate Conception

**All Ladies: Single or Married:** We invite you to join the Christian Mothers in praying for your children & grandchildren. The family is very important & is the basic unit to keep the faith, & to heal our society. You have **DIGNITY** & are important. There will be an enrollment May 17. Call Bernie Larkey 320-345-0755 or Betty Hartung 320-356-7419 by April 12 to be included or for questions. Annual dues are \$5.00

**Parish Bazaar is Sunday June 28th**  
**Donations needed: Due April 20th**  
Cash Raffle- \$50 or greater  
Contact Brenda Dobis 320-241-6962.  
Scan code for more info.



# Mass Schedule



<b>Mon. April 6</b>	<i>Monday within the Octave of Easter</i> <b>No Mass</b>	
<b>Tues. April 7</b>	<i>Tuesday within the Octave of Easter</i> <b>11:00 am All Saints-St. Mary's</b>	<b>† Paul &amp; Veronica Frie</b>
<b>Wed. April 8</b>	<i>Wednesday within the Octave of Easter</i> <b>No Mass</b>	
<b>Thur. April 9</b>	<i>Thursday within the Octave of Easter</i> <b>8:00 am Immaculate Conception &amp; Adoration</b>	<b>† Geraldine Kunstleben</b>
<b>Fri. April 10</b>	<i>Friday within the Octave of Easter</i> <b>No Mass</b>	
<b>Sat. April 11</b>	<i>Saturday within the Octave of Easter</i> <b>5:00 pm St. Columbkille</b>	<b>† Dennis Yurczyk</b>
<b>Sun. April 12</b>	<i>2nd Sunday of Easter, Sunday of Divine Mercy</i> <b>8:00 am All Saints-St. Mary's</b> <b>10:00 am Immaculate Conception</b>	<b>In Thanksgiving for Ken &amp; Mary Sowada For the People</b>

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



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|-------------|--------------|
| CELEBRATION | PURPLE       |
| CROSS       | REJOICE      |
| EASTER      | RESURRECTION |
| GOOD FRIDAY | RISEN        |
| JESUS       | SACRIFICE    |
| LENT        | SAVIOR       |
| MIRACLE     | SUNDAY       |
| PASSOVER    | TOMB         |

M S A V I O R N Y D P G L P  
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