



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

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

*Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 30, 2026*

Central Office in Holdingford

Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 9-4

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In case of emergency or a death, call
Father at the Rectory 746-2231

Parish Pastoral Team

Father Gregory Mastey, Pastor

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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: All are welcome!

Please introduce yourself to Father after
Mass and call the Central Office. Please
register, especially those who are from
closing parishes. 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

SACRAMENTALS THAT PROTECT



BLESSED CRUCIFIX

A constant reminder of
Christ's victory over
sin and death.
Strengthens our faith.



MIRACULOUS MEDAL

A sign of Our Lady's
intercession and
God's graces.



SAINT BENEDICT MEDAL

Powerful protection
against evil and temptation.



BROWN SCAPULAR

A sign of consecration
to Mary.



HOLY ROSARY

A powerful prayer
meditating on the life
of Christ.



HOLY WATER

Reminds us of our
Baptism and drives
away evil.

WHAT ARE SACRAMENTALS?

They are sacred signs instituted by the Church
to prepare us to receive God's grace. Their
power comes from God, not from magic.

As we are in the beginning of a new school year,
we pray for the students, and teachers
as they prepare for another year of learning.

Blessings for their safety.

That they always feel protected and secure.

May this year be fruitful, productive, and most of all
blessed by God's teachings.

New Evangelization Corner

Jeff Johnson

The Feast of St. Monica August 27th

Until he resolved to be a holy saint and a Doctor of the Church, St. Augustine of Hippo lived a chaotic life full of sin and disorder, but we all know his great mother St. Monica never once gave up hope, and she never stopped praying for him. Naturally, all Catholic parents whose children leave the Church must imitate her exactly, and do the very same thing.



One of the available mistakes we can make with feast days is to think they are only about commemorating the past, but feast days are actually like prisms through which we can contemplate the many aspects of our relationship with God; at once, they are about the past, the present, and the glorious future we have with Christ in Heaven as long as we strive for holiness. Only rather late in life have I realized that saints don't come to our aid uninvited; we must, as St. Paul says, make our requests known. We must call out to them with confidence and zeal and ask fervently for their intercession, and the same holds true for our Guardian Angels. St. Monica and St. Augustine, pray and intercede for us for all our spiritual needs! St. Monica patron of patience pray for us!

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!



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

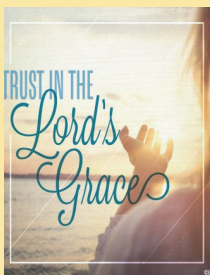
Rural Life Radio Show on
KYES 1180 AM or 93.5 FM at
8:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m. and
11:00 p.m. Friday.

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

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



Claude Opatz, Jackie Tempel, Brenda Dobis,
Mary Doll, Donnie Wentland, Josh Wentland,
Carol Kuklok, Curt Johannes, George Platz Sr.,
Jeff Symanietz, Delrose Symanietz, and
Mike Hennen, Fr. Gregory Mastey.

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, need prayer due to illness, are homebound and would like to receive Communion, or if you need a bulletin mailed to you.

4 Saints who Inspire Us to Take Care of the Earth

St. Benedict believed
a spiritual person,
with prayer, will
work to make the
world a better place.

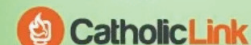
St. Kateri
Tekakwitha

St. Benedict
of Nursia

Patron Saint
of ecologists &
environment.



Blessed
Paul VI



St. Francis
of Assisi

In 1971, labeled environmental
degradation to be most pressing
problems facing humanity.

Patron Saint of
animals and the
environment.

News & Events

Please pray for the 51 people attending the **Healing the Whole Person retreat at Pacem In Terris Hermitage Retreat Center.**

This is unprecedented for Pacem.

Pray that whatever healing is most needed that God would shower his grace, mercy, love, and healing on each attendee, those staying overnight and those commuting each day.

Holdingford FFA Alumni is

National Finalist!

The Holdingford FFA Alumni & Supporters Chapter has been named the Central Region Finalist for the 2026 National FFA Alumni & Supporters Outstanding Chapter Award!

This honor reflects their impact in: Chapter business & member growth, Ag. education advocacy, & Student mentorship & development. Thank you to our amazing community!



Care for Creation: Care for Creation is one of the seven themes of Catholic social teaching and one of Bishop Patrick's priorities. As faithful stewards of creation, we demonstrate our reverence for the Creator by respectfully and responsibly managing the earth. Please check out the Care for Creation guide at: <https://stcdio.org/care-for-creation/> or use your smart phone.



Beginning of School Year Prayer

*Heavenly Father,
We ask for Your peace as students, teachers,
their families, and the community
embark on this journey.*

*Today, as we take the first small step
on the road of the new academic year,
remind us of Jesus' call for us
to wash each other's feet.*

*As we grow together on this path,
may we cast aside our pride and
open our hearts and minds to you.
May we seek ways to uplift each other.
May we build Your kingdom together.*

Amen

Readings of the Week

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5/

Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102/

Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16/

Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14/

Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9/

Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23/

Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5/

Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15/

Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21/Lk 6:1-5

Sunday: Ez 33:7-9/

Ps 95:1-2, 6-7b, 7c-9/Rom 13:8-10/

Mt 18:15-2

**SATURDAY**
AUGUST 29, 2026
AFTER 4 PM MASS

**POTLUCK**
PLEASE BRING A
DISH TO SHARE

**ELMDALE CHURCH**
BASEMENT

Come Meet Fr. Sebastian! New priest for
Elmdale-Upsala-St. Francis

Weekly Offering

Parish income: August 23, 2026

AS \$ 3,646.00

IC \$ 2,299.30

SC \$ 1,356.00

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

September 10 & 24:

All men & women are welcome to meet in the community room at the Fairview Apartments from 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m. on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays of the month.

Mergers & Relegations

For those of you wondering whether our parishes are closing or merging, we **do not know**. We will know when the bishop has made his decree.

Before any actions happen we will call a town hall about the bishops decree.

The diocese does share their information about the decrees, with the public, on their website. If you would like to see the decrees **visit: stcdio.org/mergers-and-relegations**.

Please do not spread gossip or share false information.



Knights of Columbus

The images below were taken at the Knights of Columbus potluck picnic this past weekend.

Lloyd Rausch was presented with the Knights of Columbus Honorary Life Membership Award, by Eric Ebnet the Grand Knight.



St. Michael Medal



The Knights of Columbus-St. Isidore Council would like to send a St. Michael Medal to all Military Personnel that you may know of in your families and the community. The medals are free from the Knights of Columbus as an appreciation for their service and sacrifice. The medal recipient needs neither to be a Knights of Columbus member, nor Catholic to be eligible. Please put a note in the collection basket stating St. Michael Medal with the name of the person, branch of service, and address on it. The information will go to our State Chaplin who will send them the medal with a prayer card. Help us honor those who serve. Any questions contact Mike Peters 320-428-1619. Thank you.

Radio Rosary Sponsor:

The All Saints Christian Mothers and Rosary Sodality are sponsoring a Rosary on KASM 1150 AM or 107.7 FM from September 7 -September 13 at 6p.m.

Please join us in praying for your special intentions and those of the Christian Mothers and Rosary Sodality.



Marvin Eiyneck & Eric Ebnet-Grillers at Knights of Columbus picnic.

St. Columbkille

The St. Columbkille Christian women

will be having a meeting on **Tuesday, September 8 at 6:30** in the evening. It will be held in the room behind the rectory. All women are invited.

All Saints

*St. Joseph,
faithful servant of God,
pray for us and guide our
work to completion, that all
may be done for the Glory of
God and the salvation of
souls. Amen*

All Saints Pot of Gold Raffle

Watch for Ticket Sales
starting soon.
Thank you!!

Annual Rummage Sale Volunteers

Needed: Please reserve October 8-19 to volunteer for the Annual All Saints Christian Mothers and Rosary Sodality Rummage Sale. More information to follow soon.

Immaculate Conception

Christian Mothers Meeting:

The meeting will be **Monday Sep. 14, at 6:30 p.m.** in the basement. All ladies are invited.

Volunteer/s Needed:

Volunteers needed to help sew baptismal bibs and embroider baptismal design on the bibs, for Immaculate Conception. Example shown below. If interested please contact Julie in the parish office at secretary@tworiverscatholic.com.



or 320-228-0105
Thank you.

	<i>Mass Schedule</i>	
Mon. Aug. 31	8:00 a.m. St. Columbkille & Adoration	† Peter & Maura Hellmann
Tues. Sept. 1	<i>World Day of Prayer of the Care of Creation</i> 7:00 p.m. On the Road Mass Delrose & Jeff Symanietz 39443 185 th Ave., Avon	† Stanley Symanietz
Wed. Sept. 2	8:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Hedwig's	† Greg Hartung
Thur. Sept. 3	<i>St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church</i> 8:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception & Adoration	† Lorenz Zierden
Fri. Sept. 4	<i>First Friday</i> No Mass	
Sat. Sept. 5	<i>First Saturday</i> 5:00 p.m. St. Columbkille	† Jerome Schindler
Sun. Sept. 6	<i>23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 8:00 a.m. All Saints-St. Mary's 10:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception	For the People † Ted & Christine Maleska

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

We are in need of a few teachers
2nd grade, 3rd grade, & 10th grade.
We are also looking for class
helpers and substitute
teachers/helpers. If you are
interested please contact Katrina
at 320-292-1575 or
allsaintsff@tworiverscatholic.com

New families please fill out the
new families form on our website.
All families please fill out the
registration form for
each child in your family.

Second grade families also fill out the 2nd
grade parent form. All of the forms are
found on our website
[https://tworiverscatholic.com /
all-saints-faith-formation/](https://tworiverscatholic.com/all-saints-faith-formation/)

**Faith
Formation
Helps to
Build a
Strong
Foundation!**
Faith Alive in Community!

Religious Education Director:

Katrina Kolles 292-1575
allsaintsff@tworiverscatholic.com

Confirmation Directors:

Bob Vouk 249-3398,
Jenny Revermann 249-9938 &
Katie Urbanski
confirmation@tworiverscatholic.com

Save the Dates:

Sept. 9: Opening Mass 6:30 p.m. at Arban
(Outside Mass-Please Bring a Chair)
Sept. 16: Parent Meeting 6:30 p.m.
Sept. 23: Class 6:30 p.m.
All Saints-St. Hewig's
Sept. 30: GIFFT Night-Beatifications
6:30 p.m. at All Saints-St. Hedwig's