



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

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

*Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 4, 2026*

Central Office in Holdingford

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Confession Times: Before daily Mass
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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
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Jubilee Year

800th Anniversary of the
passing of St. Francis of Assisi
from earthly life to eternal life
1226-2026

Prayer of St. Francis Before
the Crucifix of San Damiano

*O Most High and glorious God,
enlighten the darkness of my heart.
Give me right faith,
certain hope, perfect love
and deep humility.
O Lord, give me sense and
discernment in order to carry out
your true and holy will.
Amen*

The Life of St. Francis

He came from a middle class family as his father was a cloth merchant.
He had many friends and was attracted to many worldly things. Francis lived
at a time when nearby cities were at war with each other, so he went to fight
only to be captured and released after a year.

Slowly he became disillusioned with life and the things he used to enjoy.
Francis was praying in the front of a cross in the church of San Damiano,
when from the Cross, Jesus spoke to him and said "Francis go rebuild my
Church which is falling into ruin."

Taking the words of Jesus literally, He began repairing broken down
churches until he realized that Jesus was speaking about the people who are
the Living Stones of the Church. He sold all he had and gave it to the poor
and began serving Jesus. One day the Crucified Lord appeared to him again
and gave Francis the sacred wounds of the cross in his body.
In the spirit of St. Francis, take time to sit at the feet of the Master and learn
what Christ desires of you.

Pancake Sausage Breakfast This Sunday October 4: at All Saints-St. Mary's.

Serving 9a.m.-12:30p.m. Quilt and Cash Raffle to follow.

Sponsored by All Saints Christian Women / Rosary Sodality.



New Evangelization Corner

JP Misheff

The month of October is a heavy hitter for saints!

This month alone we have

October 1: St. Thérèse of Lisieux

October 4: St. Francis of Assisi

October 5: St. Faustina Kowalska

October 7: Our Lady of the Rosary
(A dedicated month-long devotion)

October 15: St. Teresa of Ávila

October 18: St. Luke the Evangelist

October 22: St. John Paul II

October 28: Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles

It probably goes without saying but it's nice to be reminded sometimes: you and I -- all of us -- are potential saints. God created each of us to reflect His goodness, and if we open our hearts to His grace, He will form us to become saintly indeed.

A week and a half ago, the Church declared Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen "Blessed." He is now officially included in the communion of saints. One of the primary miracles that the Church rigorously vetted and confirmed related to him is the bringing back to life of the stillborn infant James Fulton Engstrom in 2010. Little James was born without a pulse or heart beat. For 61 minutes, doctors worked to revive him. At the very last moment, just as they were about to give up, the machine registered a heartbeat. Oh and: there was no lasting damage from the ordeal. Let us pray that this story encourages a stronger faith in us all.

All you holy men and women, Saints of God: pray for us!

Prayer Lines

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.



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



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

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!



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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

St. Faustina Kowalska

Feast Day:
October 5th

Patron Saint:
Divine Mercy



The greater the sinner, the greater the right
he has to My mercy. My mercy is confirmed
in every work of My hands.
He who trust in My mercy will not perish, for
all his affairs are Mine, and his enemies will
be shattered at the base of My footstool.
Diary 723

News & Events



Thank you to those that repainted the Lady of Lourdes shrine statues at All Saints- St. Mary's in Holdingford. Come and see the beautiful job!



Thank you to Maury Meyer for completing a full term of 10 years in service as Trustee at St. Columbkille in St. Wendel.

May God bless you!
Please thank him when you see him.

Thank you to Dobis Farms for the donation of straw bales and Jaden Ebnet for the pumpkins and decorations at the Corn Maze!



K-yes Annual Benefit Social, Legacy of Love:

Featuring keynote speaker,
Brian Gibson

Friday, October 23

6 p.m. social - 7 p.m. program

St. Boniface Catholic Church,
Cold Spring, MN

If you are interested in attending please contact Julie (320)228-0105 or secretary@tworiverscatholic.com by **October 8**. There are a limited number of tickets available at the parish office.

Congratulations to Holdingford Homecoming Queen Maggie Gross, Homecoming King Casey Knettel, Ella Pilarski and all members of the Homecoming Royalty and Court.

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus and Christian Women for all your work on the Stewardship Fairs and hosting all the parishioners that attended.



Readings *of the Week*

Monday: Gal 1:6-12/

Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 and 10c/Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24/

Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/

Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/

Ps 117:1bc, 2/Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Gal 3:1-5/

Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Gal 3:7-14/

Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Gal 3:22-29/

Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 11:27-28

Sunday: Is 25:6-10a/

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

Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/

Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-1

40 Days for Life Pro-Life Rosary Walk:

It's time to join in prayer to end abortion.

We will meet to pray the rosary in front of or inside All Saints-St. Mary's Church in Holdingford on Tuesdays, **October 6, 13, 20, and 27 from 4-5 p.m.**

Please join us when you can or pray with us at home.



Weekly Offering

Parish income: September 27, 2026

AS \$ 1,813.00

IC \$ 1,471.00

SC \$ 1,203.60

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

Parish News & Events

Pancake and Sausage Breakfast
All Saints-St. Mary's Church
 311 River Street, Holdingford

Sunday, October 4, 2026
 Serving 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Serving: Pancakes with Toppings,
 Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Potatoes,
 Apple Sauce, Carmel Rolls, Beverage
 Free Will Offering



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Quilt and Cash Raffle

Drawing held at 12:30 p.m. on
 October 4, 2026
 Need not be present to win
 \$1.00 per chance

Prizes

Quilt	\$25 Cash
\$25 Cash	\$25 Cash
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Cemetery Flowers & Keepsakes:

Please remove all flowers and
 keepsakes from St. Columbkille,
 Immaculate Conception, Arban,
 All Saints-St. Hedwig's, and
 All Saints-St. Mary's Cemeteries by
October 15th



**Knights of
 Columbus**
 St. Isidore Council No. 9307

CHICKEN & HAM DINNER
 PELICAN LAKE BALLROOM
 St. Anna, Minnesota
Sunday, October 11
3:30-6:30 p.m.

Advance Tickets: \$14.00

At Door:

Adults \$15.00
 Children Ages 5-12 \$10.00
 Under 4 Free
TAKE OUT ORDERS AVAILABLE!

St. Columbkille

Share in the Mission-Box of Joy.

Join the St. Columbkille Christian
 Women in spreading Christmas joy to
 impoverished children around the
 world. Families can take part in a
 hands on service project that brings
 both material and spiritual blessings to
 the poorest of the poor. Boxes are
 available in the church entryway along
 with a gift guide enclosed.

Filled boxes must be returned to the church by Oct. 26th.

You can also contribute by donating
 school supplies, t-shirts, or any item
 listed on the bulletin board. A
 collection box is located in the
 entryway. Monetary gifts are welcome
 to help cover the \$9 shipping cost per
 box or to purchase additional items.

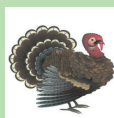
Place in the collection labeled
 "Box of Joy". To learn more, visit
www.crosscatholic.org/boxofjoy.
 Questions: Mary Ann at 320-420-4215

The St. Columbkille Christian women
 are looking for donations for the bake
 sale in conjunction with Turkey Bingo
 on Oct. 11. Donations can be dropped
 off Saturday morning, October 10
 between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m., just
 before or after the 5 o'clock mass or
 Sunday morning October 11th
 after 11 a.m.

Turkey Bingo

St. Columbkille Church, St. Wendel
Sunday October 11, 2026

1:00 p.m. Raffle to follow
 Raffle Tickets-\$2 available at door
 Door Prizes - Bake Sale - Refreshments
 Come join us for a fun filled afternoon!



Hosted by the
 St. Columbkille
 Christian Women.

14	24	44	53	68
7	28	31	54	73
2	26	★	51	67
3	22	39	57	75
9	20	37	50	71

CORN MAZE

Corn Maze in Holdingford!

4-7 p.m. Oct. 3 & 4
 17278 County Road 17,
 Holdingford

Free will offering appreciated.
 Suggested donation is \$1.
 All are welcome! Please join us!

All Saints

As we prepare for the building of our
 new church we will be having
24 hour Eucharistic Adoration.
Starting October 12th after the
 7:30 a.m. Mass at ASSM and ending
October 13th with 8:00 a.m. Mass at
 All Saints-St. Mary's.

Join us for an hour or any amount of
 time you can share.

Please sign up by calling
 Lenore (320) 249-7240 or
 Jan (320) 746-2815

All Saints Pot of Gold Raffle

Our annual raffle will be held on
 Sunday, November 1st. Tickets are
 now available for purchase and can
 be bought after Sunday mass or from
 Steve Prokott, Rosie Fedor, Joan Frie,
 Tricia Opatz, Audrey Lange,
 Patty Becker, & Judy Heitzman.

Annual Rummage Sale :

All Saints - St. Hedwig's Church

Sale Dates & Hours:

Oct. 15 & 16: 7:30a.m.-6:30p.m.

Oct. 17: 9:00a.m.-2:00p.m.

Oct. 18: 9:00a.m.-12:00p.m.

To Volunteer: Please call or leave a
 message for Corrine Hadrich at
 320-310-1260

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	<i>Mass Schedule</i>	
Mon. Oct. 5	St. Faustina Kowalska, Virgin; Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest No Mass - Annual Workshop for Priests	
Tues. Oct. 6	St. Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin No Mass - Annual Workshop for Priests	
Wed. Oct. 7	Our Lady of the Rosary No Mass - Annual Workshop for Priests	EPIC for youth grades 6-12 Tonight 7:45 p.m.-8:30 p.m.!
Thur. Oct. 8	8:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception & Adoration	Living & Deceased Members of the Krych & Bolen Families
Fri. Oct. 9	St. Denis, Bishop and Companions, Martyrs; St. John Leonardi, Priest No Mass	
Sat. Oct. 10	5:00 p.m. St. Columbkille	For the People
Sun. Oct. 11	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 a.m. All Saints- 10:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception	† Leo & Frances Lange Living & Deceased Members of the Blenker & Vos Families

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

STEPS TO BECOMING A SAINT: Saints come from all walks of life. We are all called to be saints!

1. SERVANT OF GOD: Cause begins	The local bishop opens an investigation into the persons life and reputation for holiness, usually after at least 5 years from death. Witnesses are interviewed, documents examined, and person's life is carefully studied. Title given: Servant of God	
2. VENERABLE Recognition of Heroic Virtue	The case is sent to the Vatican for further study. If the pope approves the person lived Christian virtues to a heroic degree, the title is given. Title given: Venerable	
3. Blessed Beatification	Usually, one miracle attributed to the person's intercession after death is required (martyrs are exempt). After approval by the Pope, the person is beatified. Title given: Blessed	
4. SAINT Canonization	A second miracle is ordinarily required after beatification. After thorough investigation and approval, the Pope canonizes the person. A feast day may be celebrated in their honor. Title given: Saint	
5. SAINT Example for us all	The lives of the saints inspire us and show us that holiness is possible for everyone with God's grace. Saints intercede for us and lead us closer to Jesus. <i>"Be holy, for I am holy." 1 Peter 1:16</i>	