



Jesus, give me a heart like yours!

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

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

The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 4, 2022

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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.

Homebound: Please call us.

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.

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Central Office

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Characteristics of Proud People

1. You boast about yourself
2. You like to draw attention to yourself
3. You are self-centered
4. You love to be honored by people
5. You refuse to ask for help when you need it
6. You do not like being under the authority of another person
7. You are stubborn
8. You are power hungry
9. You are emotionally insecure
10. You think you are superior to others
11. You look down on others
12. You are highly critical of others
13. You say things to put people down
14. You have an inflated view of yourself and your own abilities
15. You are argumentative
16. You do not like to be corrected
17. You think you know everything
18. You never admit you are wrong
19. You rationalize your sin
20. You tell lies to yourself

*If you are proudful-
Pray & Change*

Characteristics of Humble People

1. They trust in the sovereignty of God
2. They are thankful people
3. They are in awe of God's goodness and grace towards them
4. They can rejoice with others
5. They practice unity based on their salvation
6. They are not wise in their own eyes
7. They forgive quickly because they have been forgiven much
8. They have a teachable spirit
9. They build others up
10. They have servant's hearts

*If you are humble-
Teach & Lead*

~excerpts from Fr. Gregory's Homily

<https://www.elonsmallgroup.com/biblical-teaching-on-pride/>

<https://thankfulhomemaker.com/10-characteristics-of-humility/>



3 ways to perfection - humility, humility, humility. St. Augustine
If you are humble, you see others' hearts and you listen to them.
Your focus is on how you can outserve and outlove others.

Job Opportunities

All Cluster

Confirmation Director/Confirmation Assistant

Father will be interviewing 4 people in the upcoming weeks for the Confirmation Director/Assistant positions. Parent Night is Sept. 7 at 6:30 p.m. Confirmation will be starting classes on Sept 21, opening mass is Sept 14.

New Evangelization Coordinator - Paid

The person hired for this position will assist the Pastor in ministering to and evangelizing in our three parish cluster and overseeing RCIA. Other specifics of this position will be tailored to the individual hired and the needs recognized within our parishes. Deep knowledge of the Catholic faith and apologetics is essential; degree in Theology or extensive previous evangeliza-

All Saints

Cleaning position - Paid

We have an opening for someone to clean All Saints-St. Hedwig's. Questions about the job? Contact the Central Office.

Church Decoration -Volunteer

Thank you to Michelle Kiley who oversaw Church Decorating at All Saints-St. Hedwigs. She did a wonderful job decorating our parish to align with the liturgical seasons. We are looking for someone to step into this volunteer role.

Contact the Central Office or Fr. Gregory if interested in any of these Positions.

40 Fall Campaign: September 28th - November 6th

40 Days for life is a simple program of Prayer-Fasting-Peaceful Vigil to end abortion in the world. Our parishes will be supporting our local 40 Days for Life Campaign in St. Cloud on E. St. Germain and Wilson Ave. We need volunteers to pray in front of Planned Parenthood on Thurs. afternoons from 1-7 p.m. We'd like at least 2 people at the vigil for each hour. To sign up contact Marilou Sommers 320-247-9838.

Let us know if you'd like to be put on or taken off the prayer list or need a visit from Fr. Gregory for prayers or Sacraments.

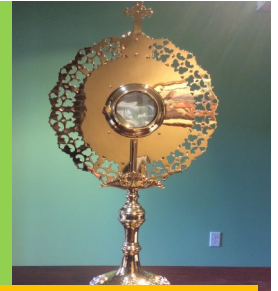
The Healing Power of God

Remember in prayer all who are in need of the Lord's healing and strength especially:

Teckla Scegur, Lee Larkey, Arnold Voss, Theresa Johannes, Tom Studniski, Fr. Gregory, Jerome Young, David Fischer, Idella Moore, Loren Philippi, Ardith Mosier, Mickey Jeffers, Carol Kuklok, Nancy Bieniek, Ambrose Gertken, Laverne Woidylla, Allan Warzecha, Frances Breth, David Platz, Jr., Pat Euteneuer, Kim Roth-Koning, Si Koning, Casey Tschida, Dave & Anita Scegur, Doris Elfering, Robby Pollreis, Daniel Kulas, Mary Geise, Kevin & Lynn Pierskalla, Katie Yurczyk, Judy Schehr

Eucharistic Adoration

Cluster Adoration is every Monday at All Saints – St. Mary's. 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. to pray for our Staff and all priests.



No Adoration on September 5th due to Labor Day.



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



Night Prayer

Join Fr. Gregory in prayer most nights at 9:00 p.m. on his Facebook page. We are averaging over 250 families 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.

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.



I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh.
~Ezekiel 36:26

Prayer lines

All Saints: Ramona Fedor 746-2395
Kathleen Ebnet 746-2227

Immaculate Conception:

Shirley Schwalbe 356-7209
Christine Maleska 356-7246

St Columbkille:

Esther Struzyk 251-4984
Susan Opatz 363-8160

News Events

Central Minnesota Koinonia

Are you in need of Simon of Cyrene to come to your aid? Central Minnesota Koinonia is a weekend Catholic retreat program that is designed to help you carry your cross. The next retreat is scheduled for September 23-25, 2022, at the TEC Center north of Little Falls, Minnesota. Cost of the weekend is \$70. For information, go to www.centralmnkoinonia.org.

The Eucharist and the Four Pillars of Stewardship Retreat:

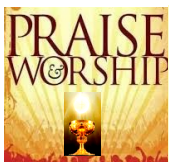
Sept. 16th, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Seven Dolors Church, Albany
Join fellow Catholics from around the diocese for a day of reflection on God's presence in our lives and to listen for what He is calling us to do. This retreat will include inspiring talks by Fr. Michael Troha, time for quiet reflection, small-group discussion, lunch and Mass.
Cost: FREE (includes lunch)
Contact Anna Kampa at 258-7654 or email AKampa@gw.stcdio.org.

St. Mary's Cathedral Block Party

All are invited our annual Block Party on Saturday, September 10th. Join us for 4:00 p.m. Mass in the Cathedral followed by music, food, and fun. Fr. Brady Keller and Kevin Carlson will share their musical talent at 5:00 p.m. Deuces Wild Dueling Pianos will entertain us from 6:00 – 10:00 p.m. Other events include a Silent Auction, 50/50 Raffle, Wine Wall, Beer Garden, Bingo and kids' games. All are welcome to this free event. Visit: stmarystcloud.org

Marriage Encounter: Oct. 7-9

will be held in Buffalo, at Christ the King Retreat Center. Find out more at www.wme.org or 612-756-8720



Please note: There will be no Adoration on Sept. 5th due to Labor Day.



Blessed Frederic Ozanam: Sept. 6

French scholar, lawyer, husband and father. In 1833, he founded what is known today as the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

"Peace of heart-without it, no good can make us happy. With it, every trial, even the approach of death, can be borne".



Catholic Women's Conference

Need some time for yourself this fall to focus on your faith? Then you won't want to miss the upcoming Catholic Women's Conference on Saturday, September 17, at St. Mary's Parish in Alexandria. The Diocese of St. Cloud, in partnership with the St. Cloud Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, is hosting "Eucharistic, God's Greatest Gift". Spend the day with International speakers, Marge Steinhage Fenelon and Leah Jacobson, who will inspire you and set your faith on fire. The day also includes Mass with Bishop Kettler, lunch and afternoon breakout sessions. Go to stcdio.org for registration and more information. **If you would like to attend/carpool with other women from our parishes, please contact Jan Krych 320-746-2815 as soon as possible.**

Revival Relic Tour: Sept. 30 - Oct. 5

Relics of St. Manuel Gonzalez Garcia and Blessed Carlo Acutis will be available for veneration in parishes around the Diocese of St. Cloud. The relics are on tour as part of the National Eucharistic Revival, a three-year focus on the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. For more information, visit <https://stcdio.org/eucharistic-revival>



Weekly Readings

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8/Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11/Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31/
Lk 6:20-26
Thursday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30
Mt 1:1-16,18-23 or 1:18-23
Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/
Lk 6:39-42
Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22/Lk 6:43-49
Sunday: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/1 Tm
1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10

Engaged Couple Retreat

This event will be held at Sacred Heart in Sauk Rapids on September 10th from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. See our website for details: <https://stcdio.org/>.

Diocesan Blue Mass honoring First Responders:

Police, Fire Fighters & Medical personal will be honored at the Church of St. Mary, Alexandria MN on September 10th at 5:00 p.m. Family & friends welcome! For information call 320-255-9068.



On the Road Mass

Tuesday nights at 7:00 p.m. you can sign up to have Fr. Gregory to visit your house for an outdoor Mass! If interested, please fill out a form at the Central Office.

Weekly Offering

Financial Contributions

PARISH INCOME
August 28, 2022
AS \$ 5,073.00
IC \$ 1,097.49
SC \$ 1,760.00

Thank you for your generosity!

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

Parish News & Events

St Columbkille

Christian Women

Meeting: Tuesday, September 6th at 7:00 p.m. in the room behind the Sacristy. All women are invited.

Our annual Turkey Bingo Party/Raffle is on Sunday, October 2nd. Call Sue Burg at 250-8810 or Stephanie Gertken at 290-1646 if you have questions or would like to help. Thank you!

All Saints

Letter from the Bishop

The All Saints Building Committee has been meeting all summer with architects. Our plans are not to remodel one church but rather to build a new church. We hope to have some rough drawings by fall so that we can start a Capital Campaign for the building. The Bishop's letter is posted on the bulletin boards at the back of both parishes and copies are available by the Central Office.

Ministry Schedules

for October through December are available in the back of our churches.

All Saints Christian Mothers/Women/Rosary Sodality

Our annual Rummage Sale will be MEA weekend at All Saints-St. Hedwig's basement, October 20-23. CM/W/RS Members interested in helping are encouraged to attend the scheduled meeting at All Saints-St. Mary's on September 26th at 7:00 p.m. or contact Rene Harlander 746-2581.

Church Cleaning - All Saints-St. Mary's

Please plan to come and help clean! The church will be open on Tuesday, September 20th 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. The list of cleaning duties will be in the church basement. All families are asked to help clean the Lord's house. If unable to help, please pay \$10 to help pay for cleaning supplies. Place money in the collection basket marked church cleaning. Thank you.

All Cluster

Rural Catholic Singles Group

Join us for prayer, topical information, discussions, and social activities for single people ages 19-59. We meet on the second Saturday of each month at 8:00 p.m. at All Saints-St. Mary's Church basement in Holdingford. The September 10th meeting topic is Conflict Resolution. Fire and Fellowship in the back yard after. Bring a lawn chair and beverages and snacks if you wish. Water and snacks will be provided. Call or text Janel @ 320-290-2877 for more information.

40 Days for Life Pro-Life Rosary Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m.

Beginning on Tuesday, September 27 and throughout Tuesdays in October, we will have our inside and outside Pro-Life Rosary at All Saints-St. Mary's, Holdingford at 4:00 p.m. If you are unable to join in on location, please pray at home.

AED Training –coming on a Sunday soon-date to be determined

We will be having a training session for ushers on how to use the AED Machines. It will last 15 minutes after Mass.



May Eternal Rest
Be granted to:
Philip May
Funeral August 29, 2022
All Saints - St. Mary

Congratulations!

Kelly Scegur & Joshua Hoppe
Married on August 20, 2022
Immaculate Conception




Congratulations to Megan Christine "Joan" Olson who received Baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Keep her in your prayers!



The Story of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Church has celebrated Mary's birth since at least the sixth century. A September birth was chosen because the Eastern Church begins its Church year with September. The September 8 date helped determine the date for the feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8. Scripture does not give an account of Mary's birth. ... (According to tradition) Anna and Joachim are infertile but pray for a child. They receive the promise of a child who will advance God's plan of salvation for the world. Such a story, like many biblical counterparts, stresses the special presence of God in Mary's life from the beginning. Saint Augustine connects Mary's birth with Jesus' saving work. He tells the earth to rejoice and shine forth in the light of her birth. "She is the flower of the field from whom bloomed the precious lily of the valley. Through her birth the nature inherited from our first parents is changed." The opening prayer at Mass speaks of the birth of Mary's Son as the dawn of our salvation, and asks for an increase of peace. (Franciscan Media)

<i>Mass Schedule</i>		
Mon. Sept. 5	No Mass - Labor Day	
Tues. Sept. 6	7:00 p.m. On the Road Mass Fairview Apartments 111 3rd Street South, Holdingford	† Ray Tretter, Andy Solinger, Melvin Moiser
Wed. Sept. 7	8:00 a.m. All Saints– St. Hedwig’s with Adoration	† Angie Sowada
Thurs. Sept. 8	<i>The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> No Mass	
Fri. Sept. 9	<i>St. Peter Claver, Priest</i> No Mass	
Sat. Sept. 10	5:00 p.m. St. Columbkille	For the People
Sun. Sept. 11	<i>The Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 8:00 a.m. All Saints 10:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception	Good Harvest † Jason Larkey

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

Starting
Sept. 21st

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 (All Parishes Welcome)

When: Wednesdays after Religion Class: 7:45-8:30 p.m.

Where: All Saints-St. Hedwig Church Basement

Have a blast with friends and grow closer to God

WE WANT YOU HERE!

Please add me to your email contacts
so all youth updates go to your inbox rather than spam:

youthminister@tworiverscatholic.com

Kyle VanOverbeke (Youth Minister)

Faith Formation Begins!

Faith Formation parent meeting is on Wednesday
September 7th at 6:30pm. All Saints and Immaculate
Conception will meet at All Saints-St. Hedwig’s, and
St. Columbkille will meet at St. Columbkille.

Confirmation will meet on Sept. 7th at 6:30 p.m. at
All Saints-St. Mary’s

Bring your children with to this meeting also!

All Saints & Immaculate Conception: Katrina Kolles
292-1575 allsaintsff@tworiverscatholic.com

St. Columbkille: Jenny Revermann
249-9939 stwendelfaith@gmail.com

8 Pieces Of Advice For Catholic Parents When Their Child Stops Believing In God. ~catholic-link.org

1. Remember, what you’ve formed in childhood is still there. What you’ve taught him or her has deeply shaped the type of person they are today.
2. Listen to them, treat them with respect, and show interest in their choices. Listen to their reasons, engage them, and keep listening...pray for your child to be surrounded by people who will speak truth into their lives.
3. Don’t try to convince them. Don’t force your child to pray, but make your attitude towards prayer an example...openly talk about your way of thinking and your faith, let them listen to you the way you’ll listen to them.
4. Don’t manipulate them with punishments, and don’t cut them off of your help because of their views...Our faith is not an imposed obligation, our faith is a relationship of love, a gift.
5. Show them the joy of having a relationship with God. Our faith isn’t about believing is some *thing*...it’s a *relationship* with Someone.
6. Include them in your activities without forcing them. In the same way that you respect their decision and discuss it with peace, you should also share your thoughts...invite them to Mass, continue with Christmas and Easter celebrations, always make them a participant.
7. Don’t slip into sadness and hopelessness. It may be that your adult child had decided not to believe in God, but remember that God always believes in them.
8. Make St. Monica your best friend. Appeal to her so that she intercedes for your son or daughter. Pray constantly.

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Thank you and blessings for a good day!