

Four Pillars in Faith Area Catholic Community

St. Louis Bertrand - Foreston

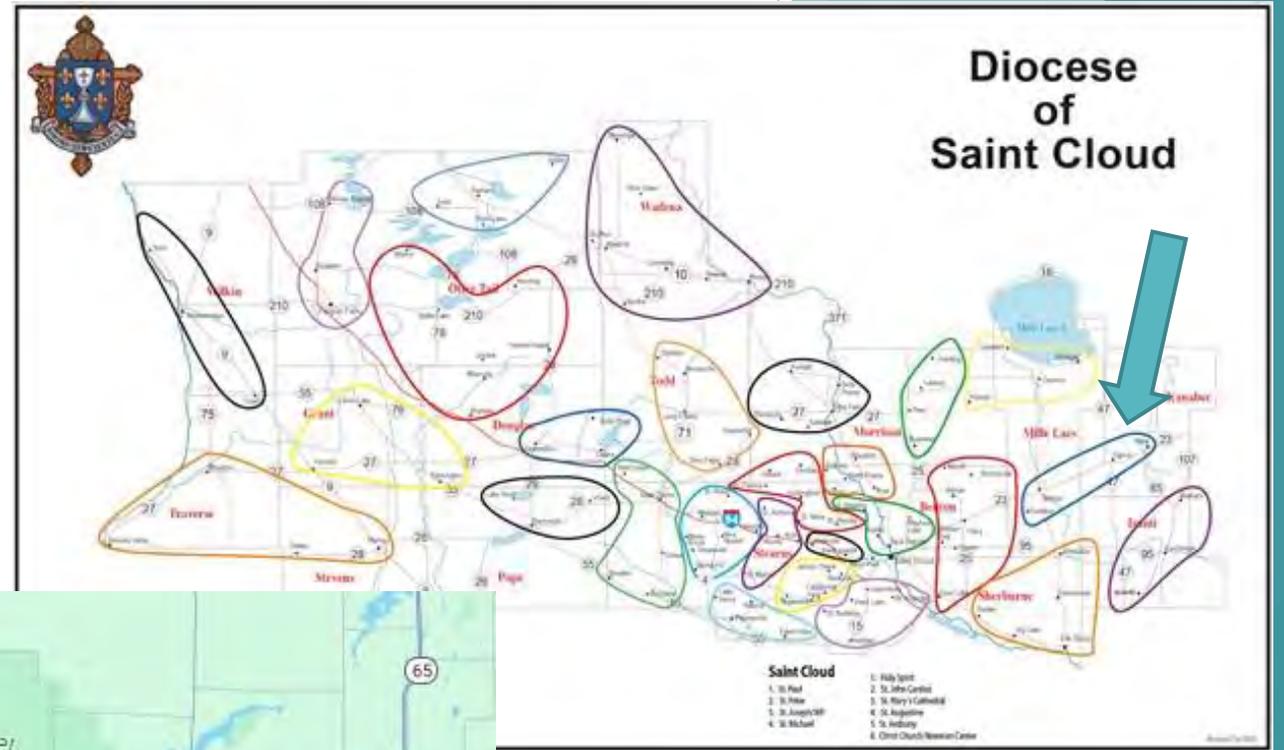
St. Mary's - Milaca

St. Kathryn's - Ogilvie

St. Mary's - Mora

Who are we?

- ▶ Kanabec and Mille Lacs Counties
- ▶ Eastern part of the Diocese of St. Cloud
- ▶ Parishes
 - ▶ Saint Louis Bertrand - Foreston
 - ▶ Saint Mary's - Milaca
 - ▶ Saint Kathryn's - Ogilvie
 - ▶ Saint Mary's -Mora
- ▶ Rural area comprised of farms and lakes



Who are we?

▶ History of Parishes

- ▶ St. Kathryn's, Ogilvie and St. Mary's, Mora clustered previously, Pastoral Associate & Crosier Priest
- ▶ St. Mary's, Milaca and St. Louis Bertrand, Foreston clustered previously, Crosier Priest

▶ Total members of ACC - 1,162 Catholics

- ▶ St. Louis Bertrand, Foreston - 149 Families, 216 Members
- ▶ St. Mary's, Milaca - 182 Families, 420 Members
- ▶ St. Kathryn's, Ogilvie - 69 Families, 145 Members
- ▶ St. Mary's, Mora - 182 Families, 381 Members
- ▶ St. John's Area School in Foley - Pre-K through 6th grade
 - ▶ St. Louis Bertrand is a contributing member



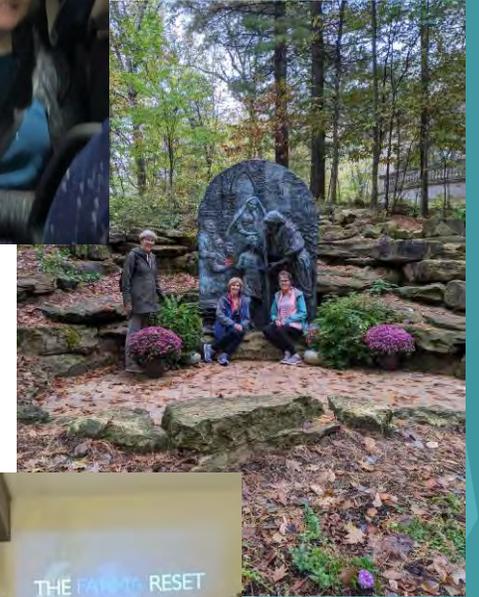
Strengths and Areas of Pride

- ▶ The support provided by each parish's members during activities and events & Rural Life Celebration
- ▶ Combined bulletin and directory
- ▶ Dedicated music director and youth and young adult programming for the ACC
- ▶ Confirmations and retreats together
- ▶ Lay-led groups and activities
- ▶ Saturday dinners in Foreston, Sunday socials in Mora and Milaca, Soup dinners in Ogilvie during Lent



Our Biggest Struggle

- ▶ Communication challenges
 - ▶ Planning council
 - ▶ ACC council
 - ▶ Dissolving individual parish councils
- ▶ Linear distance between parishes
 - ▶ Limits focus and availability of pastor to serve 4 parishes
 - ▶ Limits parishioner's ability to join ACC events
- ▶ Differing perspectives on key issues
 - ▶ History of parishes
 - ▶ Different communities
 - ▶ Different cultures of each parish
 - ▶ Mass attendance & Mass times



How We Are Listening to the People in Our ACC

- ▶ Surveys and feedback forms
 - ▶ Just completed a survey
 - ▶ Stewardship drive survey
- ▶ Personal conversations with leaders
- ▶ Some felt they weren't able to share their voice



Ways We are Nurturing Eucharistic Spirituality

- ▶ The Eucharistic Revival deepened our parishioner's sense of spirituality
- ▶ Eucharistic processions were held at St. Mary's Milaca and St. Mary's Mora on Corpus Christi.
- ▶ The upcoming Eucharistic Revival Pilgrimage will be going through our ACC in Mora
- ▶ Family Faith Formation programs work to nurture Eucharistic spirituality
- ▶ Near perpetual adoration is held at St. Anne's Chapel in Foreston and weekly adoration options at other parishes
- ▶ Eucharistic Revival guest speakers and prayer before and after Mass



How We Are Investing in the Call For Future Leaders

- ▶ Mass
- ▶ Lifelong, Youth, and Family Faith Formation
- ▶ Guest Speakers
- ▶ Online resources - Formed
- ▶ Attending Diocesan Events
- ▶ Seminarians



Priorities to Build a Cohesive and Unified Mission

- ▶ Strengthening Youth Engagement
- ▶ Improving Communication and Transparency
- ▶ Fostering a Culture of Prayer and Reflection
- ▶ Expanding Outreach and Charitable Efforts

