

GETTING TO KNOW OUR PARISH FAMILY

This week we want to introduce you to the Tom Endres family.



Tom and Sharon Endres have three children and have been members of the St. Mathias Parish since they were married, twenty-four years ago.

Tom is the son of Gert and Julius Endres and has been a life-long member of the parish and attended St. Mathias School. Their family lives south of Hampton on the Endres family farm where Tom and his six brothers and five sisters were raised. Besides staying busy farming the land, Tom also works at Greg's Meats.

Sharon is the daughter of Clarence and Marge Karnick of Coates. She has one brother and four sisters, and attended school in Rosemount. Sharon works at the Allina Medical Clinic in Hastings and likes to garden and do quilting in her spare time.

Many of you may recognize their children. Over the years, they have all been Mass servers here at St. Mathias. Their oldest daughter, Kelly, is attending DCTC (Dakota County Technical College) for interior design. Ben is a senior this year at Hastings High School. He also attends FFA classes in Randolph and enjoys playing hockey. He is a senior this year and will be attending SDSU in the fall for agriculture business. Abby is a seventh grader at Hastings Middle School and sings in their school choir. She also enjoys all the cats on the farm.

Their family has been greeters at church. Sharon is the Mass Servers Coordinator, helps clean church and belongs to the Charitable Works Committee. They have helped at various church activities and especially like working at the annual Fun Fest to be able to visit with co-workers and the many friends who attend.

The entire Endres family has been very active in 4-H, getting their cattle ready for the Dakota County and Minnesota State Fairs. Any family who has kids in 4-H knows it makes for some very busy summers. Good luck this year!