

Anton VOS, Sr and Anna Elizabeth BECKERS Vos
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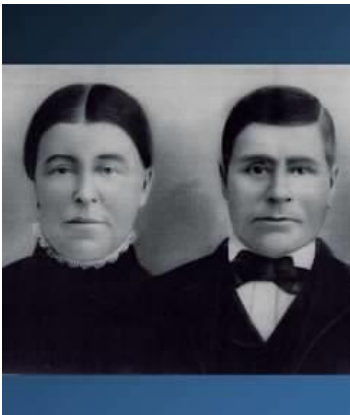
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My 2017 Trip to Minnesota

VOS & SCHMID Cousins I met in 2017 when I drove through VOS & SCHMID country in Hennepin, Carver and Stearns Counties, visiting numerous Cousins, Farms, Cemeteries. [Link to PDF on google drive](#)

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Anton VOS, Sr and Anna Elizabeth BECKERS Vos

Welcome Descendants of Anton & Elizabeth Vos, Sr

If you are a direct descendant of Anton VOS, Sr & Anna Elizabeth BECKERS Vos, please contact Toni Schmid: 512-796-1123

Anton and Elizabeth came over to America with their parents and siblings in 1863 and 1864. Their families settled in Carver County. They met, and were married in 1867. Their first child, John Peter, was born in Chaska, Carver Co in 1867.

Antonius and Anna (Elizabeth) Vos, who had been living after their marriage in Nov 1867 with his brother Peter John Vos in NE Minneapolis, had resettled before Jul 1870 either at the same location or adjacent to their friends and fellow immigrants, Joseph and Henry Moonen, near a settlement called Two Rivers. It was located near the site of the present Schwinghammer farm, about one mile east-southeast of the present day town of Albany. At that period of time the railroad had right-of-way generally three miles on either side of proposed lines of travel.

In 1871 the St. Paul, Minneapolis and Manitoba railroad erected a depot at Albany and the Two Rivers settlement disappeared. The Two Rivers settlement had been an alternate proposed line of travel which would have traveled more north of Albany.

The new Albany railroad line went through the Moonen and Vos land.

Note: The Schwinghammer family were either friends or relatives of Antonius VOS. A Schwinghammer picture (cira 1900) was in the possession of Antonius's brother Peter Joannes Vos family in NE Minneapolis. Peter's son John Peter Vos had the photograph.

Joseph Moonen and Henry Moonen registered for their homesteads in Krain Township Section 22 - Township 126 - Range 31 of 160 acres on 6 Nov 1874 Homestead No. 2650, Application # 4997 and 4998. **Antonius Vos** also registered at the same time (**1874**) for a homestead of 160 acres Homestead No. 2645, Application #4891. This property was adjacent to Joseph and Henry.

The rest of their children were born after they moved to **Krain Township, Stearns County**.

Excerpt from the book, "The Ford in The River" by Vincent A. Yzermans, published 1985. (not sure of the accuracy)

***Anton VOS** was first employed in America as a bartender in an establishment owned by his brother, Peter John Vos, in Northeast Minneapolis.*

*After about three years he and his family purchased a team of oxen, packed all their earthly possessions, and moved to land about a mile southeast of Albany, Stearns County, MN. There, in 1869, they built a small log cabin home, started clearing the land and planted their first crop. Hardship and disappointment dogged the young family, for the following year the county surveyor informed them they had settled on the wrong property. Anton accordingly moved one mile north of his original homestead and started all over again. **In 1872 he acquired more land in section 22 of Krain township and later more land in section 15, all surrounding a body of water that came to be called Vos Lake.** During these years a few Indian families continued to spend the winter on the south side of Vos Lake. They were friendly people, so friendly that they frequently came to visit the Vos cabin. One day Elizabeth was baking bread and invited them to have a piece. They liked it so much that they did not leave until each had a freshly baked loaf under his arm. Elizabeth's popularity grew in the coming weeks and she soon found that she was the baker for many friendly - more than friendly - Indians in the area. This soon raised the question, "How did they know she was baking bread?" In sign language the Indians replied by placing their fingers on their noses. Since the Indians lived north of the Vos farm, Elizabeth soon discovered it was more economical to bake only "mit dem noarth wind".*

Two of Anton's siblings also moved from Carver Co to **Stearns Co.** - Reinhard VOS (married Magdalen SCHMID) and Agnes VOS (married John MUYRES) moved up as well.

Anton's sister Agnes VOS married John Lambertus (Muijres) MUYRES. They purchased a homestead in Krain Township Section 10 - Township 126 - Range 31 SW corner of 160 acres on 3 Dec 1878. This property was just north of Vos Lake, neighbors of Miller and Vos.

"Go North to Canada" "Alberta Fever" strikes the Vos Family

Excerpt from *"Lanterns on the Prairie"*:

"In 1902 the Anton Vos (Sr) family were told of Canada, "Go North to Canada." land was available on the market. At the land office in St. Paul, MN it was said there was "free land" to be had in Alberta. So three brothers (Leonard, Reinard, Henry) from the family of 9 boys and 3 girls set out to investigate and found homesteads at \$10.00 per quarter waiting for improvements. They arrived by CPR in Wetaskiwin and followed the Red River Cart Trail to Spring Lake and laid claim to the S 1/2 of 6-44-15-W 44th. There was a return trip or two made to Minnesota for machinery and other necessities. Their enthusiasm for Alberta infected other members of family with "Alberta Fever." They were joined later by their parents, Anton and Elizabeth and two more brothers, Herman, who returned (to MN) in a short while and Frank and a sister, Mary, who stayed (in Alberta.)"

According to 1910 US and 1921 Canada Census records, Anton & Elizabeth moved to Canada some time between 1910 and 1920.

"Anton" Antonius Herbertus VOS, Sr

Birth: Sep. 17, 1842, Echt, Limburg, Holland

Marriage: 18 Nov 1867 Anna Elizabeth BECKERS, Benton, Carver, MN

Death: Aug. 4, 1925, Spring Lake, Alberta, Canada

Burial: St. Boniface Cemetery, Spring Lake, Edmonton Census Division, Alberta, Canada

Anton's Parents: John & Gertrud Vos (see the Holland to America Page)

Immigration: In 1863, at age 20, Anton sailed to America with his parents and 7 siblings, aboard the steamer "*Germania Of Bremen*" from Antwerp to NY (see the Holland to America Page.)

Marriage: Anton, Sr & Anna Elizabeth were married on November 18, 1867 in Benton Township, Carver County, Minnesota

NOTE: After 1880, the Village of Benton changed its name to Village of Cologne. See Chapter 8 of Minnesota Session Laws for Name Change to Village of Cologne.

Anna Elizabetha BECKERS

Daughter of John & Mary Beckers (see the Holland to America Page.) (aka Elisabeth)

Birth: Feb. 17, 1846 Montfort, Limburg, Holland

Marriage: 18 Nov 1867 Anton Vos, Benton, Carver, MN

Death: Mar. 11, 1930 Perham Village, Otter Tail Co, MN

Burial: Saint Benedicts Parish Cemetery, Avon, Stearns Co, MN

Immigration of the Beckers Family: possibly in 1864 per Lizzie's 1900 U.S. Census.

1896 Anton Vos is shown on Krain Plat as a landowner of muliple forties.

12 Children of Anton & Elizabeth Vos

Sources are conflicting: ancestry.com & familysearch.org

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John Peter Vos (aka Peter John) (1867–1945); born in Carver Co; m. 1891 in Holdingford, Stearns, to Anna **Kubicek** (1869–1958); Buried in Saint Anthony Catholic Cemetery, Saint Anthony, Stearns

Gertrude VOS (1869–1946);** married Frank **Schmid** (1866-1946) in 1889 in Holdingford, Stearns; They settled and raised their 12 children in Avon

Theodore Vos (1871–1959); m. 1893 in Stearns, to Francizca **Kubicek** (1872–1964); buried in St. Anthony Catholic Cemetery, Stearns

Peter Vos (1874–1944); m. 1896 in Holdingford, to Elizabeth **Beckmann Vos** (1873-1945); died Two Rivers Township, Morrison; buried in Saint Marys Cemetery, Holdingford, Stearns

Anton Vos (1875–1956); m. 1898 in Albany, Stearns, to Elisabeth **Neuwirth** (1878–1950); buried in Saint Francis of Assisi Cemetery, Saint Francis, Stearns

Henry Vos (1877–1959); m. 1907 in Stearns, to Catherine **Slattery** (1885-1954) **MOVED TO CANADA;** buried in St. Boniface Cemetery, Spring Lake, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

Mary Katherine "Katie" Vos (1881-1950); Franciscan Nun, **Sister Mary Gregory Vos O.S.F.;** buried in Franciscan Sisters Convent Cemetery, Little Falls, Stearns, MN

Leonard Vos (1879-1955); MOVED TO CANADA; m. 1924 Anna Bohme in Alberta, Canada; died in Killam, Alberta, CA; buried in St. Boniface Cemetery, Spring Lake, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

Joseph Reinard Vos (1883–1979); MOVED TO CANADA; m. 16 Nov 1909 in St. Boniface Roman Catholic Church at Spring Lake, Alberta, Canada, to **Ida Gertrude Lansing (1888-1966)** ; buried in St. Boniface Cemetery, Spring Lake, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

Herman Vos (1884–1965); m1. 1905 in Holdingford, Holding Township, Stearns, to **Emma J. Ralstin/Ralston (1891-1968)**, in Holdingford, Stearns Co **MOVED TO CANADA but returned to MINNESOTA;** 1918 WWI Draft Registration places Herman & Emma in Texas for a while. Herman next married **Olga Natalia ORTERSTROM** abt 1940. He moved back to Minnesota.

Herman died on 7 Jun 1965 in Hennepin County, MN at age 80.

Anna Maria "Mary" Vos (1886-1968); never married; buried in Spring Lake, Alberta, Canada **MOVED TO CANADA;** buried in St. Boniface Cemetery, Spring Lake, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

Frank Vos (1888–1978); never married; **MOVED TO CANADA;** buried in St. Boniface Cemetery, Spring Lake, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

SCHMID NOTE: Daughter Gertrude VOS married Frank Schmid of Avon. She is a Daughter-in-law of **Joseph & Elizabeth Schmid, German Immigrants.**

Vos Photos and Documents



[Plats of Krain & Holding Townships](#) 01 13 no notes



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This album also includes a copy of the 1875 Homestead Claim Certificate of Registration of the U.S. Land Office at St. Cloud Minnesota, to Antonius Vos - 160 Acres.

Read about our Dutch Ancestors: VOS / BECKERS / VAN OPHOVEN
at: <https://schmid1848.shutterstock.com/vosbeckers>
the parents and grandparents of Anton Vos and Elizabeth Beckers



[Holdingford, Maps, Plats, misc](#) 02 10 no notes



[Vos Family Farm, Krain Township, Stearns Co](#) 03 34

Anton Vos, Sr and Elizabeth Beckers Vos Family Farm in Krains Township
Photos of Vos Family Farm, compliments of Nancy Schmid Topham, taken during her visit to the area in 2008



[John Peter Vos & Anna Kubicek Vos](#) 04 15 no notes



[Gertrude Vos & Frank Schmid](#) 05 18 no notes



[Theodore Vos & Frances Kubicek](#) 06 6 no notes



[Peter Vos & Elizabeth Beckmann Vos](#) 07 11

Peter and Elizabeth had six children.

BIRTH 25 Oct 1898

DEATH 11 Nov 1995 (aged 97)

Benton County, Minnesota, USA

BURIAL

Saint Marys Cemetery Holdingford, Stearns County, Minnesota, USA

<https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/124043705/arthur-henry-vos>



[Anton Vos, Jr & Elizabeth Neuwirth](#) 08 42

The Anton VOS, Jr, farm now VOSS FARM, has remained in the family for over 100 years, since 1897.

In 1997 it was designated a 'CENTURY FARM' by Stearns History Museum.

In 2017, Mary VOSS Burke and husband Dave gave me (Toni) a Tour of the St Francis area and the VOSS Farm – a GREAT PLEASURE!



[Henry Vos & Catherine Slattery Vos](#) 09 5 no notes



[Mary Katherine "Katie" Vos, Sister Mary Gregory](#) 10 9 no notes



[Leonard Vos & Anna Bohme](#) 11 4 no notes



[Joseph Reinard Vos & Ida Gertrude Lansing](#) 12 9 no notes



[Herman Vos & Emma J. Ralstin](#)

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[Anna Maria "Mary" Vos](#)

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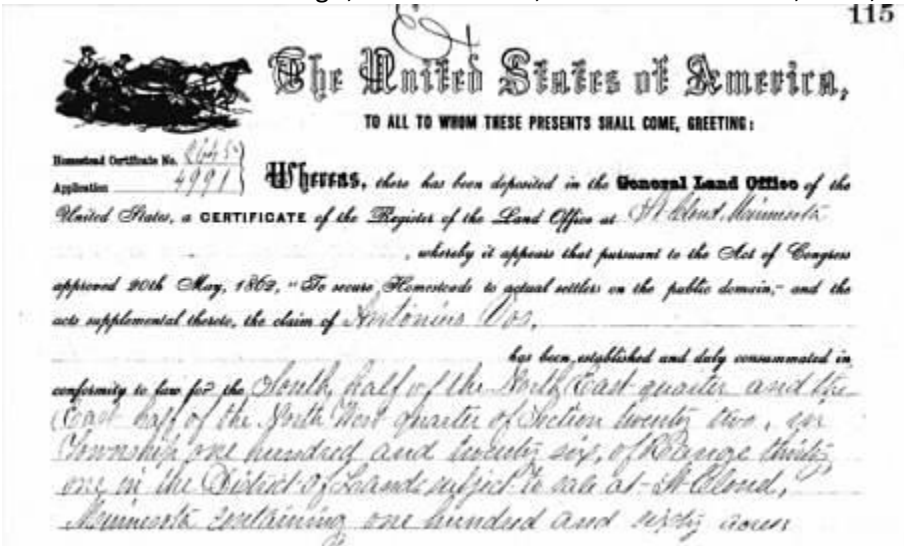
[Frank Vos](#)

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1875 Homestead Claim Regis, US Land Office, Anton Vos Sr. 160 ac, Krain, Stearns



1887 St. Mary's Church, Holdingford. Built 1885 built by Scotch-Irish Catholics



1906 2nd St Mary's Catholic Church, Holdingford, Stearns burned prior to 1915



1896 Plat of Krain, Townships 126 & 127 N, R31W, Stearns Co - Anton Vos, Sr



Census Data - Anton, Sr & Elizabeth

Residences of Anton & Elizabeth per census records:

1865 MN Census places Elizabeth with her parents in Benton, Carver Co

1870 US Census Anton Foss 29, Elisabeth 26, Johann 2, Gerdouth 1, in Albany, Stearns

1875 MN Census Anton Vos Sr 33, Lizzie, John 9, Gertrud 6, Theodore 4, Peter 1, in Krain, Stearns Co

1885 MN Census Anton Sr 42, Lizzie 39, John 19, Gertrueto 16, Theodore 12, Peter 9, Anthony 7, Henry 5, Katie 4, Lenard 3, Susy 2, Herman age 0. In Krain, Stearns Co

1895 MN Census Anton Vos Sr 53, Eliz 49, Peter 21, Anton 19, Henry 17, Leonard 15, Katharina 13, Reinhard 11, Herman 9, Mary 7, Franz 6 in Krain, Stearns

1900 US Census Anton 57, Elisabeth 54, Katie 18, Joseph Reinhard 17, Hermann 15, Anna Maria 13, John 11 in Krain, Stearns

1905 MN Census Anton Sr 63, Anna E 60, Henry 26, Mary 18, Frank 15, Krain, Stearns Co (neighbors of Anton Vos, Jr and his family)

1910 US Census Anton Sr, 68, Elizabeth 64, Mary 23, Frank 21, Krain, Stearns Co

1921 Canada Census places Anton 78, Elizabeth 75, living with their son, Frank 32 and daughter Mary 34; Victoria, Alberta, Canada

Anton and Elizabeth had followed some of their children to Canada. When Anton died there in 1925, Elizabeth moved back to Avon, Minnesota to live with her daughter, Gertrude VOS Schmid.

1875 MN Census, in Krain, Stearns Co, MN

Anton 23
Lizzie 23 (age is not accurate, as was common on census)
John 9
Gertrude 6
Theodore 4
Peter 1

1885 MN Census, in Krain, Stearns Co, MN

Anton Vos 42

Lissie Vos 39

John 19
Gertrueto 16
Theadore 12
Peter 9
Anthony 7
Henry age 5
Katie 4
Lenard 3
Susy 2
Herman less than 1 year

1895 MN Census, Krain, Stearns Co, MN

Anton Vos 53 Farmer

Elisabeth Vos 49

Peter 21 Farmer
Anton 19
Henry 17
Leonard 13
Katharine (?) 13
Reinhard 11
Herman 9
Mary 7
Franz 6

1900 US Census they lived in Krain, Stearns Co, MN

Anton Vos 57

Elisabeth Vos 54

Katie Vos 18
Joseph Reinhard Vos 17
Hermann Vos 15
Anna Maria Vos 13
John (Frank) Vos 11

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Anna E Vos 60

Henry 26
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Frank 15

1910 US Census in Krain, Stearns County

Anton Vos 68

Elizabeth Vos 64

Mary Vos 23

Frank Vos 21

1921 Census of Canada:

Anton & Elizabeth were living with son, Frank Vos in Canada

Frank Vos 30

Antone Vos 78

Elizabeth Vos 75

Mary Vos 34

Nang Moreau 30

Find-a-Graves - children of Anton Vos, Sr

12 Children of Anton & Elizabeth Vos

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John Peter Vos 1867–1945

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Gertrude VOS Schmid 1869–1946

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Theodore Vos, 1871–1959, m. Francizca Kubicek

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Peter Vos 1874–1944

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Anton Vos 1875–1956

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Henry Vos (1877–1959); m. 1907 Catherine Slattery (1885-1954) Stearns Co.

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Mary Katherine "Katie" Voss 1881-1950 aka Sister Mary Gregory Vos O.S.F.

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Leonard Vos (1879-1955); m. 1924 Anna Bohme

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Joseph Reinhard Vos (1883–1979); m. Ida Gertrude Lansing (1888-1966)

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Herman Voss (1885–1965); m. 1905 to Emma Ralston, in Holdingford, Stearns Co

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Anna Maria "Mary" Vos (1886-1968); buried in Spring Lake, Alberta, Canada. Never married

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Frank Vos (1888–1978) (1910 & 1921 census) buried in Spring Lake, Alberta, Canada. Never married
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Links of Interest

VOS History on Google Drive:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0B5XQ30gzyFOXTVhkVWNTMWpzN00?resourcekey=0-3yGhg5-rp8SdGY_Xtr5g0w&usp=sharing

[Grave: Anna Elizabeth VOS Schmid 1846-1930](#)

[Grave of Anton Vos, Sr 1842-1925](#)

[Grave of first born son, John Peter Vos 1867-1945](#)

[Grave of Elizabeth Anna Beckers Vos 1846-1930](#)

[Passenger List Ship Germania, Anwerpen – New York, arrival 22 April, 1863](#)

[History of St. Anthony Parish \(where Gertrude took her First Communion\)](#)

[History of Holdingford](#)

Files, Maps, Documents of Interest

[1875 03 10 US Land Office Antonius Vos 160 acres homestead.jpg](#)

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[1885 MN Census Anton Sr 42, Eliz 39, 10 kids Krain, Stearns Co.jpg](#)

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[1895 MN Census Anton Vos Sr 53, Eliz 49 9 kids orig.jpg](#)

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[1896 Krain Plat, Stearns Co Anton Vos landowner.jpg](#)

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[1896 Krain Plat Anton, Reinhard Vos, John Muyers landowners.jpg](#)

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[1900 US Census Anton Eliz 5 kids US.jpg](#)

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[1905 MN Census Anton Sr 63, Anna E 60, Henry 26, Mary 18, Frank 15.jpg](#)

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[US 1910 Census Anton Sr, 68, Elizabeth 64, Mary 23, Frank 21, Krain, Stearns](#)

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[Canada 1921 Census Anton, Elizabeth Vos, Victoria, Alberta.jpg](#)

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Benton Township, Carver Co where Anton & Elizabeth married in 1867



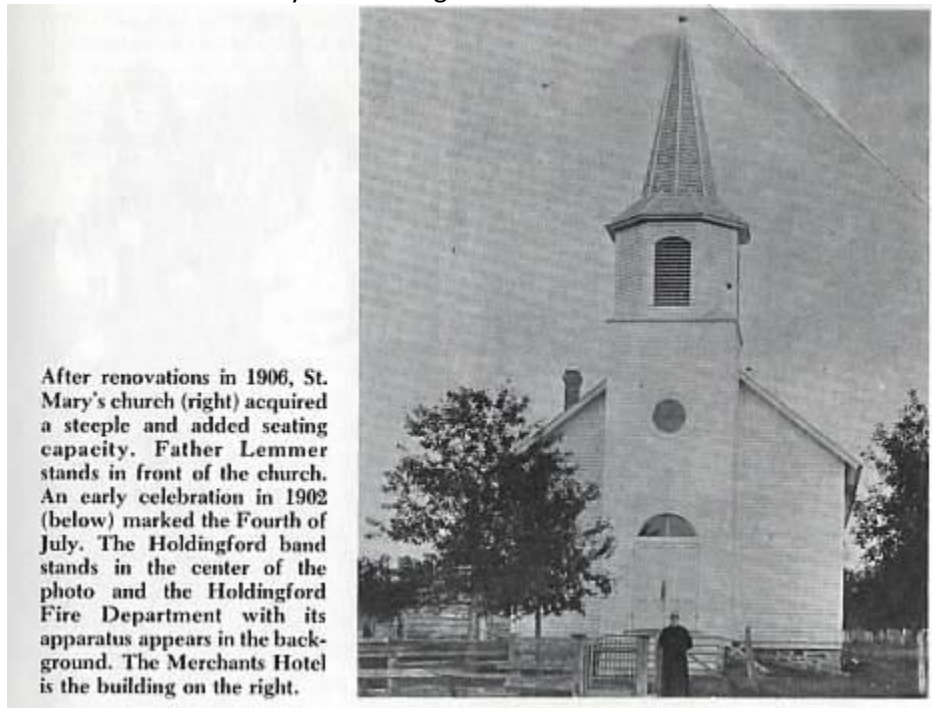
1864 ca Anna Elizabeth Beckers



1885 US Census Anton, Lizzie & 10 children, Krain Township, Stearns

Anton	Vos	42	"	"
Lizzie	"	39	St.	"
John	"	19	Ch.	"
Christina	"	15	St.	"
Theodore	"	12	Ch.	"
Peter	"	9	"	"
Anthony	"	7	"	"
Henry	"	5	"	"
Marie	"	4	St.	"
Leona	"	3	Ch.	"
Judy	"	2	St.	"
Barbara	"	1	Ch.	"

1906 renovated St. Mary's in Holdingford

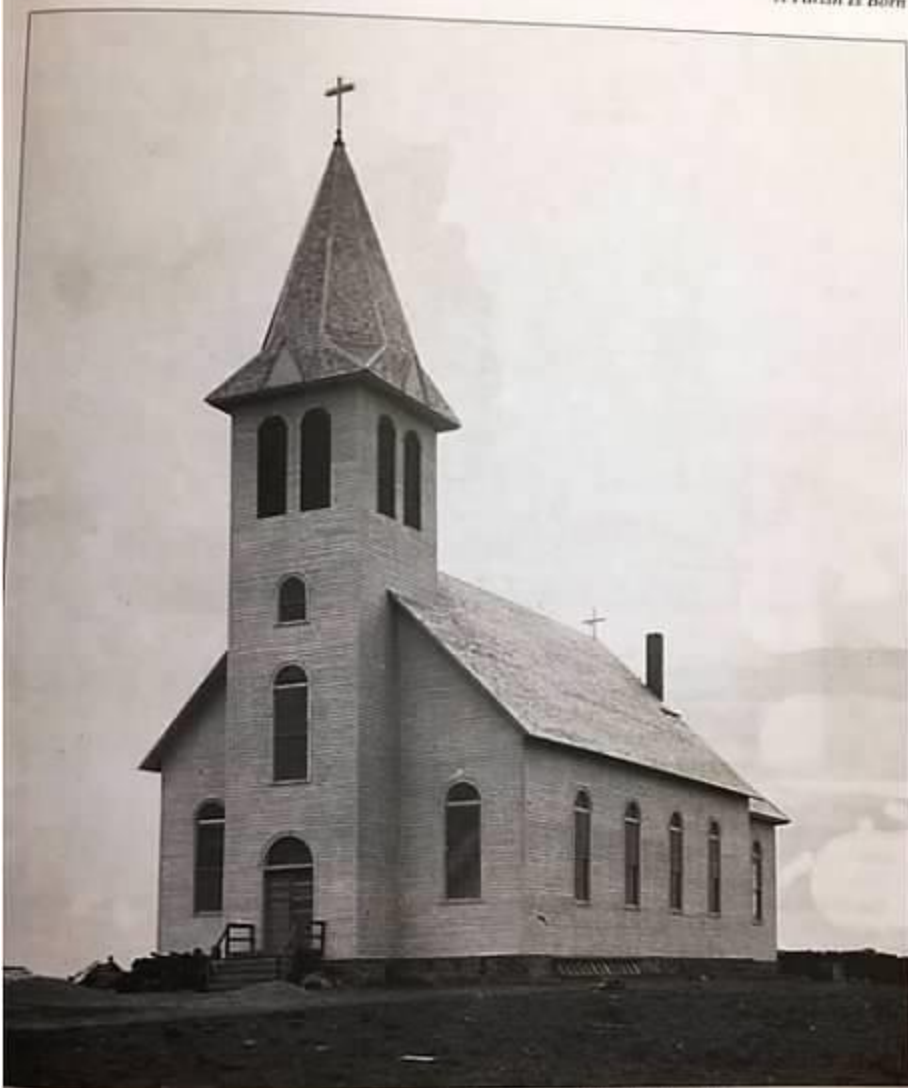


After renovations in 1906, St. Mary's church (right) acquired a steeple and added seating capacity. Father Lemmer stands in front of the church. An early celebration in 1902 (below) marked the Fourth of July. The Holdingford band stands in the center of the photo and the Holdingford Fire Department with its apparatus appears in the background. The Merchants Hotel is the building on the right.

4 books which include Vos family history



1914, St Francis of Assisi, Krain Township



*The first church of the parish of St. Francis of Assisi was completed in the fall of 1914.
Mass was first said in it in November 1914, but a priest was not appointed by the bishop until January 1915.*

Vos Lake, current view google map



1930, death of Anna Elizabeth Beckers Vos, Avon, MN

AVON

Mrs. Elizabeth Voss, mother of Mrs. Frank Schmid, Sr., was laid to rest here on Friday at nine-thirty o'clock. Solemn high mass was read by Rev. Fr. Meinrad, assisted by two priests. Mass servers were great grand sons of the deceased, LeRoy and Franklin Rass, Donald and Gilford Schmid and Cyril Welle and Urban Keeper. Six grandsons served as pallbearers. They were, Joseph, Edward, George, Frank, Ben and Roman Schmid.

Many relatives from Holdingford, St. Martin, Albany and Minneapolis attended the funeral.

Lumber Camp in the area



Art Thell
April 15, 2020

Lumber camp--there's a relative in there somewhere (early 1900's)



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