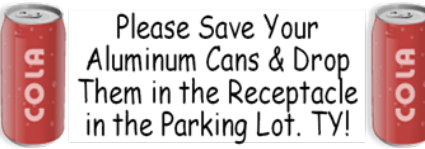



This Week's Events:
TUESDAY: 7 AM Mass
 6 - 8 PM Confessions in Church
WEDNESDAY: NO Faith Formation
THURSDAY: 7 PM Holy Thursday
FRIDAY: 3 PM Service of the Cross
SATURDAY: NO 4 or 7 PM Mass
 8 PM Easter Vigil in Spanish

We are in need of Liturgical volunteers for ALL Masses! Please contact Jodee for more details!

 Please Save Your Aluminum Cans & Drop Them in the Receptacle in the Parking Lot. TY!

| SUNDAY GIVING MARCH 18 th , 2018 | | | |
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| Building Fund | \$ 28.00 | 2 | # of Envelopes from Generous Families |
| Children | \$ 0.00 | 0 | # of Envelopes from Generous Kids |
| Adult Envelope & Plate | \$ 2,367.72 | 50 | # of Envelopes from Generous Families |
| Collected to Date | \$ 92,265.58 | Counters for April 1st, 2018 Deb Ries & John Turek | |
| Budgeted to Date | \$ 92,150.00 | | |
| Net Profit - Thank You! | \$ 115.58 | | |

 **LOVE INC**
In the Name of Christ
 Twin mattresses, box springs, and metal bed frames are needed. Donations can be dropped off at FurniShare located at 7890 Market Boulevard in Chanhassen anytime Wednesday - Friday, 10 am - 4 pm, or Saturday 9 am - noon.

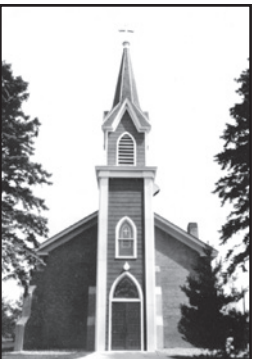
Mass Intentions
 Mar 30 6 PM Service of the Cross
 Mar 31 8 PM Available
 Apr 01 8 AM Available
 10 AM Living & deceased members of St. Nicholas
 Apr 03 7 AM Available
 Apr 05 7 PM Available

Call 952-448-2345 to offer a Mass for \$7

| EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: | LECTORS: | MASS SERVERS: |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Sunday.....April 1 | Sunday.....April 1 | Sunday.....April 1 |
| 8:00 AM.....Mike Fahey | 8:00 AM.....Mike Fahey | 8:00 AM....Help Needed |
| Mary Poppler | | Help Needed |
| 10:00AM.....Kate Harmon, Deb Ries | 10:00 AM....Deb Ries | 10:00 AM...Abby H. |
| John Turek | | Vivian M. |


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*We are glad to have you here today!
 If you wish to register at St. Nicholas,
 please call the church.*



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Dear brothers and sisters, Mahatma Gandhi said, "Prayer has saved my life. Without it I would have been a lunatic long ago." As we have often reflected here at St. Nicholas, "there is no right or wrong way to pray - simply pray." God will be pleased, we will be helped if we pray in a formal or informal way. When we say informal it includes praying while driving, while the at the gym, while gardening, etc. However, always remember formal prayers like the Mass, spending time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, praying the Rosary, reading from the Bible, etc. should also be an integral part of one's prayer life.

At St. Nicholas we are blessed with an active prayer chain team. If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, please call Darlene at 952-448-4464.

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 Darcee Sobraske.....612-808-0341

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 Mario Montes.....952-448-2345

Weekend Masses
Saturday: 4:00 & 7:00 PM
Sunday: 8:00, 10:00 & 11:45 AM (Spanish)

Daily Masses
 Rosary ½ hr. before Mass
Tuesday, Thursday: 7:00 AM
Friday: 6:00 PM

Adoration
Every Friday: 6:30 PM
 with prayer group to follow at 7:15 PM
1st Friday of each month: 3:00-6:00 PM

Reception of the Sacraments

BAPTISM:
 Time and date as requested by the Family -
 Call for Pre-Baptismal program

CONFESSION (RECONCILIATION):
 Saturdays 3:45-4:00 PM & 6:45-7:00 PM,
 Sundays 7:45-8:00 & 9:45-10:00 AM,
 or anytime as requested

MARRIAGE:
 Call the parish office to make arrangements

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:
 Anytime, call 952-227-4005

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):
 Please call the parish office for more information



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March 25, 2018 – PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

MK 11:1-10; IS 50:4-7; PS 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; PHIL 2:6-11; MK 14:1—15:47

Thank You for Your Generous Support of the Tanzania Orphans! Last weekend a second collection was made to support Father Augustine in Tanzania and the school for AIDS orphans that he runs. I am very happy to say that \$844 was collected here at St. Nicholas. This will go a long way in supporting this important mission. Thank you for your very generous offerings! If you did not have a chance to participate and would like to, you can mail or drop your donation off at the parish office. Please mark it Tanzania Collection. Checks should be made payable to St. Nicholas.

March Madness! It's that time of year when college basketball fans everywhere are thrilled with the anticipation of wins and surprises in the big NCAA tournament. We Catholics also have our own kind of "March Madness" as we celebrate the last days of Jesus' life with sacred liturgies four days in a row. It is a time for us to go the extra distance to walk with our Lord in these important liturgies that proclaim the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord. The Triduum, or "three days" of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter are the three holiest days of the year. I know that our schedules are busy, but please make an effort to celebrate these liturgies that are listed below.

Your Servant in Christ,
Fr. Deziel

Easter Triduum Schedule! The three days leading up to and including Easter are the three holiest days of the Christian year. Below is the schedule for Holy week, both here and at Guardian Angels in Chaska. Please take the time to celebrate these most meaningful liturgies of the year as we unite ourselves more closely with Christ and his suffering, death and resurrection. Lent is quickly coming to an end. May these last days of lent be a great blessing for you all!

Holy Thursday, March 29

7 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper, bilingual, Chaska
7 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper, bilingual, Carver

Good Friday, March 30

Noon Stations of the Cross English, Chaska
3 PM Service of the Cross English, with veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion, Carver
5 PM Stations of the Cross, Spanish, in the outdoor prayer garden, Carver
6 PM Service of the Cross, Spanish, with veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion, Carver
7 PM Service of the Cross, English with veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion, Chaska

Holy Saturday, March 31

8 PM Easter Vigil, English, Chaska
8 PM Easter Vigil, Spanish, Carver

Easter Sunday, April 1

8 AM Mass English, Carver & Chaska
10 AM Mass English, Carver & Chaska
Noon Mass, Spanish, Carver & Chaska



Catholic Services Appeal Update! We're still at 96% of our parish goal in six weeks of the campaign! We are getting very close reaching our goal of \$7,702. Eighty-nine families have responded so far. Please help us reach our goal as soon as possible. If you haven't taken care of this yet, please prayerfully consider what you are able to offer for these important ministries that no one parish can support on their own. Remember, our parish receives a 25% rebate of whatever is collected if we reach our goal. Also, you can help us and the foundation if you let us know your intentions as soon as possible so we will not need to follow up with you. We need a response from every family. Thank you to those who have already made a commitment to the 2018 Catholic Services Appeal!

Priest schedule for March 29th & April 1st!

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| St. Nicholas | Guardian Angels |
| 8:00 PM Fr. Galarza | 8:00 PM Fr. Deziel |
| 8:00 AM Fr. Deziel | 8:00 AM Fr. Manthey |
| 10:00 AM Fr. Galarza | 10:00 AM Fr. Deziel |
| Spanish Mass: | |
| 11:45 AM: Fr. Galarza | Noon: Fr. Manthey |

Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land!

Pope Francis has asked all parishes around the world to take up a collection for Christians in the Holy Land on March 30. Your financial gifts enable the Franciscan community provide education, formation, build homes for the poor and orphans, support senior care facilities and preserve Christians shrines...all in the Holy Land. And most important during this time of war and unrest, this collection will provide humanitarian aid to refugees. On March 30, please stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land and help our Franciscan brothers and sisters.

Solemn Good Friday Prayer Vigil Outside Planned Parenthood in St. Paul!

On March 30, from 8:30 am- 4:00 pm, join with thousands in prayer at Minnesota's highest volume abortuary. Fifteen area pastors, including Bishop Andrew Cozzens and Dr. John Piper, will lead in scripture and prayer, one each half hour throughout the day. Bring your family and come for as long as you can – an hour or two, half the day or all day. Park at the UST Anderson Parking Facility on the corner of Grand and Cretin; shuttle buses will be running back and forth to the vigil site all day. For more information, go to plam.org/events or call 651-771-1500.

Confession Opportunities Available!

Please take advantage of the opportunity to go to confession. Fr. Deziel or Fr. Galarza will be in the confessional 15 minutes prior to each weekend Mass. Also, be sure to check out these area Confession opportunities: St Joseph, Waconia, Sunday, March 25 at 4:30 pm. St. Nicholas, Carver, Tuesday, March 27 6-8 pm.

Mass Intentions! We now have Mass intention spots available. Remember your deceased loved ones by offering Mass for them. Please contact the parish office to schedule the date and time of your choice. The suggested offering for a Mass is still \$7 per Mass.

West Union Pancake Breakfast! West Union is hosting their annual pancake breakfast on Sunday, March 25th from 8 am to noon. Breakfast includes pancakes, sausage, coffee, juice and milk. West Union is located at 15820 Market Ave., Cologne, MN 55322. Proceeds support the summer youth group mission trip to Chicago

The Living Stations: Were You There?

St. Ambrose of Woodbury Drama Ministry invites you to attend any of the dramatic renditions of our Lord's Passion & Crucifixion depicting very powerful and personal monologues. The Stations of the Cross will come alive like never before! The 1-hour long services will be held at St Ambrose Catholic Church, 4125 Woodbury Drive, Woodbury on Sunday, March 25th (Palm Sunday) at 1:30 p.m.; Friday, March 30th (Good Friday) at 7 p.m. No charge.

Women's Scripture Study: Jesus Approaches!

Join local author and speaker Elizabeth M. Kelly in an 8-week bible study based on her new book, "Jesus Approaches, What Today's Woman Can Learn about Healing, Freedom and Joy from the Women of the New Testament" at St. Hubert, Chanhassen (Childcare provided). Thursdays, April 5 – May 24, 9:30 – 11 am. Cost: \$60 per person. For more details and to register, visit archspm.org/events. Questions? Contact Susanna Parent at parents@archspm.org or 651.291.4411.

Council of Catholic Women! Get In Involved! Come And Join Us! The West Deanery Gathering will be held at the Church of St. Mark, 350 S. Atwood St. in Shakopee on Saturday April 7. Registration will start at 8:45 in the social hall followed by a Latin Mass at 9:00. Lunch will be served around 12:00 and dismissal will be 1:45-2:00. There will be elections for some offices so please attend and vote. The President of the West Deanery will give her annual report. Hopefully, there will be a little history on the Latin Mass given. If any questions call Carole Hedlund at 952-445-3061. Leave a message and she will call you back.

The Living Water Program!

For the sixth year in a row we will participate in the "Living Water" program through the Center for Mission. Over the years the donations have went to building the earthen dams, purchasing a backhoe and most recently plastic storage tanks for rainwater. We again invite you to take one calendar and Living Water bottle per family if you wish to participate. Please read the message on the calendar each day and fill your Living Water bottle with coins or any contribution you would like to make. Please return the water bottle to church by May 8.

