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Monday: 8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. Tuesday: 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m. Wednesday: 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m. Thursday: 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m. Friday: 8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

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4[™] SUNDAY OF LENT

For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God. - Jn 3:20-21

March 10th, 2024

Weekly Liturgy Schedule / Horario de Misas

Sunday Masses:

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. at Saint Nicholas Sunday: 12:30 p.m. in Spanish

Daily Masses:

Tuesday: 5:30 p.m. Wednesday: 8:00 a.m. Thursday: 8:00 a.m. Friday: 6:00 p.m. bilingual at Saint Nicholas

Reconciliation:

Saturday: 8:00 -8:45 a.m. Saturday: 3:15 -4:15 p.m. Or by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration:

Thursday: 8:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

Misas dominicales:

Sábado: 4:30 p.m. Domingo: 8:00 a.m. / 10:00 a.m. Domingo: 12:30 p.m. en español

Misas diarias:

Martes: 5:30 p.m. Miércoles: 8:00 a.m. Jueves : 8:00 a.m. Viernes: 6:00 p.m. bilingüe en San Nicolás

Reconciliación:

Sábado: 8:00-8:45 a.m. Sábado: 3:15-4:15 p.m.

Adoración Eucarística:

Jueves: 8:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

<u>Grupo de Oración</u>

Jueves: 7:00 p.m.—8:30 p.m.

Guardian Angels Lay Leadership Positions

Dan Bergner, Trustee: (952) 367-7432 Kris Janey, Trustee: (612) 325-9284 Leo Forner, Facilities Council Chair: (952) 448-3312 Steve Rasmussen, Cemetery Board Chair: (952) 227-4000 Scott Guillemette, Finance Council Chair: (952) 227-4000 Bill Van Hecke, Pastoral Council Chair: (612) 812-8615

Saint Nicholas Lay Leadership Positions

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BULLETIN SUBMITTALS

Please submit announcements, feature articles, or event summaries for the bulletin for Guardian Angels or St. Nicholas by email at bulletin@gachaska.org by 12 p.m. the Tuesday before. Photographs must be in .jpg format.

ENVÍOS AL BOLETÍN

Si tiene algo que enviar para el boletín de Guardian Angels o St. Nicholas, envíe un correo electrónico a bulltin@gachaska.org antes de las 12:00 p.m. el martes anterior. Fotografía debe estar en formato .jpg.

GET THE BULLETIN EMAILED DIRECTLY TO YOU!

Did you know that you can get this bulletin sent to your email inbox? You can! Text GACHASKA to 84576, add your email address, and join the "Bulletin" group.

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¿Sabías que puedes recibir este boletín en tu bandeja de entrada de correo electrónico? ¡Puedes! Envíe un mensaje de texto con GACHASKA al 84576, agregue su dirección de correo electrónico y únase al grupo "Boletín".

ANOINTING

If you wish to receive an anointing please call the Parish Office: (952) 227-4000.

HOSPITAL, NURSING HOME, AND HOMEBOUND VISITS

Churches are no longer notified by hospitals or nursing homes when a parishioner is admitted unless the family has requested it. If you or a family member are homebound, hospitalized or in a nursing home and would like a visit from a member of the ministry staff, please call the Parish Office.

Church Calendar

Monday, March 11th

6:00 p.m. Daughters of Isabella Meeting, St. Francis Hall6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts, Gym

Tuesday, March 12th

5:30 p.m. Mass, [⊕] Delbert and Dorlene Pauly 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal, Choir Loft

Wednesday, March 13th

8:00 a.m. Mass, ⊕ Barbara McDonald 6:15 p.m. Encounter Faith Formation, Campus-Wide

Thursday, March 14th

8:00 a.m. Mass, 🕆 Steven Guillemette

Friday, March 15th

<u>6:00 p.m. Mass (SN)</u> 6:00 p.m. Middle School Youth Group, GA School 7:00 p.m. Bible Class (Spanish), St. Francis Hall 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross, GA Church OR SN Gardens

Saturday, March 16th

8:00 a.m. Reconciliation, GA Church9:00 a.m. Mom's Group, Room 0043:15 p.m. Reconciliation, GA Church4:30 p.m. Mass, For the People

Sunday, March 17th

8:00 a.m. Mass, ¹ Arlene Jensen and other deceased members of the Jensen family

9:00 a.m. Coffee and Donuts, St. Francis Hall, Knights of Columbus

10:00 a.m. Mass, 🕆 Donald and Angeline Eiden

10:00 a.m. Mass (SN), & Jack VanRemortel

11:00 a.m. Coffee and Donuts, St. Francis Hall, Knights of Columbus

12:30 p.m. Mass (Spanish)

Mass Intentions:	READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Mass intentions may be for the living and/or the departed, with a the designating in the bulletin a deceased person. There is a \$10 suggested donation per Mass intention. Permission from the sick person or his/her family must be granted before a name's inclusion in these prayers. To schedule a Mass intention, please call the Parish Office. Baptism: Our Baptism Belonging Class is required for all parents as a first step to Baptism of your child. Please call Father Tony VanderLoop, Pastor, at 952-679-9415 to sign up for a class. We encourage Godparents to attend. Baptisms are scheduled once per month after the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass. Special dates requested for Baptism will be consid- ered and accommodated depending on circumstances.	Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54 Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16 Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30 Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47 Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1- 2, 10, 25-30 Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53 Next Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 (12a)/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33
Matrimony:	
Marriage preparation is required. Please call Father Tony VanderLoop, Pastor, at 952-679-9415 at least 8 months in advance. Communion for the Homebound: When we come together to pray at our Eucharistic liturgy,	LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA Domingo: 2 Chr 36, 14-16. 19-23/Sal 136, 1-2. 3. 4-5. 6 (6)/Ef 2, 4-10/Jn 3, 14-21 Lunes: ls 65, 17-21/Sal 29, 2 y 4. 5-6. 11-12 y 13/Jn 4, 43-54 Martes: Ez 47, 1-9. 12/Sal 45, 2-3. 5-6. 8-9/Jn 5, 1-3. 5-16 Miércoles: ls 49, 8-15/Sal 144, 8-9. 13-14. 17-18/Jn 5, 17-30 Jueves: Ex 32, 7-14/Sal 105, 19-20. 21-22. 23/Jn 5, 31-47 Viernes: Sab 2, 1. 12-22/Sal 33, 17-18. 19-20. 21 y 23/Jn 7, 1- 10. 25-30 Sábado: Jr 11, 18-20/Sal 7, 2-3. 9-10. 11-12/Jn 7, 40-53 Domingo siguiente: Jr 31, 31-34/Sal 50, 3-4. 12-13. 14-15 (12 Heb 5, 7-9/Jn 12, 20-33
we do not forget the members of our community who are unable to be with us because of ill health. We remember them in our prayers, and we wish to include them in our Holy Communion. Members of our community bring the Blessed Sacrament to them to comfort them and to unite us in the Eucharist. We are not always aware of those who have this need. Please call the Parish Office to let us know if you or a member of your family would like to have Holy Communion brought to them. Then we can schedule a time for our ministers to visit and bring the Sacrament.	

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE



All that we have and all that we are comes from the Lord. "We are truly his handiwork," says St. Paul in the second reading, "created in Christ Jesus to lead a life of good deeds which God prepared for us in advance."

Maintenance Expenses Paid 7/1/23 to Date:

Friary Doors (2/3 down), Church Fence (2nd half), Repair Sanctuary/Sacristy windows, replace furnace room windows, church boilers (last 10% Pd), Gym Lights

Year-To-Date 7/1/23-3/4/24

	Guardian Angels	St. Nicholas
Budget	\$509,076	\$40,932
Sunday Collection	\$9 <i>,</i> 885	\$2,089
Contributions	\$26,885	\$1,202
Total Giving	\$427,923	\$43,342
Amount above or below	-\$81,153	+\$2,410

Guardian Angels Maintenance Fund:

7/1/23-2/29/24 Contributions:	\$44,362
	(\$5,250 boiler rebate)
7/1/23—12/31/23 Expenses:	\$133,252.91
Fund Balance:	\$98,561

Please remember the Church of the Guardian Angels or Saint Nicholas in your Will.



THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS AND THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The <u>Liturgy of the Eucharist</u> is the pinnacle of the entire celebration of the Mass. The Liturgy of the Word forms us and moves us to celebrate and participate in the sacred action of Christ which brought about our salvation. Attention now focuses on the altar. Notice how the priest says, "Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you." Or "...the wine we offer you." So, the gifts that we have received, we offer back to the Father as a sacrifice that God transforms. The priest

receives all of the gifts and places the gifts of bread and wine on the altar with prayers acknowledging them as gifts of God in which the work of human labor has played a part.

The faithful are then invited to pray that the gifts, represented by the priest as "my sacrifice and yours," will be acceptable to the Father. At this time, ideally, the congregation both stands and gives a resounding response simultaneously. The standing is meant to reinforce the response, "May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all His holy Church." The timing of standing and responding at the same time is a little tricky, but that is the general idea that it is meant to be a resounding response. We are asking that the sacrifice we offer would be acceptable to God and transforming to us.

It is important to know that we do not just offer bread and wine and money and in some cases food for the poor. We offer our very lives, which together with the offering of Christ made present again, makes a pleasing offering to the Father. I will go into that much more next week. But we offer our lives as a sacrifice to God. The congregation is invited to join its offering with that of the priest who prays in the person of Christ leading your Eucharistic prayer. The rite concludes with the <u>Prayer over the Offerings</u>, which is similar in style to the Collect (Opening Prayer) of the Mass.

The Eucharistic Prayer then begins. It is the most solemn of all prayers in the Mass, "the center and summit of the entire celebration." It begins with the <u>Preface Dialogue</u> which begins the Preface. This dialogue is an invitation by the priest asking the faithful to lift up their hearts and join him in giving thanks and praise to God. The <u>Preface</u> itself is an enumeration of some of the reasons that we have to thank the Lord which are often placed in the context of a liturgical season such as Advent, Christmas, Lent or Easter, or a feast of the Lord, of Mary, or of one of the saints. While each Preface draws on many reasons to give thanks, the Preface always concludes with the greatest reason of all, the Father's gift of his only Son whom he sent to save us from sin and to restore our relationship with him. The Preface concludes with the singing of the Sanctus ("Holy, Holy, Holy"). As the priest introduces this acclamation, he reminds us that our celebration is done in the company of all the angels and saints, the Church in heaven as well as the Church on earth. The Sanctus offers praise once again for the glory of the Lord, which fills the whole earth and anticipates the coming of the Savior with the words, "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord…"

Father Tony

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA MEETING

The Daughters of Isabella will meet in St. Francis Hall, Monday, March 11th at 6 p.m. for social hour and 6:30 meeting.

RUMMAGE SALE

We will be having the Rummage Sale this year in June, so keep us in mind when you're doing your spring cleaning.

We will be accepting donations on Monday June 17th, Tuesday June 18th, and Wednesday June 19th from 8 a.m.—8 p.m.

FISH FRY

Guardian Angels Catholic Church (Chaska) — The Knights of Columbus FISH FRY, 4 to 7:30 p.m. on Friday, March 22nd! Includes Pollock fish (deepfried beer battered, deep-fried dry rub or lemon pepper oven baked), mashed potatoes and potato salad, coleslaw, green beans, dinner roll, dessert, coffee, water or milk. Take outs available. 1st Street and Cedar Street in Chaska. Adults = \$16 / Kids 6 to 12 = \$7 / Kids 5 and under = Free / Family = \$50 for parent(s) with their minor children. Proceeds go to Guardian Angels Church and various charities. For more info, email <u>haroldbrose@yahoo.com</u>.

Iglesia Católica de los Ángeles Guardianes (Chaska) — Los Caballeros de Colón CENA DE PESCADO FRI-TO, 4 a 7:30 p.m. ¡El viernes 22 de marzo! Incluye pescado Pollock (rebozado con cerveza frita, aderezo seco frito o horneado con pimienta y limón), puré de papas y ensalada de papas, ensalada de col, judías verdes, panecillos, postre, café, agua o leche. Comidas para llevar disponibles. 1st Street y Cedar Street en Chaska. Adultos = \$16 / Niños de 6 a 12 años = \$7 / Niños de 5 años y menos = Gratis / Familia = \$50 para padres con sus hijos menores. Las ganancias se destinan a la Iglesia de los Ángeles Guardianes y a varias organizaciones benéficas. Para obtener más información, envíe un correo electrónico a <u>haroldbrose@yahoo.com</u>.

POSITION AVAILABLE WITH LOVE INC

Hiring Helpline Coordinator

Part Time: 18-20 hours/week at our Chaska office.

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 8:30-2:30

Job Description: The Helpline Coordinator works together with helpline volunteers as that first voice of hope to callers asking for help. There is a joy and privilege in connecting neighbors to the basic needs provided by gap ministries and faith community partner churches.

For a full list of duties and to inquire, email Al Norby at anorby@loveinccc.org

GLOBAL SOLIDARITY SUNDAY

Global Solidarity Sunday is an opportunity to contemplate John 3:16 *"For God so loved the world..."* You are invited to actively share God's love as a sign of solidarity with your brothers and sisters throughout the world. We are all called to share gifts of financial support, an expression of Lenten almsgiving, by contributing to this collection for four global initiatives designated by the U.S. Catholic Bishops: The Church in Central and Eastern Europe, Africa, Latin America, as well as humanitarian activities of Catholic Relief Services. What is God calling you to share with your brothers and sisters in Christ?

 We will be having our food and hygiene items drive on Saturday, March 23rd at the 4:30 p.m. Mass and on Sunday March 24th at the 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Masses. We need brown paper bags! Please drop them off in the Kiosk by March 18th! Please drop off your food and hygiene products donation at the truck located in front of the church before the Saturday and Sunday Masses. Envelopes will be available in the pews for your monetary donations. You may drop them in the collection basket. Ce Ce Ce Ce Inst Ce Inst In	resh Produce ereal and Oatmeal astant Potatoes and Instant Rice eanut Butter and Jelly paghetti Sauce, pasta, and ramen anned Chicken, Tuna, Fruit, Hearty Soup, Chili alad Dressing ranola Bars ooking Oil and Butter pices, Salt and Pepper etchup and Mustard our, Sugar, Cake Mix, Frosting oilet Paper, Diapers (sizes 3, 4, 5, and 6), eminine Hygiene Products, Dish and Laundry pap
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COME AND SEE

Jesus in yourself and others as we walk through Lent by learning about the Mass and how we are *Caught Up in His Sacrifice Forever*.

Encounter adult small groups meet on Wednesday evenings in St. Francis Hall from 6:15pm – 7:45pm.

March 13th: The Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist – His Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity

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If you have ever considered sharing your faith by teaching our youth in Faith Formation, but are not able to serve every week, this is your chance! We are in need of substitute catechists!

Lesson plans are provided & as much advance notice as possible will be given. Please contact Fran Oprosko at 952-466-6984 if interested.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

To serve as a Homebound Minister is a wonderful blessing and privilege. To bring the Holy Eucharist to those unable to attend Mass is a special gift.

We are in need of Eucharistic Ministers to the homebound. The time commitment is only 6 times per year. We go out after attending 8:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays and bring the Eucharist, along with a bulletin. We follow a short Communion Rite which is provided and that the residents are very familiar with. If you are interested in serving in this rewarding ministry and would like more information, please call Bill Van Hecke at (612) 812-8615 or the Parish Office.



WHAT SHOULD BE DONE WITH OLD PALMS?

There is a basket in the open kiosk in the back of church where you may drop off your old palms, or you may burn them in some aluminum foil and sprinkle the ashes around your home as a blessing.



INTERESTED IN JOINING THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL?

The 3-year term is coming up for three members of the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) this Spring. Are you interested in joining this dynamic team of parishioners in continuing to help move the parish forward?

Eligibility:

- A baptized Catholic
- At least 18 years of age
- An active, practicing member of the parish
- Married in the church if married
- Not an employee of the church

After considering the role of Parish Pastoral Council Member, we invite you to nominate yourself or someone else to the PPC ministry. Council members serve three-year terms, and may serve up to two consecutive terms. There will be in-pew nomination slips available also in mid-March. If you have questions about the Parish Pastoral Council, contact Bill Van Hecke at (612) 812-8615.

POPULAR PARISH!

Guardian Angels and St. Nicholas have so many wonderful things going on that it doesn't all fit in the bulletin! If you submitted an article and it is not listed, don't fret! It will be included next week.

ANNUNCIATION SUNDAY

Join us in praying a special Novena March 16-24 in preparation for the Solemnity of the Annunciation. Let us follow the example of Mary and call upon her intercession to help us open our hearts to say "yes" to God! Copies of the Novena can be picked up on the table in the back of the church.



MOM'S GROUP

Moms, join us for fellowship 1st and 3rd Saturdays from 9-10:30 a.m.!

Our gatherings include a brief prayer, a relevant reflection, and encouraging conversations. It's a great opportunity to get to know other women in our community, and to grow in faith & friendship. We look forward to seeing you soon!

Upcoming Dates (9:00 - 10:30 am):

	Mar. 16th
Apr. 6 th	Apr. 20 th
May 4 th	May 18 th
June 1 st	

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