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22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Whoever wishes to come
after me must deny
himself, take up his cross,
and follow me. For whoever
wishes to save his life
will lose it, but whoever
loses his life for my
sake will find it.”
- Mt 16:24b-25

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September 3rd, 2023

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.

Grupo de Oración

Jueves: 7:00 p.m.—8:30 p.m.

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Dan Bergner, Trustee: (952) 367-7432
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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.

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

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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, September 4th

Tuesday, September 5th

5:30 p.m. Mass, † Mary Meyer

Wednesday, September 6th

8:00 a.m. Mass, † Deceased family members of Jim and Steph Smyth

6:00 p.m. Encounter Faith Formation Parent Open House, St. Francis Hall

Thursday, September 7th

8:00 a.m. Mass, † Mary Meyer

8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, GA Church

7:00 p.m. Spanish Prayer Group, GA Church

Friday, September 8th

5:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal, GA Church

6:00 p.m. Mass (SN), † Wilfred and Annella Langer

Saturday, September 9th

8:00 a.m. Reconciliation, GA Church

3:15 p.m. Reconciliation, GA Church

4:30 p.m. Mass, † Tony and Marie Koll

Sunday, September 10th

8:00 a.m. Mass, For the People

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

10:00 a.m. Mass, † Mary Meyer

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

10:00 a.m. Mass (SN), † Vincent Jernander and Family

12:30 p.m. Mass (Spanish), Por las almas del purgatorio

Mass Intentions:

Mass intentions may be for the living and/or the departed, with a † 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 considered and accommodated depending on circumstances.

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, 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.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (2b)/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27
 Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13/Lk 4:16-30
 Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 4:31-37
 Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11/Lk 4:38-44
 Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 5:1-11
 Friday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23
 Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8/Lk 6:1-5
 Next Sunday: Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: Jr 20, 7-9/Sal 62, 2. 3-4. 5-6. 8-9 (2)/Rom 12, 1-2/Mt 16, 21-27
 Lunes: 1 Tes 4, 13-18/Sal 95, 1 y 3. 4-5. 11-12. 13/Lc 4, 16-30
 Martes: 1 Tes 5, 1-6. 9-11/Sal 26, 1. 4. 13-14/Lc 4, 31-37
 Miércoles: Col 1, 1-8/Sal 51, 10. 11/Lc 4, 38-44
 Jueves: Col 1, 9-14/Sal 97, 2-3. 3-4. 5-6/Lc 5, 1-11
 Viernes: Miq 5, 1-4 o Rom 8, 28-30/Sal 12, 6. 6/Mt 1, 1-16. 18-23 o 1, 18-23
 Sábado: Col 1, 21-23/Sal 53, 3-4. 6 y 8/Lc 6, 1-5
 Domingo siguiente: Ez 33, 7-9/Sal 94, 1-2. 6-7. 8-9 (8)/Rom 13, 8-10/Mt 18, 15-2

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE



In today's second reading, St. Paul exhorts the Romans to *total* stewardship. Brothers and sisters, he urges, "...offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God."

Maintenance Expenses Paid 7/1/23 to Date:

Friary Doors (1/3 down), Church Fence (2nd half)

Year-To-Date 7/1/23—8/28/23

	Guardian Angels	St. Nicholas
Budget	\$127,269	\$10,233
Sunday Collection	\$10,557	\$1,753
Contributions	N/A	N/A
Total Giving	\$104,236	\$11,009
Amount above or below	-\$23,003	+\$776

Guardian Angels Maintenance Fund:

7/1/23—07/31/23 Contributions:	\$4,896
7/1/23—07/31/23 Expenses:	\$7,112
Fund Balance:	\$179,986

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



DEACON DISCERNMENT DAY, SEPTEMBER 2012

One Sunday morning, 11 years ago after Mass I got a tap on the shoulder from sister Teresa Jose, one of our beautiful nuns at Saint Therese. She tapped me on the shoulder and said, "John, make sure you pay attention to the article about Deacon Discernment Day in today's bulletin." To which the only proper response was, "yes, of course sister". I remember thinking...Hmmm.

And so, I did. I had a few of those little prods to check out what a Deacon is. Sister's invitation was another one of those confirmations that maybe I had better check it out. I'm not getting any younger after all.

And so, I went. The day answered questions about what a Deacon is but did not answer my question if I was being called to serve Jesus and his Church as a Permanent Deacon. That came much later, and after many baby steps of personal growth.

My two take-aways from the discernment process is first, my discernment was very gradual. There were no lightning bolts. But there were gentle nudges all along the way to go deeper and just see where the next step takes me.

The second takeaway is one that thankfully continues to this day, and I think will always be present. That is, a sense of peace, contentment, and the energy I need to do what God is calling me to do. I have come to believe this to be a general truth about spiritual life. If you are in stride with what God is calling you to do, no matter how challenging that may be, peace, contentment and energy comes with the call. The Permanent Diaconate is richly rewarding for those who answer the call.

If you have ever felt that gentle nudge to see what the Permanent Diaconate all is about, here is your tap on the shoulder. Make sure you pay attention to the bulletin insert about the upcoming Diaconate Discernment Day on September 23rd. Any questions, email me. I'd love to fill you in, or just register.

Blessings,
Deacon John Cleveland
jcleveland@gachaska.org

ALTAR SERVING

Guardian Angels is looking for more altar servers!
Anyone Grades 4-12 can join to serve in this ministry.
Parents will have the ability to choose which weekend
Mass your family is able to attend. Training dates this
fall are as follows:

1. Wednesday, September 6th at 5:30 p.m.
2. Saturday, September 9th at 1:30 p.m.
3. Saturday, September 16th at 1:30 p.m.
4. Wednesday, September 20th at 5:30 p.m.
5. Wednesday, October 4th at 5:30 p.m.
6. Wednesday, October 11th at 5:30 p.m.

New altar servers are required to go to 3 training sessions.

Attention current servers! You are required to attend one training session for review!

GUARDIAN ANGELS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SEEKS FALL FESTIVAL DONATIONS

Please consider donating "Spirits" to the Alumni Booth at the Fall Festival. Please bring your donations to the Parish Office.

ADULT CHOIR

The Guardian Angels Adult Choir is looking for new members! Everyone from Grade 11 – Age 130 is welcome to join! Rehearsals are on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. in the choir loft, and we sing for the 10 a.m. Mass. Our first rehearsal this season is on September 5th. We are especially in need of altos and men, though all are welcome! Please prayerfully consider joining this year. For more information or to sign up, contact Brittany Kaufmann at bkaufmann@gachaska.org.

Save the date!

**Saturday
September**

30th

**GUARDIAN ANGELS
FALL FESTIVAL**



GUARDIAN ANGELS PRAYER LINE STARTING UP

You are welcome to join the prayer line team to pray for the needs of parishioners, relatives and friends in need of support. To join the prayer line please send an email to prayer@gachaska.org and include your name, email and contact phone number. Guardian Angels Prayer Line is honored to pray for you and your loved ones upon request. Intentions may be emailed and will be passed on to all the members of the group by email. Each member prays for the intention in their own special way.

DEMONTREVILLE RETREAT

Come to a place where you can hear the voice of the Lord in the quiet and peaceful setting of Lake DeMontreville. Join us for a three-day men's silent retreat at the DeMontreville Jesuit Retreat House in Lake Elmo, Minnesota. The retreat begins Thursday evening September 14th, 2023 and ends Sunday evening September 17th, 2023. Free-will donations are accepted. Other retreat dates are also available. For more information call our office at (651) 777-1311 or see our website www.demontrevilleretreat.com

FALL FESTIVAL BASKET DONATIONS

The Daughters of Isabella will have a Silent Auction at the Fall Festival again this year. We are requesting that anyone who can donate something to bid on (such as restaurants, stores, etc.), please bring the item to the parish office marked D of I Fall Festival. We would also appreciate items with a theme (such as movie, children's basket, sports, etc.) for baskets. We will assemble baskets or you can do it. We would really appreciate any help you can give. Again, please bring items to the Parish Office, marked D of I Fall Festival. Thank you for considering this appeal. All proceeds from the Silent Auction are given to the church.

LAUNCHING THIS SEPTEMBER: MONTHLY VIDEOS FROM ARCHBISHOP HEBDA

Beginning this September, the faithful of the Archdiocese can receive monthly email video messages directly from Archbishop Hebda. The purpose of Archbishop's messages, titled "Together on the Journey," is to inspire and encourage the faithful, as well as strengthen their relationship to this local Church and to their parish. A new video will arrive via email the first Monday of each month, beginning Labor Day, September 4.

Following the monthly video, Archbishop will offer bite-sized reflections each week on happenings in our local Church and insights into our beautiful Catholic faith. Those who sign up for this "Weekly Word" will also hear about local Catholic events, recent Practicing Catholic podcast interviews, and the latest news from The Catholic Spirit. Learn more and sign up: archspm.org/togetheronthejourney

FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF CHRISTIAN CHARITY DISCERNMENT EVENTS

Single Catholic women age 20-35: Franciscan Sisters invite you to in-person and online Discernment Events designed for you. Discover your calling and purpose. Visit www.fsc-calledtobe.org or contact Sr. Julie Ann at (920) 323-9632.

HEALING THE WHOLE PARISH RETREAT

Retreat Description

The goal of the Healing the Whole Parish retreat will be to help parishioners of Guardian Angels and Saint Nicholas to better understand and start to heal from their own wounds as well as the more general wounds of the parish, so as to be better able to collaboratively address the opportunities and challenges facing the parish during the upcoming months and beyond.

When and Where Will it be?

Friday evening, September 15th, 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. at Saint Nicholas in Carver

Saturday daytime, September 16th, 8:00 AM to 4:00 p.m. at Saint Nicholas in Carver

Saturday evening, September 16th, 4:15 to 8:30 p.m. at Guardian Angels in Chaska

About the Retreat Leader

Fr. Joseph Bambenek is the Assistant Director of the Office for the Renewal of Structures. In that role, Fr. Joseph and his team will support Fr. Tony in the coming year as he discerns, with the help of parishioners, how best to shepherd the Catholics of Chaska and Carver given current realities. When Fr. Joseph was pastor of St. Pius X, White Bear Lake, he felt inspired to develop a "Healing the Whole Parish" retreat in response to the challenges then facing his parish: a revolving door of pastors (4 in 18 months) when he arrived, the closing of the parish school, and the clergy sexual abuse crisis in the Archdiocese in which it came to light that St. Pius' founding and longest-serving pastor was credibly accused of abusing multiple children.

Do I have to Attend the Entire Retreat?

It would definitely be helpful to commit to attend the entire retreat in order to experience the maximum benefit of the experience of God's grace offered. We encourage you to make every effort that you can to clear your schedule to do so. Several people will be praying for the success of the retreat and we are planning for its success by God's will. However, if you cannot come to all of the retreat, please let us know in the "notes" section of the sign-up form what hours you will be attending in order to aid our planning.

WOMEN'S CLINIC

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Upcoming Pro-Life Event with SouthWest Options for Women

Saturday, Oct 14th - Annual Gala at Golden Valley Country Club benefitting SouthWest Options for Women.

Go to swoptionsforwomen.org or call us at 952-938-4496 for more information!

NEW PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mike Richelsen

Mike & his wife Jenny have been married for 33 years and have 5 children. They have been parishioners of Guardian Angels for the last 25 years. The older 3 children are graduates of Guardian Angels School. Mike has previously served on the Finance Council, School Advisory Board and on numerous Capital Campaigns. He looks forward to his tenure on the Parish Pastoral Council.



Gary Klingelutz

Dear parishioners of Guardian Angels Parish, My name is Gary Klingelutz, I have been a member of Guardian Angels Parish for my entire life. My roots go as far back as the mid 1800's here in Chaska and Guardian Angels. I am married to my wife Diane, we have 3 boys and we are proud of them. I attended Guardian Angels school through 8th grade. My boys also went to school here at Guardian Angels. I am involved in several activities in our parish. I taught religion several times over the years, I am a lector and usher for the scheduled Masses, table leader for the Faith Formation program, and very involved in the church festival and car show and I am looking forward to being part of the Parish Pastoral Council and becoming more involved in our Guardian Angels Parish.

SAINT NICHOLAS PRAYER GARDEN INVITES YOU!

Please come for a 9-night novena Wednesday, August 30th to Friday, September 8th with a Mass celebrated by Fr. Tony VanderLoop.

Each night at 6:30 the novena is prayed in honor of Our Lady of Good Health (Our Lady of Vailankanni) and Our Lady of the Stairs (Mexico). Following the novena prayers and the rosary, favorite foods will be shared.

Prayers will be bilingual.



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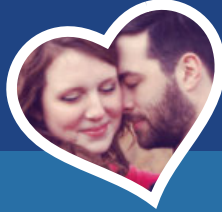
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