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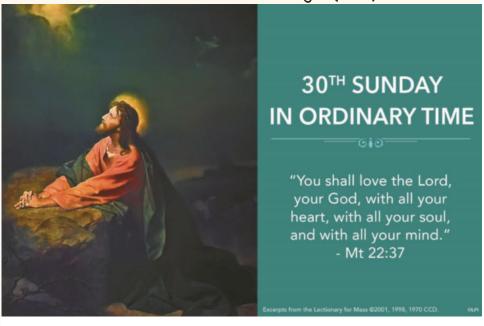
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October 29th, 2023

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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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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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, October 30th

6:00 p.m., Prayer and Listening Meeting, Parish Center

Tuesday, October 31st

5:30 p.m. Mass, Deceased family members of Jim and Steph Smyth

7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal, GA Choir Loft

Wednesday, November 1st

12:00 p.m. Mass, ⊕ Jay Perrill

5:30 p.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal/Dinner, Choir Loft

6:15 p.m. Faith Formation, GA Campus-wide

7:00 p.m. Mass, For the People

Thursday, November 2nd

8:00 a.m. Mass, For the Faithful Departed

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

6:00 p.m. 2023 Festival Wrap-up

7:00 p.m. Mass, For the Faithful Departed

Friday, November 3rd

6:00 p.m. Mass (SN), ⊕ Joe Mahowald

Saturday, October November 4th

8:00 a.m. Reconciliation, GA Church

8:00 a.m. D of I Rosary, GA Church

9:00 a.m. Mom's Group, Room 102

9:00 a.m. Small Group Leader Formation, St. Francis Hall

3:00 p.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal, GA Choir Loft

3:15 p.m. Reconciliation, GA Church

Sunday, November 5th

8:00 a.m. Mass, ⊕ Bob Ohnsorg

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

10:00 a.m. Mass,

↑ Arlan Pauly

10:00 a.m. Mass (SN),

Clarence and Caroline Lenzmeier

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

12:30 p.m. Mass (Spanish), & Para la Gente

2:00 p.m. Prayer and Listening Session, St. Francis Hall

Mass Intentions:

Mass intentions may be for the living and/or the departed, with a \oplus 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: Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 (2)/1 Thes 1:5c-10/ Mt 22:34-40

Monday: Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21/Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/ Mt 5:1-12a

Thursday: Wis 4:7-14/Ps 25:6, and 7b, 17-18, 20-21/Rom 5:17 -21/Mt 11:25-30

Friday: Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 14:1-6 Saturday: Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 17-18/Lk 14:1, 7-11

Next Sunday: Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10/Ps 131:1, 2, 3/1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13/Mt 23:1-12

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: Ex 22, 20-26/Sal 17, 2-3. 3-4. 47. 51 (2)/1 Tes 1, 5-10/Mt 22, 34-40

Lunes: Rom 8, 12-17/Sal 67, 2 y 4. 6-7. 20-21/Lc 13, 10-17 Martes: Rom 8, 18-25/Sal 125, 1-2. 2-3. 4-5. 6/Lc 13, 18-21 Miércoles: Ap 7, 2-4. 9-14/Sal 23, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6/1 Jn 3, 1-3/Mt 5, 1-12

Jueves: Sab 4, 7-14/Sal 24, 6. y 7. 17-18. 20-21/Rom 5, 17-21/ Mt 11, 25-30

Viernes: Rom 9, 1-5/Sal 147, 12-13. 14-15. 19-20/Lc 14, 1-6 Sábado: Rom 11, 1-2. 11-12. 25-29/Sal 93, 12-13. 14-15. 17-18/Lc 14, 1. 7-11

Domingo siguiente: Mal 1, 14—2, 2. 8-10/Sal 130, 1. 2. 3/1 Tes 2, 7-9. 13/Mt 23, 1-12

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE



We fulfill the commandment to love our neighbor when we exercise good stewardship—joyfully sharing our gifts of life, abilities, and resources to meet our neighbor's need.

Maintenance Expenses Paid 7/1/23 to Date:

Friary Doors (1/3 down), Church Fence (2nd half), Repair Sanctuary/Sacristy windows, replace furnace room windows, down payment on church boilers.

Year-To-Date 7/1/23—10/16/23

| | Guardian Angels | St. Nicholas |
|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Budget | \$240,397 | \$19,329 |
| Sunday Collection | \$14,901 | \$1,097 |
| Contributions | N/A | N/A |
| Total Giving | \$193,750 | \$19,464 |
| Amount above or below | v -\$46,647 | +\$135 |

Guardian Angels Maintenance Fund:

7/1/23—08/31/23 Contributions: \$10,440 7/1/23—08/31/23 Expenses: \$47,112 Fund Balance: \$137,580

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



COME AND PARTICIPATE AT A PRAYER AND LISTENING SESSION

Dear Parishioners,

It is the night of Tuesday, October 24th and I just came from a prayer and listening session. One of the things I appreciate is how prayerful our time was. We began by reading Jeremiah 29: 11-14 when the prophet says to God's people, "When you look for me, you will find me." We journaled about what the passage says to us. To me, this is a great promise!

In our process of discernment we are really looking for God himself. It would not be sufficient to say that we are looking for God to guide us in this process. This may very well reduce God to simply a problem-solving God who can fix our problems. But God is more than this. I believe that we are looking for God himself - the God who reveals his very self to us personally. We are always looking for God. We want him to be present to us and reveal himself to us and this corresponds to our deepest satisfaction.

Then, we set the context for our discussion. An important part of our discussion is knowing that God can, at the snap of a finger, do more than we can do in ten years of planning or working. Therefore, we seek to pray for our fellow parishioners and listen to God for guidance as we draw near to Him. We do this as opposed to spending so much time and energy figuring things out on our own. This is a different mindset than an open town hall or a survey approach where people give their raw opinions. There will indeed be a brief survey available to all parishioners, but I want you to participate in a prayer and listening session. This is because it is an attempt to pray together and talk together in a mindset of listening in the hope that the Holy Spirit can work through the discussions and bring to light some ideas for the future.

There are actually two prayer times during the session. The second is Matthew 14: 25-33 when Peter walks on water toward Jesus. Peter boldly gets out of the boat and starts walking. Can he see him better as he goes through the storm? We may have times in our discernment process and in our future in which it will seem stormy in that the solutions may lie beyond what we have ever done as parishes. But it was when Peter saw how strong the wind was that he began to sink. We keep our eyes fixed on the Lord Jesus whom we seek.

I believe that the Holy Spirit can work in our parishes through this process! The Archbishop, in requesting a plan of action for both of our parishes has been clear that we should work together by praying, listening to one another, and discerning how we can move into the future. Father Joseph Bambenek and Julie Meyer from the Office of Renewal of Structures are here to help us do just this. Please come to one of our two remaining prayer and listening sessions. They are 6:30 to 8:30 PM on Monday, October 30th at the Parish Center at Saint Nicholas and 2:30 to 4:30 PM on Sunday, November 5th at the Saint Francis Hall at Guardian Angels.

Father Tony

LOVE INC WINTER WEAR DRIVE

We need coats, snow pants, warm boots, hats, and waterproof mittens and gloves.

Adult and kids sizes. **Gently used or new items**. Please no tears, stains, or broken zippers.

Drop them off at the back of church by October 29th!

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS: STAY CONNECTED WITH THE MOVEMENT!

For beautiful reflections and resources on the Eucharist, as well as updates on the Revival, subscribe to receive the "Heart of the Revival" weekly newsletter at eucharisticrevival.org.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

November 19th, Gym



The Chaska/Carver Knights of Columbus invite to their ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST event, scheduled for 8 a.m. to noon on November 19th at Guardian Angels Catholic Church. Menu includes: Pancakes, Blueberry Pancakes, French Toast, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Coffee, Juice, Milk, and Water. Tickets: \$12 for adults, \$5 for children aged 6-12, free for children under 5 years old; and \$40 for families (parents and minor children in the same family). Proceeds go to Guardian Angels Church and in part to local charities. Both events will be held in the parish gym, located a block south of the church at the corner of 1st Street and Cedar Street.

MOM'S GROUP

Saturday, November 4th, 9-10:30 a.m., Room 102

Moms, join us in November for encouraging conversation with other women! We'll be meeting both the 4th and the 18th this month for coffee, refreshments, and fellowship. Please RSVP if you'd like childcare available during this meeting. To RSVP or to be added to the email list, please contact Jenna Salinas, jennamsalinas@gmail.com or (612) 201-4894

ALPHA BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

Do you want an easy way to help a mom choose life? Fill a baby bottle to support Alpha Women's Center's pro-life mobile clinic. Alpha Women's Center is a pro-life Christian ministry that serves right here in Chaska, and surrounding cities, providing free medical and support services that show the love of Jesus to women with pregnancy needs. Pick up a bottle at the back of church and fill it with cash, change, or checks and return it to the collection box in church by **November 5th**. Your donations help moms choose life!

SAVE THE DATES!

Come to one of the following <u>Prayer and Listening</u> Meetings as we discuss our future together.

Representatives from the Archdiocese will lead us.

Monday, October 30th, 6:30 – 8:30 PM At Saint Nicholas Parish Center

Sunday, November 5th, 2:30 – 4:30 PM At Guardian Angels in Saint Francis Hall



What are the things about your parish that you value and would like to continue? How will we invite and open our doors to those who are moving into the area? What are your hopes for our future?

EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES OF THE WORLD EXHIBIT

Friday, November 3rd—Sunday, November 5th, Holy Family, Saint Louis Park

Come see the "Eucharistic Miracles of the World" exhibit started by Blessed Carlos Acutis. This exhibit includes 126 historically documented Eucharistic miracles that have occurred in various countries since the Last Supper. These are visible proof of Jesus Christ's Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist. All are welcome including members of other faiths. Go to www.hfcmn.org/eucharistic-miracles-exhibit for more information.

GIVING TREE/MINISTERIO "ÁRBOL QUE DA"

Christmas help for Guardian Angels and St. Nicholas parishioners.

Sometimes even the most basic needs can represent a challenge for individuals and families. We want to help this Christmas season by putting a tag on the Giving Tree and asking parishioners to choose one and purchase a gift.

If you, or someone you know from our

If you, or someone you know from our parish, is in need please contact Jean Van Hecke at (612) 245-9252, between

now and November 11th. All requests will be kept confidential.

Sharing the JOY of the birth of Jesus!



Ayuda de Navidad para los parroquianos de Ángeles Guardianes y San Nicolás. Algunas veces las necesidades más básicas pueden representar una dificultad para una persona o una familia. En este tiempo de Navidad, queremos ayudar y lo haremos poniendo una tarjeta en el Árbol que da y pidiendo a los parroquianos que escojan una de ellas y compren un regalo. Si usted o alguien de nuestra parroquia que usted conoce, tiene necesidades, por favor contactar a Jean Van Hecke al

(612) 245-9252, antes del 11 de noviembre. Todos los pedidos se mantendrán de manera confidencial.

Compartamos la alegría del nacimiento de Jesús!

SPIRIT AND FIRE

Friday, November 10th, 6:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m., Saint Rose of Lima Catholic Church, Roseville

Join us for a night of worship and prayer! Led by Father Marc Paveglio, this Spirit & Fire Night will give participants a chance to invite the Holy Spirit more deeply into their lives. Listen to testimonies, be prayed over by a prayer team, go to confession, and adore the Lord in the Eucharist!

JAMES: PEARLS FOR WISE LIVING

Tuesdays November 7th —December 12th 7 p.m. to 9 p.m, \$50

This Catechetical Institute six-week course on the letter of James, taught by Jeff Cavins, is for anyone who feels torn between the competing demands of this world and the faith. Through encouraging lecture and the small group experience, this Bible study combines practical wisdom for challenging times with faith-sharing based on the Word of God. Learn wisdom for tough times and how to meet trials with joy and perseverance!

NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK

November 5th-11th

National Vocations Awareness week is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to the promotion of vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering of these particular vocations. Go to www.10000vocations.org for more information.

AVE VERUM CORPUS

Friday, November 10th, 7 p.m.—8:30 p.m., Saint Nicholas Catholic Church, Elko New Market

We invite you to experience a unique pairing of adoration and classical sacred music. The evening will include Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Classical Sacred Music and Chant, Sacrament of Penance available, Vespers, and Benediction. Experience Christ's peaceful presence. All are welcome. Archbishop Hebda will be presiding.

Remember, St. Nicholas in ELKO NEW MARKET. Not us.

WAKING THE TIGER: HEALING TRAUMA

A Zoom Book Study for Survivors of Abuse November 1st & 15th, 6:30-8 p.m.

Join author Peter A. Levine, PhD, for a two-part discussion of his book, *Waking the Tiger*, *Healing Trauma*. The book offers a new and hopeful vision of trauma by viewing the human animal as a unique being, endowed with an instinctual capacity. Please register in advance at www.archspm.org. For more information contact Paula Kaempffer, Coordinator for Restorative Practices and Survivor Support for the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, kaempfferp@archspm.org.

ARCHBISHOP'S DISCERNMENT RETREAT

November 3-5, Christ the King Retreat Center, Buffalo, MN

Archbishop Bernard A. Hebda, along with Vocations Director Fr. David Blume, will lead a discernment retreat for Catholic men, ages 17-24 who do not have a college degree.

More information and registration is at: www.10000vocations.org

CONCERT FOR PEACE

Sunday, November 12th, 4 p.m., Mary Mother of the Church, Burnsville

Please join us as we pray for world peace through music, scripture, and intercession. All are welcome to this free event!

ACCW MORNING REFLECTION

Saturday, November 4th, 8:15 a.m.—12:30 p.m., Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church, Mound, \$30

Join other Catholic women from across our Archdiocese with our Morning of Reflection. Speakers include:

- Father Daniel Haugan: How to be a worker BEE in a busy BEE world
- Bishop Michael Izen: Welcoming Jesus into our house and life as we prepare for Advent

There will also be morning refreshments, vendors to shop from, and Mass.

VOLUNTEERS FOR THE MASS

Have you ever thought about volunteering for the Mass? We need your help! 83% of our ministries rely on one or two people serving EVERY WEEK. Lets change this!

If you are listed as a sub, please prayerfully consider becoming a "full-time" volunteer, even if only once a month.

Don't know where to help? These are the places we need help the most:

- Ushers for the 8 a.m. and the 10 a.m. Masses.
 This is a great a great ministry for a married couple, a parent and a teen, or a pair friends! Or, make a new friend with your pew neighbor.
- Cantors for the 4:30 p.m. and 8 a.m. Masses. If you ever wanted to join Adult Choir, but can't commit to the schedule being a cantor is just what you are looking for!
- 3. Eucharistic Ministers for all Masses. Each Mass takes 5 ministers (including Deacon John), so the more people we have that can serve, the better.
- 4. Altar Servers for all Masses. Most young parishioners start at 4th Grade, however many 5th graders and middle schoolers also join. If you are a teen who regrets not trying it when you were younger, don't fret! If there are enough of you interested, Brittany can set up a special "Older Kid" server training. Pizza anyone?
- 5. Lectors for all the Masses. Do you always get sucked in to reading bedtime stories or leading grace before meals? Well, we want you too. You know who you are.

Of course, we will also take people for any of the ministries above for a Mass not listed, as well as sacristans, youth choir members, and adult choir members.

After prayerfully considering joining, contact Brittany Kaufmann to sign up: bkaufmann@gachaska.org (952) 466-6969

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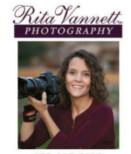
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