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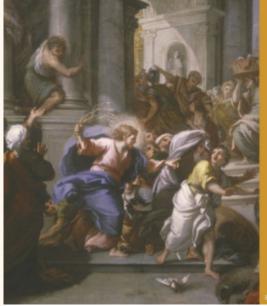
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3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

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Since the Passover of the Jews was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money changers seated there. He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area. - Jn 2:13b-15a

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March 3rd, 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.

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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, March 4th

4:00 p.m. Huskies Basketball, Gym

7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Meeting, St. Francis Hall

Tuesday, March 5th

4:00 p.m. Huskies Basketball, Gym

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

Wednesday, March 6th

8:00 a.m. Mass, ⊕ Tony Koll

6:15 p.m. Encounter Faith Formation, Campus-Wide

Thursday, March 7th

8:00 a.m. Mass, ⊕ The Deceased Family Members of Jim and Steph Smyth

2:00 p.m. Fish Fry Setup, Gym

6:15 p.m. Baptism Class, First Floor Conference Room

Friday, March 8th

4:00 p.m. Fish Fry, Gym

6:00 p.m. Mass (SN)

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 9th

8:00 a.m. Reconciliation, GA Church

3:15 p.m. Reconciliation, GA Church

4:00 p.m. Crusillo: Ultreya, St. Francis Hall

4:30 p.m. Mass, ⊕ Eileen Kessler

Sunday, March 10th

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

10:00 a.m. Mass, ⊕ Robert Martin

10:00 a.m. Mass (SN), ⊕ Jack Van Remortal

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

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

4:00 p.m. All-Parish Penance Service, GA Church

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 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/1 Cor 1:22-25/

Jn 2:13-25 Scrutiny: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3,4/Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/ Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14 Next 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

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: Ex 20, 1-17 o 20, 1-3. 7-8. 12-17/Sal 18, 8. 9. 10. 11 (Jn 6, 68)/1 Cor 1, 22-25/

Jn 2, 13-25 Escrutinio: Ex 17, 3-7/Sal 94, 1-2. 6-7. 8-9 (8)/Rom 5, 1-2. 5-8/Jn 4, 5-42 o 4, 5-15. 19-26. 39. 40-42

Lunes: 2 Re 5, 1-15/Sal 41, 2. 3; 43, 3.4/Lc 4, 24-30

Martes: Dn 3, 25. 34-43/Sal 24, 4-5. 6 y 7. 8-9/Mt 18, 21-35 Miércoles: Dt 4, 1. 5-9/Sal 146, 12-13. 15-16. 19-20/Mt 5, 17-19

Jueves: Jr 7, 23-28/Sal 94, 1-2. 6-7. 8-9/Lc 11, 14-23

Viernes: Os 14, 2-10/Sal 80, 6-8. 8-9. 10-11. 14 y 17/Mc 12, 28-

Sábado: Os 6, 1-6/Sal 50, 3-4. 18-19. 20-21/Lc 18, 9-14

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE



"You shall not covet" is perhaps a difficult commandment to keep in our consumer-oriented society. But as Christian stewards, we know that we are the recipients and caretakers of God's many gifts. May this understanding that *all* is gift help us be less resentful of the gifts of others.

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, church boilers (95% Pd), Gym Lights

Year-To-Date 7/1/23-2/19/24

	Guardian Angels	St. Nicholas
Budget	\$480,794	\$38,658
Sunday Collection	\$15,385	\$924
Contributions	\$24,138	\$1,202
Total Giving	\$409,466	\$39,791
Amount above or below	-\$71,328	+\$1,133

Guardian Angels Maintenance Fund:

7/1/23—12/31/23 Contributions: \$39,050

(\$5,250 boiler rebate)

7/1/23—12/31/23 Expenses: \$118,510.91 Fund Balance: \$107,991

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

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD



The Introductory Rites lead into the <u>Liturgy of the Word</u> which, together with the Liturgy of the Eucharist, are the two principal actions of the Mass. In the proclamation of both the Old and New Testament, God invites us to deepen our relationship with him. The Word of God recalls the mystery of Christ and our salvation. Through our active participation in hearing the Word of God, we receive the grace to become his messengers to the world through the witness of our lives. The Constitution of the Sacred Liturgy on the Second Vatican Council, no. 24 emphasizes the importance of God's Word in the liturgy—strongly endorsing the

promotion of a warm and living love for Scripture. The General Instruction of the Roman Missal, no. 28, stresses that it is not subordinate to the Liturgy of the Eucharist, but rather that the two liturgies are so closely interconnected that they form one single act of worship.

The Liturgy of the Word follows a three-year cycle for Sunday readings and a two-year cycle for Weekday readings, which gives balance to the readings chosen. In the Liturgy of the Word, God reveals himself to us through the proclamation of his Holy Scriptures. We respond to his revelation and his challenge to follow his ways with attentive listening, song, prayer, and silence. It is for this reason that the Liturgy of the Word is considered a dialogue: God speaks and we respond. How are we to receive the Word of God at Mass? We must listen with reverence. While those with hearing impairments are invited to follow along in a missal, those of us who can hear are asked to listen intently. Pope St. John Paul II in his Apostolic Letter "On Keeping the Lord's Day Holy" emphasized the value of preparing for the Sunday liturgy ahead of time, reflecting beforehand on the Word of God that will be proclaimed so that we "may be more powerfully penetrated by it" (Dies Domini, no. 40). This preparation, our preparation before Mass, our attentive listening, and our reflection in periods of silence during Mass are intended to allow the Holy Spirit to speak to each of us.

It is often the case that we have heard the stories of Jesus and the parables he told many times before and that they are very familiar to us. Yet, these stories are not ordinary and do not cease to have impact upon us. They were the words and deeds of Jesus himself and the entire scriptures were inspired by the Holy Spirit. Thus, the proclamation of these readings has the power to bring about in us what we hear proclaimed. The Church has the conviction that "When the Sacred Scriptures are read in the Church, God himself is speaking to his people, and Christ, present in his own Word, is proclaiming the Gospel."

May the holy Word of God move our hearts and make us a faithful community of believers.

Father Tony

PACK-UP A PICKUP BOUNTIFUL BASKET FOOD SHELF

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.

Thank you for your generosity!

The Bountiful Basket is in need of the following items (or monetary donations):

- Fresh Produce
- Cereal and Oatmeal
- Instant Potatoes and Instant Rice
- Peanut Butter and Jelly
- Spaghetti Sauce, pasta, and ramen
- Canned Chicken, Tuna, Fruit, Hearty Soup, Chili
- Salad Dressing
- Granola Bars
- Cooking Oil and Butter
- Spices, Salt and Pepper
- Ketchup and Mustard
- Flour, Sugar, Cake Mix, Frosting
- Toilet Paper, Diapers (sizes 3, 4, 5, and 6), Feminine Hygiene Products, Dish and Laundry Soap

FISH FRY

Guardian Angels Catholic Church (Chaska) — The Knights of Columbus FISH FRY, 4 to 7:30 p.m. on 2 more Fridays during Lent 2024: March 8th and March 22nd! Includes Pollock fish (deep-fried 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 haroldbrose@yahoo.com.

Iglesia Católica de los Ángeles Guardianes (Chaska) Los Caballeros de Colón CENA DE PESCADO FRITO, 4 a 7:30 p.m. en 2 viernes más durante la Cuaresma 2024: ¡8 y 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 haroldbrose@yahoo.com.



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.

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

INTERESTED IN JOINGING THE PARISH PASOTRAL 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:

- 1. A baptized Catholic
- 2. At least 18 years of age
- 3. An active, practicing member of the parish
- 4. Married in the Church if married
- 5. Not an employee of the parish

After considering the role of Parish Pastoral Council 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.



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 6th: The Liturgy of the Word – Receiving His Word Eagerly with Joy 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.



#### RESPECT LIFE GROUP HELPS WITH BINGO AT AUBURN MANOR

We had a nice group from the Respect Life Group help with Bingo at Auburn Manor on Sunday. The residents really enjoyed playing Bingo and winning prizes! Thank you Kathy Carlson for making arrangements!



#### 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.



## PLEASE CONTRIBUTE ON GLOBAL SOLIDARITY SUNDAY

Next Saturday and Sunday, March 9th and 10th, we observe Global Solidarity Sunday with the theme "For God so loved the world..." (Jn 3:16). This theme invites everyone to reach out, around the world, to share the love of Jesus Christ with those who hunger and thirst for God's mercy, love, and healing. There is a special need today as the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, on the GSS collections, is suffering the ravages of armed conflict. Global Solidarity Sunday also supports the spiritual and material needs of three other global priorities of the U.S. Catholic Bishops: Africa, Latin America, and humanitarian activities of Catholic Relief Services. We ask you to be as generous as possible in sharing God's love for your brothers and sisters around the world. Thank you.

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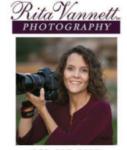
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