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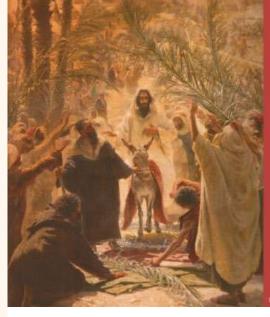
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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

So they brought the colt to Jesus and put their cloaks over it. And he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. - Mk 11:7-8

March 24th, 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.

Grupo de Oración

Jueves: 7:00 p.m.—8:30 p.m.

Guardian Angels Lay Leadership Positions

Larry Schmid, Trustee David Pohlen, Trustee: (952) 428-9649 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.

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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 25th

Tuesday, March 26th

5:30 p.m. Mass, 🕆 Shirley Maier

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

Wednesday, March 27th

8:00 a.m. Mass, 🕆 Eileen Kessler

Thursday, March 28th

<u>7:00 p.m. Mass</u>, For the People 8:30 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, March 29th

7:00 p.m. Mass (SN)

Saturday, March 30th 8:30 p.m. Mass, For the Newly Initiated

Sunday, March 31st

8:00 a.m. Mass, For the People
9:00 a.m. Coffee and Donuts, St. Francis Hall, *Mystery!*<u>10:00 a.m. Mass</u>, [⊕] Marie Koll
<u>10:00 a.m. Mass (SN)</u>, [⊕] Dinah Mahowald
11:00 a.m. Coffee and Donuts, St. Francis Hall, *Mystery!*<u>12:30 p.m. Mass (Spanish)</u>, [⊕] Alex Canchari

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.	The readings for this week do not fit here. Please turn to page 5.
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.	
Matrimony:	
Marriage preparation is required. Please call Father Tony VanderLoop, Pastor, at 952-679-9415 at least 8 months in advance.	Las lecturas de esta semana no caben aquí. Por favor pase a la página 5.
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.	адан ст. такот расс а на ра8ния ст.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE



Good stewards strive to conform their lives to that of Christ—emptying themselves of all pride and putting themselves at the service of others.

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—3/11/24

Guardian Angels	St. Nicholas
\$537,358	\$43,206
\$10,970	\$1,046
\$26,571	\$1,202
\$451,943	\$44,914
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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.



MAY OUR HOLY WEEK BE A BLESSING TO US!

This week we, of course, celebrate the Paschal Triduum. The term Triduum refers to the three days of Christ's passion, death, and resurrection. We celebrate this central mystery of our faith at every Mass, but we do so most intensely as we recall the final events of Jesus life leading up to his resurrection. As we commemorate the Lord's entry into the city of Jerusalem for our salvation on Palm Sunday, we follow in his footsteps, spiritually, so that, being made by his grace partakers of the Cross, we may have a share also in his resurrection and in his life. May our celebration allow God to take possession of our hearts as we seek to serve Him and our neighbor as a community of faith!

Morning Prayer During the Triduum

Each day during the Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday), at 8:30 AM, we will have morning prayer of the Liturgy of the Hours. This is the official daily prayer of the Church that priests, deacons, and religious are vowed to pray. I encourage you to come as a way to enter into, spiritually, the particular saving event of Jesus for that day that is celebrated and commemorated.

Holy Thursday

On Holy Thursday, we celebrate the night of the Last Supper when Jesus instituted the Holy Eucharist and suffered his agony in the garden, his betrayal by Judas, the judgment of the Sanhedrin, and the denial of Peter. He who suffered for us is with us always and forever in the most intimate and humble way. The Eucharist, his body, blood, soul, and divinity is our life, our source and, our summit for the journey to the kingdom. Our Mass of the Lord's Supper will begin at 7:00 PM and it will be bilingual. For our offertory we will take up our collection for Bountiful Basket this year. In addition to a monetary donation this is an opportunity to bring a food item if you forgot to do so with the Packup a Pickup event on Palm Sunday. We will also bring our Kitui water bottles to this Mass. Thank you for your generosity toward our brothers and sisters in Christ. We will have a time of quiet prayer as our Lord is placed in the tabernacle at the Saint Joseph altar all the way through the night. Our Latino brothers and sisters will keep watch at designated hours. Please join them!

Good Friday

On Good Friday we celebrate the Lord's Passion at a new time this year. Our Good Friday service will be at <u>3:00</u> <u>PM.</u> This is traditionally considered to be the hour of our Lord's death. We stand in awe of the love of our Lord poured out for us on the cross. Before the Adoration of the Cross our Liturgy of the Word will include the reading of our Lord's Passion. Please remember that we have the collection for the Care of the Shrines of the Holy Land. Our Good Friday celebration is not a Mass. However, we will have Holy Communion from previously consecrated hosts from our Mass of the Lord's Supper. After the liturgy, Adoration of the Cross will be extended. Then, our Latino brothers and sisters will celebrate the Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM.

Easter Vigil

The Easter Vigil is the high point of our entire liturgical year in which we celebrate our Lord's resurrection. Our Easter Vigil Mass will begin this year at 8:30 PM. We will hear of God's covenantal love and salvation history proclaimed in the Liturgy of the Word. We will have five Baptisms this year in a bilingual celebration! This year, those to be Baptized are Elliot Rojavan, Zyan del Rio, Jackelin Galarza, Arantza Alfonso Chirinos, and Godric Zachahua. The Church welcomes them! We pray for those entering the Church around the world as we renew our own baptismal promises. Before the renewal we will relight our candles which will remind us that we have all received the light of Christ and it is only by this light that we live our lives of Christian faith.

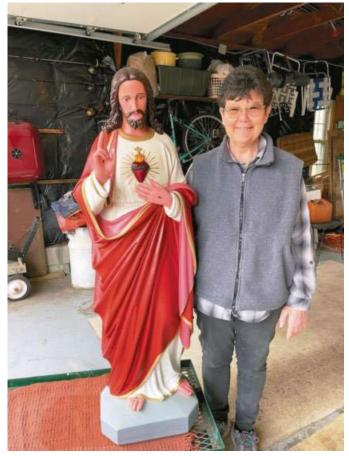
I am truly looking forward to celebrating the Triduum liturgies with all of you. I have always felt that the experience brings me closer together with everyone and all of us closer to each other. May God bless your Holy Week!

Father Tony

NEWLY REFURBISHED STATUE AT SAINT NICHOLAS

Check out the newly refurbished statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus at Saint Nicholas! Thank you, Katie Steinhagen! You did a fantastic job. Katie is a parishioner of Saint Joseph in Waconia who graciously offered her gift of refurbishment and painting at very little cost. May God bless her talented work! She will be working on refurbishing the Saint Nicholas statue for the next few weeks.





READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1—15:47 or 15:1-39 Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11 Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 (see 1 Cor 10:16)/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

Friday: Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 (Lk 23:46)/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42

Saturday: Easter Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 (30) or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15—15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 (42:2)/Rom 6:3-11/Mk 16:1-7 Next Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: Mc 11, 1-10 o Jn 12, 12-16/Is 50, 4-7/Sal 21, 8-9. 17-18. 19-20. 23-24 (2)/Flp 2, 6-11/Mc 14, 1—15, 47 o 15, 1-39 Lunes: Is 42, 1-7/Sal 26, 1. 2. 3. 13-14/Jn 12, 1-11 Martes: Is 49, 1-6/Sal 70, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6. 15 y 17/Jn 13, 21-33. 36 -38

Miércoles: Is 50, 4-9a/Sal 68, 8-10. 21-22. 31 y 33-34/Mt 26, 14-25

Jueves: Vispera Misa de la Cena del Señor: Ex 12, 1-8. 11-14/ Sal 115, 12-13. 15-16. 17-18 (ver 1 Cor 10, 16)/1 Cor 11, 23-26/Jn 13, 1-15

Viernes: Is 52, 13—53, 12/Sal 30, 2. 6. 12-13. 15-16. 17. 25 (Lc 23, 46)/Heb 4, 14-16; 5, 7-9/Jn 18, 1—19, 42

Sábado: Pascua de Resurrección Vigilia: Gn 1, 1—2, 2 o 1, 1. 26 -31/Sal 103, 1-2. 5-6. 10. 12. 13-14. 24. 35 (30) o Sal 32, 4-5. 6-7. 12-13. 20-22 (5)/Gn 22, 1-18 o 22, 1-2, 9-13, 15-18/Sal 15, 5. 8. 9-10. 11 (1)/Ex 14, 15—15, 1/ Ex 15, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6. 17-18 (1)/ Is 54, 5-14/Sal 29, 2. 4. 5-6. 11-12. 13 (2)/Is 55, 1-11/Is 12, 2-3. 4. 5-6 (3)/Bar 3, 9-15. 32—4, 4/Sal 18, 8. 9. 10. 11 (Jn 6, 68)/Ez 36, 16-28/Sal 41, 3. 5; 43, 3. 4 (42, 2)/Rom 6, 3-11/Mc 16, 1-7 Domingo siguiente: Hch 10, 34. 37-43/Sal 117, 1-2. 16-17. 22-23 (24)/Col 3, 1-4 o 1 Cor 5, 6-8/Jn 20, 1-9 o Mc 16, 1-7

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.

WE HAVE NEW TRUSTEES!

Welcome David Pohlen and Larry Schmid as our new trustees of The Church of the Guardian Angels! They are appointed as of January for an initial term of two years. Trustees involve themselves with the business that affects the parish overall or in more confidential matters. Together with the Pastor, the Archbishop, and the Vicar-General of the archdiocese, they form a Corporate Board that votes on matters that require such voting, such as spending a larger amount of money, selling property, or renting property. May God bless their service in this capacity. They introduce themselves below:

Larry Schmid



My wife Amy and I have been parishioners at Guardian Angels since 2008 after I retired from a 20-year career in the Air Force. I grew up in Eden Prairie and wanted to finish raising my family in the same type of Catholic environment I remembered as a kid. Being involved with the parish has been important to the whole family. Our two younger children finished primary school at Guardian Angels and all three of our kids went to Holy Family High School. My wife and I helped with the school Spring Fling fundraiser several years and I have been active as a lector and Eucharistic minister for years. One of my sons was a cantor and another coached the Guardian Angels Boys Basketball for 2 years. I am honored to be a trustee for the parish and hope to help the parish find ways to engage all members of the parish to be part of this wonderful community.

I have been a member of Guardian Angels since my family moved to Chaska in 1961. I grew up three blocks west of the church and, with the exception of 6 years in the Air Force, I have lived in Chaska and have gone to this parish my entire life. I attended Guardian Angels Grade School and I am a graduate of Guardian Angels High School and the University of Saint Thomas. I am delighted and humbled to serve as a trustee. The parish has been a big part of my life and I want to do what I can to ensure it continues to be a big part of my life and a big part the lives of generations to come.

David Pohlen



GLOBAL SOLIDARITY SUNDAY

On Mary 9th and 10th we collected \$449 for our Global Solidarity Sunday collection between GA and St. Nicholas (as of March 12th). Your brothers and sisters in Africa, Latin America, Central and Eastern Europe, and all those who receive much needed assistance through Catholic Relief Service thank you for your support and generosity.



SEPARATION AND DIVORCED GROUP—ST. VICTORIA

If you or a loved one are experiencing the pain of separation of divorce, you do not have to walk this journey alone! St. Victoria Parish welcomes you to attend their DeCorazon group on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month from 6:30—8:00 p.m. (No meetings held during the months of June and July, but there is support available). This group offers hope, support, friendship, prayer, and more. All are welcome! For more information or questions, please call Sue Ries at (612)281-5277.

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.

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.

GA CHURCH BOILER PROJECT

Recently the Church Boiler replacements were completed. The project was required due to the heat exchanger failure of one of the two 23+ year old boilers. These boilers were installed in 2000 during the church renovation project. 10 years ago, the other boiler experienced a similar heat exchanger failure, but at time replacement parts were available. Due to EPA requirements, the original manufacturer advised that parts for those low efficiency boilers (less than 65%) were no longer available.

Three suitable mechanical contractor companies were contacted to supply bids to the facilities council, two were received, with one declining to bid due to having no capacity in their schedule for an additional project in 2023. The bids were evaluated for completeness including high efficiency boiler specifications (95%+ efficiency). GA Capital Maintenance funds, which has been funded monthly by the parish, funded the project. We thank all who have contributed to this necessary fund.







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