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23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!"—that is, "Be opened!" - Mk 7:32-34

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September 8th, 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: (612) 670-7655
David Pohlen, Trustee: (952) 428-9649
Steve Rasmussen, Facilities Council Chair: (612) 802-6442
Francis Kerber, Cemetery Board Chair: (952) 836-5467
Scott Guillemette, Finance Council Chair: (952) 227-4000
Bill Van Hecke, Pastoral Council Chair: (612) 812-8615

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JoAnn Hasse, Cemetery: (612) 708-4118
Darlene Mahowald, Prayer Chain/Funeral: (952) 448-4464
John Turek, Trustee, Finance/Property Chair: (952) 448-2345
Dan Svoboda, Trustee: (952) 448-2345
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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 bulletin@gachaska.org antes de las 12:00 p.m. el martes anterior. Fotografía debe estar en formato .jpg.

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¿Sabías que puedes recibir este boletín en tu bandeja de entrada de correo electrónico? ¡Puedes! Llame a la oficina parroquial para registrarse.

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 9th

6:00 p.m. Daughters of Isabella Meeting, St. Francis Hall

Tuesday, September 10th

5:30 p.m. Mass, † Flora Lano

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

Wednesday, September 11th

8:00 a.m. Mass

6:30 p.m. FF Parent Orientation Meeting, St. Francis Hall

Thursday, September 12th

8:00 a.m. Mass, † Bonnie Kerber

Friday, September 13th

6:00 p.m. Mass (SN)

Saturday, September 14th

8:00 a.m. Confessions, GA Church

3:15 p.m. Confessions, GA Church

4:30 p.m. Mass, † Steven Guillemette

Sunday, September 15th

8:00 a.m. Mass

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

10:00 a.m. Mass, † Barbara McDonald

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

10:00 a.m. Mass (SN)

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

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: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1B)/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37
Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12/Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17/Lk 6:20-26
Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24/Lk 6:27-38
Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12/Lk 6:39-42
Saturday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17
Next Sunday: Is 50:4c-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (9)/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: Is 35, 4-7/Sal 145, 7. 8-9. 9-10 (1)/Sant 2, 1-5/Mc 7, 31-37
Lunes: 1 Cor 5, 1-8/Sal 5, 5-6. 7. 12/Lc 6, 6-11
Martes: 1 Cor 6, 1-11/Sal 149, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6 y 9/Lc 6, 12-19
Miércoles: 1 Cor 7, 25-31/Sal 44, 11-12. 14-15. 16-17/Lc 6, 20-26
Jueves: 1 Cor 8, 1-7.11-13/Sal 138, 1-3. 13-14. 23-24/Lc 6, 27-38
Viernes: 1 Cor 9, 16-19. 22-27/Sal 83, 3. 4. 5-6. 12/Lc 6, 39-42
Sábado: Nm 21, 4-9/Sal 77, 1-2. 34-35. 36-37. 38/Flp 2, 6-11/Jn 3, 13-17
Domingo siguiente: Is 50, 4-9/Sal 114, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6. 8-9 (9)/Sant 2, 14-18/Mc 8, 27-35

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE



The good steward must not show favoritism. The rich may have material gifts to share, but St. James reminds us in the second reading that God has chosen the world's poor to be rich in faith and inheritors of God's kingdom.

Maintenance Expenses Paid 7/1/23 to Date:

Friary Doors, Church Fence, Repair Sanctuary/Sacristy windows, replace furnace room windows, church boilers, Gym Lights

Year-To-Date 7/1/24—8/19/24

	Guardian Angels	St. Nicholas
Goal, Year-to-Date	\$124,481	\$12,070
Last Sunday's Collection	\$8,516	\$1,024
Total Giving YTD	\$104,991	\$11,640
Percent of Goal Funded	85%	96%

Guardian Angels Maintenance Fund:

Contributions this fiscal year:	\$5,516.25
Expenses this fiscal year:	\$22,228.50
Fund Balance:	\$101,415.25

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



CIVILIZE IT

Dear Parishioners,

I had a fine Labor Day at the racetrack outside and feeling the light afternoon breeze. I won't tell you how I did at the track, but it was all in good moderation, of course. Maybe next year I'll go to the State Fair and try to exercise moderation there, too.

I have some notes for our parishes as the kids go back to school and everything begins to ramp up again.

1. We will soon be embarking on a new electronic giving campaign that will save the parish money. Yes, you will have to make a new election on a new site, but it will be worth it in the long run. We will begin this on September 14th.
2. We are getting ready for Faith Formation. We are considering a school cleanup day very soon. Please pray for our catechists, hall monitors, Deacon John, Deacon Bob, and me as we rally around our faith formation to learn, love, celebrate, and cherish our faith together. We have particular need for hall monitors, so if you could help us with that, please let me know!
3. Please pay attention to the needs that we are outlining for our Guardian Angels Fall Festival. We need you to make our special day a day that gives God the glory!

Finally, I came across a thoughtful article from the USCCB as we recognize this election year. Sometimes, it is difficult to talk with family, neighbors, and friends about national issues and politics. The article is a pledge to civilize it – to make our conversations civil. Also, Join MCAN – the Minnesota Catholic Advocacy Network. This site offers a wealth of information about issues on the state level and how we can participate and, yes, make a difference. The two sites are listed below, followed by the pledge. God bless you all!

Father Tony

<https://www.usccb.org/civilizeit>

<https://www.mncatholic.org/>

I PLEDGE:

Charity

- To affirm through my words and actions the dignity of every person, each made in God's image. Even those with whom I disagree are made in His image.
- To respectfully listen in order to understand experiences different from my own.

Clarity

- To engage in critical examination to ensure that my perspectives are rooted in truth, that my sources of information are unbiased, and that I do not open myself to manipulation by partisan interests.
- To form my conscience through prayerful reflection, study of scripture and Church teaching, and guidance from reputable experts.
- To reflect on my own values and seek, with others, to identify shared values.
- To be open to the process of dialogue that can require change of perspective—my own and others'—in service to the inviolable dignity of all and the common good.

Creativity

- To be a bridgebuilder who participates in constructive dialogue based in shared values, a mutual exchange of gifts, and the humility to together seek the good.
- To see differences in perspective as opportunities for creative tension which can yield solutions for the common good.
- To work with others in order to identify creative solutions rooted in our shared values.



The Fall Festival, featuring the Daughters of Isabella General Store & Silent Auction is coming soon!

In the GENERAL STORE, we are in need of canned & baked goods and garden produce. We also need new or gently used items that will be sold at discount prices. Indicating the approximate value of the items you donate is greatly appreciated!



New & gently used items such as wine, glasses, and wine markers make up a fun wine themed basket. You can either make up your own basket or donate individual items and we will add your items to

those donated by others to create the basket.

GIFT CERTIFICATES are much-needed items that add great value and appeal to the baskets. Gift certificate ideas include clothing stores, liquor, Visa, sporting events, Spas & Massages, restaurants, and local attractions (Yellow Barn, Valleyfair).

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO GUARDIAN ANGELS.

Please bring your items, with their approximate value, to the Church office – the sooner the better! It takes a large amount of time to get this together. Last year we had over 100 baskets – something for everyone



If you have any questions, please call Barb Brose at (952)448-5057 or Colleen Tompkins at (612)741-7646.

SAVE THE DATE!



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28TH

12:00 – 8:00pm

**Games, Music, Karaoke,
Food, and Fun**

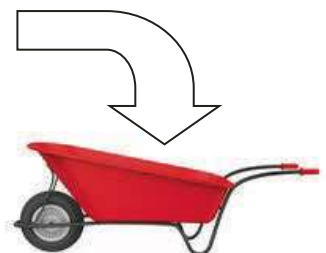
Roll-In Car Show

12:00 – 4:00pm



ALUMNI ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCEMENT

The Guardian Angels School Alumni Association is once again collecting “the good stuff.” Please drop it off at the Parish Office.



PART-TIME ADMINISTRATIVE ASSOCIATE POSITION OPENING

The Church of the Guardian Angels in Chaska is seeking a part-time Administrative Associate for a medium-sized parish. The hours for this position will be flexible. He/she will provide welcoming assistance to all who visit the Parish Office or who call by telephone and provide assistance to the pastor and catechists.

Please consult our parish website, www.gachaska.org (under About Us ⇒ Employment), for a more complete summary, a job description, and application instructions. Thank You!

COORDINATOR OF FAITH FORMATION POSITION OPENING

The Church of the Guardian Angels in Chaska is seeking a full-time Coordinator of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry to lead Faith Formation grades 1-10 for a small, but growing program. He/she will have the advantage of working in close collaboration with an experienced Latino Ministry Coordinator in a combined English-Latino program in some respects. He/she will work with a budding group of middle-school youth in youth ministry.

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EPISCOPAL ORDINATION OF THE MOST REVEREND KEVIN THOMAS KENNEY

Monday, October 28th, 1 p.m., Cathedral of St. Paul, St. Paul and live streamed on the Archdiocese's Facebook page

The morning of July 25th, Pope Francis named Father Kevin Thomas Kenney, a priest of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, as an auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis. All are invited to his episcopal ordination, which will take place at the Cathedral of St. Paul and live streamed.

OUR FIRST ALL-COMMISSIONERS MEETING TOOK PLACE!



This past Tuesday, August 20th, our four joint commissions and pastoral council met together for a first monthly meeting to begin carrying out our strategic plan for Guardian Angels and Saint Nicholas. Several believed that we had good energy and enthusiasm in the meeting and that there was a lot of engagement and hope. Among the initiatives that commissioners plan to act on is an outdoor Mass to take place at the Saint Nicholas Prayer Garden. We are thinking that it would be on a Saturday evening with a picnic supper to follow. Details will be announced soon. Please pray for our parishes that they would be vibrant and great places to grow in our faith in our Lord Jesus!



WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND
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The next weekend is **October 4-6, 2024** at the Christ the King Retreat Center, Buffalo, MN. Register by going to **WWME.ORG** or contact Brent & Tracy Chessen (612-234-7440)

2025 Weekends all at Buffalo:
Feb. 14-16/May 16-18/Oct. 17-19

"Love One Another, As I Have Loved You"
John 15:12

St. Nicholas Bake Sale and Pancake Breakfast



Sunday, Sept. 8

8 AM – Noon

TAKE OUT AVAILABLE

Enjoy pancakes, blueberry pancakes, french toast, sausage (secret recipe made for St. Nicholas), coffee, juice, and milk.

Adults - \$12.00

Kids 6-12 Years - \$5.00

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