

The Churches of The Guardian Angels and Saint Nicholas

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2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER



Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."
- Jn 20:29

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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.

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.

Grupo de Oración

Jueves: 7:00 p.m.—8:30 p.m.

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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. Any 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. Cualquier fotografía debe estar en formato .jpg.

GET THE BULLETIN EMAILED DIRECTLY TO YOU!

Did you know that you can get this bulletin sent to your email inbox? You can! Text GACHASKA to 84576, add your email address, and join the "Bulletin" group.

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¿Sabías que puedes recibir este boletín en tu bandeja de entrada de correo electrónico? ¡Puedes! Envíe un mensaje de texto con GACHASKA al 84576, agregue su dirección de correo electrónico y únase al grupo "Boletín".

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, April 17th

Tuesday, April 18th

5:00 p.m. Creighton Model FertilityCare,
Saint Nicholas Classrooms 1-4
5:30 p.m. Mass, † MaryAnn Stacken
6:30 p.m. RCIA, St. Francis Hall
7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal, GA Choir Loft

Wednesday, April 19th

8:00 a.m. Mass

Thursday, April 20th

8:00 a.m. Mass, † Arlan Pauly
8:30 a.m., Eucharistic Adoration, GA Church
6:30 p.m., Respect Life Meeting, St. Francis Hall

Friday, April 21st

7:00 p.m. Mass
7:00 p.m. Spanish Bible Study, St. Francis Hall

Saturday, April 22nd

9:30 a.m., 1st Reconciliation, GA Church
11:00 a.m., 1st Communion Retreat, GA Church and
St. Francis Hall
3:15 p.m. Reconciliation, GA Church
4:30 p.m. Mass, † MaryAnn Stacken
6:30 p.m. Guess Who's Coming to Dinner, ???

Sunday, April 23rd

8:00 a.m. Mass, † Gib, Elsie, and Roman Kerber
9:00 a.m., Coffee and Donuts, St. Francis Hall
10:00 a.m. Mass, † Marcel, Florence, and Emil
Adjoumani
11:00 a.m., Coffee and Donuts, St. Francis Hall
10:00 a.m. Mass (SN), † Clarence and Caroline
Lenzmeier
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, 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. That way we can schedule a time for our ministers to visit and bring the Sacrament.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31
 Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/Jn 3:1-8
 Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15
 Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21
 Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36
 Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4,13-14/Jn 6:1-15
 Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21
 Next Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 (11a)/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: Hch 2, 42-47/Sal 117, 2-4. 13-15. 22-24 (1)/1 Pe 1, 3-9/Jn 20, 19-31
 Lunes: Hch 4, 23-31/Sal 2, 1-3. 4-7. 7-9/Jn 3, 1-8
 Martes: Hch 4, 32-37/Sal 92, 1. 1-2. 5/Jn 3, 7-15
 Miércoles: Hch 5, 17-26/Sal 33, 2-3. 4-5. 6-7. 8-9/Jn 3, 16-21
 Jueves: Hch 5, 27-33/Sal 33, 2 y 9. 17-18. 19-20/Jn 3, 31-36
 Viernes: Hch 5, 34-42/Sal 26, 1. 4. 13-14/Jn 6, 1-15
 Sábado: Hch 6, 1-7/Sal 32, 1-2. 4-5. 18-19/Jn 6, 16-21
 Domingo siguiente: Hch 2, 14. 22-33/Sal 15, 1-2. 5. 7-8. 9-10. 11 (11)/1 Pe 1, 17-21/
 Lc 24, 13-35

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE



Jesus meets the need of each disciple. To the fearful in the upper room, He speaks words of peace. To doubting Thomas, He provides the tangible proof of His resurrection. What do I need to become His disciple? What do I have to share that might meet someone else's need?

Maintenance Expenses Paid 7/1/22 to Date:

Rebuff Gym Floor, Upgrade Gym AHU, Church Compressor Upgrade, Sacristy Rain Gutters, Rectory Roof Replacements

Year-To-Date 7/1/22—03/31/23

	Guardian Angels	St. Nicholas
Budget	\$504,894	\$45,396
Sunday Collection	\$318,640	\$35,863
Contributions	\$43,401	N/A
Electronic Giving	\$130,426	\$11,197
Total Contributions	\$492,467	\$47,060
Amount above or below	-12,427	+\$1,664

Guardian Angels Maintenance Fund:

7/1/22—02/28/23 Contributions:	\$41,939
7/1/22—02/28/23 Expenses:	\$49,605
Fund Balance:	\$206,936



OUR LORD'S DIVINE MERCY

Happy Easter everyone! I wish you and your families a grace-filled Easter season that brings your family together by his love which has conquered all sin and death. I wish to write today about, Divine Mercy Sunday. This Sunday, the second Sunday of Easter, was declared Divine Mercy Sunday by Pope John Paul II on April 30th, 2000 at the canonization of Sister Faustina Kowalska. This day was rightly regarded as so important by our late and beloved pope, that he was made Blessed in Rome on this very day on May 1st 2011 and canonized a saint on this very day on April 27th, 2014. The last text prepared by our late and beloved Holy Father, written from his hospital bed and read after his death teaches us about the great gift of Divine Mercy. He writes, "Today the glorious Alleluia of Easter resounds. Today's Gospel from John emphasizes that on the evening of that day he appeared to the Apostles and 'showed them his hands and his side' (Jn 20:20), that is, the sign of the painful passion with which his Body was indelibly stamped, even after the Resurrection. Those glorious wounds, which he allowed doubting Thomas to touch eight days later, reveal the mercy of God who 'so loved the world that he gave his only Son' (Jn 3:16). ...Lord, who revealed the Father's love by your death and Resurrection, we believe in you and confidently repeat to you today: "Jesus, I trust in you, have mercy upon us and upon the whole world."

Mercy, which we are completely dependent on, is a hallmark of our Catholic faith. In fact, our beloved and late pope called mercy love's second name. The corporal and spiritual works of mercy flow from divine mercy itself revealed so vividly to Thomas. In the Good Samaritan parable, Jesus answers a man's question, "Who is my neighbor?" by showing that the neighbor is one who shows mercy. In the Last Judgment of Matthew 25 the sheep that are saved are the ones who did works of mercy – feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, welcoming the stranger, clothing the naked, visiting the sick, visiting the imprisoned and burying the dead. These would be later called the Corporal Works of Mercy. And the account that Jesus gives of the Last Judgment reveals to us that when they are done to the least brothers and sisters they are done to Jesus.

I encourage you to pray the novena of Divine Mercy which began on Good Friday (you can begin now and catch up). I also encourage you to come to our Divine Mercy Sunday celebration and prayer at 3:30 PM this Sunday as well as our Sunday Mass. Blessings to you and your family on this Octave day of our Lord's Resurrection!

Father Tony VanderLoop

HOME MISSIONS APPEAL: STRENGTHENING THE CHURCH AT HOME

April 29-30

Did you know that nearly 40% of all dioceses in the United States are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need? That includes our own state's Dioceses of New Ulm, Crookston, and Duluth. By supporting this Home Mission Appeal in your parishes, you are providing much needed pastoral and financial support for these dioceses and "Strengthening the Church at Home." Please offer what you are able during this appeal.

RUBY'S PANTRY

Ruby's Pantry distributes food at Pop-Up Pantry locations across MN and WI. There is no income or residency requirement and for a \$25 bundle donation you will receive an abundance of groceries. We gather various food overages, surpluses, and bumper crops into generous food bundles. Ready to join the sustainability movement? The environment and your budget will thank you for it. If you have any questions please call Loretta at (651) 674-0009 or go to www.rubyspantry.org

BECOMING HOLY—FULLY ALIVE IN THE SPIRIT

Saturday May 6th, 8 a.m.—4:30 p.m., Shakopee Area Catholic School

Do you want your faith to come more alive? Barbara Heil is a former Pentecostal minister who traveled the world as a missionary and evangelist. She recently discovered that she was baptized Catholic and felt drawn to take a class, which happened to be at the Catechetical Institute! She will equip us to be more Fully Alive in the Spirit! The event will include her inspirational teaching, praise and worship, and individual prayer ministry. Visit ccro-msp.org/spring-conference (all dashes included) for more information and to register.

RESPECT LIFE MEETING

Thursday, April 20th, 6:30 p.m., St. Francis Hall

Please join us to discuss ways our parish can support life from conception to natural death.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR ARCHDIOCESAN YOUTH DAY

April 29th, NET Center, 110 Crusader Ave. W., West St. Paul

This year, NET Ministries is partnering with the Archdiocese to host Archdiocesan Youth Day (AYD), an opportunity to gather with youth from around the archdiocese along with Archbishop Hebda and Bishop Williams. Will you volunteer to help serve at this event? The event runs from 1-9 p.m., but the time commitment for volunteers is flexible. All volunteers must be at least 18 years old and up-to-date with VIRTUS Training, have a background check completed (at NET's expense), and sign a code of conduct. Volunteer at archspm.org/ayd

HEALING SERVICE WITH BARBARA HEIL

Saturday, May 6th, 7-9 p.m., Shakopee Area Catholic School

This healing service with Barbara Heil will include Eucharistic Adoration with Father Michael Becker. Barbara has personally witnessed thousands being healed and set free around the globe. This event is free. Please invite all in need of healing.

SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE FOR ABUSE SURVIVORS

For the past several years, the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis has partnered with Canvas Health, a trusted local independent mental health and substance use organization, to offer support for those abused by members of the clergy or others representing the Catholic Church. These supports are provided through Canvas' Abuse Response Services. Canvas Health & ARS provides a safe, confidential, and compassionate place to share concerns. Professionals are available during business hours Monday through Friday, along with a 24-hour crisis line for immediate response. Services are provided at no cost. Contact Canvas Health at (651) 291-4497 to talk with an ARS professional. Ongoing counseling for either mental health or substance use concerns is available with Canvas Health at one of their many Twin Cities metro clinics. We accept most insurances and a sliding fee is available—no one is turned away based on ability to pay for services.

DEACON DISCERNMENT DAY

April 22nd, 8:15—5:00 p.m., The Saint Paul Seminary

Men between the ages of 25 and 59 and their spouses are invited to join us for Deacon Discernment Day!

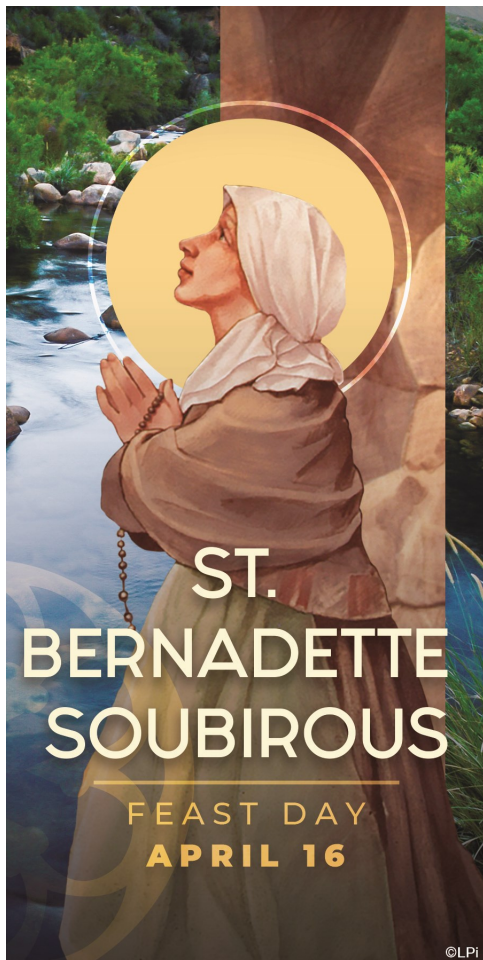
What is a deacon? Who can become a deacon? How does one discern the Lord's call to Holy Orders? What is the application and formation process? How are Holy Orders integrated with marriage and family? Find answers to these questions and more!

To register, please email deaconvocation@archspm.org



CHANGES COMING TO GUARDIAN ANGELS

There are some exciting new changes coming to Guardian Angels! The Parish Pastoral Council has recently had the opportunity to reevaluate how Guardian Angels can best communicate with parishioners and the outside community. Do not fear, the bulletin isn't going anywhere. Rather, new methods of communication are on their way. In addition to plans to redesign the webpage and increase our social media outreach, Guardian Angels is getting an APP! That's right, everything you could ever need to know about Guardian Angels will be just one click away. And, its use won't be limited to just information about the Parish. MyParishApp, also provides tools, prayers, news, and readings to help you deepen your Catholic faith and connect with the wider Catholic world. We as a Parish Pastoral Council are incredibly excited that this tool will be available to Guardian Angels parishioners and truly believe that it will help the parish continue to reach out from the Altar of Christ to educate, serve, and evangelize for years to come!



NEW SUPPORT GROUP AND HOMEBOUND MINISTRY INITIATIVES FOR CLERGY ABUSE VICTIM/SURVIVORS

The Office of Ministerial Standards and Safe Environment is excited to announce two new initiatives being offered through our Office of Outreach, Restorative Justice, and Abuse Prevention for Victim/Survivors.

First, we will be hosting a new, ongoing support group for current and former employees of faith-based institutions who have experienced abuse. Anyone is welcome to join with others who have had similar experiences to receive support, affirmation, and healing. This confidential support group will welcome members from all over the United States and any other countries. It will meet virtually (via Zoom) the second Thursday of every month beginning April 13th.

Second, we are pleased to announce a new homebound ministry for victim/survivors of clergy abuse to receive the Eucharist. Individuals unable for any reason to receive this sacrament at a parish will now have the ability to receive the Eucharist in their own homes brought to them by a Communion Minister who is also a victim/survivor of clergy abuse.

Anyone with questions about receiving Communion or other sacramental concerns is invited to contact our Outreach Coordinator for Restorative Justice and Abuse Prevention, Paula Kaempffer at kaempfferp@archspm.org or call (651) 291-4429. In addition, anyone interested in attending the new support group should also reach out to Paula to be granted access.



TODAY SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 2023 –
3:30 P.M.

God's greatest desire is to forgive us, pouring out His infinite mercy upon us so that we may be healed. Join us for a special Divine Mercy Prayer Service with Eucharistic Adoration here at Guardian Angels on Sun., April 16 at 3:30 p.m.



THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT SCHEDULING MASS INTENTIONS

There are many laws in the Canon Law Code that govern Mass intentions and stipends, but here are some of the important points (from Canon 948 and 534):

1. We can only accept one party (and one payment) per Mass. We can have more than one name, however, included by the person requesting the Mass. The suggested donation in our Archdiocese for each Mass intention is \$10.00.
2. We must assign “For the People” as our Mass intention for one Mass per Saturday evening or Sunday and for one Mass for a Holy Day of Obligation. Therefore, we can only assign a personal or family intention to all but one Mass on any given Saturday or Sunday or any given Holy Day of Obligation.
3. If a Mass “For the People” is missed by the pastor, it must be applied as soon as possible. For example, it may be applied to a daily Mass, in which case it becomes unavailable for personal or family intentions.
4. There are also several special days during the year that are scheduled for specific intentions at the pastor’s discretion. For example, on All Souls Day our Mass intention is, “For all of the Souls in Purgatory,” in which case this Mass is, therefore, unavailable for a personal or family intention.

Specific Information for Guardian Angels and St. Nicholas

1. All Mass intentions for Saturday evening and Sunday Masses are included in the **Prayers of the Faithful** read at each Mass.
2. When requesting Masses, each person can request a maximum of twelve Masses in a calendar year, with six of those Masses scheduled as weekend Masses, and six taking place during the week.
3. Mass intention requests can be made by phone (952) 227-4000, send an email (info@gachaska.org), or in-person during office hours (Monday & Friday 8:30am-12:30pm and Tuesday -Thursday 8:30am – 4:30pm).
The Mass schedule for the following year is open as of June 1st of the current year.