

# The Churches of The Guardian Angels and Saint Nicholas

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**Monday:** 8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

**Tuesday:** 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

**Wednesday:** 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

**Thursday:** 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

**Friday:** 8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

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## THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

Jesus took Peter, James,  
and his brother, John, and  
led them up a high  
mountain by themselves.  
And he was transfigured  
before them; his face  
shone like the sun and his  
clothes became white as  
light. - Mt 17:1-2

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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.

## Guardian Angels Lay Leadership Positions

**Dan Bergner, Trustee:** (952) 367-7432  
**Kris Janey, Trustee:** (612) 325-9284  
**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

**JoAnn Hasse, Cemetery:** (612) 708-4118  
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**John Turek, Trustee, Finance/Property Chair:** (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](mailto: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](mailto:bulletin@gachaska.org) antes de las 12:00 p.m. el martes anterior. Fotografía debe estar en formato .jpg.

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## RECIBE EL BOLETÍN POR CORREO ELECTRÓNICO ¡DIRECTAMENTE A USTED!

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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, May 15th

### Tuesday, May 16th

5:00 p.m. Creighton Model FertilityCare,  
Saint Nicholas Classrooms 1-4  
5:30 p.m. Mass, † Virgil Gestach  
7:00 p.m. Confirmation, Cathedral of St. Paul  
7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal, GA Choir Loft

### Wednesday, May 17th

8:00 a.m. Mass, † MaryAnn Stacken

### Thursday, May 18th

8:00 a.m. Mass, † Madge (Van Sloun) Olsen  
8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, GA Church  
7:00 p.m. Spanish Prayer Group, GA Church

### Friday, May 19th

6:00 p.m. Mass (SN)  
7:00 p.m. Spanish Bible Study, St. Francis Hall

### Saturday, May 20th

12:00 p.m. Miranda/Buckingham Wedding, GA Church  
3:15 p.m. Reconciliation, GA Church  
4:30 p.m. Mass, † Vic and Cole Carlson

### Sunday, May 21st

8:00 a.m. Mass, † William Van Sloun  
8:00 a.m. Pancake Breakfast,  
Saint Nicholas Parish Center  
10:00 a.m. Mass, † Marcel, Florence, and Emil  
Adjoumani  
10:00 a.m. Mass (SN), For the People  
12:30 p.m. Mass (Spanish)

### 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: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 (1)/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21  
Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Jn 15:26—16:4a  
Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Jn 16:5-11  
Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15  
Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 16:16-20  
Friday: Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 16:20-23  
Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10/Jn 16:23b-28  
Next Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/ Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

### LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: Hch 8, 5-8. 14-17/Sal 65, 1-3. 4-5. 6-7. 16. 20 (1)/1 Pe 3, 15-18/Jn 14, 15-21  
Lunes: Hch 16, 11-15/Sal 149, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6 y 9/Jn 15, 26—16, 4  
Martes: Hch 16, 22-34/Sal 137, 1-2. 2-3. 7-8/Jn 16, 5-11  
Miércoles: Hch 17, 15-16. 22—18, 1/Sal 148, 1-2. 11-12. 13. 14/Jn 16, 12-15  
Jueves: Hch 18, 1-8/Sal 97, 1-3. 3-4/Jn 16, 16-20  
Viernes: Hch 18, 9-18/Sal 46, 2-3. 4-5. 6-7/Jn 16, 20-23  
Sábado: Hch 18, 23-28/Sal 46, 2-3. 8-9. 10/Jn 16, 23-28  
Domingo siguiente: Ascensión: Hch 1, 1-11/Sal 46, 2-3. 6-7. 8-9 (6)/Ef 1, 17-23/Mt 28, 16-20

## STEWARDSHIP UPDATE



Jesus ascended into heaven, blessing His disciples and promising that they would soon receive the power of the Holy Spirit. We who have received that promised gift of the Spirit are now empowered to be His witnesses to the ends of the earth—to use our time and talents to spread the good news of salvation.

### 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—05/08/23

	Guardian Angels	St. Nicholas
Budget	\$582,570	\$52,380
Sunday Collection	\$503,528	\$53,483
Contributions	\$44,576	N/A
Total Giving	\$548,103	\$53,483
Amount above or below	-34,467	+\$1,103

### Guardian Angels Maintenance Fund:

7/1/22—03/31/23 Contributions:	\$46,939
7/1/22—03/31/23 Expenses:	\$49,605
Fund Balance:	\$211,995

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



## THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

We have a lot to learn from those who are seriously ill. Often, in spite of reasons for fear of difficulties such as loss of hair due to chemotherapy, and greater dependency on others that is a big change, loved ones often say of their loved one that he or she is placing all of his or her hope in God. It's a familiar story that we see countless times: those who are seriously ill have hope which leads them to experience peace. How does this happen? They have nothing to cling to—no freedom, no lack of pain, nothing in this world except the Triune God.

The apostle Philip was a great example of this. He had nothing to cling to in order to make the Samaritans believe, except the Holy Spirit within him. By the Holy Spirit, the gospel spread after the martyrdom of Stephen. And Philip lived by the Holy Spirit, trusting in Him as God's beloved disciple. 1 Peter 3:15 says, "Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope."

For Philip, this reason is not that all was well materially or even physically. Rather it was that he was open to the Holy Spirit and, thus, open to all that God would give him as he proclaimed the Gospel. For those seriously ill, they teach us this openness as well. Living this way attracts others because our horizon of hope is not limited, but based on what God can do. Even for those who are very sick, it opens possibilities for prayer, love, acceptance, forgiveness, and the beauty of God's love.

In Him we live and move and have our being. Let us pray that God will give us great reasons for hope!

Father Tony VanderLoop

## RUMMAGE SALE NEWS

Due to the unavailability of the gym and the extensive road construction on Highway 41 in Chaska, we will NOT have a rummage sale this year.

In order for us to continue this ministry in future years we will need the support of the parish. If you are 18 years or older, please contact Joey Reynolds at (952) 448-3489 as our present volunteers who have faithfully helped make our Rummage Sale a success aren't getting any younger. 😊

Looking forward to hearing from you soon to be put on our list of volunteers.

Thank You!!

**Save the date!**  
*Saturday*  
*September* **30<sup>th</sup>**  
**GUARDIAN ANGELS**  
**FALL FESTIVAL**

The advertisement features a red border. The text is in various colors and fonts, with 'Save the date!' in red, 'Saturday September' in red script, '30th' in large red numbers, and 'GUARDIAN ANGELS FALL FESTIVAL' in black block letters. Below the text is a photograph of several vintage cars parked in front of a building.



**Celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Father Tony's Ordination  
on Wednesday, May 31<sup>st</sup>**



**Begin this special day with 8:00 am Mass,  
followed by a delicious hot breakfast buffet.**

**Location to be determined by the number of guests.  
Please RSVP to the office at 952-227-4000 by May 27<sup>th</sup>.**

**An evening celebration will be held in July.**

**ORDINATION TO THE  
PRIESTHOOD**

Saturday, May 27th, 10 a.m.—11:30 a.m.,  
Cathedral of Saint Paul, Saint Paul

All the faithful are invited to attend this joyous celebration of the presbyterial ordination for seminarians of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis completing Theology IV. Please pray for these men.

**Parish App Feature-of-the-Week**



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\*Available on Apple and Android Phones.

## PACK-UP A PICKUP BOUNTIFUL BASKET FOOD SHELF

We will be having our food and hygiene items drive on Saturday, June 3rd at the 4:30 p.m. Mass and on Sunday, June 4th at the 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Masses.

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

- Cereal
- Ready to eat meals
- Cooking oil
- Spaghetti Sauce
- Pasta
- Beans
- Applesauce
- Peanut Butter and Jelly
- Canned Chicken and Tuna
- Canned Pineapple and Mandarin Oranges
- Canned Corn and Carrots
- Mac and Cheese
- Toilet Paper
- Diapers—size 3, 4, 5, and 6
- Dish and Laundry Soap
- Brown Paper Bags!

Please drop off your 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.



## DEMONTREVILLE RETREAT

Come to a place where you can hear the voice of the Lord in the quiet and peaceful setting of Lake DeMontreville. Join us for a three-day men's silent retreat at the DeMontreville Jesuit Retreat House in Lake Elmo. The retreat begins Thursday evening, July 13th, 2023 and ends Sunday evening July 16th, 2023. Free-will donations are accepted. For more information call our office at (651) 777-1311 or see our website [www.demontrevilleretreat.com](http://www.demontrevilleretreat.com)

## MN CATHOLIC HOME EDUCATION CONFERENCE

*Friday, June 2nd—Saturday, June 3rd  
Saint Paul College, Saint Paul*

Pam Barnhill, host of the popular “Your Morning Podcast,” is the keynote speaker for the Minnesota Catholic Home Education Conference and Curriculum Fair. Come find inspiration and encouragement through speakers, vendors, and networking with other homeschool parents. Cost is \$20 in advance, \$35 at the door.

To learn more and register, visit [www.mnconference.org](http://www.mnconference.org)

## ARCHDIOCESAN MARRIAGE DAY

*Saturday, June 10th, 10 a.m.,  
Cathedral of Saint Paul, Saint Paul*

Celebrate the beautiful mystery of the mutual self-gift between a man and woman in the Sacrament of Matrimony! This celebration includes Mass, renewal of vows, and a short reception. Couples celebrating their silver, golden, and platinum anniversaries will be honored in a special way. Families and friends of all couples are welcome! Registration is encouraged by contacting (651) 291-4488. Couples married one year or more may request a commemorative certificate signed by Archbishop Hebda. To request a certificate, please contact the Office of Marriage, Family & Life by June 5th at (651) 291-4488 or email [mfl@archspm.org](mailto:mfl@archspm.org)

## 18TH ANNUAL NORTHEAST EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION

Sunday, June 11th, 3-5 p.m.,  
Begins at Holy Cross Church, Minneapolis

Come and join us as we take Jesus to the streets and venerate his Eucharistic Presence! The procession between the Catholic Churches of Northeast Minneapolis will begin at Holy Cross Church, 1621 University Ave. NE, Minneapolis, and will conclude at All Saints Parish with Benediction. A reception will follow at St. Maron Catholic Church.

You can park at Holy Cross, where the procession will begin, and ride the shuttle bus back there after the end of the procession. The shuttle buses will run between the parking lots of St. Maron and Holy Cross Churches.

## HELP FOR STRUGGLING COUPLES

June 2nd-4th, Best Western Hotel, Eagan

Thinking about Separation or Divorce? Hurting? Angry? Feel helpless? Retrouvaille is a lifeline for troubled marriages. Since 1977, over 40,000 marriages saved worldwide. Couples learn the tools to rediscover each other and heal their marriage. 100% confidential.

For more information visit [helpourmarriage.org](http://helpourmarriage.org)

## A HEART AFLAME

Tuesday, May 30th, 4-9 p.m., Church of Saint Mary,  
Lowertown Saint Paul

An evening of worship, fellowship, and reflection. During dinner, Fr. Bryce Evans will present "Neri, Newman, and the Evangelization of Culture in a Secular Age." Come to any or all of the evening, but please RSVP for the meal by May 23. The event is free to attend. Contact Nataleigh at [nataleigh.newman@gmail.com](mailto:nataleigh.newman@gmail.com)

Schedule for the evening:

- 4 p.m. Holy Hour
- 5:30 p.m. Solemn Mass
- 6:30 p.m. Reception and Dinner
- 8:45 p.m. Compline

RSVP at [www.stmarystpaul.org/nerifeast](http://www.stmarystpaul.org/nerifeast)



## THE RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

will be collecting baby items for New Beginnings and other local Pregnancy Resource Centers. We will be accepting items beginning on **Mother's Day, May 14th to Father's Day, June 18th**. This is our way of honoring and supporting both Mothers and Fathers who have chosen to keep their babies. We will have a drop off area located by and in St. Francis Hall. We appreciate any and all donations! Here are a few suggestions & feel free to be creative! Thank you for your support!

## Baby Shopping List

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|-------------------|----------------------|
| — DIAPERS         | — INFANT MEDICATIONS |
| — WIPES           | — TEETHING TOYS      |
| — BABY FOOD       | — STROLLER           |
| — BLANKETS        | — CAR SEAT           |
| — CRIB SHEETS     | — WASHCLOTHS         |
| — SWADDLES        | — LAUNDRY DETERGENT  |
| — DIAPER BAG      | — BOARD BOOKS        |
| — DIAPER PAIL     | — PLAY YARD          |
| — BABY SHAMPOO    | — BOTTLES + WARMER   |
| — BABY BATH TUB   | — BOTTLE DRYING RACK |
| — FEEDING PILLLOW | — CHANGING PAD       |
| — BOTTLE BRUSH    | — MOBILE             |

## RURAL LIFE SUNDAY 2023

Sunday, June 25th, 1:30 p.m.,  
Tim and Amy Leonard Family Farm, 13315 106th St.,  
Norwood Young America

Join Archbishop Hebda at this celebration of rural life. Mass will be followed by lunch, music, children's activities, games, and the chance to see the farm animals. All are welcome.

Please bring your own lawn chairs. Outdoor restrooms and handicap parking available. Hand washing station available. In case of rain, the celebration will be held inside a shed at the farm.



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