

# The Churches of The Guardian Angels and Saint Nicholas

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**Wednesday:** 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

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## 15<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. - Mk 6:7, 13

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July 14th, 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.

## Guardian Angels Lay Leadership Positions

Larry Schmid, Trustee: (612) 670-7655  
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Leo Forner, Facilities Council Chair: (952) 448-3312  
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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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## 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, July 15th

### Tuesday, July 16th

5:30 p.m. Mass, † Arlan Pauly

### Wednesday, July 17th

8:00 a.m. Mass, † Jane Ohnsorg

### Thursday, July 18th

8:00 a.m. Mass, † Barbara Schaefer

7:00 p.m. Spanish Prayer Group, GA Church

### Friday, July 19th

6:00 p.m. Mass (SN), † Allan Engelen

### Saturday, July 20th

8:30 a.m. Mom's Group, Rms 004 and 006

3:15 p.m. Confessions, GA Church

4:30 p.m. Mass, † Don & Jeanette Van Sloun  
("Van-Sloon")

### Sunday, July 21st

8:00 a.m. Mass, † Barbara McDonald

10:00 a.m. Mass, For the People

10:00 a.m. Mass (SN), † James Zakrzewski

11:00 a.m. Coffee and Donuts, Parish Center

12:30 p.m. Mass (Spanish), Por las almas del Purgatorio

### 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: Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13  
Monday: Is 1:10-17/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 10:34—11:1  
Tuesday: Is 7:1-9/Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8/Mt 11:20-24  
Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15/Mt 11:25-27  
Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Ps 102:13-14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21/Mt 11:28-30  
Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Is 38:10, 11, 12abcd, 16/Mt 12:1-8  
Saturday: Mi 2:1-5/Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14/Mt 12:14-21  
Next Sunday: Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34

### LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: Am 7, 12-15/Sal 84, 9-10. 11-12. 13-14 (8)/Ef 1, 3-14 o 1, 3-10/Mc 6, 7-13  
Lunes: Is 1, 10-17/Sal 49, 8-9. 16-17. 21 y 23/Mt 10, 34—11, 1  
Martes: Is 7, 1-9/Sal 47, 2-3. 3-4. 5-6. 7-8/Mt 11, 20-24  
Miércoles: Is 10, 5-7. 13-16/Sal 93, 5-6. 7-8. 9-10. 14-15/Mt 11, 25-27  
Jueves: Is 26, 7-9. 12. 16-19/Sal 101, 13-14 y 15. 16-18. 19-21/Mt 11, 28-30  
Viernes: Is 38, 1-6. 21-22. 7-8/Is 38, 10. 11. 12. 16/Mt 12, 1-8  
Sábado: Miq 2, 1-5/Sal 9, 1-2. 3-4. 7-8. 14/Mt 12, 14-21  
Domingo siguiente: Jr 23, 1-6/Sal 22, 1-3. 3-4. 5. 6 (1)/Ef 2, 13-18/Mc 6, 30-34

## STEWARDSHIP UPDATE



### Year-To-Date 7/1/24—7/7/24

Today's readings are about being chosen and sent. The prophet Amos was chosen by the Lord and sent to use his talents for the people of God. The Gospel recounts the story of the sending of the Twelve. In the second reading, St. Paul reminds us that we, too, are chosen. For what have I been chosen? To whom have I been sent?

### Maintenance Expenses Paid 7/1/23 to Date:

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

	Guardian Angels	St. Nicholas
Goal, Year-to-Date	\$24,896	\$2,414
Last Sunday's Collection	\$10,725	\$1,175
Total Giving YTD	\$20,407	\$3,140
Percent of Goal Funded	82%	130%

### Guardian Angels Maintenance Fund:

7/1/23—6/30/24 Contributions:	\$69,938
7/1/23—6/30/24 Expenses:	\$139,263
Fund Balance:	\$118,128

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

## THINK ABOUT LIFE...

We often hear people argue that women need legal abortion in order to achieve success in their lives. By this, they usually mean that having an abortion will make it easier for women to finish school, get ahead in their careers, or earn a comfortable salary. But this claim contains a very skewed notion of “success.” People who are willing to sacrifice their own dreams for the sake of another human being often feel MORE successful than when they were pursuing their own educational or career goals, or spending money on things they wanted.

Christians believe that true “success” is about making a difference to other people and allowing God’s unconditional love into our lives. If you agree with that, then success *cannot* be defined by how many things you own, or by how smart, talented, beautiful, or able-bodied you are.

Abortion advocates frequently claim that if abortion becomes illegal, women will lose opportunities for success. But this ignores the fact that most parents believe the greatest accomplishment they’ve ever had was giving life to their children and raising them. It also ignores the fact that there are many ways to pursue your dreams without having to kill your own child.

Sometimes when people use the success argument to support abortion, they aren’t talking about the success of the mother or the father. They’re talking about the *baby’s* chances of success in life. Some people believe that abortion should be legal if, during the pregnancy, the unborn baby is diagnosed with a disability, a serious illness, or a defect. They claim these children can never be successful. The first major problem with this attitude is that these diagnoses are frequently wrong – which means that the abortion would kill a healthy baby.

Secondly, and more importantly, it isn’t true that people cannot be successful just because they are disabled. We wouldn’t say that to an *adult* person with a disability, so why is it okay to say it about someone who is *unborn* with a disability?

Just because people can’t do things in the same way that others can doesn’t mean they can’t have a successful life. The composer Ludwig van Beethoven was deaf; the famous physicist Stephen Hawking is quadriplegic, Franklin Delano Roosevelt (the 32<sup>nd</sup> President of the United States of America) was diagnosed with polio and confined to a wheelchair for much of his life; the Hollywood actor Tom Cruise is severely dyslexic. These people accomplished amazing things with their lives, despite their disabilities.

In extreme cases, there are some people born with disabilities that are so severe that they actually *cannot* do many physical or mental activities like walking, talking, and responding to others. But Christians believe that true success does not come from our physical or mental abilities. It comes from making a positive difference to other people, and surrendering to God’s love. The more we make a positive difference to others and the more we surrender to God, the more free we are to find true success.

Who says that a person with severe physical or mental disabilities cannot make a positive difference to other people? Who says she cannot surrender everything to God? In fact, many disabled people find that it is easier to focus on what’s really important in life – like family, friends, love, generosity, patience, and putting their faith in God – *because* of their disability.

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## D OF I ROSARY NOTICE

There will be no Daughters of Isabella rosary on the first Saturdays of July and August.

## CATECHETICAL INSTITUTE: A JOURNEY THROUGH THE CATECHISM

**Are you seeking to grow your faith?** Do you feel you need a strong foundation to stand on? Do you need a boost? Some motivation? Do you feel confused about where the culture is heading?

**Join us this fall for The Saint Paul Seminary Catechetical Institute's Pillars Program to discover the beauty and wisdom of our Catholic faith.**

Apply by July 31st, spots fill up quickly.

The foundational course at the Catechetical Institute, Pillars: A Journey Through the Catechism of the Catholic Church, is a road map for your faith journey, broken into four parts—one for each pillar of the Catechism.

Starting in September, the Class of St. Maximilian Kolbe will be in person at St. Pius X Catholic Church in White Bear Lake, Minnesota. Satellite sites, where students will gather in small groups and watch the teaching via live stream, will also be available in both the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis and the Diocese of St. Cloud. The satellite sites are St. Anne's in Hamel, St. Michael in St. Michael, St. Joseph in Bertha, and St. Michael's in Motley.

Classes will be held on Monday evenings from 7 p.m.-9 p.m. starting September 11th. The classes are divided into four eleven-week modules with two Saturday morning formative sessions per module.

Apply now at:  
[www.saintpaulseminary.org/ci/application-ci/](http://www.saintpaulseminary.org/ci/application-ci/)

## CANTORS FOR MASS

Have you ever thought about becoming a cantor? Summer is a great time to start! We are looking for new cantors for both Guardian Angels and Saint Nicholas. You will get trained in on how to lead the congregation in joyful praise to the Lord!

For more information or to sign up, contact Brittany Kaufmann at [bkaufmann@gachaska.org](mailto:bkaufmann@gachaska.org)

## STATEMENT REGARDING NEW BISHOP OF RAPID CITY



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*From Archbishop Bernard A. Hebda*

I rejoice with the Church in western South Dakota over Pope Francis' appointment of Bishop-elect Scott Bullock as the new bishop of Rapid City. I have admired him since our time as seminarians together, more than 35 years ago. I know that he brings to our Province great priestly zeal and a wealth of ministerial experience, gained over his decades of selfless service in the Archdiocese of Dubuque. I am grateful that Pope Francis has recognized in Bishop-elect Bullock the gifts needed to build upon the legacy of Bishop Peter Muhich and his illustrious predecessors. I know that the new bishop will find the Diocese of Rapid City to be a vibrant faith community, and I look forward to collaborating with him in the years to come.

## COFFEE AND DONUTS JULY 21ST!



Walk on over to the Parish Center next Sunday after Mass for your very own donut!

## ARCHDIOCESAN COMMITTEE ON CATHOLIC SCOUTING: CATHOLIC CAMPOREE 2024

*Friday, September 6—Sunday, September 8,  
Rum River Scout Camp, Anoka*

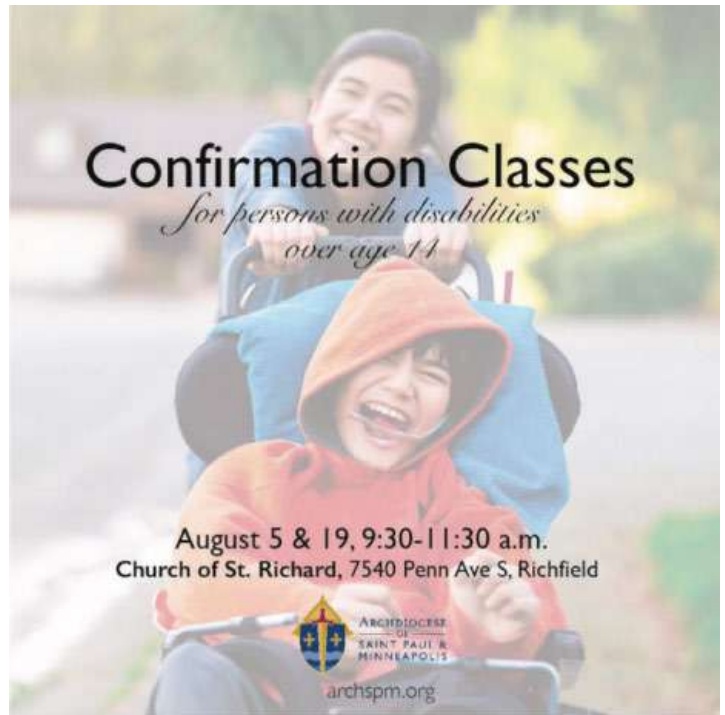
Members of the Cub Scouts, American Heritage Girls, Scouts BSA, and Girl Scouts of the USA are invited to attend. The weekend will feature faith and fellowship with events like gaga ball, Eucharistic Adoration, obstacle courses, and time to work on religious emblems. Whole units are welcome to register or individuals can come, too. Registration can be found at [www.archspm.org](http://www.archspm.org) under the Events tab.

## WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES MASS

*Sunday, September 29th, Basilica of St. Mary,  
Minneapolis*

This is an occasion to express concern for different vulnerable people on the move, to pray for them as they face many challenges, and to increase awareness about the ways in which our Archdiocese has been enriched by them.

*This event is part of Year 2 Implementation focused on the Mass, particularly the Eucharist.*



## SEMINARY INFORMATION NIGHT

*Thursday, August 15th, 5 p.m.-8 p.m.,  
Saint John Vianney College Seminary, Saint Paul*

The Seminary Information Night is for Catholic Junior and Senior High School men and their parents who would like to learn more about St. John Vianney College Seminary. The event, sponsored by the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis Office of Vocations, will be held on the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, will begin with 5 p.m. Mass, followed by dinner, informational program, and seminary tour. RSVP is required. RSVP at [10000vocations.org/assumption.html](http://10000vocations.org/assumption.html)

## AN EVENING WITH ALAN AMES

*Monday, September 16th, 6:30 p.m.,  
Maternity of Mary, St. Paul*

With the written support from his Archbishop in Perth, Australia, Alan Ames travels globally with his gifts of healing. He shares his "Saul to Paul" story, which begins with his life in a motorcycle gang filled with violence and alcohol abuse immersed in sin against God. Alan accepted forgiveness from Jesus and has been given an incomprehensible gift of grace for healing by God! He now travels globally healing those with mental, physical, emotional, and spiritual ailments. Join him at Maternity of Mary for Mass, and for his talk and healing.



## 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](http://eucharisticrevival.org).

## STAY IN THE KNOW: GET THE CATHOLIC SPIRIT—FOR FREE!

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## A PATH TO HOLINESS: RECOGNIZING GOD’S CALL WOMEN’S DAY RETREAT

*Saturday, October 12th, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.,  
St. Patrick, Edina*

God has called you to love and serve Him through your current vocation. Join women from around the Archdiocese for a women’s day retreat as we learn from five Catholic speakers how women can live out their current vocation infused with the fruits of the Holy Spirit! The day will include breakfast and lunch, talks by Catholic speakers, Mass, adoration and rosary, shopping with various vendors, and door prizes. All proceeds go to SouthWest Options for Women and needed items will be collected as well.

## HEALING THE WOUNDS OF ABUSE RETREAT

*Tuesday, August 13th—Sunday, August 18th, St. Paul,  
\$1,800 (partial scholarship assistance available)*

You can be empowered. You can be healed. You can experience Jesus. At Grief to Grace MN, you can receive the care you need. Adults, 18-80s, are invited to join this five-day overnight retreat and discover a safe and hopeful path to healing through faith-based and trauma-informed care.

RSVP at [griegtogracesmn.org/request-information](http://griegtogracesmn.org/request-information)

## BLESSED SOLANUS CASEY PILGRIMAGE

*Saturday, July 27th, 7 a.m.—6:30 p.m.,  
St. Patrick, Blessed Solanus Casey Friary, St. Paul to St. Michael, Stillwater*

Honor and pray with the local holy man with a walking pilgrimage to the parish where he was confirmed, St. Michael’s in Stillwater. Various length options available.

The full pilgrimage day will begin with optional daily Mass, followed by Morning Prayer at the Blessed Solanus Casey Friary in St. Paul, and a continental breakfast. The full route from the friary will cover 18 miles, primarily along the Gateway State Trail, stopping for a picnic lunch along the way. The pilgrimage will culminate with the Sunday Vigil Mass at St. Michael’s, which the parish will celebrate for the feast day.

Shorter pilgrimage access points are available starting from St. Peter, North St. Paul (12 mile pilgrimage), St. Jude of the Lake, Mahtomedi (8 miles), and Northland Park, Stillwater (2 miles). Please select your starting point at the time of sign up so we know how many people to look for at each area.

Following Mass, supper will be served in the parish hall, and a bus ride back to the starting points will be available for a \$10 add-on fee.

Register at:  
[www.moderncatholicpilgrim.com/pilgrimage-calendar/solanus](http://www.moderncatholicpilgrim.com/pilgrimage-calendar/solanus) (all dashes included)



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