# The Churches of The Guardian Angels and Saint Nicholas

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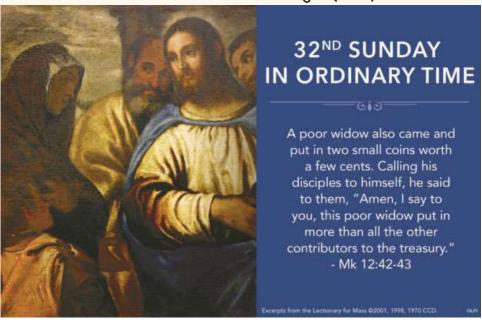
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### November 10th, 2024

### 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

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#### 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, November 11th

6:00 p.m. Scouts Pack Meeting, Gym

6:30 p.m. Daughters of Isabella, St. Francis Hall

#### Tuesday, November 12th

5:30 p.m. Mass, ⊕ Colette and Ervin Eissinger 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal, Choir Loft

#### Wednesday, November 13th

8:00 a.m. Mass

6:30 p.m. Faith Formation, Campus-wide

#### Thursday, November 14th

#### Friday, November 15th

6:00 p.m. Mass (SN)

#### Saturday, November 16th

8:00 a.m. Confessions. GA Church

8:30 p.m. Mom's Group, Room 004

3:15 p.m. Confessions, GA Church

4:30 p.m. Mass, ⊕ Tony & Marie Koll

#### Sunday, November 17th

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

9:15 a.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal, Choir Loft

10:00 a.m. Mass (SN)

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

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

#### **Mass Intentions:**

Mass intentions may be for the living and/or the departed, with a  $\oplus$  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: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1b)/Heb 9:24-28/

Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

Monday: Ti 1:1-9/Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Ps 37:3-4, 18 and 23, 27 and 29/Lk

17:7-10

Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7/Ps 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6/Lk 17:11-19 Thursday: Phlm 7-20/Ps 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Lk 17:20-25 Friday: 2 Jn 4-9/Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18/Lk 17:26-37 Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8/Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 18:1-8

Next Sunday: Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Heb 10:11-14,

18/Mk 13:24-32

#### LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: 1 Re 17, 10-16/Sal 145, 7. 8-9. 9-10 (1)/Heb 9, 24-

28/Mc 12, 38-44 o 12, 41-44

Lunes: Tit 1, 1-9/Sal 23, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6/Lc 17, 1-6

Martes: Tit 2, 1-8. 11-14/Sal 36, 3-4. 18 y 23. 27 y 29/Lc 17, 7-

10

Miércoles: Tit 3, 1-7/Sal 22, 1-3. 3-4. 5. 6/Lc 17, 11-19 Jueves: Flm 7-20/Sal 145, 7. 8-9. 9-10/Lc 17, 20-25 Viernes: 2 Jn 4-9/Sal 118, 1. 2. 10. 11. 17. 18/Lc 17, 26-37 Sábado: 3 Jn 5-8/Sal 111, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6/Lc 18, 1-8

Domingo siguiente: Dn 12, 1-3/Sal 15, 5. 8. 9-10. 11 (1)/Heb

10, 11-14. 18/Mc 13, 24-32

### STEWARDSHIP UPDATE



Both widows in today's readings gave all they had to the work of the Lord, one using all her remaining food to feed Elijah and the other offering her two copper coins to the temple treasury. Faithful stewards give all that is asked and trust the Lord to be faithful to His promises.

#### Maintenance Expenses Paid 7/1/24 to Date:

New A/C Compressor Architectural Fees for School Steps

#### Year-To-Date 7/1/24—10/21/24

	<b>Guardian Angels</b>	St. Nicholas
Goal, Year-to-Date	\$247,836	\$22,933
Last Sunday's Collection	\$12,117	\$973
Total Giving YTD	\$199,465	\$22,409
Percent of Goal Funded	80%	98%

#### **Guardian Angels Maintenance Fund:**

Contributions this fiscal year:	\$18,769.19
Expenses this fiscal year:	\$28,753.50
Fund Balance:	\$120,373.99

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



#### THE SEVEN THEMES OF CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

Recently, I listened to an interview with Bishop Robert Barron who was talking about how there is no political party or affiliation that neatly fits our Catholic social teaching. The Church's social teaching is a rich treasure of wisdom about building a just society and living lives of holiness amidst the challenges of modern society and should be our guide in voting and participating in the political process. Modern Catholic social teaching has been articulated through a tradition of papal, conciliar, and episcopal documents. Bishop Barron was commenting about how it is good, in one sense, that no political party does fit our

Catholic view because then we are placing our hope squarely on Jesus Christ in this pilgrim way on earth. On the other hand, it is rather exasperating because we continue to struggle to accomplish legislative victories in establishing laws that reflect such justice according to our Catholic understanding.

For example, we uphold the need to welcome the foreigner and the stranger among us, which is seen in our country as leaning to the left, politically. But we also uphold the freedom to follow one's individual religious convictions, which is something that is viewed as leaning to the right, politically. Other examples are that we emphatically reject abortion while also upholding the right to life of even the worst criminals, rejecting capital punishment.

So, what is our Catholic social teaching? I have included inserts about its principles in previous bulletins such as the Dignity of the Human Person, forming one's conscience, the role of the Church in political life, the common good, solidarity, and subsidiarity. At the same time, there are seven prominent themes of Catholic social teaching and, with excerpts taken from the USCCB's website under Beliefs and Teachings, I summarize them. There are seven major themes:

#### Life and Dignity of the Human Person

The Catholic Church proclaims that human life is sacred and that the dignity of the human person is the foundation of a moral vision for society. This belief is the foundation of all the principles of our social teaching. In our society, human life is under direct attack from abortion, euthanasia, and more recently threatened by cloning and practices like embryonic stem cell research. We believe that every person is precious, that people are more important than things, and that the measure of every institution is whether it threatens or enhances the life and dignity of the human person.

#### Call to Family, Community, and Participation

The person is not only sacred but also social. How we organize our society -- in economics and politics, in law and policy -- directly affects human dignity and the capacity of individuals to grow in community. Marriage and the family are the central social institutions that must be supported and strengthened, not undermined. We believe people have a right and a duty to participate in society, seeking together the common good and well-being of all, especially the poor and vulnerable.

#### **Rights and Responsibilities**

The Catholic tradition teaches that human dignity can be protected and a healthy community can be achieved only if human rights are protected and responsibilities are met. Therefore, every person has a fundamental right to life and a right to those things required for human decency. Corresponding to these rights are duties and responsibilities—to one another, to our families, and to the larger society.

#### Option for the Poor and Vulnerable

A basic moral test is how our most vulnerable members are faring. In a society marred by deepening divisions between rich and poor, our tradition recalls the story of the Last Judgment (Mt 25:31-46) and instructs us to put the needs of the poor and vulnerable first.

#### The Dignity of Work and the Rights of Workers

The economy must serve people, not the other way around. Work is more than a way to make a living; it is a form of continuing participation in Gods creation. If the dignity of work is to be protected, then the basic rights of workers must be respected--the right to productive work, to decent and fair wages, to the organization and joining of unions, to private property, and to economic initiative.

#### Solidarity

We are one human family whatever our national, racial, ethnic, economic, and ideological differences. We are our brothers and sisters keepers, wherever they may be. Loving our neighbor has global dimensions in a shrinking world. At the core of the virtue of solidarity is the pursuit of justice and peace. Pope Paul VI taught that if you want peace, work for justice. The Gospel calls us to be peacemakers. Our love for all our sisters and brothers demands that we promote peace in a world surrounded by violence and conflict.

#### Care for God's Creation

We show our respect for the Creator by our stewardship of creation. Care for the earth is not just an Earth Day slogan, it is a requirement of our faith. We are called to protect people and the planet, living our faith in relationship with all of Gods creation. This environmental challenge has fundamental moral and ethical dimensions that cannot be ignored.

This summary should only be a starting point for those interested in Catholic social teaching. A full understanding can only be achieved by reading the papal, conciliar, and episcopal documents that make up this rich tradition. Go to <a href="https://www.usccb.org/resources/seven-themes-catholic-social-teaching">https://www.usccb.org/resources/seven-themes-catholic-social-teaching</a> for references and links to these documents. May God bless America as we promote the gospel of Jesus in the public square in our country.

#### **Father Tony**

#### MOM'S GROUP

Saturday, November 16th, 9-10:30 p.m., Room 004 (enter Door 2)

Mamas, you are welcome to attend our next Saturday morning Mom's Group! If you haven't joined us yet, we'd love to meet you!

We meet 1st & 3rd Saturdays for a morning to pray, reflect, and connect with one another. Refreshments provided. Childcare available—please RSVP to Jenna Salinas with number of kids (call/text 612-201-4894).

### DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA MEETING

The Daughters of Isabella will meet in St. Francis Hall, Monday, November 11th at 6 p.m. for social hour and 6:30 p.m. meeting.

#### D OF I BAKE SALE

The Daughters of Isabella are having a bake sale on Saturday, November 16th in St. Francis Hall and on Sunday, November 17th in the school gym. Mark your calendars to come and have breakfast with the Knights of Columbus and get some homemade baked goodies to bring home.

#### CANTORS FOR MASS

Have you ever thought about becoming a cantor? 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.

#### CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

Christmas help for Guardian Angels and St. Nicholas parishioners.

Sometimes even the most basic needs can represent a challenge for individuals and families. We want to help this Christmas season by putting a tag on the Giving Tree and asking parishioners to choose one and purchase a gift.

If you, or someone you know from our parish, is in need please contact Jean
Van Hecke at (612) 245-9252, between now and
November 15th. All requests will be kept confidential.

Sharing the JOY of the birth of Jesus!

### MINISTERIO "ÁRBOL QUE DA"

Ayuda de Navidad para los parroquianos de Ángeles Guardianes y San Nicolás.

Algunas veces las necesidades más básicas pueden representar una dificultad para una persona o una familia. En este tiempo de Navidad, queremos ayudar y lo haremos poniendo una tarjeta en el Árbol que da y pidiendo a los parroquianos que escohan una de ellas y compren un regalo.

Si usted o alguien de nuestra parroquia que usted conoce, tiene necesidades, por favor

contactar a Jean Van Hecke al (612) 245-9252, antes del 15 de noviembre. Todos los pedidos se mantendrán de manera confidencial

Compartamos la alegría del Nacimiento de Jesús!

### WE REMEMBER OUR BELOVED DECEASED

Elizabeth Jane Bleichner
Doris Isabel Theis
Eileen Ann Kessler
Henry William Stacken
Helen B Therres
David Boyd Zamjahn
Alvin Raymond Lebens
Rogelio Ledesma-Cuevas
Guillermo Meza-Gonzalez
Barbara Jean Schaer
Robert Ruben Welter
Flora Mae Lano

Wallace Joseph Robling
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May their souls and the souls of all the Faithful Departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

#### REMEMBER TO SIGN UP FOR ELECTRONIC GIVING!

As we have announced, we are beginning a new electronic giving campaign and are now switching to ParishSOFT as our e-giving platform.

Both new and current online givers, we remind you to create a new ParishSOFT e-giving account with your giving selections. It's very easy to set up your account! Go to our website, gachaska.org. At the upper right of the home page, click on "Giving." Then, scroll down and click on "Setup or Login to Your Account." Then, click on "Signin." Then, scroll down to click on "Don't have a giving account? Create One." Then, you can enter in your personal information.

The advantages of electronic giving with ParishSOFT is that it saves you time and you can now give to any of our second collections. So, there is no need for envelopes! Let's make our giving as effective, planned, and prioritized as it can be by choosing electronic giving with our new platform.

Thank you!

#### **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, Minnesota. The retreat begins Thursday evening, November 21st, 2024 and ends Sunday evening, November 24th, 2024. Free-will donations are accepted. For more information call our office at (651) 777-1311 or see our website www.demontrevilleretreat.com.

### SEVEN TIMES A DAY, I PRAISE YOU (YEAR 2: THE MASS)

Thursday, November 21st, 7-9 p.m., St. John Neumann, 4030 Pilot Knob Road, Eagan, \$50

#### An Offering from the Catechetical Institute

The lecture series, Seven Times a Day, I Praise You— Learn to Pray the Liturgy of the Hours, is an excellent opportunity for you to experience the beauty of the "official" prayer of the Church and discover why this prayer has held such a profoundly important role in the lives of Catholics throughout history. This twoevening series will explain how to pray the Liturgy of the Hours and teach you how to incorporate it into your daily life.

Find the link to the registration at www.archspm.org/seven-times-a-day-i-praise-you.

#### AIRS OF THE JACOBEAN ERA

Saturday, November 16th, 7:30 p.m., Holy Cross, 1621 University Ave NE, Minneapolis

This concert features sacred works by John Dowland and other composers of the Jacobean era performed on historical instruments, such as lutes and viols, that would have been known to the original audiences of early 17th century England. Soprano, Sarah Jackson, is joined by Thomas Walker, Jr., as well as by Mary Burke, Mark Kausch, and Josh Schwalbach on viols. This concert is free and open to the public, but a donation is encouraged.

#### VIANNEY VISIT

Thursday, November 14th-Saturday, November 16th, Saint John Vianney College Seminary

Men in high school or college (age 16-24) are invited to get a closer look at college seminary life with this Vianney Visit. There will be testimonies from current seminarians, spiritual conferences with SJV priests, prayer with the community, and a tour of the University of St. Thomas. There may also be the option to meet individually with priests on staff or the rector.

Register at www.10000vocations.org/vianney-visit.html (dash included).

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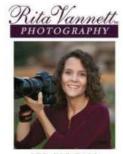
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