

**This Week's Events:**  
**TUESDAY:** 7 AM Mass  
 6:30 PM Property & Finance Board Mtg.  
**WEDNESDAY:** 6 PM Faith Formation  
 Classes in the Parish Center  
**THURSDAY:** 7 AM Mass  
**FRIDAY:** 5:30 PM Stations of the  
 Cross, 6 PM Mass with adoration and  
 Prayer Group to follow until 7:30 PM  
**SATURDAY: NO 8 AM Mass**  
*We are in need of Liturgical volunteers  
 for ALL Masses! Please contact Jodee  
 for more details!*



Please Save Your  
 Aluminum Cans & Drop  
 Them in the Receptacle  
 in the Parking Lot. TY!

SUNDAY GIVING FEBRUARY 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2018			
Building Fund	\$ 63.00	3	# of Envelopes from Generous Families
Children	\$ 8.00	1	# of Envelopes from Generous Kids
Adult Envelope & Plate	\$ 2,115.72	53	# of Envelopes from Generous Families
Collected to Date	\$ 83,705.42		
Budgeted to Date	\$ 82,450.00		
Net Profit - Thank You!	\$ 1,255.42		



Twin mattresses, box springs, and  
 metal bed frames are needed.  
 Donations can be dropped off at  
 FurniShare located at 7890 Market  
 Boulevard in Chanhassen anytime  
 Wednesday - Friday, 10 am - 4 pm,  
 or Saturday 9 am - noon.

Mass Intentions	
Mar 02	6 PM Mass of Reparation
Mar 03	4 PM †Pat Shambour
	7 PM The Korkowski Family
Mar 04	8 AM †Kenneth Tellers
	10 AM Living & deceased members of St. Nicholas
Mar 06	7 AM †Leighton "Bud" Aronson
Mar 08	7 AM Available

Call 952-448-2345 to offer a Mass for \$7

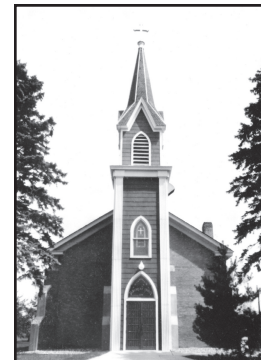
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:	
Saturday.....March 3	4:00 pm.....Stephanie Svoboda
	Chuck Mahowald
7:00 pm.....Jodee Korkowski	Kurt Korkowski
Sunday.....March 4	8:00 am.....Mike Fahey
	Mary Poppler
10:00am.....Kate Harmon & Tony Lotzer	John Turek

LECTORS:	
Saturday.....March 3	4:00 pm.....Stephanie Svoboda
7:00 pm.....Kurt Korkowski	
Sunday.....March 4	8:00 am.....Mike Fahey
10:00 am....Tony Lotzer	

MASS SERVERS:	
Saturday.....March 3	4:00 pm.....Cole S.
7:00 pm.....Krista K.	Kyle K.
Sunday.....March 4	8:00 am.....Help Needed
	Help Needed
10:00 am....LeLand H.	Abby H.

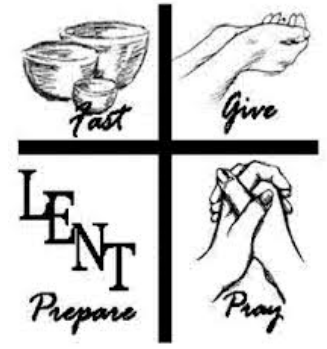
# St. Nicholas Catholic Church

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We are glad to have you here today!  
 If you wish to register at St. Nicholas,  
 please call the church.



## STAFF

**Pastors**  
 Fr. Bill Deziel  
 Fr. Edison Galarza

**Business Administrator**  
 Jodee Korkowski .....448-2345  
 jodeestnicholas@embarqmail.com

**Organist**  
 Mary Schwartz .....952-649-1777

Dear brothers and sisters, Mahatma Gandhi said, "Prayer has saved my life. Without it I would have been a lunatic long ago." As we have often reflected here at St. Nicholas, "there is no right or wrong way to pray - simply pray." God will be pleased, we will be helped if we pray in a formal or informal way. When we say informal it includes praying while driving, while the at the gym, while gardening, etc. However, always remember formal prayers like the Mass, spending time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, praying the Rosary, reading from the Bible, etc. should also be an integral part of ones prayer life.

At St. Nicholas we are blessed with an active prayer chain team. If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, please call Darlene at (952) 448-4464.

**Weekend Masses**  
**Saturday:** 4:00 & 7:00 p.m.  
**Sunday:** 8:00, 10:00 & 11:45 a.m. (Spanish)  
**Daily Masses**  
 Rosary ½ hr. before Mass  
**Tuesday, Thursday:** 7:00 a.m.  
**Friday:** 6:00 p.m.  
**Adoration**  
**Every Friday:** 6:30 p.m.  
 with prayer group to follow at 7:15 p.m.  
**1st Friday of each month:** 3:00-6:00 p.m.

## Reception of the Sacraments

**BAPTISM:**  
 Time & date as requested by the Family -  
 Call for Pre-Baptismal program

**CONFESSION (RECONCILIATION):**  
 Saturdays after the 8:00 am Mass, 3:45-4:00 pm &  
 6:45-7:00 pm, Sundays 7:45-8:00 & 9:45-10:00 am,  
 or **anytime as requested**

**MARRIAGE:**  
 Call the parish office to make arrangements

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:**  
 Anytime, call 952-227-4005

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):**  
 Please call the parish office for more information

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**February 25, 2018 – SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

GN 22:1-2, 9A, 10-13, 15-18; PS 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19; ROM 8:31B-34; MK 9:2-10

**RCIA journey to Easter!** Please pray for those from our parish who are preparing for the Easter Sacraments. Last Sunday, 25 members of our Latino community boarded a bus from St. Nicholas to the Basilica in downtown Minneapolis for the Rite of Election. It was exciting to gather there with so many others from the Archdiocese. Those preparing for baptism were greeted by Bishop Cozzens, and those preparing for Confirmation were recognized as well. I thank Federico Conde for organizing our RCIA and keeping it on track. Please continue to hold all those who are preparing to be baptized, confirmed, or receiving first Holy Communion at the Easter Vigil. We are very blessed to have so many catechumens and candidates.

**Lent, a time of great opportunity!** The three pillars of our Lenten observance are prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. I encourage each of us to try to do something in each of these disciplines as part of your Lenten spiritual journey. Below are some local opportunities that I invite you to consider as part of your lent this year.

**Daily Mass (English)**

Tuesday	7 AM (Rosary 6:45 AM), 5:30 PM Mass at Guardian Angels (Rosary 5:15 PM)
Wednesday	8 AM Mass at Guardian Angels with Adoration and benediction until 9:30 AM
Thursday	7 AM (Rosary 6:45 AM)
Friday	5:30 PM Stations of the Cross 6:00 PM Mass, Adoration follows Mass until 7:30 PM 7:30 PM Spanish Stations of the Cross with Confessions with Fr. Galarza

**Priest, Prophet and King series beginning in Chaska this Sunday!** Join us in the St. Francis Hall at Guardian Angels in Chaska for the ‘Priest, Prophet and King’ video and discussion series by Bishop Robert Baron at 4 PM on Sundays during lent. Through this experience, you will better understand who Jesus really is and how he is the fulfillment of these biblical archetypes. If you have never listened to Bishop Baron, you’re in for a real

treat. He brings his wide academic background down to earth in ways that both inform and inspire the average listener. We have a group of about 25 so far for this series and we’d love to have more. Call Steve or Mary Kingsbury at 952-448-7115 to learn more or to sign up.

Lenten Blessings,  
*Fr. Deziel*



**Catholic Services Appeal Update!** Thank you to those who have already made a commitment to our Catholic Services Appeal. We’re now at 55% of our parish goal in just two weeks! We are off to a great start, but we really need everyone to respond so we can reach our goal of \$7,702. Sixty-four families have responded so far. If you haven’t yet responded, please prayerfully consider what you are able to offer for these important ministries in the Archdiocese. Remember, our parish receives 25% back of whatever is pledged if we make our goal. Thank you for your support!

**Confessions Available!** Please take advantage of the opportunity to go to confession. Fr. Deziel or Fr. Galarza will be in the confessional 15 minutes prior to each weekend Mass. Also, be sure to check out the area Confession opportunities posted near the confessional. GA in Chaska has one coming up on Sunday, March 4 at 6:30 pm.

**Mass Intentions!** We now have Mass intention spots available. Please contact the parish office to schedule the date and time of your choice. The suggested offering for a Mass is still \$7 per Mass.

**Don’t give up Chocolate for Lent this Year!** Lent is supposed to be a time when we invite God to help us live out our faith on a deeper level. But for many of us, Lent isn’t a transformative experience. It’s just a time when we give up chocolate or something else we enjoy, then go back to it at Easter. This Lent, do something different. Take an incredible journey to become the-best-version-of-yourself with Matthew Kelley’s free email program BEST LENT EVER. You’ll be amazed at the impact this program can have on your life. Check it out at <https://dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever/>.

**Did you know we’re social now?** We’ve recently activated social media accounts for St. Nicholas Church on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Please like/follow us for timely announcements, updates, events and information.



Facebook @stnicholascarver



Twitter @stnicholasath



Instagram @stnicholascarver

**Winter Teaching Conference on Evangelization!**

“Boundless Enthusiasm for the Gospel” will be held on Saturday, February 24, from 8:30am to 4:30pm at Epiphany Catholic Church in Coon Rapids. Have your grown children left the Church? How do you talk with people about the Catholic Church? Learn practical tools for evangelization. Pick from a variety of workshops like Holy Boldness, The Upper Room Experience, and Life in the Holy Spirit. Some speakers will be Jessica Balzarini, Fr. Michael Becker, Fr. Joe Williams, Joe Masek, presenters from St. Paul Street Evangelization, Deb McManiman, Denise Hirl and more. Don’t miss a sending forth commissioning from Bishop Cozzens! Pre-Registration, which includes lunch, \$35, or \$45 at the door. Over 70, Students, Religious, just \$20; Over 80, FREE (a \$5 donation for lunch is suggested.) For more information, visit the website: [www.ccro-msp.org](http://www.ccro-msp.org) or call 763-571-5314.

**Immaculée | Thursday, March 8!** St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Jordan is honored to have Immaculée Ilibagiza, author of *Left to Tell*, visit them on March 8<sup>th</sup> to tell her amazing story of faith and forgiveness. Get your tickets by either calling 952-492-5827 or by e-mailing [sjbtickets4immaculee@gmail.com](mailto:sjbtickets4immaculee@gmail.com). A free-will donation for the ticket is requested to help cover the cost of the St. John’s students attending Catholic HEART Workcamp (CHWC) in Grenada this summer.

**Friendship with God, Friendship with Our Spouse, In the Holy Spirit!** Throughout 2018, several parishes will be hosting Marriage in Christ seminars. The five-week seminar is for all married couples. Good habits and the power of the Holy Spirit transform all marriages! Find more details

and the list of host parishes at [www.archspm.org/marriageinchrist](http://www.archspm.org/marriageinchrist).

**#MeToo: A Community Conversation and A Christian Response!** Sunday, February 25, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Basilica of Saint Mary in Minneapolis. Join in a community conversation about the current cultural movement identifying the prevalent sexual harassment and misconduct in our government, media, places of work, churches, and institutions. Panelists from Project Pathfinder, an organization dedicated to preventing sexual abuse and restoring lives, will share their experience and possible solutions to this overarching problem in our society. For more information, visit [archspm.org/events](http://archspm.org/events). Questions? Contact Paula Kaempffer at [pkaempffer@mary.org](mailto:pkaempffer@mary.org) or 612-317-3473.

**2018 Archdiocesan Men’s Conference!** Please note the *NEW TIME AND LOCATION*: Saturday, March 10, 9:30 a.m. – 4 p.m., at Saint Thomas Academy in Mendota Heights. The keynote speaker will be Monsignor Thomas Richter. The conference also includes Mass, break-out sessions with dynamic speakers, and the opportunity for the sacrament of Reconciliation. Bring your own lunch or purchase from the on-site food trucks! Find more details and register at [TheCatholicWatchmen.com](http://TheCatholicWatchmen.com). Cost: \$25. Questions? Contact Enzo Randazzo at [randazzov@archspm.org](mailto:randazzov@archspm.org) or 651-291-4483.

**Global Solidarity Sunday is the weekend of March 10 and 11!** For this year’s theme we celebrate “The Light came into the world” (John 3:19). It is a unique opportunity to share the light of the Lord in solidarity with our brothers and sisters overseas. We are invited to offer gifts of support by contributing to the four global initiatives designated by U.S. Catholic Bishops: The Church in Africa, Latin America, Central and Eastern Europe and humanitarian activities of Catholic Relief Services. Please help our brothers and sisters who are sharing the light of the Lord overseas during Global Solidarity Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> collection.



About 2 1/2 years ago, our faithful parishioner Linda, started having pain in the middle of her back. After an MRI she learned she had at least one cancerous lesion near her spine. She has had some success in fighting this cancer, but the costs have accumulated to \$50,000. Her family has set up a gofundme page at <https://www.gofundme.com/7xtbj-lindas-medical-fund>. Please pray for Linda’s healing and support her as you are able.