



This Week's Events:
TUESDAY: 7 AM Mass
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 MARCH 4 th , 2018			
Building Fund	\$ 278.00	11	# of Envelopes from Generous Families
Children	\$ 0.00	0	# of Envelopes from Generous Kids
Adult Envelope & Plate	\$ 3,035.00	52	# of Envelopes from Generous Families
Collected to Date	\$ 88,154.42		
Budgeted to Date	\$ 87,300.00		
Net Profit - Thank You!	\$ 854.42		

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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 16	6 PM	Available
Mar 17	4 PM	Available
	7 PM	Living & deceased members of St. Nicholas
Mar 18	8 AM	Available
	10 AM	Available
Mar 20	7 AM	†Leighton "Bud" Aronson
Mar 22	7 AM	†Clarence & Caroline Lenzmeier

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

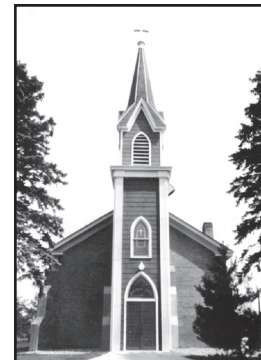
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:
 Saturday.....March 17
 4:00 pm.....Cathy Pass
 Chuck Mahowald
 7:00 pm.....Jodee Korkowski
 Kurt Korkowski
 Sunday.....March 18
 8:00 am.....Mike Fahey
 Mary Poppler
 10:00am.....Amy & Steve Roble
 Jon Kellen

LECTORS:
 Saturday.....March 17
 4:00 pm.....Cathy Pass
 7:00 pm.....Kurt Korkowski
 Sunday.....March 18
 8:00 am.....Mike Fahey
 10:00 am....Steve Roble

MASS SERVERS:
 Saturday.....March 17
 4:00 pm.....Help Needed
 Help Needed
 7:00 pm.....Krista K.
 Kyle K.
 Sunday.....March 18
 8:00 am.....Help Needed
 Help Needed
 10:00 am....Lizzy R.
 Sarah R.

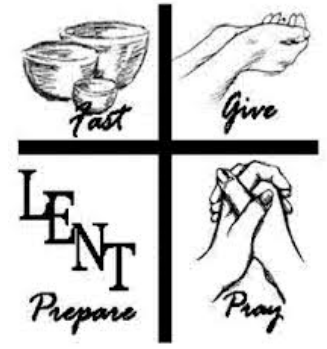
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*We are glad to have you here today!
 If you wish to register at St. Nicholas,
 please call the church.*



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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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March 11, 2018 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

2 CHR 36:14-16, 19-23; PS 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6; EPH 2:4-10;
JN 3:14-21

Tanzania Collection next weekend! Next weekend, we will take up a collection to assist the work of a priest friend of mine from Tanzania in Africa. I first met Fr. Augustine Mbiche when I was serving as an associate pastor at Pax Christi in Eden Prairie in 2005. At that time, Fr. Augustine was trying to start a kindergarten to help the many AIDS orphans in his village of Mtamba. It is estimated that there are around 3,000 AIDS orphans in the area who have lost one or both parents to that terrible disease. From humble beginnings, Father Augustine not only started a school, but it now goes up to 8th grade and is considered one of the best schools in the whole country of Tanzania. I was blessed to go there in 2015 to see for myself the tremendous work that Fr. Augustine has been able to accomplish. Next weekend, as part of our Lenten almsgiving, we will take up a collection to support this great work. The funds go to feed the students, provide them with uniforms, and to pay for the staff that is needed 24/7 to both educate and look after the children. Knowing and supporting Fr. Augustine has been one of the greatest joys of my life. You will probably get to meet him this summer when he will hopefully be able to come to the United States (he tries to visit every two years). I thank you for whatever you are able to offer. May God bless you for your Lenten almsgiving!

In Christ,
Fr. Deziel

Global Solidarity Sunday! This year's theme is "The Light came into the world" (John 3:19). Please support efforts to shine the light of God's mercy and healing on those most in need. This outreach collection serves our brothers and sisters in Africa,

Latin America, Central and Eastern Europe, and humanitarian activities of Catholic Relief Services. Thank you for your generosity to the 2nd collection on this Global Solidarity Sunday.



Lactare Sunday! The fourth Sunday of Lent is traditionally the Leatare Sunday, or 'rejoice' Sunday. It is also known as Mothering Sunday, Refreshment Sunday, mid-Lent Sunday, and Rose Sunday. Priests are permitted to wear rose colored vestments instead of the violet worn during the season of Lent. This day gives us a glimpse of the joy of Easter soon to come.

Priest schedule for March 17th & 18th!

St. Nicholas	Guardian Angels
4:00 PM Fr. Galarza	5:00 PM Fr. Deziel
7:00 PM Fr. Galarza	
8:00 AM Fr. Deziel	8:00 AM Fr. Galarza
10:00 AM Fr. Galarza	10:00 AM Fr. Deziel
Spanish Mass:	
11:45 AM: Fr. Manthey	Noon: Fr. Galarza

Catholic Services Appeal Update! We're now at



89% of our parish goal in four weeks of the campaign! We are getting close reaching our goal of \$7,702. Eighty-six families have responded so far. If you haven't taken care of this yet, please prayerfully consider what you are able to offer for these important ministries that no one parish can support on their own. Remember, our parish receives a 25% rebate of whatever is collected if we reach our goal. Also, you can help us and the foundation if you let us know your intentions as soon as possible so we will not need to follow up with you. We need a response from every family. Thank you to those who have already made a commitment to the 2018 Catholic Services Appeal!

Confession Opportunities 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 these area Confession opportunities: St. Mary's, Waverly, Monday, March 12th at 7pm or Our Lady of the Lake, Mound - Thursday, March 15, at 6:30 pm.

Mass Intentions! We now have Mass intention spots available. Remember your deceased loved

ones by offering Mass for them. 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.

Lenten Fish Fry Dinners at St. Joseph in Waconia! The Knights of Columbus will be hosting "All You Can Eat" Fish Fry's on all of the Fridays during Lent (except Good Friday), Serving from 4 - 7:30 pm in the Education Center. Tickets: Adult \$11, Child \$5 (ages 5-12), Under 5 free. Take out service available. Take a coupon from the back of church to save \$1 off each Adult Fish Fry ticket purchased.

St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner! All are invited to the Church of St. George located at 133 N. Brown Rd, in Long Lake. Featuring live music by *Welcome Drive!*, the Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Corned Beef/Cabbage Dinner (with side dishes) on St. Patrick's Day, Saturday, March 17, beginning at 5 pm. The dinner will be catered by Von Hanson's of Monticello. Tickets at the door are \$15.00 for adults and \$10.00 for children 6 to 13. Please join us for a fun evening of great food and music!

Men's Lenten Retreat! All men are invited to the Lenten retreat "Big Men, Big Dreams, and Big Possibilities: How to deepen my spiritual relationship with God" on March 17, 9am-3pm at St. Gerard, Brooklyn Park. Presented by Fr. Tom Santa. Visit the Men's Retreat page st-gerard.org or call 763-424-8770 for more information and registration. Lunch included. Questions? Contact Judy Foster at judyf@st-gerard.org.

The Living Stations: Were You There? The St. Ambrose of Woodbury Drama Ministry invites you and your family to attend any of the dramatic renditions of our Lord's Passion & Crucifixion depicting very powerful and personal monologues from the point of view of recognizable. The Stations of the Cross will come alive like never before! Especially impactful for young children. The 1-hour long services will be held at St Ambrose Catholic Church, 4125 Woodbury Drive, Woodbury on: Wednesday, March 21st at 6:30 p.m.; Friday, March 23rd at 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, March 25th (Palm Sunday) at 1:30 p.m.; Friday, March 30th (Good Friday) at 7 p.m. No charge.

Solemn Good Friday Prayer Vigil Outside Planned Parenthood in St. Paul! On March 30, from 8:30 am- 4:00 pm, join with thousands in prayer at Minnesota's highest volume abortuary. Fifteen area pastors, including Bishop Andrew Cozzens and Dr. John Piper, will lead in scripture and prayer, one each half hour throughout the day. Bring your family and come for as long as you can – an hour or two, half the day or all day. Park at the UST Anderson Parking Facility on the corner of Grand and Cretin; shuttle buses will be running back and forth to the vigil site all day. For more information, go to plam.org/events or call 651-771-1500.

Women's Scripture Study: Jesus Approaches! Join local author and speaker Elizabeth M. Kelly in an 8-week bible study based on her new book, "Jesus Approaches, What Today's Woman Can Learn about Healing, Freedom and Joy from the Women of the New Testament" at St. Hubert, Chanhassen (Childcare provided). Thursdays, April 5 – May 24, 9:30 – 11 am. Cost: \$60 per person. For more details and to register, visit archspm.org/events. Questions? Contact Susanna Parent at parents@archspm.org or 651.291.4411.

SafeCatholicSPM.org! The archdiocesan Office of Ministerial Standards and Safe Environment offers comprehensive resources for parents – and anyone interested in protecting children, youth and vulnerable adults – on its website SafeCatholicSPM.org. The site has useful links, FAQ, events (such as Healing Masses) and brochures in both English and Spanish ("How to Report Suspected Child Abuse" and "Victim/Survivor Assistance"). Make sure to check SafeCatholicSPM.org often for additional resources.

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 at www.archspm.org/marriageinchrist.



You can still support Linda and her battle with cancer. 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.