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!



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SUNDAY GIVING FEBUARY 25 th , 2018						
Building Fund	\$	44.00	4	# of Envelopes from Generous Families		
Children	\$	0.00	0	# of Envelopes from Generous Kids		
Adult Envelope & Plate	\$	1,414.00	42	# of Envelopes from Generous Families		
Collected to Date	\$	85,119.42		Counters for March 11 th , 2017		
Budgeted to Date	\$	84,875.00		Deb Ries & John Turek		
Net Profit – Thank You!	\$	244.42				



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Mass Intentions

6 PM Holy Souls in Purgatory 4 PM Fr. Thomas Joseph 7 PM Living & deceased members of

St Nicholas 8 AM Available 10 AM Available

Mar 13 7 AM †Dinah Mahowald Mar 15 7 AM Available

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

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:	LECTORS:	MASS SERVERS:
SaturdayMarch 10	SaturdayMarch 10	SaturdayMarch 10
4:00 pmTony Lotzer	4:00 pmTony Lotzer	4:00 pmHelp Needed
Chuck Mahowald		Help Needed
7:00 pmJodee Korkowski	7:00 pmKurt Korkowski	7:00 pmKrista K.
Kurt Korkowski	_	Kyle K.
SundayMarch 11	SundayMarch 11	SundayMarch 11
8:00 amMike Fahey	8:00 amMike Fahey	8:00 amHelp Needed
Mary Poppler		Help Needed
10:00amKate Harmon & Deb Ries	10:00 amDeb Ries	10:00 amVivian M.
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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



March 4, 2018 – THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT *EX 20:1-17; PS 19:8, 9, 10, 11; 1 COR 1:22-25; JN 2:13-25*

Getting to know Fr. Galarza! I was born in Ecuador on June 21, 1970. My parents are +Hernán and María. I am the second of seven children; I have 5 sisters and another brother. I grew up in a Catholic home with traditions and devotions, especially to the Virgin Mary and the Blessed Sacrament. I attended a Catholic school in my city where my religious vocation was awakened.

In 1989, I joined the congregation of Oblate Missionaries and I was sent to Bogotá, Colombia, where I received my priestly formation. After finishing my university studies, on July 16, 1999, I was ordained a priest in Cuenca, Ecuador.

By the generous invitation of Archbishop Harry Flynn in 2001, I came to this Archdiocese to serve the Hispanic community. For the past 17 years, I was the parish priest of the Ecuadorian community of northeastern Minneapolis in the parish of St. Cyril & Methodius.

As of February 1, 2018, I am now the parochial vicar of Guardian Angels and St. Nicholas here in Carver County.

I trust in the prayers of all of you. I am here to share and grow our faith in the Good God with the help of you all.

Fr. Galarza

Catholic Services Appeal Update! We're now at 77% of our parish goal in three weeks of the campaign! We continue to make great progress in reaching our goal of \$7,702. Seventy-one families have responded so far. If you haven't yet responded, 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 make our goal. Also, you can help us avoid having to follow up with you if you let us know your intentions as soon as possible. We need



a response from every family. Please submit your responses as soon as possible. Thank you to those who have already made a commitment to the 2018 Catholic Services Appeal.

"Opportunities multiply as they are seized!" In English, the word "Lent" comes from an Anglo-Saxon word that simply means 'to lengthen.' In other languages, the word Lent comes from the word 40, which refers to the 40 weekdays in the season of Lent. The three pillars of our Lenten observance are prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. There is still time to seize the opportunities available during the Lenten season. Below are some local opportunities for Mass, Adoration, Stations of the Cross and confession that are available this year.

Daily Mass (English)

Friday

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)

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 and Confessions with Fr.

Galarza

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 a reconciliation service on Sunday, March 4 at 6:30 pm.

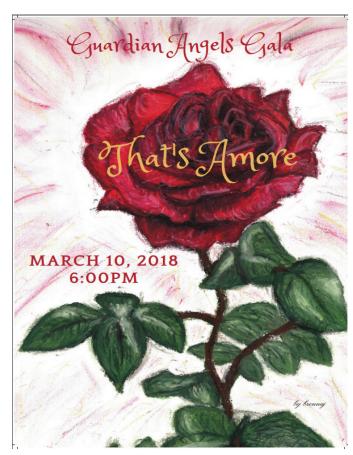
Mass Intentions! We now have Mass intention spots available. Remember your deceased loved ones by offering Mass for them. Please contact the parish office to schedule the date and time of your choice. The suggested offering for a Mass is still \$7 per Mass.

Passion Play! All are invited to join the members of Shakopee's faith community as we relive Jesus' final days on earth. Please pray with us as we try to understand what He has truly done for us. There will be three performances, all in the Church of Saint Mark at 4th Ave. and Atwood Street in

Shakopee. Join us Thursday, March 8 (English narration), Friday, March 9 (Spanish narration), and Saturday, March 10 (English narration). All performances begin with prelude music at 7:40 p.m. followed immediately by the Passion itself. Admission, as always, is free. People of all faiths are encouraged to attend.

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

<u>TheCatholicWatchmen.com</u>. Cost: \$25. Questions? Contact Enzo Randazzo at randazzov@archspm.org or 651-291-4483.



Guardian Angels Gala! Order your tickets at http://bidpal.net/WINTERGALA2018. The gala will be in the GA School gym with the meal catered by Sticks Tavern. Also be sure to check out the auction items to bid on at the link above.

The event includes: Cocktails, Dinner, Live and Silent Auction, Music, & Dance!

24 Hours for the Lord! This year, the Archdiocese of Saint Paul & Minneapolis is pleased to once again answer Pope Francis' call for 24 Hours for the Lord. The Cathedral of Saint Paul in St. Paul will have 24-hour Eucharistic Adoration (except during 5:15 p.m. Mass) and priests available to hear confessions from 8 a.m. on Friday, March 9 to 8 a.m. on Saturday, March 10. Come experience the outpouring of God's loving mercy during this Holy Season of Lent! See archspm.org/24hours for more details.

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 second collection.

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.

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.

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.