

This Week's Events:
MONDAY: 4 PM Mary, The Holy Mother of God Mass
TUESDAY: 9:15 AM Mary, The Holy Mother of God Mass
WEDNESDAY: NO Faith Formation
THURSDAY: 7 AM Mass
FRIDAY: 6 PM Mass with Adoration & Prayer Group to follow.

St. Nicholas, Celebrating 150 years!

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

SUNDAY GIVING DECEMBER 23, 2018			
Building Fund	\$ 38.00	2	# of Envelopes from Generous Families
Children	\$ 0.00	0	# of Envelopes from Generous Kids
Adult Envelope & Plate	\$ 4,778.81	56	# of Envelopes from Generous Families
Collected Year to Date	\$ 56,846.92		
Budgeted Year to Date	\$ 62,647.00		
Under Budget	\$ -5,800.08		

Counters for January 6, 2018
Stephanie Svoboda & Liz Vogel
Christmas Collection - \$2,666

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Current Needs: New bath towels & wash cloths, queen sheet sets, chest of drawers, dressers, twin mattresses, and twin box springs. 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

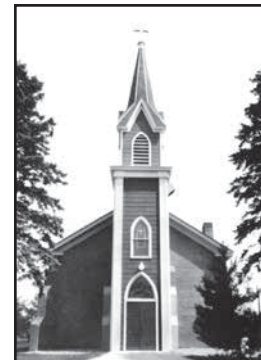
Jan 04	6 PM	Mass of Reparation
Jan 05	4 PM	†Patricia Shambour
	7 PM	Living & Deceased Members of St. Nicholas
Jan 06	9:15 AM	†Hoor Meng
Jan 08	7 AM	†Holy Souls in Purgatory
Jan 10	7 AM	†Chester & Steve Cisek

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

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:	LECTORS:	MASS SERVERS:
Saturday.....January 5	Saturday.....January 5	Saturday.....January 5
4:00 PM.....Cathy Pass Chuck Mahowald	4:00 PM.....Cathy Pass	4:00 PM.....Help Needed Help Needed
7:00 PM.....Jodee Korkowski Kurt Korkowski	7:00 PM.....Kurt Korkowski	7:00 PM.....Krista K. Kyle K.
Sunday.....January 6	Sunday.....January 6	Sunday.....January 6
9:15AM.....Candis Wickenhauser Mary Poppler	9:15AM.....Candis Wickenhauser	9:15AM.....Mimi D. Abby H.

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Thank You Jodee!

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

STAFF

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 Fr. Edison Galarza

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 Jodee Korkowski.....952-448-2345
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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 one's 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 PM
Sunday: 9:15 AM (English) & 10:30 AM (Spanish)
Daily Masses
 Rosary ½ hr. before Mass
Tuesday, Thursday: 7:00 AM
Friday: 6:00 PM

Adoration

Every Friday: 6:30 PM
 with prayer group to follow at 7:15 PM
1st Friday of each month: 3:00-6:00 PM

Reception of the Sacraments

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

CONFESSION (RECONCILIATION):
 Saturdays 3:30-3:50 PM
 or contact the parish office to schedule an appointment

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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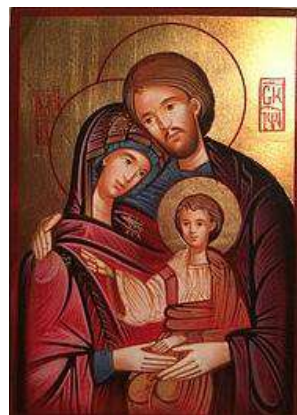
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DECEMBER 30, 2018 – THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10; 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; LK 2:41-52



Happy Feast of the Holy Family! Every year we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family on the Sunday after Christmas. Pope Leo XIII instituted the Feast of the Holy Family. The Holy Family serves as a model for all Christian families to imitate.

Year-End Giving! If your circumstances permit, please consider a year-end donation to St. Nicholas Church. We have fallen a little behind in our Sunday giving and would like to keep on track with our budget. We are most grateful for anything you can do to help us reach our goals! Contributions received in hand or postmarked by December 31 will be credited to your 2018-year end tax statement.

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God! Join us on New Year's Eve (12/31) at 4 pm or New Year's Day (1/1) at 9:15 am for this Holy Day of Obligation. We honor Mary as the mother of God and celebrate our Lord as "True God" and "True Man".



From the Catholic Services Appeal Foundation!

Dear Father, On behalf of the Catholic Services Appeal Foundation, I want to thank you and your parishioners for your support of the needed work of the Catholic Services Appeal. This year, a portion of all donations from your parishioners are being returned to your parish for your own ministries. Enclosed is a check for \$1,936.1. May it help to build up the Body of Christ in your parish community. Gratefully, Greg Pulles - President of the Catholic Services Appeal Foundation.

Faith Formation Resumes! Our next Wednesday night Faith Formation class is January 9 at 6 pm. We will begin in the Parish Center. The next Sunday Faith Formation class will be January 6 at 9 am. We look forward to seeing everyone again soon!

2018 Year in Review! As 2018 comes to a close, we hope you enjoy this look back over of some of major celebrations that occurred in 2018. In January we were blessed to have Bishop Cozzens here as we celebrated our Lady of Nube.



Later in January, we said goodbye to Fr. Thomas Joseph and welcomed Fr. William Deziel, our 34th Pastor. In February, Fr. Edison Galarza returned from vacation and joined us as well. At the end of March, 15 individuals received sacraments at the Easter Vigil Mass.



In April, we had 34 students receive the sacrament of Confirmation at the Cathedral of St. Paul.



We also had a total of 25 students receive the sacrament of 1st Communion in April and May. In May we introduced our new and improved website, www.stnicholascarver.org. If you have not checked it out yet, please do so. We are grateful to our webmaster for making this possible. We also had an open house to celebrate the Rectory Refresh work that was completed this spring.



In June, we celebrated the Infant Jesus with almost 1,000 people who came for the Mass, food and entertainment that lasted in to the evening!



In August, we had our first retreat booked in the Prayer Garden. In September we had a fabulous Fall Festival thanks to our coordinators Patty Graham and Tammy Reed. We also celebrated the feast of Our Lady of Cisne .



In October, we had our first proposal in the Prayer Garden and celebrated *Los Milagros* (Lord of the Miracles) as we have for several years now.



In November, River Valley Nursing came in and did a free flu shot clinic, and we hosted the

elections for the City of Carver. December was the highlight of our year as we celebrated our 150th Anniversary with Archbishop Hebda, despite the snow storm. We also had another very nice celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe, the patron saint of the Americas. This weekend, we close out 2018 by expressing our thanks and appreciation to Jodee who has served as our Parish Business Administrator for the past 10 years. May God's blessing be upon us all as we enter into 2019!

Chocolate & Chuckles! "Life is Like a Box of Chocolates ... You never know what you're gonna get." All Couples (married, engaged, or dating) are invited to join us for a **FREE** Evening of "Chocolate & Chuckles" on Saturday, January 19th from 6:30-10 pm in St. Francis Hall. (Lower Level of Guardian Angels Church located at 215 2nd St. W., Chaska.) Enjoy an evening out that will include fun, laughter & fellowship! There will be games and a short movie from either "The 5 Love Languages" or "The Tale of Two Brains." Come to find out which it will be????!!!! Snacks & beverages will be provided. We would love to have you join us and hope to see you there! Remember it's **FREE!** Sorry, babysitting will not be available.

SAVE THE DATE! We are pleased to announce that the GA Gala-Young at Heart-Back to the 50's will be on February 23, 2019 at 6 pm. Our honorary guest will be Archbishop Hebda! There will be a Dinner, Dance, Silent and Live Auction! We will feature The White Sidewalls Band! We will celebrate at GA School in the gym. We are currently looking for donations, sponsors, advertising for the program, and volunteers! Please contact Lisa Staudohar at lstaudoahar@gachaska.org with donations, ideas, or to volunteer!

Catholic Single Adults Club Christmas Dinner and Dance! All single Twin City Catholics, 21 and older, are invited to join us on Saturday, January 5, 2019 at David Fong's Restaurant, 9329 Lyndale Ave. S., Bloomington. A social hour and dinner will begin at 5:30 pm, with dancing at 7:30 pm. The cost for dinner and dance is \$20; dance only is \$10. Dinner reservations and checks for this family style Cantonese dinner are required by Thursday, December 27th. No reservation is required for dance-only participants. Please call Greg at 651-636-3508 or Carl at 651-603-1412 for reservations.