

This Week's Events:
TUESDAY: 7 AM Mass
THURSDAY: 7 AM Mass
FRIDAY: 6 PM Mass with adoration and Prayer Group to follow
SATURDAY: 8:30 1st Communion Workshop

We collected \$692 for the Living Water Program! Thank You!

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

SUNDAY GIVING MAY 6 th , 2018			
Building Fund	\$ 825.00	13	# of Envelopes from Generous Families
Children	\$ 0.00	0	# of Envelopes from Generous Kids
Adult Envelope & Plate	\$ 2,477.25	51	# of Envelopes from Generous Families
Collected to Date	\$107,348.17		
Budgeted to Date	\$109,125.00		
Net Loss - ☹	\$ (1,776.83)		

Counters for May 20th, 2018
Steph Svoboda & Jon Kellen

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In the Name of Christ

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

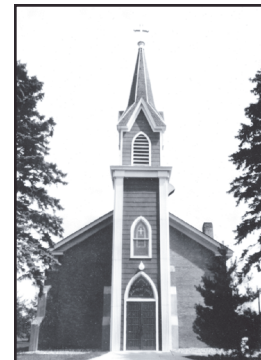
May 18	6 PM	Fr. Thomas Joseph
May 19	4 PM	†Eldie Meyer
	7 PM	Living & deceased members of St. Nicholas
May 20	9:15 AM	†Byron & Mavis Dorion
May 22	7 AM	Holy Souls in Purgatory
May 24	7 AM	†Clarence & Caroline Lenzmeier

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

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:	LECTORS:	MASS SERVERS:
Saturday.....May 19	Saturday.....May 19	Saturday.....May 19
4:00 PM.....Jon Kellen Chuck Mahowald	4:00 PM.....Jon Kellen	4:00 PM.....Help Needed Help Needed
7:00 PM.....Jon Weckman Help Needed	7:00 PM.....Help Needed	7:00 PM.....Help Needed Help Needed
Sunday.....May 20	Sunday.....May 20	Sunday.....May 20
9:15AM.....Deb Ries, Mary Poppler Stephanie S.	9:15AM.....Stephanie S.	9:15AM.....Cole S. Vivian 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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 Fr. Edison Galarza

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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: 8:00, 10:00 & 11:45 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 3:45-4:00 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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 JoAnn Hasse.....612-708-4118

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 Darlene Mahowald.....952-448-4464

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 Brandon & Kate Harmon952-479-7493

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May 13, 2018 – ASCENSION OF THE LORD
ACTS 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9; Eph 1:17-23; Mk 16:15-20

Happy Mother's Day!

Mass Times Change Next Weekend! Please be alerted that Mass times will change on Sunday mornings starting next weekend. The following schedule is for both St. Nicholas and Guardian Angels. Please don't hesitate to go to either parish as the Mass time that suits you as you will most likely encounter myself or Fr. Galarza offering the English Masses and Fr. Galarza will always offer the Spanish Masses. Some of you have expressed concerns about wanting your Sunday collection to go to your home parish, so please know that if you put a St. Nicholas envelop in the collection at Guardian Angels it will come to St. Nicholas, and vice versa. If you give electronically, then you don't even have to worry about that as your regular electronic contribution will always come to St. Nicholas. For electronic giving, please contact Jodee at the parish office or see the parish website. The Saturday evening Schedule will remain the same at both parishes.

St. Nicholas	Guardian Angels
9:15 AM English	8:00 AM English
10:30 AM Spanish	10:30 AM English
	Noon Spanish

Welcome Mrs. Galarza! This weekend we joyfully welcome Fr. Edison Galaraza's mother, Maria. It's perfect timing as we celebrate Mother's Day! Fr. Edison went to Ecuador to accompany his mother on her journey to Minnesota, and they arrived here early Thursday morning at 1 AM. Mrs. Galarza will live in the rectory at St. Nicholas with Fr. Edison until early November when she will return to Ecuador avoiding our harsh Minnesota winters – smart woman! We thank God for granting a safe trip for Fr. Edison and his mother. Today, we pray for all of our mothers that God may bless those here on Earth, and that those who have

died may share in the heavenly life with the Blessed Mother and all the Angels and Saints.

Happy Mother's Day!
Fr. Deziel

Sunday School! We had a great first weekend of Sunday School last Sunday. Thanks to Vicky for coordinating this opportunity and the volunteers who helped. Thanks also to the families who participated. Sunday School is for children 6 months to 6 years old and is held in the lower level of the Parish Center. This will be offered for the 9:15 AM English Mass and the 11:45 AM Spanish Mass. Activities will be focused on the Catholic Faith and may include Bible Stories, Games, Crafts and Sing-Alongs. Parents/Guardians will need to sign each child in and out. There is a suggested donation of \$3 per child for the first visit and \$2 per child for each returning visit.

Fall Festival! We'll need lots of prizes for kid's games for the Fall Festival. If you have new or gently used toys, stuffed animals, games, extra party favors or goody bag items for kids, please drop them off at the Parish Office. As always, your donations are tax deductible so please be sure to note what your donating and we'll get you an end of the year tax statement. Please call or text Tammy at 612-695-7333 or Patty at 612-718-5009 with any questions.

Faith Formation! A reminder that Wednesday night Faith Formation registration for 2018-2019 is now open. Please see the St. Nicholas website under the Education -> Faith Formation tab for the sign-up form or stop by the Parish Office to complete it. We are also seeking volunteers interested in becoming a catechist or a substitute for classes. Please call Jodee at 952-448-2345 or stop by the Parish Office to learn more if you're interested in helping.

Bike Rodeo! The Carver Fire Department is hosting a Spring Safety Event and Bike Rodeo on Saturday, May 19 from 9 AM to Noon. This is a free family event at the Carver Fire Station. There will be a bike obstacle course, safety tips, helmet fitting, bike safety checks and refreshments. There are bike/helmet scholarships available for those in need; send requests to CarverBikeRodeo@gmail.com. There will also be a car seat safety check available for your baby seats. To schedule your car seat check at this event, please call Esther DeLaCruz at 651-763-8142.

New Parish Website! Our new website is up and running! Content is still being added and tweaks are being made, but it's much more user friendly and also formats to whichever device you're using to view the pages. It also provides an option to automatically translate the page into many different languages. We extend great thanks to our webmaster, Colin, for all his hard work on the new site. You can check it out at stnicholascarver.org. We would love to hear your feedback on how we can change or improve as we continue to move forward.

Asante Sana! Thanks to the 29 families who participated in the Living Water project this year! We collected almost \$700! Thank you for your generosity!

Pentecost Mass! The Catholic Charismatic Renewal Office Annual Pentecost Mass with Archbishop Hebda as Celebrant will be Saturday, May 19 at 6:30 p.m. Praise and worship begins at 6 p.m. at St. Williams, Fridley. All are welcome. Fellowship will follow the mass. Please visit their website at www.ccro-msp.org or call 763-571-5314 for more details.

Archdiocesan Marriage Day Celebration! Celebrate the beautiful mystery of the mutual self-gift between a man and woman in the Sacrament of Matrimony on Saturday, June 2 at the Cathedral of Saint Paul, 10 a.m., for Mass, renewal of vows, and a short reception. Couples celebrating their silver and golden anniversaries will be honored in a special way and are invited to attend. Families and friends of all couples are welcome! Couples married one or more years may request a commemorative certificate signed by Archbishop Hebda. To request a certificate, please contact the Office of Marriage, Family & Life by May 30 at 651-291-4488 or mfl@archspm.org.

Treasures of the Church, An Exposition of Sacred Relics! On Wednesday, May 30 at 6:00 pm, over 150 relics will be shown, some believed to be as old as 2,000 years, at St. John the Baptist Catholic Parish in Excelsior, presented by Fr. Carlos Martins of the Companions of the Cross. The exposition begins with a multi-media presentation on the Church's use of relics. After, those in attendance have an opportunity to venerate the relics. Attendees are encouraged to bring articles of devotion (such as rosaries, holy cards,

etc.) and pictures of ill friends/family members which may be touched to the reliquaries as a means of intercessory prayer. The ministry travels throughout North America by invitation. St. John's Catholic Parish is honored to bring in this exhibit so we can learn more about these sacred treasures of the church! We hope you attend this once in a lifetime opportunity! To find out more about the relics being presented please visit <http://www.treasuresofthechurch.com>.

National Catholic Singles Conference! Join hundreds of single Catholics of all ages at the National Catholic Singles Conference, June 8-10, at the Hilton Minneapolis/St. Paul-Airport Mall of America. The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers, music, social events, prayer, food, fellowship and more! Space is limited so register now! For more information and to register visit NationalCatholicSingles.com. Use promo code NCSCMSP to receive a special discount! (Can't find your question answered on the website? Call 512-766-5798.)

Discover the plan that will transform your work, your marriage, your family, your community... your life! This fall, the Archbishop Harry J. Flynn Catechetical Institute will begin another two-year course at The Saint Paul Seminary. The program follows the four pillars of the Catechism of the Catholic Church and will make sense of all things Catholic, deepen your faith, and lay out the roadmap to heaven. The classes are divided into four eleven-week modules and meet on Monday evenings, 7 – 9 pm, with two Saturday morning formative sessions per module. Applications are now being accepted through July 1st for the class beginning in September. For more information and an application to become part of the Class of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, call 651-962-5028 or visit www.CIstudent.com.

Receive Grace, Mercy & Healing! Fr. Peter John Cameron said, "Mercy, like every grace, always enters through a wound." If you or someone you love is grieving the loss of a child to abortion, come and experience the healing mercy of Jesus Christ on our weekend retreat. The next Rachel's Vineyard Twin Cities' retreat is June 1-3, 2018. For more information contact Nancy at rachels@rvineyardmn.org, call 763-250-9313, or see www.rvineyardmn.org.