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| <p>MONDAY: Come look at old photos &amp; drop off your items for 140<sup>th</sup> 7 PM Parish Center</p> <p>TUESDAY: 8<sup>th</sup> &amp; 9<sup>th</sup> F. F. at Feed My Starving Children 6-7:30 PM<br/>7 PM Parish Council Meeting</p> <p>WEDNESDAY: 6-7:30 F.F. Classes</p> <p>THURSDAY: A. A. Meeting in Parish Center</p> <p>FRIDAY: Prayer Group 7:15 PM</p> <p>COUNTERS: Mike F. &amp; Barb S.</p> | <p align="center"><b>Sunday Giving November 2, 2008</b></p> <p>Children ..... 20.71<br/>         Adult Envelopes &amp; Plate..... 3212.26<br/>         Collected to date ..... 42,854.64<br/>         Budgeted to date ..... 44,862.00<br/>         Net (Loss).....(2,007.36)</p>  |   |   |
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| <p><b>MASS SERVERS:</b><br/>         Saturday .....Nov 15<sup>th</sup><br/>         4:00pm.....Help Needed<br/>         7:00pm.....Katarina Christianson<br/>         .....Mike Szaroletta<br/>         Sunday..... Nov 16<sup>th</sup><br/>         8:00am.....Mitchell Wickenhauser<br/>         .....Brooke Wickenhauser<br/>         10:00am..... Sam Roble<br/>         .....Thomas Roble</p>         | <p><b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:</b><br/>         Saturday .....Nov 15<sup>th</sup><br/>         4:00pm.....Help Needed<br/>         7:00 pm .....Jodee Korkowski,<br/>         Cathy Pass &amp; Nancy Ludovissie<br/>         Sunday .....Nov 16<sup>th</sup><br/>         8:00am .....Candis Wickenhauser,<br/>         Mary Poppler &amp; Michael Swirtz<br/>         10am.....Amy Roble,<br/>         Teresa Thiede &amp; Jeremy Rich</p>   |   |   |

# St. Nicholas Catholic Church

*A community committed to welcoming, stewardship and evangelizing since 1868*



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*The Larson children ~  
Drew, Sami and Zach*



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

**STAFF**

|                                    |   |
|------------------------------------|---|
| <b>Parish Secretary</b>            | Parish office.....448-2345                        |
| <b>Director of Faith Formation</b> | Char Kozar .....448-6181<br>ckozar@embarqmail.com |
| <b>Maintenance</b>                 | Lester Wickenhauser.....448-7657                  |

**COUNCIL AND BOARD**

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| <b>Parish Pastoral Council</b>    | Pres.: Tom Kozar.....448-6181           |
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| <b>Sunday School for Children</b> - Tamara Anderson .....361-6773                 |
| <b>Music Ministry</b> - Barry StreLOW.....448-4363                                |

*Weekend Masses*  
**Saturday: 4:00 & 7:00 p.m.**  
**Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.**

*Daily Masses*  
 Rosary ½ hr. before Mass  
**Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday: 8:00 a.m.**  
**Wednesday & Friday: 6:45 p.m.**

**"Coffee & Rolls with the Priest"**  
 Tuesdays after 8:00 a.m. Mass

*Adoration*  
**Every Friday: 6:00-6:45 p.m.**  
**1st Friday of each month: 3:00-6:45 p.m.**

## Reception of the Sacraments

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

**PENANCE (RECONCILIATION):**  
 Saturdays 6:00-7:00 p.m.  
 or anytime as requested

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

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:**  
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Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17 Jn 2:13-22

**St. Paul** in his letter to Titus 1:1-2 writes, "Paul, a slave of God and apostle of Jesus Christ for the sake of the faith of God's chosen ones and the recognition of religious truth, in the hope of eternal life that God, who does not lie, promised before time began." St. Paul, a giant in history, often calls himself a slave. Do we have the similar humility? Do we call ourselves servants? Do we call ourselves slaves? Are we willing to be the slaves of Jesus Christ, willing to do anything that He asks us to do?

**Administrative assistant position** is open and accepting applications now. Please forward your resume to both Char Kozar at [ckozarstnicholas@embarqmail.com](mailto:ckozarstnicholas@embarqmail.com) and Mitch Perrine at [mitch@perrinotech.com](mailto:mitch@perrinotech.com). Even if you have already sent a resume to the parish office, please do so one more time. Feel free to call and talk to them as well. We have established a selection committee of four people: Mitch Perrine, Char Kozar, Sam Walter and Tom Gestach. Once applications have been received, they will call and start the interview process.

**Sean Halloran!** Benefit dinner for Sean Halloran took place on the first of November at the St. Joseph Parish center in Waconia. Sean, a long-time resident of Chaska, has a serious blood disorder. Sean's mother Lucy often comes to Church here at St. Nicholas. Let us pray for Sean, his wife Paulette and their seven children. If you are able to help support them, please send your donation to Sean Halloran Benefit, Care of St. Joseph Church.

**Youth group has just begun!** On the feast of All Souls Day, around 25 youth gathered at the house of Lester and Candis Wickenhauser for a time of prayer, fun and fellowship. A "Hay Ride" was the highlight of the evening. I got to drive the tractor for a while during the hayride. In other words, Lester trusted my driving skills. We were so glad to see so many parents who were and are very supportive of this youth group. Parents, we continue to count on your support. To the youth who did not join us last Sunday, please consider joining the youth group and supporting your fellow young people. Our sincere gratitude to Char Kozar and Jeremy Rich for organizing this whole evening and for providing a positive and hopeful atmosphere to our youth. A special thanks to our hosts, Lester and Candis Wickenhauser for their generous hospitality.

Following are words from our previous Holy Father John Paul II to the youth:

August 14, 1991, World Youth Day in Czestochowa, Poland "...I pray that young people from East and West will walk together along the path of freedom, working to overcome all conflicts between races and peoples, so as to build a world of authentic brotherhood and carry the liberating message of the Gospel everywhere."

1984, Mass of the Holy Year of Redemption, St. Peter's Square, Vatican "In a very real sense, the twenty-first century...belongs to you. I ask you, therefore, to think carefully about the choices in life which you have to make."



**Council of Catholic Women!** is a great opportunity for women. The mission of this group is to empower, educate and support women to lives of service, spirituality and leadership to their families and parishes, communities and the poor of the world. We invite all parish women to an introductory meeting on Monday, November 17th from 7:00-8:00 p.m. Please call Bonnie Hays at (952) 361-3496 with questions.

**Praying for the dead!** On the 2nd of November, the feast of All Souls Day, I reminded everyone about taking five minutes to pray for our beloved deceased brothers and sisters. As I explained in the homily, Purgatory is a state between death and heaven, where we will see God. It is a state of purification before entering heaven. Let us pray for our brothers and sisters in Purgatory, so that somebody else might pray for us when we are there.

**Commitment!** Are you living your commitment? For the past few weeks I have been saying, "Never go to sleep at night, before having prayed 10 Hail Mary's." Have you made that commitment and are you living up to that commitment? Have you made a commitment to come to daily Mass once a month as a family? Have you made a commitment to spend a little time with Jesus either on the First Friday of the month (between 3:00-7:00 p.m.) or any Friday (6:00-7:00 p.m.)? I can firmly say that you will be glad that you did it - you will see a change in your family.

**A great Halloween evening!** Around fifty kids came to the rectory for 'trick or treat' with their parents. I was humbled to see the cooperation of you parents for events like this. No doubt, we had a good time. God willing, next year we hope to have one hundred plus children coming to the rectory. We express our heartfelt gratitude to Barry and Nancy Strelow and Richard and Laura Vogel for supplying the children with a pencil and a notebook with St. Nicholas and the telephone number imprinted on it. God bless you good people.

**Mark your calendars** for a very special occasion. Archbishop John Nienstedt will be celebrating Mass at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, December 6, 2008, to begin our 140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary here at St. Nicholas. More details to follow. See you there!

**Jack and Julie Van Remortel** are another fine couple that takes part in the St. Nicholas parish community. Recently Julie spent around seven hours cleaning up all the leaves on the church property. They also generously donated two DVD players for our church. Thank you Jack and Julie for your untiring support to your church.

**I repeat!** Family visits have been a time of great blessing. It has been nothing but good. As your priest, I take time to visit with your family because your home is the most sacred ground after the church- a place where children learn to love - it is a school of love. It gives me so much joy to see you parents taking so much pride in the lives of your children. I am so proud of each and every one of you for taking pride in your children. If I haven't called you, please call me and we will make it happen. Our previous Holy Father, Pope John Paul II in his apostolic exhortation writes why family is important: "Christian marriage and the Christian family build up the Church: for in the family the human person is not only brought into being and progressively introduced by means of education into the human community, but by means of the rebirth of baptism and education in the faith the child is also introduced into God's family, which is the Church."

**We have a president!** No matter which side of the political aisle we stand on, let us come together and pray for our president-elect. Let us pray that he may be a God-fearing man, who builds up and defends the culture of life, who promotes freedom in our nation and beyond it's shores.

**Sunday Reflection!** Today we celebrate the Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome in Rome, Italy. By celebrating this feast our Holy Mother Church invites us to remember that it is not only the Cathedrals, Basilicas and Churches (including our own St. Nicholas) where God lives. God also lives in our own bodies. St. Paul tells us that our body is a "temple of the Holy Spirit." Let us ask ourselves, "Do we allow God to live in our bodies, which is the temple of the Holy Spirit?"

In Christ Jesus,

Fr. Thomas Joseph

We collected 42.6 pounds of food for the food shelf. Thanks for your support.

Carver County is struggling to find foster homes to support children in our communities. Training and on-going support will be provided. Please take a moment to consider this need and call Dave (952-361-1613) or Janice (952-361-1698).

Carver Second Alarm thanks all who attended or contributed to the 13th Annual Chili Feed. Money raised is contributed to Smile Network for repairing birth deformities in children around the world. Special thanks to Sean Hennen, Sam Vogel and Trevor Kozar, members of the Confirmation class at St. Nicholas, for their help at the benefit. They worked hard and seemed to enjoy the experience of integrating with other volunteers from Smile Network and Carver Second Alarm. We appreciate their generous spirit, their handsome smiles and their willing hands. Submitted by Barbara A Swanson, Member Carver Second Alarm.

St. Bernard's in Cologne will have a Christmas Bazaar Luncheon on Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 – 1:00 PM. Take out will be available. They will have craft items, spruce tops, baked goods and quilt chances.