


This Week's Events: FRIDAY: 7:15 PM Prayer Group COUNTERS: Deb & Mike	Sunday Giving May 24, 2009 Children 18.85 Adult Envelopes & Plate..... 1,152.00 Collected to date 104,108.32 Budgeted to date 109,387.97 Net (loss).....(5,279.65)	
	Lectors: Saturday.....June 6 4:00pm.....Nancy Ludovissie 7:00pm....Zach Bolland Sunday..... June 7 8:00am....Mike Fahey 10:00am...Jeremy Rich	Mass Intentions: June 6 4:00 pm The unemployed 7:00 pm World Peace June 7 8:00 am Henry & Delores Schutrop 10:00 am Fr. Larry Rosebaugh
MASS SERVERS: Saturday June 6 4:00pm.....Mike Szaroletta Tony Szaroletta 7:00pm..... Kayla Bolland Christopher Walters Sunday..... June 7 8:00am.....Brooke Wickenhauser Mitchell Wickenhauser 10:00am.....Thomas Roble Sam Roble	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Saturday June 6 4:00 pmDottie Illig, Nancy Ludovissie, Mary Omollo 7:00 pm Sue Bolland, Jean Poppler Kurt Korkowski Sunday June 7 8:00am.....Candis Wickenhauser, Jane Hanson, & Help Needed 10am.....Amy Roble, Jeremy Rich, Richard Kvittek	

St. Nicholas Catholic Church


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Fr. Thomas Joseph with Leonard & Kathy Girtz as they celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary.



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

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Mother Teresa said, "Ask and seek and your heart will be big enough to receive Him (God) and keep Him as your own." 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 a.m.

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

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

CONFESSION (RECONCILIATION):
Saturdays 8:30-9:00 a.m., 3:30-4:00 p.m., 6:15-7:00 p.m.
or **anytime as requested**

MARRIAGE:
Call the parish office to make arrangements

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:
Anytime, call Fr. Thomas at 448-2345 or 507-339-8244

RCIA (Rights of Christian Initiation for Adults):
Please call the parish office for more information



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MAY 31, 2009 – PENTECOST SUNDAY

Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

St. Paul's words of consolation! St. Paul in his Second letter to the Corinthians 11:23-29 describes the hardships that he went through. For instance he writes, "Are they ministers of Christ? (I am talking like an insane person.) I am still more, with far greater labors, far more imprisonments, far worse beatings, and numerous brushes with death. Five times at the hands of the Jews I received forty lashes minus one, three times I was beaten with rods, once I was stoned, three times I was shipwrecked, I passed a night and a day on the deep; on frequent journeys, in dangers from robbers, dangers from my own race, dangers from Gentiles, dangers in the city, dangers in the wilderness, dangers at sea, dangers among false brothers; in toil and hardship, through many sleepless nights, through hunger and thirst, through frequent fastings, through cold and exposure. And apart from these things, there is the daily pressure upon me of my anxiety for all the churches." By sharing with us the hardships he went through St. Paul certainly is not seeking self-pity for himself; rather, he wants us to know he does understand when we experience loss. St. Paul went through so much humiliation and loss so that you and I, in our daily lives, no matter how much loss we go through, might not stop feeling for the loss of others.

Congratulations Jackie Christianson! Jackie, a parishioner, is our new Coordinator of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry. Jackie is humble, intelligent, devout, and loves working with children and youth. You will hear more about Jackie in next week's bulletin. Parents please take few minutes and complete the Faith Formation registration form for your children by the 1st of July so that we can order materials and have everything ready to begin a new year of classes. Also, please make sure to register your children for summer Vacation Bible School. Child care may also be available during the afternoon during the week of VBS. Please call the parish office with any questions. Registration forms are available on our website, in the back of church or at the parish office.

Congratulation class of 2009! We congratulate all of our young people graduating this year. Here are a few words of wisdom from two of our graduates.



"I grew up with St. Nicholas next door. I have had the privilege to know and grow up with the priests as my neighbor. St Nicholas is a big part of my life. As I prepare to go to college in the fall I will take my Christian values with me letting them be my guide. I will be attending Minnesota State Mankato in the fall."
Elizabeth Welter



"The later years of Faith Formation should focus on daily issues facing the youth of today and understanding how the Catholic Church views these issues. We need to be able to apply the past to the present."
Shawn Riesgraf

Congratulations Bishop-elect Lee Piche! Our Holy Father Pope Benedict the XVI has appointed Fr. Lee Piche, the Vicar General, who said Mass here at St. Nicholas Church last December, as our new Auxiliary Bishop. We pray for him and congratulate him.

Come Holy Spirit-Happy Pentecost Sunday! The Greek word Pentecost would mean "the fiftieth day." Fifty days after Easter, the Resurrection of Jesus, the Holy Spirit came down upon us all. It is appropriate to call Pentecost Sunday the birthday of the Church, because the Apostles having been filled with the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost carried the Good News (the message of Jesus Christ) to the whole world. The word Pentecost is very dear to our Jewish brothers and sisters. Why? On the day of Pentecost, Jews from all over the world come to Jerusalem every year and celebrated the anniversary of Moses receiving the Ten Commandments from God on Mount Sinai. Something interesting happened on that particular Pentecost Sunday around 2000 years ago. The Apostles were part of the crowd who went to Jerusalem to celebrate the typical Jewish feast of Pentecost. While there, as we learn from the book of the Acts of the Apostles 2:2 "Suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were." And having been filled with the Holy Spirit the Apostles went all over the world preaching the name of Christ. That was the moment of the birth of the Church. It is for this reason that Pentecost is a significant feast in our lives. As we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, ask for one of the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit; perhaps the gift that you need the most: **Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel (Right Judgment), Fortitude (Courage), Knowledge, Piety (Reverence), Fear of the Lord (Awe of God.)**



Highlights of the week! *Jackie Christianson was hired as our new Coordinator of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry. We have recruited more teachers for Faith Formation and we are fully prepared for the coming year. We will also have substitute teachers and our newly confirmed students who generously committed themselves for a year in helping out their younger brothers and sisters, growing in their faith. *Summer Mission in Carver and beyond is almost finalized. More details to follow.

Prayer Chain! We have an active prayer chain at St. Nicholas that is able and willing to pray for your intentions. If you or others that you know are going through challenging times, such as an upcoming surgery, illness, loss of a loved one, failing marriage, troubled teenager, job loss, an upcoming job interview or whatever it is and are in need of prayer, we can pray for your needs. Please call the St. Nicholas Prayer Chain. You can give us the name and details of the prayer request, be general in your request, or you can remain anonymous. We hope to add a book in the back of church where request could be left as well. The prayer chain has been established here at St. Nicholas for many years. If you would like to become a member of the prayer chain, please give us a call and let us know that as well. We know that many prayers have been answered: successful surgeries, healing of diseases, success in finding employment and probably lots of others that we are not even aware of. Prayer works, our Lord tell us that in the book of Exodus 33:11 we read, "Thus the Lord used to speak to Moses face to face, as a man speaks to his friend." Dear friends, through prayer God is willing to talk to us like a friend. Let us develop a habit to pray and ask for prayers from our prayer team so that God can talk to us like a friend.

Sunday Reflection! Today's Gospel, from John 20:19-23, is where Jesus says to his Apostles, "Receive the holy Spirit." This reminds me of Genesis 2:7 which reads, "And the Lord God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being." The Holy Spirit wants us to be the living being, people who have life. When was the last time we asked for the Holy Spirit to ensure that our lives are not about just getting by day after day, but by being 100% alive in Jesus Christ?

Let us pray VENI SANCTE SPIRITUS (Come Holy Spirit).

COME, Holy Ghost, send down those beams, which sweetly flow in silent streams from Thy bright throne above. O come, Thou Father of the poor; O come, Thou source of all our store, come, fill our hearts with love. O Thou, of comforters the best, O Thou, the soul's delightful guest, the pilgrim's sweet relief. Rest art Thou in our toil, most sweet refreshment in the noonday heat; and solace in our grief. O blessed Light of life Thou art; fill with Thy light the inmost heart of those who hope in Thee. Without Thy Godhead nothing can, have any price or worth in man, nothing can harmless be. Lord, wash our sinful stains away, refresh from heaven our barren clay, our wounds and bruises heal. To Thy sweet yoke our stiff necks bow, warm with Thy fire our hearts of snow, solace in our grief. O blessed Light of life Thou art; fill with Thy light the inmost heart of those who hope in Thee. Without Thy Godhead nothing can, have any price or worth in man, nothing can harmless be. Lord, wash our sinful stains away, refresh from heaven our barren clay, our wounds and bruises heal. To Thy sweet yoke our stiff necks bow, warm with Thy fire our hearts of snow, our wandering feet recall. Grant to Thy faithful, dearest Lord, whose only hope is Thy sure word, the sevenfold gifts of grace. Grant us in life Thy grace that we, in peace may die and ever be, in joy before Thy face. Amen. Alleluia.

In Christ Jesus,

Fr. Thomas Joseph

This Sunday will be the last day of Sunday school until September 6th. Enjoy the summer!

Some youth from our parish will be doing a fundraiser for CYC camp by operating the brat/hot dog stand in front of Sam's Club in Shakopee on June 5th & 6th. Please pray for their success and support them if you can.

Since next weekend is the first weekend of the month, we will once again place the basket on the altar to collect donations for the CAP Agency food shelf. Our last donation on May 19th was 16.8 pounds. Thanks for your continued support to those in need.

Career Changers: Self Discovery Inventory Assessment

An Adventure in Self-Reflection and Career Exploration
June 9, 2009, 7-9 p.m., room 103 of the Basilica School. For those who don't know what they want to be when they grow up, for those in career transition, and for those interested in self-discovery, Job Coaches Cindy Edwards and Victor Massaglia will lead you through exercises that will help you discover what you want to do in life! Register through MyBasilica or contact Janet Grove at jgrove@mary.org, 612-317-3508 for more information.

Fit Assessment with Cindy Edwards

July 16, 2009, 6:30 – 9:00 pm, Room 103 of the Basilica School. Small group opportunity for "Assessing and Deciding that You Fit: A Tool for Job Seekers." Have you ever asked yourself the following when looking for employment? Will this job enable me to do the kind of work I want to do? Will this job make use of my knowledge, skills, and abilities? Is the organization a good fit for my values? Will the job and organization meet my personal needs? Contact jgrove@mary.org or 612-317-3508 to register for this workshop.