# The Churches of The Guardian Angels and Saint Nicholas

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#### July 30th, 2023

### Weekly Liturgy Schedule / Horario de Misas

#### **Sunday Masses:**

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. at Saint Nicholas Sunday: 12:30 p.m. in Spanish

#### **Daily Masses:**

Tuesday: 5:30 p.m. Wednesday: 8:00 a.m. Thursday: 8:00 a.m. Friday: 6:00 p.m.

bilingual at Saint Nicholas

#### **Reconciliation:**

Saturday: 8:00 -8:45 a.m. Saturday: 3:15 -4:15 p.m. Or by appointment

#### **Eucharistic Adoration:**

Thursday: 8:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

#### **Misas dominicales:**

Sábado: 4:30 p.m.

Domingo: 8:00 a.m. / 10:00 a.m. Domingo: 12:30 p.m. en español

#### **Misas diarias:**

Martes: 5:30 p.m. Miércoles: 8:00 a.m. Jueves: 8:00 a.m. Viernes: 6:00 p.m.

bilingüe en San Nicolás

#### Reconciliación:

Sábado: 8:00-8:45 a.m. Sábado: 3:15-4:15 p.m.

#### Adoración Eucarística:

Jueves: 8:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

#### Grupo de Oración

Jueves: 7:00 p.m.—8:30 p.m.

#### **Guardian Angels Lay Leadership Positions**

**Dan Bergner, Trustee:** (952) 367-7432 **Kris Janey, Trustee:** (612) 325-9284

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Please submit announcements, feature articles, or event summaries for the bulletin for Guardian Angels or St. Nicholas by email at bulletin@gachaska.org by 12 p.m. the Tuesday before. Photographs must be in .jpg format.

#### **ENVÍOS AL BOLETÍN**

Si tiene algo que enviar para el boletín de Guardian Angels o St. Nicholas, envíe un correo electrónico a bulltin@gachaska.org antes de las 12:00 p.m. el martes anterior. Fotografía debe estar en formato .jpg.

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#### **ANOINTING**

If you wish to receive an anointing please call the Parish Office: (952) 227-4000.

#### HOSPITAL, NURSING HOME, AND HOMEBOUND VISITS

Churches are no longer notified by hospitals or nursing homes when a parishioner is admitted unless the family has requested it. If you or a family member are homebound, hospitalized or in a nursing home and would like a visit from a member of the ministry staff, please call the Parish Office.

#### Church Calendar

#### Monday, July 31st

#### Tuesday, August 1st

5:00 p.m. Creighton Model FertilityCare, Saint Nicholas Classrooms 1-4

5:30 p.m. Mass, ⊕ Bernard Serbus

#### Wednesday, August 2nd

#### Thursday, August 3rd

8:00 a.m. Mass, ⊕ Sandi Boecker 8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, GA Church 7:00 p.m. Spanish Prayer Group, GA Church

#### Friday, August 4th

6:00 p.m. Mass (SN), 

Clarence & Caroline Lenzmeier

#### Saturday, August 5th

8:00 a.m. D of I Rosary, GA Church 9:00 a.m. Mom's Group Meeting, St. Francis Hall 3:15 p.m. Reconciliation, GA Church 4:30 p.m. Mass, ♥ Virgil Gestach

#### Sunday, August 6th

8:00 a.m. Mass, ♣ Russel & Darlene Schmid
9:00 a.m. Coffee and Donuts, St. Francis Hall
10:00 a.m. Mass, Giles & Clarice Van Sloun
11:00 a.m. Coffee and Donuts, St. Francis Hall
10:00 a.m. Mass (SN), ♣ Deceased Members of the Dusoski Family

12:30 p.m. Mass (Spanish), Para la Gente

#### **Mass Intentions:**

Mass intentions may be for the living and/or the departed, with a  $\oplus$  designating in the bulletin a deceased person. There is a \$10 suggested donation per Mass intention. Permission from the sick person or his/her family must be granted before a name's inclusion in these prayers. To schedule a Mass intention, please call the Parish Office.

#### Baptism:

Our Baptism Belonging Class is required for all parents as a first step to Baptism of your child. Please call Father Tony VanderLoop, Pastor, at 952-679-9415 to sign up for a class. We encourage Godparents to attend. Baptisms are scheduled once per month after the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass. Special dates requested for Baptism will be considered and accommodated depending on circumstances.

#### **Matrimony:**

Marriage preparation is required. Please call Father Tony VanderLoop, Pastor, at 952-679-9415 at least 8 months in advance.

#### Communion for the Homebound:

When we come together to pray at our Eucharistic liturgy, we do not forget the members of our community who are unable to be with us because of ill health. We remember them in our prayers, and we wish to include them in our Holy Communion. Members of our community bring the Blessed Sacrament to them to comfort them and to unite us in the Eucharist. We are not always aware of those who have this need. Please call the Parish Office to let us know if you or a member of your family would like to have Holy Communion brought to them. Then we can schedule a time for our ministers to visit and bring the Sacrament.

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 (97a)/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46 Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Mt

13:31-35

Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9/Mt 13:44-46

Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11/Mt

13:47-53

Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-

11ab/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/

Mt 17:1-9

#### LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: 1 Re 3, 5-13/Sal 118, 57. 72. 76-77. 127-128. 129-130 (97)/

Rom 8, 28-30/Mt 13, 44-52 o 13, 44-46

Lunes: Ex 32, 15-24. 30-34/Sal 105, 19-20. 21-22. 23/Mt 13, 31-35 Martes: Ex 33, 7-11; 34, 5-9. 28/Sal 102, 6-7. 8-9. 10-11. 12-13/Mt 13,

Miércoles: Ex 34, 29-35/Sal 98, 5. 6. 7. 9/Mt 13, 44-46

Jueves: Ex 40, 16-21. 34-38/Sal 83, 3. 4. 5-6 y 8. 11/Mt 13, 47-53 Viernes: Lv 23, 1. 4-11. 15-16. 27. 34-37/Sal 80, 3-4. 5-6. 10-11/Mt 13,

54-58

Sábado: Lv 25, 1. 8-17/Sal 66, 2-3. 5. 7-8/Mt 14, 1-12

Domingo siguiente: Dn 7, 9-10. 13-14/Sal 96, 1-2. 5-6. 9/2 Pe 1, 16-

19/Mt 17, 1-9

### STEWARDSHIP UPDATE



"The law of Your mouth is to me more precious than thousands of gold and silver pieces," says the psalmist today. Does the amount of my offering suggest that I could honestly say the same?

#### Maintenance Expenses Paid 7/1/22 to Date:

Rebuff Gym Floor, Upgrade Gym AHU, Church Compressor Upgrade, Sacristy Rain Gutters, Rectory Roof Replacements, Church AHU Fence (1/2)

#### Year-To-Date 7/1/23—07/24/23

	Guardian Angels	St. Nicholas
Budget	\$56,564	\$4,548
Sunday Collection	\$12,942	\$2,162
Contributions	N/A	N/A
Total Giving	\$48,303	\$5,422
Amount above or below	-\$8,261	+\$874

#### **Guardian Angels Maintenance Fund:**

7/1/22—06/30/23 Contributions: \$61,771 7/1/22—06/30/23 Expenses: \$52,807 Fund Balance: \$182,202

Please remember the Church of the Guardian Angels or Saint Nicholas in your Will.



## WHAT ARE THE FACTS INVOLVED IN PAYING 20% OF OUR INCOME TO CATHOLIC SHCOOLS?

As many of you know, the Archbishop has asked us to pay 20% of our income to neighboring Catholic schools as a result of our school closure. Over time, I have received both positive and negative feedback regarding this and I want to address it first by offering some facts in this article and then offer some rationale and perspective in next week's article. Here are the most pertinent contents of the Archbishop's letter to me at the time of our school closure:

"Therefore, with a heavy heart I approve the request, contingent upon satisfaction and acknowledgement of the following stipulations through resolutions passed by members of the

parish corporation:"

"As operations of the existing Catholic school are paused, the parish will reaffirm its long-term commitment to Catholic education in the Chaska area. The Archdiocese believes this is essential because there are increasingly few spaces where young people have an opportunity to encounter Jesus Christ in the same way as occurs in the modern-day mission territory of the classroom. Catholic schools, after all, are a sign of hope in a parish community, where the parish invests in and partners with parents in offering young people the opportunity to know, love, and follow Jesus. We understand you cannot keep the current school going but believe a school should be part of the planning for the future."

"Until such time as a Catholic school would be reestablished in the Chaska area, the parish will commit to assisting neighboring Catholic schools welcoming students from your parish, at no less than 20% of plate, envelope, and ordinary income."

"Given that the existing Catholic school building was constructed and sustained by previous generations of parishioners with the intent and purpose of educating pupils in the light of the Catholic faith, any future use of the building will be subject to Archdiocesan Policy on Leases of Parish Buildings."

In order to administer the paying of 20% of our income to neighboring Catholic schools well, we have decided to pay it in block grants. First, we look back to our income total for the 2021-2022 year. Then, during 2022-2023 we budget 20% based on this total to be paid during this 2023-2024 fiscal year. This total is \$121,500 that will be paid in three installments around September 30<sup>th</sup>, December 30<sup>th</sup> and March 30<sup>th</sup>. We make these payments in block grants to neighboring Catholic schools based on the number of qualifying students enrolled at each school. A qualifying student is a student whose family is registered in the parish and who is enrolling in Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. This year we have 49 students who qualify. We therefore will pay \$2,480.00 for each student payable to their respective school during the 2023-2024 fiscal year. The breakout of these grants as long as each student fulfills their enrollment is as follows:

<u>School</u>	Number of Students	<u>Total Award</u>
Saint John the Baptist, Jordan	21	\$52,080
Saint Hubert, Chanhassen	20	\$49,600
Saint Joseph STEM, Waconia	2	\$4,960
Holy Family Academy, Saint Louis Park	1	\$2,480
Our Lady of the Prairie, Belle Plaine	1	\$2,480
Shakopee Area CC	1	\$2,480
Reserve Scholarships	3	\$7,440

We notify each family that they qualify for an award. However, respecting the school's needs, we pay directly to the school and acknowledge that they are free to use the award however they see fit in order, potentially, to better accommodate students whose families have greater financial need.

Next week, I will discuss the Archbishop's rationale and how I believe we should approach this as a community.

**Father Tony** 



#### EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMITTEE

We are being encouraged by the Archdiocese to develop an Emergency Response Plan for our Parish for potential Fire-Weather-Medical-Other Emergencies. Would you be willing to serve on a Committee to develop such a plan for Guardian Angels? If so, please contact our Parish Business Administrator, Joel Swanson, at (952) 227-4001 or jswanson@gachaska.org

## ANNUAL LOVE INC SCHOOL SUPPLY/BACKPACK EVENT

Friday, August 25th, 5-8 p.m.
Saturday August 26th, 10-12 p.m.
Westwood Community Church
3121 Westwood Drive, Excelsior, MN 55331

Love INC is hosting their annual School Supply and Backpack Drive at Westwood Community Church. To see the supply list this year, go to www.loveinccc.org/events. Be sure to scroll down to "Serving District 112 Students." Of course, our friends at District 110 would also love your help as well.

## ATTENTION: ADVERTISE IN THE BULLETIN!

Gina Shaughnessy, our parish representative from LPi, is setting up the advertising for our bulletin for the year. We hope that parishioners who have a business will consider sponsoring an ad on the back of the bulletin, since the revenue from the ads is what makes the bulletin possible, at no cost to the parish. Also, if you know of any other businesses in the community that would like to support the parish, please let them know about this opportunity. Advertisements can be purchased for a business, family, or a sponsorship ad can be purchased supporting community service organizations such as emergency pregnancy counseling, the local food shelf, etc. Please give these ideas some thought. We need and appreciate your help! If you are interested in getting more information, please call Gina Shaughnessy at (952) 356-6488.

### FALL FESTIVAL BASKET DONATIONS

The Daughters of Isabella will have a Silent Auction at the Fall Festival again this year. We are requesting that anyone who can donate something to bid on (such as restaurants, stores, etc.), please bring the item to the church office marked D of I Fall Festival. We would also appreciate items with a theme (such as movie, children's basket, sports, etc.) for baskets. We will assemble baskets or you can do it. We would really appreciate any help you can give. Again, please bring items to the church office, marked D of I Fall Festival. Thank you for considering this appeal. All proceeds from the Silent Auction are given to the church.

#### NO MORNING CONFESSIONS

There will be no confessions in the morning on Saturday, August 5th. We apologize for the inconvenience.

#### **DOFIROSARY**

The Daughters of Isabella will be praying the rosary on August 5th (First Saturday). All are welcome to join us on Saturday morning at 8 a.m.



## 2023-2024 FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

If you have not received your registration packet,

or would like information about attending our Faith Formation program, please contact Fran Oprosko at 952-466-6984.

### SAVE THE DATE! Wednesday, August 30<sup>th</sup>

Encounter Faith Formation Open House 6:00pm – 9:00pm in St. Francis Hall

This will be a fun night for all Faith Formation parents, catechists, table leaders, and everyone interested in participating in the Encounter adult small groups. Enjoy a relaxing evening of fellowship and discovering the exciting plans for the coming year!

Our guest speaker, Joe Roeche, Jr., will challenge each one of us to ignite the power of the Holy Spirit in our own lives – after all, *YOU CAN'T INSPIRE WITHOUT THE FIRE!* 



#### SALE DAYS

Thursday, August 10 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Friday, August 11 - BAG DAY 7:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.



Steamboat Days is only 6 weeks away! September 8-10, 2023

CALLING ALL ST. NICHOLAS PARISHIONERS!

Join us today, July 30<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Center after Mass. How will we participate in Steamboat Days?

Coffee & Cookies will be served.

#### MOM'S GROUP

Saturday, August 5th, 9-10:30 a.m., St. Francis Hall

Moms, join us first Saturdays for encouraging conversation with other moms! Coffee and refreshments provided; childcare available upon request (please RSVP for childcare by the preceding Friday.)

If you have questions or would like to be added to the email list, please contact Jenna Salinas, jennamsalinas@gmail.com or (612) 201-4894.

We are also hosting Summer Park Playdates! Enjoy a morning visiting with other moms while the kids play!

Thursdays @9 a.m. (bi-weekly) 08/03 Chaska Veterans Park (opposite Firemans) 08/17 Chaska Lions Park 08/31 Jordan Lagoon (next to splash pad)

## UNBOUND CHILD SPONSORSHIP TO COME

Please see the link www.unbound.org/frjerry or go to our My Parish app under messages for more information about Unbound.

### WOMEN'S CLINIC



#### PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER

#### **SAVE THE DATE!**

Upcoming Pro-Life Events with SouthWest Options for Women

Sunday, Aug 13<sup>th</sup> – Respect Life Picnic in the Park Event: The Knights of Columbus and SouthWest Options (SWOW) have partnered to bring you a fun afternoon in the park with food, games and pro-life speaker and lobbyist Maggee Hangge and SWOW Executive Director Kim Bennecke. 12:00 – 3:00pm, KC Park - 9055 Klein Dr, Waconia, MN.

Saturday, Aug 26<sup>th</sup> - Concert in the Park, 7:00pm, Excelsior Bandshell (135 Lake Street, Excelsior, MN) sponsored by SouthWest Options for Women.

Saturday, Oct 14<sup>th</sup> - Annual Gala at Golden Valley Country Club benefitting SouthWest Options for Women.



### Learn more about supporting vocations. Come for Lunch Friday August 11

Please join us for meeting and lunch. On Friday August 11, we will meet at Our Lady of Grace (Edina) at noon in the dining room for meeting and lunch. There will be Rosary followed by Mass starting at 11 am in the Chapel.

For our meeting, Jacob Flaherty, Director of Sacred Music at Holy Family in St. Louis Park will share with us "The relationship between liturgy and music in the sacred Mass."

Serra International is the Holy See lay apostolate for supporting vocations. The SW Metro Twin Cities Serra Club meets over lunch on the second Friday of the month to learn more about our church and to support each other as we grow in holiness. Serrans encourage and support those pursuing vocations through individual and group activities and prayer.

We would love to have you join us. Please check out Serra at Serraus.org.

Please call or email Susan Lein at 952-426-3720 or <u>Susanleinusa@gmail.com</u> to learn more or to sign up for the August lunch and meeting.

## CONFIRMATION CLASSES FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Saturday, August 5th and Saturday, August 19th, 9:30-11:30 a.m., St. Richard Catholic Church, Richfield

Do you know anyone with special needs or mental or physical disabilities age 14 or older who has not received the Sacrament of Confirmation? Both classes are mandatory for guardians and candidates. Preregistration is preferred, but walk-ins will be accepted. Thank you in advance for your help in reaching out to all God's people. For more information, please contact Deacon Eric Gunderson or Sonya Flomo at (651) 291-4488 or email us at flomos@archspm.org

### CATECHETICAL INSTITUTE— APPLY TODAY FOR THE CLASS OF ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX

The Saint Paul Seminary's Catechetical Institute 2-year Pillars Program brings students through the Catechism of the Catholic Church as a story from blessing to blessing. Students participate in 4 modules that focus on the Creed, sacraments, moral life, and prayer. In-person class at St. Patrick's, Edina, and live-streamed to six satellite locations on Monday evenings, 7 p.m.—9 p.m., with two formative sessions per module. After completing all 4 modules, students receive a certificate of completion.

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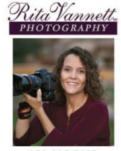
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