

From The Pastor

Father Dvorak to Help at Guardian Angels and Saint Nicholas

Dear Parishioners of Guardian Angels and Saint Nicholas,

As you probably know, I was assigned by Archbishop Hebda this past July 1st to be the pastor at Saint Nicholas in addition to being pastor at Guardian Angels. Saint Nicholas in Carver has been undergoing a discernment process for the past year as Guardian Angels was discerning the future of its Catholic education.

On July 29th, Archbishop Hebda met with the parishioners of Saint Nicholas and me and thanked the people for their participation in the discernment process. This process was led with the outstanding leadership and guidance of Deacon Jim Bauhs, who has now become the deacon at The Church of Saint Michael in Farmington. The Archbishop said that, with the new growth in housing in Carver, he wants to keep Saint Nicholas open and find ways to reach out to the people there.

It was agreed that in order to make Saint Nicholas viable, it is time to bring back the Mass. We all agreed that there is to be one Sunday Mass in addition to my schedule at Guardian Angels and one daily Mass in replacement of one daily Mass at Guardian Angels.

After some recent discernment with you the parishioners, I have determined that we will go with the following Sunday Mass schedule at both churches:

Beginning September 12th:

Sunday Masses at Guardian Angels

Sunday Mass at Saint Nicholas

4:30 p.m. Saturday

8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

12:30 p.m. Spanish

This means that we will receive the help of Father Jim Dvorak, who has graciously agreed to help us, particularly at the 10:00 a.m. Masses. I have not determined the exact schedule in terms of which of us will celebrate at each respective parish, but you will see Father Dvorak on a regular basis. Father Dvorak has recently retired from being pastor at Immaculate Conception in Watertown. Now he is beginning a new chapter in the Jordan area. Please join me in welcoming him!

Additionally, after some discernment with you all, I have decided that we will offer the following daily Mass schedule:

Beginning September 14:

<u>Daily Masses at Guardian Angels</u> Tuesday, 5:30 p.m. Daily Mass at Saint Nicholas

Wednesday, 8:00 a.m.

Friday, 6:00 p.m., Bilingual

Thursday, 8:00 a.m.

Thanks so much and may the Holy Spirit continue to guide us! Again, welcome Father Dvorak! Father Tony

CATECHISTS NEEDED!



Registration forms available at the information desk. In-person sessions for Grades 1-10 begin on Wednesday, September 22nd from 6:15-7:45p.m. Please contact Fran Oprosko at 952-227-4000 for more information.