

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 12th, 2014



Please join us for
40 Hours Devotion of the Blessed Sacrament
on October 10th, 11th, and 12th, 2014
at St. Nicholas Catholic Church in Elko New
Market, Minnesota.
We are celebrating the **8th anniversary of our
Pope John Paul II Perpetual Eucharistic
Adoration Chapel.**

Eucharistic Adoration will begin in the Main church with simple Exposition on Friday, October 10th at 7 pm and will continue throughout the weekend except during Masses. Everyone is welcome to come for Adoration and prayer any time during the weekend for few minutes, an hour, or for whatever your schedule allows. 40 Hours Devotion is a special period of prayer made before the Blessed Sacrament affirming our belief in the Real Presence of our Lord in the Holy Eucharist.

Please join us for Donut Sunday after both Sunday Masses on October 12th which are at 8 am and 10 am. Information on Eucharistic Adoration will be available.

Closing of 40 Hours Devotion will be in our Main church on Sunday, October 12th, 2014 at 4 pm. There will be Evening prayer, readings, a reflection, music, a Eucharistic Procession, and Benediction.

A potluck supper will follow in the St. Nicholas Church hall. Please bring a dish to share and join us for fellowship. All are invited! Bring your families and friends!

Please join us for this wonderful devotion of the Blessed Sacrament! If you have any questions, please call Lynne and Dan Soderlund at (507) 645-6012.

EVENTS AND MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Sun, Oct 12...40 Hours Devotion Continues, Doughnut Sunday, Closing of 40 Hours 4pm in Church followed by potluck in the basement.
Mon, Oct 13...Rosary in Chapel 7pm, Parish Surveys Are Due
Tues, Oct 14...Fatima Group 8:30am, Golden Hearts Church Tours 11am, CMLG Meeting 7pm
Wed, Oct 15...NO Religious Education
Thurs, Oct 16...
Fri, Oct 17...
Sat, Oct 18...Rosary in Chapel 9am
Sun, Oct 19...Living Rosary 9:15am, 40 Hours for Life in St. Paul 1-3pm, DTS 6pm, God in the Family @ HC 7pm

Morning Prayer: Everyone is Welcome - Tuesday – Friday at 7:25am & Sat at 7:35am in the church.

Please consider signing up for Automatic Withdrawal for your Sunday giving. It's easy to sign up and will automatically be withdrawn from your account one time a month. Forms are in the back of church, on the website www.stncc.net or by calling the parish office at 952-461-2403.

Doughnut Sunday schedule: Nov 9 & Dec 14th. Doughnuts are served after both Sunday masses. Please join us to keep in touch with your fellow parishioners over the summer. Everyone is welcome!!

The parish office hours for the week of Oct. 13th-17th are as follows;
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:30-10:30.



Pro-Life Pancake and Sausage Breakfast on Sunday October 26 from 8:00 to 12:00 is sponsored by the St. Nicholas Knights of Columbus. Proceeds benefit Mobile Ultrasound. Please come and join us for breakfast.

Living Rosary between the 8 and 10am mass on Sunday Oct. 19th. Everyone is welcome to participate.

Parish leadership has recently approved a number of necessary maintenance projects. Our operating budget is really just keeping the doors open, there is not extra money for large repairs. We will be taking money out of our parish savings account to pay for these projects. We are asking parishioners for donations to replenish the savings account.

Here is a list of the current projects and their costs:

Sidewalk replacement - \$2,236.50
Replacement of flat roof over basement bathrooms & south entrance \$11,250.00
Mold removal in parish basement - \$1,755.00
Mold removal in school building - \$600.00
Leaf guards for gutters on rectory - \$620.00

Total cost of current needed repairs: 16,461.50

We are also in the process of identifying and prioritizing a number of other projects (solving our water problems is a big one). If you are able to contribute to the parish for these expenses, you can make your donation two different ways. In your current Sunday envelopes, on the left side of the envelope it reads Capital Improvement and Endowment Fund Offering. Simply circle Capital Improvements and then list the dollar amount you would like to contribute to the projects. You may also stop in the parish office and leave your donation with Lisa. As the donations begin to come in, the dollar amounts will be listed in the bulletin. If you have any questions please contact the parish office at 952-461-2403.

Thank you from the Parish Leadership.



The Gala & Auction will be held on Saturday November 1st, 2014, at the Park Ballroom in New Prague, beginning at 5pm.

The Gala & Auction promises to be a special evening, as well as a wonderful opportunity to come together and strengthen the bonds we share, to visit with family and friends, and to charitably and generously fund and support the outstanding spiritual traditions of St. Nicholas Catholic Church.

We invite you to fully enter into the events of the evening. Be it the exciting specialty games of chance, the multiple raffle drawings, the silent auction, the live auction segment or the Fund-the-Need appeal for our parish – there are so many fun and entertaining ways to participate with your generosity!

Of course, the St. Nicholas Gala & Auction is so much more than a fundraiser. It is true that we rely on your generosity to continue to offer our present ministries, meet our future obligations and enrich the faith life of our parish which will allow us to continue the outstanding spiritual traditions we've come to expect from St. Nicholas Catholic Church. However, it is also a celebration of who we are collectively – a Christian community with a higher purpose, investing in the mission of the Kingdom of God. Thank you for your continued generosity and support of St. Nicholas Catholic Church!

May God bless you!

This is one of the largest fundraisers for our parish and each family is asked to purchase and/or sell at least one ticket.

The deadline for turning in tickets is Sunday, October 19th.

For questions please email GalaAuctionInfo@gmail.com or contact Alex Berry @ 612-382-4469 or Karen Johnson @ 612-812-7482.

There are two ways to stay updated:

- 1) Visit the parish website, www.stncc.net/gala-auction
- 2) Visit www.facebook.com/stnccGalaAuction. Please, note a Face book account is not necessary to view the St. Nicholas Gala & Action Face book page.

"GIVE HOPE" – World Mission Sunday Theme

Give Hope is the theme for World Mission Sunday on October 19, 2014. Through your gifts of support and prayers, that is what you are giving to mission dioceses on World Mission Sunday: giving hope to those who suffer spiritually and emotionally; giving hope to those who lack the basic necessities of food and healthcare; giving hope to those who have lost hope in a difficult and dangerous world. Give the hope of Christ to over 1,150 poor and struggling dioceses worldwide on October 19.

October is Respect Life Month

-The intention for the Oct 1 daily Mass will be for the Dignity of All Life

-The rosary before daily Mass through the month of Oct. will be for Respect Life
 -Please say the Prayer To Our Lady Of Guadalupe everyday in the month of Oct. for an end to abortion and the Dignity of All Life from conception until natural death. (Prayer is under Pro-Life in the bulletin)
 -Meet your fellow parishioners for a prayer vigil on Sunday Oct. 19 from 1-3pm at Planned Parenthood, 671 Vandalia St, Saint Paul

We invite you to the chapel for the Pro-Life Rosary- every Saturday at 9am.

SURVEYS ARE DUE BACK BY MONDAY OCTOBER 13th!!

Pastoral Visits

In early 2012 three regional vicars began visiting parishes. Each parish will be visited by a regional vicar once every third year. These visitations will help engage pastors and parish leadership in discussion about how to grow and develop the parish and increase effectiveness in carrying out the mission of the church. These visits are intended to provide pastoral encouragement for the priests and the parishes. These visits should also help increase connection with and strengthen collaboration between neighboring parishes and between deaneries, as well as throughout the local Church, as envisioned under the Strategic Plan for the Archdiocese. Please join us in praying for the success of these efforts, so that together we may be drawn ever closer to an ecclesial communion of faith, hope and love.

Members of the parish are invited to complete the Individual Reflection Record- Parish Self- Assessment, which can be located in the back of church. Instructions on how to complete the survey are listed at the top of the first page. All surveys should be returned to the box in the back of church marked "completed surveys" or dropped in the collection basket. All surveys are due back by Monday October 13th.

Knights of Columbus Annual Gun Raffle..

The KC's have 3 beautiful Firearms to raffle off. Tickets are \$10 each or 5 for \$40. Tickets will be sold after all masses, from now until the end of October. The drawing will be held on Sunday October 26th after the 10am mass. Proceeds will go to Holy Cross School. Please support the Knights, and all the good work they do.

St. Nicholas Ministries

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL

MORE ADORERS ARE NEEDED FOR HOLY HOURS WITH JESUS. PLEASE CONSIDER HELPING WITH AN HOUR. Adorers are needed especially for the following hours: **Sunday:** 1 pm (2 Sundays a month), 3 pm (beginning in November), **Tuesday:** 3 am, **Friday:** 7 pm (2 Fridays a month), **Saturday:** 1 pm (on 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 5th Saturdays of the month, this hour could be shared). To sign up as an Adorer or for more information on Adoration, please contact Dan and Lynne Soderlund at (507) 645-6012 or at lynsod@yahoo.com

BOOK CLUB

Book Club meets one Tuesday a month @ 7:15pm at Deb Streefland's home. If you are interested in joining us please call Deb Streefland 652-2349. The fall schedule is Oct. 21, Nov 18, Dec. 16.

CHOIR

There is a great need for new choir members. Please contact Pam Filipiak if you would like to join the choir!

CMLG

As members of our parish Christian Mothers and Ladies Guild, all female parishioners from the ages of 18 and older are invited to our next meeting on October 14, 2014 at 7pm in the church basement. We will have devotions, business meeting for upcoming events, and an election for our next CMLG officers (president, vice-president, secretary/treasurer). We currently have interested ladies in taking some positions. If anyone else would like to be added for consideration of an office, please call Kendra Caduff at 507-645-6837.

GOLDEN HEARTS

Church Tours on Tuesday, October 14th. We will tour **St. Joseph Church in Miesville and St. Mary's Church in New Trier.** We will stop for a nice lunch at Kings. Everyone is welcome. Call Gretchen with your questions. 461-4230.

MOTHER'S GROUP

We meet twice a month in the Myra Room at St. Nicholas at 9:15am. Contact info - Lisa Damiani at 651-203-7734

PRO-LIFE

We invite you to the chapel for the Pro-Life Rosary- every Saturday at 9am.

Prayer to Our Lady Of Guadalupe

Virgin of Guadalupe, Patroness of unborn children, we implore your intercession for every child at risk of abortion. Help expectant parents to welcome from God the priceless gift of their child's life.

Console parents who have lost that gift through abortion, and lead them to forgiveness and healing through the Divine Mercy of your Son.

Teach us to cherish and to care for family and friends until God calls them home. Help us never to see others as burdens.

Guide our public officials to defend each and every human life through just laws. Inspire us all to bring our faith into public life, to speak for those who have no voice.

We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is Love and Mercy itself. Amen

Mass Intentions – (* indicates a change in mass time)

Sat	11	5:00 pm	For the Parish
Sun	12	8:00 am	Elmer & Mary Karl+
Sun	12	10:00 am	Joseph & Lillian Sticha+
Tues	14	8:00 am	Michael Wagner & Bob Devine+
Wed	15	8:00 am	Bob Seykora+
Thurs	16	8:00 am	Henry & Elizabeth Giles+
Fri	17	8:00 am	Robert Saleck+
Sat	18	8:00 am	Clarence Muelken+
Sat	18	5:00 pm	Hilda & Leo Shea+
Sun	19	8:00 am	For the Parish
Sun	19	10:00 am	Dean Johnson+

Daily Scriptures

Mon	Galatians 4:22-24,26-17,31-5:1	Luke 11:29-32
Tue	Galatians 5:1-6	Luke 11:37-41
Wed	Galatians 5:18-25	Luke 11:42-46
Thu	Ephesians 1:1-10	Luke 11:47-54
Fri	Ephesians 1:11-14	Luke 12:1-7
Sat.	2 Timothy 4:10-17b	Luke 10:1-9
Sun	Isaiah 45:1,4-6/ 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b/Matthew 22:15-21	

Liturgical Stewardship October 18 & 19

Oct 18 @ 5pm	Lector:	Chuck Mathews
	Ministers	Gail Mathews-H, Jolene Pierson-Ch-H
	Ushers:	Joe Molitor, Ron Chlan
Oct 19 @ 8am	Lector:	Robyn Dietz
	Ministers	Leander Wagner-H, Ralph Wagner-Ch-H
	Ushers:	Dan Simones, Mike Cole
Oct 19 @ 10am	Lector:	Tom McCabe
	Ministers	Denise Anderson-H, Dennis Anderson-Ch-H
	Ushers:	Dennis Anderson, Steve Addabbo

SUNDAY GIVING: Oct. 5 / Week 14 in Fiscal Year

Budget Weekly Sunday Giving:	\$6,276
Budget Year-to-Date Sunday Giving:	\$87,864
Actual Collection Received	\$3,670
Actual Collection Received Year-to-Date:	\$73,657
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Capital Improvement \$45	

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

ADULT EDUCATION:

A Powerful Study on the Blessed Mother Begins October 28, 2014 at 6:30 pm and October 30, 2014 8:45am. Filmed on location in the Holy Land, *MARY: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother* will place you in the midst of the powerful drama of Mary's earthly life, taking you through her joys and her sorrows. You will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever closer to her divine Son. Seeing Mary in this way will change you forever. She will become a part of your daily life and help you to become more like Christ.

Join us for *Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother* at St. Nicholas beginning October 28, 2014 at 6:30 pm and October 30, 2014 at 8:45 am. For more information or to register for the study, call Jean Moeller at 952-461-4552.

LNMV RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Classes at the Catholic Education Center (home of Holy Cross School)

NO CLASSES Wednesday, Oct. 15th MEA Break, Regular Classes Wednesday, Oct. 22nd 6:30pm - 7:45pm

Parents of First Communion Students:

God in the Family group meetings at Holy Cross School at 7pm Meet on Sundays, Oct. 19, 26, Nov. 2 & 9 and Tuesday nights: Oct. 21, 28, Nov. 4, 11

Monday nights meet at Civic Center by IC Church at 7pm

Parents of First Communion students meet as part of the parish Sacramental preparation program. If you cannot attend on the night you signed up for please plan on attending one of the other evenings. If you have any questions please email kathyc@holycrossschool.net

HOLY CROSS:

We made our goal for Marathon! Thank you to the many people who sponsored students in their walk last weekend. Students raised more than \$29,500, which directly supports our efforts to provide an exceptional education to each child.

Parenting expert Dr. Steve Kahn will offer a free talk on Monday, October 20, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the school. The topic is balancing sports, activities, and family time in a busy world. All are invited to attend. Call Anne Fredrickson at 952-652-6100 with questions.

RCIA: Classes have begun on Thursday evenings at 7pm at Holy Cross School. If you or someone you know is Catholic and has not received all their sacraments or are thinking about investigating the Catholic Church, it is not too late to join us. Call Kathy Chlan at 952-652-6100 ext. 507

YOUTH GROUP:

Dead Theologians Society: Grades 9-12 are invited to attend the meeting of the *Dead Theologians Society*. Students will experience a variety of activities from sports, learning about a saint, pray, enjoy a meal together and lots more. 1st meeting will be Sunday night, October 19th from 6:00-9:00pm at the St. Nicholas Campus.

Parent Volunteers: WE need Volunteers for the next two months – There is a sign-up in the back of the church Anyone interested in helping put on a meal for the DTS youth on the 2nd Sunday of the month, (Oct. 19) please contact Kathy Chlan at 952-652-2286 or email kathyc@holycrossschool.net You can sign up to serve, bring part or all the meal for about 20-25 students. This is a great event for our High School students to attend each month.

AREA NEWS

Balancing Act – Academics versus Family Time, Athletics, Chores, Volunteer Projects, and Husband-Wife Dating

How busy can families be before academics begin to suffer? With so many wonderful opportunities all around us and the belief that our children will have more successful high school and college careers if they participate in several activities, how are we supposed to maintain the relaxed family intimacy that they also need. The focus of this presentation will be strategies to help our children with their daily responsibilities, avoid power struggles, and teach them how to stay well while they take care of their responsibilities. Join us for a free event (you may bring a food item for the local food shelf) on Monday October 20th at Holy Cross School 6-7:30pm. Everyone is welcome!

BINGO – Fun Night every Tuesday Night October – April. KC Hall in new Prague, Starting October 7, 2014. 2 warm up game start at 7pm, 16 regular games. Lunch and refreshments are available. Please call 952-758-3924 with questions.

IC-CCW Immaculate Conception Council of Catholic Women – Ham & Egg Breakfast is Sunday October 12th, 8:30am – 12 noon. at the Crusader Civic Center, Lonsdale. Adults: \$8, Children 4-10: \$4, Under 4: free.

Pregnancy Options of Faribault Fall Gala is Saturday October 25th at the Faribault Knights of Columbus. Bishop Andrew Cozzens will be the featured speaker. Tickets are \$30 each and can be ordered by mailing a check to Pregnancy Options, 18 2nd Street NW, Faribault MN 55021. Tickets will be mailed to you. For more information call 507-332-7644.

October Retreats for Men

Franciscan Retreats and Spirituality Center - 16385 Saint Francis Lane, Prior Lake, MN 55372,

Men's Silent Retreat, Oct. 17-19, Theme: Every Man is a Beloved Son.

This Silent Retreat will focus on some of the key passages in men's lives. Using stories from Scripture and the life of St. Francis, as well as the insights of Fr. Richard Rohr and others, we will attempt to reclaim our identity as beloved sons of our loving God.

The Liturgical Reading of the Gospel of Mark

Theology Day at Saint John's School of Theology-Seminary

Join Dr. Charles Bobertz, will provide a new interpretation for the Gospel of Mark. **Oct. 14, check-in from 6 to 6:30 p.m. and presentation from 6:30 to 9 p.m.,** Pax Christi Catholic Church, Eden Prairie. Free event. Light refreshments provided. Registration is required: www.csbsju.edu/sot, 320-363-3570 or sot-sem@csbsju.edu.

Visiting Women's Religious Communities in the Twin Cities Area, Saturday, October 25, 7:30 am -6 p.m.

Women will have a chance to visit four different religious communities to meet, learn, share meal, and pray with Catholic sisters. The event is free. For more information and registration, contact Sister Mary Swanson, SSND, at 414-305-9011 or mwanson@ssnd.org. Please register by October 21.

Miryam Dinner - October 28

Archbishop Nienstedt will be hosting the next Miryam Dinner on Tuesday, October 28 at 6 p.m. at his residence. The evening begins with prayer, followed by dinner with consecrated women sharing their vocation testimonies with women, ages 16 to 35, who would like to attend. It is typical for women discerners to be accompanied by their pastor, consecrated religious, youth minister, campus minister or to be considered a guest of the Vocation Office. Please respond to the Vocation Office before October 24, by calling 651-962-6890 or emailing patty.mcquillan@stthomas.edu if you would like to register to attend.

