

ST. NICHOLAS PARISH

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Our Parish Mission Statement

St. Nicholas Parish is a Catholic community, celebrating our faith through the Sacraments, Liturgy, Prayer and Service. We strive to nurture family life and to create one body out of many in the Lord.

We share the Good News with people of all ages, cultures and faith backgrounds.

Adopted July, 1996

CLERGY

Pastor Rev. George P. Blais **Parochial Vicar** Rev. Martin Bui **Parochial Vicar** Rev. Phuong Nguyen In-Residence Bishop Thanh Nguyen **Visiting Priest** Rev. Jack Sewell **Visiting Priest** Rev. Chin Dang Gerardo de Santos Deacon **Carlos Pineda** Deacon Deacon Chau Tran

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday: 9AM (English)

Saturday: 8:30AM (English)

Saturday Vigil: 4PM (English) 6PM (Spanish)

Sunday: 7:30AM, 9AM, 11AM (English)

5PM (Vietnamese)

Holy Day Vigil: 4PM (English), 6PM (Spanish)

Holy Days: 7AM, 9AM,12PM (English)

7PM (Vietnamese)

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION) *

Wednesdays 6:00 PM Saturdays 9:00 AM

BAPTISM

Contact the Parish Office for Baptism scheduling and information.

MARRIAGE

Arrangements must begin at least six months in advance with a priest of the parish.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Call Parish Office in an emergency. Special Service celebrated in fall/spring as announced.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

At the death of a family member, please call the Parish Office at your earliest convenience to plan for the Mass of Christian Burial.

*Confessions are held inside the church.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Sunday: 8:30AM - 12:30PM; Monday - Friday: 8:30AM - 12:00PM, 1:00PM - 5:00PM

Pastor's Message

Dear Parishioners.

Today is the Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time and we hear about the mission of the Apostles. Jesus had been teaching and healing in many towns and His heart was moved with pity at the sight of the crowds who gathered to hear Him. They were laying on the ground from exhaustion and He greatly desired to nourish them both spiritually and physically, but because of their great numbers, He told His disciples, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few." He called the first Apostles by name and commissioned them to go into every town looking for the lost sheep. He told them to cure those who came to them and teach them of God's goodness. Like those first Apostles, we are called to go out into the world to do what they did and look for the lost sheep of the world. In the Responsorial Psalm, we hear the words, "We are His people, the sheep of the flock." We have been given the gift of faith and we are called to share this gift with those we encounter. Jesus said to His first Apostles and He says to us; "Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give." We have been given so much from the Lord and what we do with these gifts from God is our gift back to Him.

Jesus is our "Good Shepherd", and He sends us into the world to shepherd the flock that we find ourselves living with so that what we have received from Him is given to others in the world. As members of His flock, we are to share what we receive from Him, our Good Shepherd.

Fr. George P. Blais, Pastor

WEEKLY DONATIONS SUMMARY

	Week of	Week of
	June 5-11, 2023	June 5-11, 2022
Envelopes	\$11,282.00	\$9,157.00
Loose	\$4,094.00	\$5,475.00
Electronic	\$4,156.77	\$2,340.87
Total	\$19,532.77	\$16,972.87

We invite you to consider using electronic/online giving, a convenient and secure way to make your donations. To do so, you may go to the parish website or call the office for assistance in setting it up. Thank you for supporting our parish!

"Eucharist: "Be what you see and receive what you are." -ST. AUGUSTINE Tcbo.org/revival

SAVE OCTOBER 20TH & 21ST, 2023 FOR THE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS AT CHRIST CATHEDRAL.

Congratulations, St. Nicholas Parish! Pastoral Service Appeal 2023 Update

Congratulations, we have reached our Diocesan PSA goal of \$110,000! Therefore, any pledge moving forward will be returned to St. Nicholas as a rebate. We will receive our first rebate check in June. For those who have not yet pledged, know that your donation will come to St. Nicholas to help cover the cost of enhancing our church sound system. Thank you for your generosity!



Here are the updated PSA numbers:

Number of donors: 216 Amount pledged: \$147,851 Amount received: \$124,988

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday: 7:30 AM

Cecilia Evangelista

Maxima Lupe Cabrera (D)

Ludy S. Tamondoag (D)

Hoi Nauven

Father's Day Novena 9:00 AM

11:00 AM For the Parish

Monday:

9:00 AM Father's Day Novena

Tuesday:

9:00 AM Father's Day Novena

Wednesday:

9:00 AM Father's Day Novena

<u>Thursday:</u> 9:00 AM Father's Day Novena

Friday:

9:00 AM Father's Day Novena

Saturday:

8:30 AM Father's Day Novena

4:00 PM Laurie Ann Zabala (D)

6:00 PM Alejandro Tuccio

We remember all our recently deceased who have entered their new and eternal life in Christ. Grant to all our dearly departed, eternal rest, O Lord, and may your light shine on them forever.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: "Therefore, if you hearken to my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my special possession, dearer to me than all other people, though all the earth is mine. You shall be to me a kingdom of priests, a holy nation." (Ex 19:5-6) **Psalm**: We are his people: the sheep of his flock. (Ps 100)

Second Reading: Indeed, if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, how much more, once reconciled, will we be saved by his life. (Rom 5:10)

Gospel: Then he summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits to drive them out and to cure every disease and every illness. (Mt 10:1)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Sunday: Ex 19:2-6a/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5

(3c)/Rom 5:6-11/Mt 9:36—

10:8

Monday: 2 Cor 6:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2b, 3ab,

3cd-4/Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday: 2 Cor 8:1-9/Ps 146:2, 5-6ab,

6c-7, 8-9a/Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-11/Ps 112:1bc-2, 3-4,

9/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1-11/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4,

7-8/Mt 6:7-15

Friday: 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30/Ps 34:2-3,

4-5, 6-7/Mt 6:19-23

Vigil: Jer 1:4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-Saturday:

4a, 5-6ab, 15ab and 17/1 Pt 1:8

-12/Lk 1:5-17

Day: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-

14ab, 14c-15/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80

Next Sunday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17,

33-35 (14c)/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time;

Father's Day

St. Romuald, Abbot Monday: Tuesday: World Refugee Day

Wednesday: St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; Sts. Thursday:

John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas

More, Martyrs

Saturday: The Nativity of St. John the Baptist Next Sunday: 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

HOLY HOUR

Saint Nicholas Church celebrates HOLY HOUR every Wednesday at 7:00 PM.

Come and spend an hour of Prayer, Reflection, Adoration, and Benediction with the Blessed Sacrament.



On June 4, 2023, the St. Nicholas Parish community presented Fr. Phuong Nguyen with a new chalice and paten. Fr. Phuong expressed gratitude and assured the parishioners that they are all in his prayers.

Father's Day ----NOVENA

Spiritual Bouquet cards and envelopes are now available in the Parish Office and the Church, for the Novena being offered for Fathers, Grandfathers, Uncles, and Godfathers, etc. Mass will be offered once a day from June 18th - 26th. Spiritual Bouquet Envelopes will be placed in the Sanctuary during these Masses.



A Father's Day Prayer

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Heavenly Father,

We give You thanks and praise for our fathers. On this day when we honor them, our first and best role models and our earliest spiritual guides, we ask Your blessings upon them.

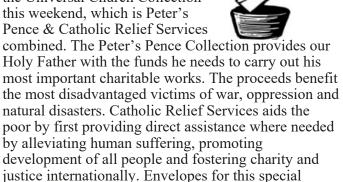
We ask Saint Joseph, loving foster father of Jesus, to also bless our fathers for all the good things they have done for their children.

Give our fathers grace, wisdom and patience to balance faith, family and work.

Bless too, all those fathers who have gone to their eternal rest. May they enjoy their heavenly peace. Saint Joseph pray for all fathers. Amen.

2nd Collection For Universal Church, June 17/18

Our Diocese will take up the Universal Church Collection this weekend, which is Peter's Pence & Catholic Relief Services combined. The Peter's Pence Collection provides our



SEWING GROUP

collection are provided in the pews. Thank you for

Sewing Group reconvenes this Monday, June 19th 8:00am -12 noon, small hall.

your generosity and God bless you!



Hispanic Ministry

Thank you to everyone who attended the retreat on June 3 organized by the Hispanic Ministry. We had a good turnout and the retreat was enriching and productive for our spiritual formation.

Gracias a todos lo que asistieron al retiro el 3 de junio, organizado por el Ministerio Hispano. Tuvimos una buena participación y el retiro fue enriquecedor y productivo para nuestra formación espiritual.



Enrollment for classes for the year 2023-24 starts in August. Classes will begin in September. Please watch the bulletin for upcoming events and registration information.

PARENTS MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND DON'T MISS IT!

VBS 2023



St. Nicholas Church July 31, Aug 1, 2, 3, 4th

8:45 am – Noon, breakfast provided. Great for children age 6–12 years old. Registration forms available in the Parish Office or SRE Office.



La comunidad hispana celebra Corpus Christi con el Padre Brendan y la Parroquia de San Nicolás el sábado pasado 11 de junio, en la misa de español.

Children's Sunday Liturgy St. Nicholas Church STARTING JUNE 25TH

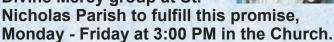


Happy Summer families, we have great news! We are restarting our cherished Children's

Liturgy again. Children from ages 5 to 11 are welcome to join us at the 9am Sunday Children's Mass <u>beginning June 25th</u> and continuing throughout the year. If your child would like to attend, sign-ups will be accepted before and after 9am Mass outside the church, near the garden area alongside the large parking lot area on June 25th or anytime before this date at the Parish Office. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer please call Parish Office 949-837-1090.

Our Lady of Medjugorje

Our Blessed Mother in Medjugorje invites us to pray for peace Monday - Friday at 3:00 PM. Please join the Divine Mercy group at St. Nicholas Parish to fulfill this process.



HELP WANTED MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT PART-TIME (WEEKENDS)

Position is physically demanding and involves all aspects of property maintenance. Candidate should be able to follow instructions and work independently. Please send or drop off resume, or pick up a job application at the Parish Office.

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COME BID FAREWELL TO FR. GEORGE

Please join us in thanking our beloved pastor for his many years of dedicated service here at St. Nicholas, and wishing him well as he moves on to his next assignment on July 1, 2023. A farewell gathering will be held in the Parish Center on Saturday, June 17, after the 4:00pm & 6pm Masses, and on Sunday, June 18, after the 7:30am,

