



ST. NICHOLAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

OCTOBER 12, 2025

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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f St. Nicholas Catholic Church North Pole, Alaska

MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY: 5:00 pm

SUNDAY: 9:00 am & 12:00 pm

MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY,

& *FRIDAY : 9:00 am *Healing Mass on Fridays

WEDNESDAY: 7:00 pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & MORNING PRAYER

MONDAY, TUESDAY, & THURSDAY: 8:00 am

FRIDAY: 7:30 am

CONFESSION

WEDNESDAY: 6:00 pm

FRIDAY: 7:40 am

SATURDAY: 4:00 pm

Available by appointment

CLERGY & STAFF

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Jesus said in reply, "Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" Then he said to him, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you."

LUKE 17:17-19

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS:
Prearrangement required.
Please contact Fr. Aiden.

1st COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION:
Please contact Heather.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK:
Please contact Fr. Aiden.

FUNERALS

Please contact Fr. Aiden

YOUTH GROUP

Sundays | 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Every 1st Friday | 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

RELIGIOUS ED.

CHILDREN'S RE / EDGE:

Sundays | 10:30 am - 11:45 am

SACRAMENTAL PREP:

Saturdays | 9:00 am

OCIC:

Saturdays | 9:00 am - 10:30 am

OCIA:

Tuesdays | 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

BIBLE STUDY:

Sundays | 10:30 am - 11:45 am

Monday Morning | 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Monday Evening | 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

A community centered on the light of Christ through word, works, and worship.

WELCOME!



St. Nicholas extends a warm welcome to those who have recently joined our parish, are visiting, or are new to the area. Please feel free to please stop by the church office and introduce yourself and your family.

If you are joining our parish, please register online:



fairbanks.parishsoftfamilysuite.com

If you are leaving our community, please let us know so we can update your record to keep our database current

CONNECT

St. Nicholas uses FlockNote to send parishioners updates on parish events. To join FlockNote, text the keyword 'Nicholas' to 84576, or contact the parish office.

Religious Education

RE Classes have begun!

RE classes are Sundays 10:30 - 11:45 am. See Heather for further information, or, if you're interested in volunteering as a Catechist.

Morning RE will not meet October 19 (for CEE)

Sac Prep: Second Reconciliation Class is Saturday, November 15th, at 9:00 am in the Great Room & 2nd Grade Classroom.

OCIA / OCIC

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults & Children OCIA meets every Tuesday, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm. For adults in need of the Sacraments or inquiring about the faith. Please contact the Dir. of Religious Ed., Heather, for more info.

OCIC sessions are Saturdays, 9:00 am - 10:30 am.

Bible Study

The Monday evening study is 6:30 pm - 8:30pm, and is focusing on the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary.

The Sunday morning 10:30am study and the Monday morning 10 am study are examining Paul's Missionary Journeys.

All studies meet in the Conference Room.

Sunday morning study will not meet Oct 19 (for CEE)

For more information scan this QR Code or visit www.stnicholasnp.org/faith-formation



Want to sign up for FORMED?

- Go to formed.org/signup
- Select your parish (using zip code)
- Register with your name and email address
- Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED.

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Youth Ministry



SUNDAY IN THE YOUTH ROOM

- **EDGE** (6th-8th grade) - 10:30-11:45am
- **HSYG** (9th-12th grade) - 4-6pm

EDGE & HSYG will not meet October 19 (for CEE)

CONFIRMATION

The next class will be on 10/19 - Lesson 1

1:30-3:30pm in the Great Room

It is mandatory for both the Catholic Parent and the Candidate to attend the sessions.

FIRST FRIDAYS

6th-12th grade Youth & Teens are invited for an evening together each month.

The next SNYM First Friday will be on Nov. 7th.

Please RSVP by November 6th to attend

*To view the SNYM (St. Nick's Youth Ministry) calendar, more information, and to RSVP for events, scan the QR Code above or visit www.stnicholasnp.org/youth-ministry.

Young Adults



GATHER•CONNECT•GROW

Adults ages 18-39 are invited to share an evening together, 6-8pm on the last Tuesday of each month at St. Nick's.

The next GCG will be on October 28th.

*RSVP to attend by October 26th.

To RSVP scan the QR Code or visit <https://www.stnicholasnp.org/young-adults>

Formed.org is an online platform that offers a wide range of Catholic content, including movies, audio books, podcasts, and shows, aimed at deepening the spiritual journey of individuals and families.

STEWARDSHIP

OPERATING FUND STATUS

General Offerings as of 10/5/2025

Weekly Budget	\$ 7,283
Actual Collection	\$ 12,315
Over/(under) Weekly Budget	\$ 5,032
Year-to-date Budget	\$100,748
Year-to-Date Actual Collection	\$119,498
Over/(under) Yearly Budget	\$ 18,750
Expenses Budgeted for the FY26	\$519,979
Expenses Year-to-Date	\$ 129,321

Thank you for your generosity!

3% Sunday Collection Contributions

Last Month: St. Nick's RE Program

Total Donation \$ 1,000

This Month: World Mission

<https://www.usccb.org/committees/evangelization-catechesis/world-missions>

Next Month: Archdiocese of Military, Diocese of Bamenda, Gulu, Pankshin, Maiduguri, Mutare

HOW CAN I SUPPORT?

Thank you for prayerfully considering these opportunities to support our church.



*Faith Direct is now upgraded to ParishSOFT Giving

UPDATE for all Faith Direct Contributors:

Please sign into your Faith Direct account to verify that the transfer of your account went smoothly into the ParishSoft Giving upgrade. You will be redirected to the new site if you type in faith.direct/ak237. Log in with your Faith Direct credentials and you should see your account. New donors can also use the site to start contributing electronically. Please let our Finance Manager, Anne, know if you have any questions. Thank you for your continued support of St. Nicholas Parish.



Scan the QR Code and follow the instructions using KD433 for St. Nicholas Catholic Church.



Donations to St. Nicholas Catholic Church can also be made at any time via PayPal.

2026 Offertory Envelopes are now available for pickup. Envelopes can be picked up at the parish office during the week.

From the Pastor

Brothers and Sisters,

We are all called in our readings this weekend to be gratuitous people. Naaman in the first reading returned to the prophet to give praise and glory to the God of Israel; one of the ten lepers in the gospel returned to give praise and glory to Jesus as the source of his healing. The one thing common to both Naaman and this Samaritan leper is the ability to return with praise to the source of their healing. What is our gratitude quotient for all the blessings we enjoy from God? I'm not asking us to think of big miracles. How often do we take our blessings for granted and fail to thank the Lord? When was the last time you returned gratitude to God for being healthy for the week, the food you eat without going hungry for a day, the friends who give you joy when you hang out with them? Do you return like Naaman and the Samaritan leper with praise to God?

Do we think of returning glory and praise back to the God who has blessed us or choose to go and never return? Do we only return to God when we are in problem and never return when the going is good? Let us like Naaman, return from our encounters with God saying, "Now I know..." and let that knowledge shape how we live, worship, and witness.

Every child of God should cultivate the grace of gratitude. It only opens the heart to further blessings but glorifies and pleases the father. An unthankful heart is fertile soil for all kinds of sins (Rom. 1:21ff)

F. Yakubu Aiden



MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 13

9:00 am | Healing for Susan Goble

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14

9:00 am | Healing for Ray Goble

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15

7:00 pm | +Michael Goble

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16

9:00 am | +Joseph Savoie

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17

9:00 am | +Larry Mingus & +Michael Goble

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

5:00 pm | Anniversary of Cody & Amanda Noah

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

9:00 am | +Sunnie Bowman

12:00 pm | People of the Parish

Mass intentions may be submitted directly through the parish office or via an envelope. Envelopes are available on the bulletin board in the atrium. Suggested donation is \$10 per intention.

WEEKLY ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATION

IN HONOR OF

Dorothy & Stephen Ostanik

Happy 56th Anniversary!



To make a flower dedication, please fill out an envelope or contact the parish office. Suggested donation is \$55.

DAILY READINGS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 13

Rom 1:1-7 • Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4

• Lk 11:29-32

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14

St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr

Rom 1:16-25 • Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 • Lk 11:37-41

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15

St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and

Doctor of the Church

Rom 2:1-11 • Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9 • Lk 11:42-46

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16

St. Hedwig, Religious / St. Margaret Mary

Alacoque, Virgin

Rom 3:21-30 • Ps 130:1b-6ab • Lk 11:47-54

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17

St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

Rom 4:1-8 • Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11 • Lk 12:1-7

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

Feast of St. Luke, Evangelist

2 Tm 4:10-17b • Ps 145:10-13, 17-18 • Lk 10:1-9

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 17:8-13 • Ps 121:1-8 • 2 Tm 3:14-4:2

• Lk 18:1-8

REGULAR MEETINGS & TIMES

PARISH POTLUCK:

Every 1st Saturday | 6:00 pm

PASTORAL COUNCIL:

Meets 3rd Wednesday | 7:30 pm

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

Meets 2nd Wednesday | 7:30 pm

CHOIR PRACTICE:

Tuesdays | 6:00 pm

CATHOLIC MOMS GROUP:

Wednesdays | 10:00 am

This Month and Upcoming at St. Nicholas



All Saints Celebration,

Sunday October 26

Join us during RE time, 10:30 am - 11:45 am, for an All Saints party! If you'd like, come dressed as your favorite saint.



Help Needed to Sell Raffle Tickets

If you would like to help sell Bazaar raffle tickets at the Monroe Bazaar next Saturday, October 18 from 10am-4pm, please contact the parish office or see Rochelle Renner.



Vendors for St. Nicholas Holiday Bazaar, Saturday November 8

Our annual Holiday Bazaar features vendors, baked goods, home-made crafts and Christmas gifts. Vendor tables are available for \$50. Registration can be completed online at stnicholasnp.org or by filling out a form from the bulletin board in the atrium.

From the Diocese

Diocese Soup Kitchen

Soup kitchen is in need of volunteers! Serving hours are Saturday & Sunday only, 1pm-3pm.

If you'd like to volunteer to help with the Soup Kitchen, please contact ICC at 907-452-3333 ext. 1003, or iccsoupkitchen@cbna.org

Requested Donations for Soup Kitchen

CLOTHING ITEMS:
Baseball caps, new socks
(men's and women's),
toothpaste

FOOD ITEMS: Bottles of water, dry
creamer, coffee, sugar, grocery bags,
salad dressing, coffee, fruit, protein
bars, peanut butter, jelly



March for Life/ Winter Youth Festival

Youth ages 13-17 are invited to attend the March for Life/ Winter Youth Festival January 20-25th There is limited space and registration is due Sunday, November 9.

For more information see the flyer on church bulletin boards or visit iccfairbanks.org/m4l.

CATECHESIS: What the Catholic Church Teaches About Sola Scriptura

The idea of sola scriptura is one that is very prevalent in Protestant denominations. Sola scriptura is the notion that scripture alone is the foundation of faith, and contains all revealed truth in Christianity. A common misconception that Protestants hold is that since Catholics do not believe in sola scriptura, we therefore do not know the bible, and do not promote the importance of reading and applying the teachings of sacred scripture to our lives. However, this understanding of Catholicism is not correct.

The teaching authority of the Catholic Church is obtained both from Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition. Protestants tend to overlook the importance of Sacred Tradition in an effort to hold scripture as their sole basis of faith. Catholics do observe

Sacred Scripture with high importance, as it is the inspired word of God. It is actually through the eyes of apostolic Tradition that scripture can be most fully understood, because they are so closely tied. The Second Vatican Council on Divine Revelation, says:

"Hence there exists a close connection and communication between sacred Tradition and sacred Scripture. For both of them, flowing from the same divine wellspring, in a certain way merge into a unity and tend toward the same end."

The composition of the New Testament in fact, was not begun until nearly two decades after Christ's death, and the books were slowly completed during the span of about fifty years. During this time, Christianity was based solely on tradition. That is, the teachings that were passed down from Christ's apostles, which were received from the

lips of Jesus, or through divine revelation or inspiration. The Second Vatican Council on Divine Revelation, says:

"For sacred Scripture is the word of God inasmuch as it is consigned to writing under the inspiration of the divine Spirit. To the successors of the apostles, sacred Tradition hands on in its full purity God's word, which was entrusted to the apostles by Christ the Lord and the Holy Spirit."

Christ instituted His Church as the authentic authority to interpret scripture, and to transmit, instruct, and explain the essential tenets of Christianity. It is in this way that the teaching authority of the Catholic Church utilizes both Sacred Scripture as well as Sacred Tradition to guide the faithful.

Source:

<https://www.catholiccompany.com/pages/what-the-catholic-church-teaches-about-sola-scriptura>

PRAYER REQUESTS

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Francisco A. & Family, Janelle Allen & Family, Lois Armentor, Aletia Atkinson, Morgan Atkinson, Fred Austin & Family, Callie Jo, C. Bowman & Family, +Patricia Barth, Christopher Brown, Katrina Butler, +Wanda Byerly, Amanda Byrd, Terry & Beverly Cannon, +Marietta Castillo, Chip Channa, Jean Erickson, Bob and Anna Fath, +Tony Fazio, Mary Fish, +Wyatt Fleming & Family, Christina Fortenberry, Frazier Family, Kat Gannon, +Michael Goble, Pat Goble, Cody Gorrell, Lois Gould, +Ashley Groholski, Michael J. Guadagnoli, +Adolfo Guadiz, +Lori Harrard, Harvey Family, Fr. Gerardus Hauwert, Fr. Joe Hemmer, Nathan Horne, John, Donald Jones, Joan Jones, Josh & Lauren & Family, Cynthia Julien, Eve Karczmarczyk, Kim, Kraft Family, Tom Laridaen, Brian Lashinski Family, +Maxwell Lashinski, +Eleanor LeBeau, +Chelsey Luker, Casey McKee, Deshawn Miranda, Moon Family, Ron Murray, Nathalie, +Ann Nickerson, Doris Noblet, Evette Odhiambo, Bob Okri, Parr Family, Heather Patterson, Tom Pendergast, Powers Family, +Sunday Powers, Gwen Price, Larry Purbis, Rob R., Tamara Renner, +Rosie Shearer, Shearer Family, Matthew Smith, +Rose Marie Smith, +Nicki Snow, Snow Family, Stephanie, Racheal Stifford, Regis Swanson, Daranee Teapthong, Yingyos Teapthong, Maria Terch, Theo, Jim Took, Mike Wehner, Betty Wells, Bridget Wells, Harper Wicker, Mary Wing, Arthur & +Rose Wood, +Kaylynn Woody, The Woody Family.

WEEKLY GRATITUDE

Thank you to Helena, Leigh, Laura, Rich, Donna, Marie, Raelyn, and Rochelle for packing and delivering school lunches for the local children. The next opportunity to help will be November 7.

Thank you so much to everyone who came and signed up at our Stewardship event last weekend! We are very grateful to all of our current and new volunteers!

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