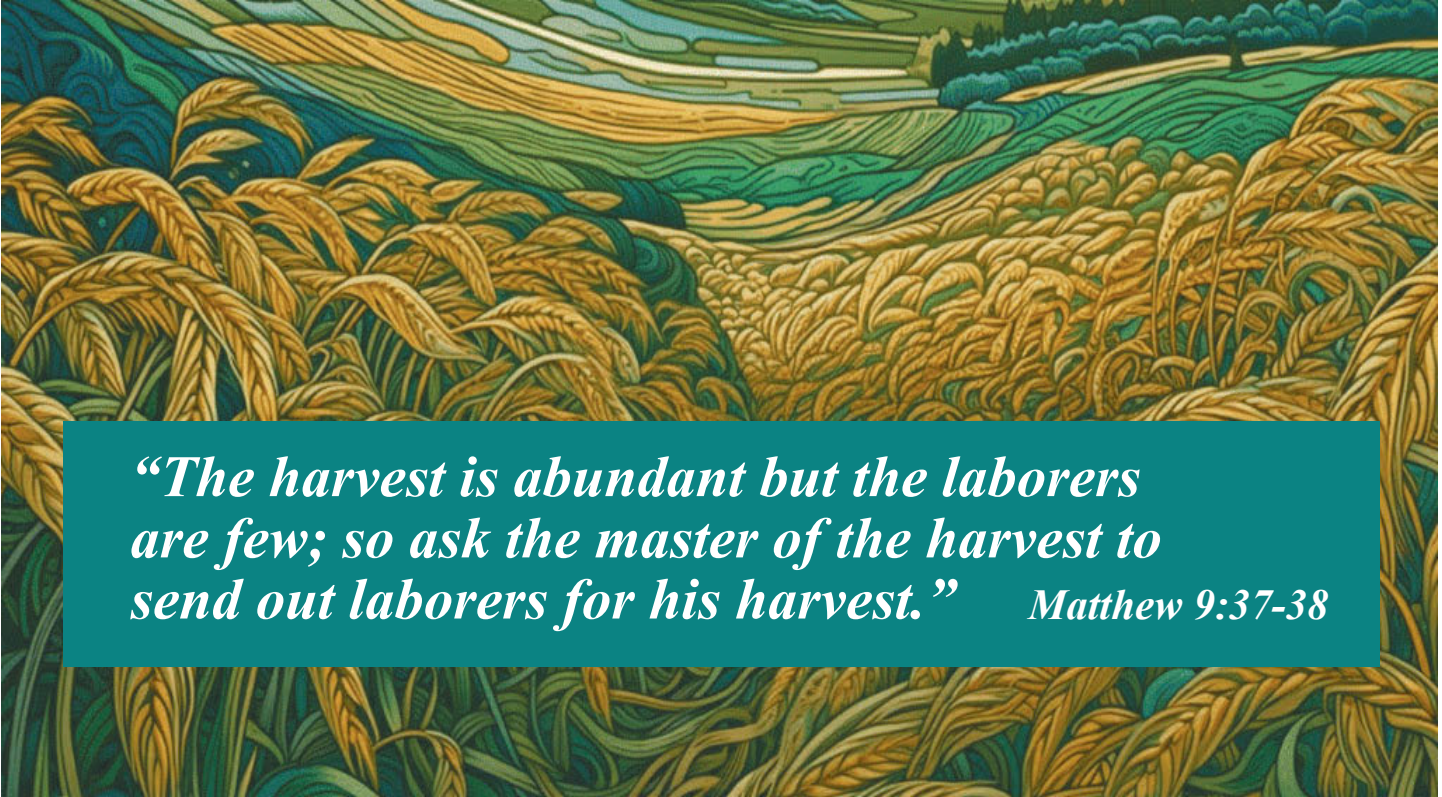


Welcome to
St. Nicholas & St. William
Catholic Parish



“The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest.” *Matthew 9:37-38*

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - June 18, 2023

Sunday Masses

St. William - Saturday (Vigil) at 4:00pm
Sunday at 9:00am, 11:00am, & 5:00pm

St. Nicholas - Sunday at 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00noon,
& 5:00pm (French)

Livestream Mass

Sunday at 11:00am <https://snswwparish.org>

Drive up & Park Communion

St. William - Sunday from 12:30 to 12:45pm

Confessions

St. William - Saturday from 2:30 to 3:30pm

Daily Masses

St. Nicholas - Monday - Saturday at 8:00am
Monday - Friday at 12:10pm

Adoration - Thursday 8:30 to 9:30am

Sacrament of the Sick:

First Saturday of the month during 8:00am Mass
St. Nicholas Church

Sacramental Care: If you are in need of Anointing of the Sick, Last Rites, Confession, or Holy Communion, call the Parish Office for assistance (650) 948-2158.

St. Nicholas Church open for prayer & reflection:
Monday - Friday, 8:00am to 5:00pm

Parish Office: 473 Lincoln Ave., Los Altos, CA 94022

Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:30am to 5:00pm

Phone: (650) 948-2158

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“Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone hung around his neck and to be drowned in the depths of the sea.” (Matthew 18:6).

I remember reading this quote from Jesus long before I ever had children and feeling the weight of these words. Over the years I often wondered if I would be up to the challenge of being a good Catholic father. Would I truly be able to help my children believe in their hearts that “Jesus is Lord”?

As I reflected on my own faith journey, I realized that while I have an amazing Catholic father who has loved me in a way that would make our Lord proud, my faith journey was catalyzed by a multitude of influences and experiences. My faith was built on the foundation provided by my father (and mother), but it was taken to the next level when I went away to college. My own experience has guided my view as a Catholic father, leading me to seek a community that would support my children in taking their own faith journey to the next level.

Enter St. Nicholas Church. Even before we lived here in the Bay Area, St. Nicholas Church was our home. We would visit often, spending time in a Church that I thought had certainly been taken from the fabled Camelot. And, when it came time to make the big move from the East Coast to the Bay Area, we only had one goal, to become a parishioner of St. Nicholas and have our children (if we would be so lucky) attend St. Nicholas School and be guided by Fr. John who we felt had become part of our family. And, we have been truly blessed to have it all work out. From Fr. John to Mrs. Popolizio to Ms. French and every single teacher who has touched our children’s lives, there has been a village of positivity and love for our family. And, for this, we are eternally grateful.

But, what about when a Catholic father needs his own inspiration and guidance? Where should he turn? That’s a question that was answered for me during a St. Nicholas Mass, my daughter Aria handed me a prayer card that she had found on the ground in the Church. On the front of the prayer card was a picture of St. Joseph holding Jesus and, on the back, a 2000-year-old prayer. It seemed unbelievable that this prayer card turned up out of nowhere, as there were no other such cards anywhere in the Church. But Aria said, “I know this is for you Daddy.” I have come to believe that never were truer words spoken. I share this prayer with you all now so that it may impact you as it has me.



“O St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God. I place in you all of my interests and desires.

O St. Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession, and obtain for me from your divine Son all spiritual blessings, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. So that, having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of Fathers.

O St. Joseph, I never weary of contemplating you, and Jesus asleep in your arms; I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss His fine head for me and ask him to return the Kiss when I draw my dying breath. St. Joseph, Patron of departing souls – Pray for me.”

On this Father’s Day (and every day), may St. Joseph, the Guardian of the Redeemer, and Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, bless all of us as Catholic fathers. May we all strive to be the type of father that St. Joseph was to Jesus. And may our Lord and Savior continue to bless this remarkable community.

—Reflection by Nick Palazzo (father to Alexa (recent grad), Adrianna (7th), Aria (3rd) and Emma (TK))

Let's Wish Farewell to Fr John & Fr Robain



**Sunday, June 25, 2023
11:00am Mass & Reception
St William**



Fr John Poncini and Fr Robain Lamba are embarking on new chapters! Beginning July 1, Fr John will be the Pastor at St Leo the Great Parish in San Jose. Fr Robain will be serving as Parochial Vicar at St Francis of Assisi Parish in San Jose.

Let's bid them farewell with our warmest wishes to express our gratitude for their dedicated service and remarkable pastoral care they have shared with our beloved St Nicholas & St William Parish, including our French Community and Saint Nicholas School.

In honor of the essential roles they have both played in our parish – Fr John since 2014 and Fr Robain since 2020 – please join us at a Farewell Mass and Reception for them both on Sunday June 25, 2023 at 11:00am at St William.

We also invite you to share your good wishes, cherished memories, and photographs at the links below. Your messages will be shared with them at the Farewell Reception and printed as a gift for them.

Messages for Fr John:

<https://www.kudoboard.com/boards/n4oKSedW>

Messages for Fr Robain:

<https://www.kudoboard.com/boards/jXorOi6s>



We are excited to announce that after the Holy Mass on the weekend of 6/24-25, representatives from Cristo Rey San José Jesuit High School (CRSJ) will be available to discuss their Corporate Work Study Program.

CRSJ offers a rigorous, Jesuit college prep education to underserved students from Silicon Valley. Many of their students will be the first in their families to graduate from high school and attend college. To help offset the cost of their education, CRSJ has developed a unique work study program where students work one day each week at Partner organizations.

The program has already partnered with major companies in Silicon Valley, including Cisco, ServiceNow, Google, Palo Alto Networks, Ernst & Young, Frank Rimerman, Berliner Cohen, Heffernan Insurance, Silicon Valley Bank, Sutter Health, Lucile Packard Children's Hospital, and Cupertino Electric.

CRSJ is currently seeking Corporate Partners to host their students in work study placements. Organizations of any size with an interest in making an impact in their community are encouraged to reach out to Fr. Peter Pabst, S.J. at 408-293-0425 x 105, peter.pabst@crstoreysj.org, Steve Terlizzi at 408-242-9438, steve.terlizzi@crstoreysj.org, or Celeste Giusti at 415-308-7981 celeste.giusti@crstoreysj.org.

To learn more about the program, visit www.crstoreysanjose.org/corporate-work-study-program. Let's all come together to support these hardworking students in achieving their goals.





Bridges to Community will be collecting new children's backpacks and \$25 Target gift cards (for school supplies). The backpacks and gift cards will be given to the children of low-income families in the Alta Housing community who are enrolled in a summer reading and study group program. Alta Housing provides low- and moderate-income housing for families in Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties.

Please bring new backpacks to Mass on **July 8/9 and July 15/16** or take them to the parish office at St. Nicholas during the week. Place the gift cards in an envelope marked "Bridges to Community" and either:
 (1) Include the envelope with the backpack at Mass,
 (2) Put the envelope in the collection basket at Mass,
 or (3) Drop off the envelope at the parish office.

This is a chance to give something from your heart that will make a real difference in the growth and development of children in our local communities. Please consider purchasing and donating multiple \$25 gift cards, along with a backpack.

***Thank you, parishioners, for your generosity.
 You really do make a difference.***

Pregnancy Loss

Retreat

**Rachel's Vineyard
 Weekend**

Bilingual Spanish/English Retreat



Women, men, and couples - anyone affected by pregnancy loss - are encouraged to attend the Rachel's Vineyard Retreat **June 23-25**.

Rachel's Vineyard, an international ministry, is a confidential, safe place to share your story and discover God's heart of compassion and mercy. The retreat is a non-denominational, interfaith environment offering Biblical principles and perspectives for restoration.

Date: Friday, June 23 - Sunday, June 25, 2023

Location: Local Retreat Center

Visit www.realoptions.net/pregnancy-loss/ to apply to attend or contact Becky Morales, Hope Program Manager, at hope@realoptions.net for more information or Jenn Gonzales, for Spanish at jenn@realoptions.net.

BLOOD DRIVE

Because of you, life doesn't stop.



Sunday, July 30, 2023

9:00 am - 1:00 pm

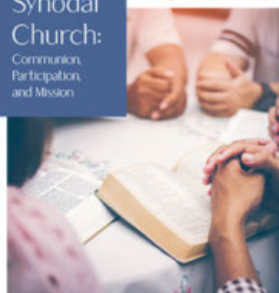
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North American Final Document for the Continental Stage of the 2021-2024 Synod

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Together, the People of God in North America have taken the initial steps on this synodal journey. We hope that within this [Final Document](#), many will hear echoed their own joys, yearnings, laments, and dreams for the Church in the United States and Canada. Let us pray that, while we still have much to do and much to learn, this

Final Document will serve to strengthen our communion as sisters and brothers in North America and point us more clearly toward our mission at the service of the Gospel. The next steps of this formal process will take place in Rome in October 2023 and 2024. Our common aim is to build a more listening and discerning Church committed to our common mission to announce the Mystery of Christ Jesus to the world.

www.usccb.org/synod



*"Lord, send out your Spirit, and
 renew the face of the earth."*

~ Psalm 104

Visit the garden at the St. William campus and pause at any of the six stations of creation posted on the benches. Use the QR code to listen to a meditation. Pause and pray in the outdoors and give thanks for creation. **Ecological Spirituality** is one of the 7 goals of the Laudato Si Action Platform.

<https://laudatosiactionplatform.org/about/>

Hospitality Resumes June 25



HAPPY FATHERS DAY!

**To volunteer, please contact
 Candy Berenguer: candace.hamill@dsj.org**

Faith Formation

Registration for the fall will open shortly. Classes are for 1st to 5th graders and includes First Holy Communion. Sunday at 10am

RCIA Youth

We look forward to helping your older children receive their sacraments! Fall registration opens by shortly.

EDGE

Registration for fall will open shortly. 6th to 8th grades meet on Sundays at 3:15-4:45pm

theIntersection

Registration for fall will open shortly. 9th to 12th grades meet on Sundays at 6:30-8:30pm

Youth Mass - Sundays at 5 pm, St. William Church. All youth, 6th to 12th grade, join us in the front pews!



WORLD YOUTH DAY FUNDRAISER

This year St. Nicholas and St. William Parish is joining with St. Clare parish to take 15 people to Lisbon, Portugal for World Youth Day.

World Youth Day (WYD) is a worldwide encounter with the Pope celebrated about every three years in a different country. WYD is open to all young people who want to take part in a festive encounter centered on Jesus Christ together with their peers. The most recent WYD was celebrated in Panama City, Panamá from January 22-27, 2019 and the next World Youth Day will be held in Lisbon, Portugal in 2023.



Timothy Dominic Anthony Mary Anna Nicholas John Paul



Anton Hiu Ho Kevin Tai Lisa Sepka
Youth Minister

Meet our pilgrims and youth who are attending WYD this summer!

Your donations and prayers are appreciated!

<https://tinyurl.com/sns2023wyd>



Happy Father's Day to all of our dads!



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Saying Good Bye...

The St. Nicholas School students had a final mass with Fr. John on the last day of school. They presented him with a gift and a tribute.



The Parish Office
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Monday, June 19

Join us for
8:00am Mass
at St. Nicholas



The 12:10pm weekday Mass will resume Tuesday, June 20

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Mass Intentions for the week of June 18, 2023

St. William Church

Sat 4:00pm All Fathers - Living & Deceased
Sun 9:00am All Fathers - Living & Deceased
5:00pm All Fathers - Living & Deceased

St. William - In-Person & Livestreamed

Sun 11:00am People of the Parish

St. Nicholas Church

Sun 8:00am All Fathers - Living & Deceased
10:00am All Fathers - Living & Deceased
12:00pm All Fathers - Living & Deceased
5:00pm All Fathers - Living & Deceased

Mon 8:00am Miguel Fiandeiro - Birthday
12:10pm **Mass Canceled due to holiday**

Loving Family

Tue 8:00am Carolyn Thompson †
Hong Family - Intention

Loving Family

12:10pm Edward Jakle †
Luis Alberto Zayas †

Loving Family

Loving Family

Wed 8:00am Frances Cremer - Birthday
12:10pm Chen Family - Intention

Loving Family

Thu 8:00am
12:10pm

Fri 8:00am All Widows and Widowers

SNSW Parish

12:10pm Dawn Family - Intention
Laura Wagner †

Loving Family

Sat 8:00am Giuliani Family - Intention

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

Let us pray for Anastasia Adams, W. M. Andrews, Eric Banuelos, Susan Berger, William Brugnoli, Steve Castain, Lida Co, Joanna Cross, DeBell Family, Shannon Lilly Ekedal, Greg Feehan, Basil Ford, Valerie Gawron, Diane Geschke, Madonna Haley, Emily Hanken, Faris & Libby Kahwajy, Kerry Kingham, Arlene Kramer, Ray Light, Lisa McBride, Florence Mendoza, Josie Mendoza, Gary Mirka, William Newkirk, John Ocampo, Ivana Panontin, Katherine Paternoster, Nacho Quintana, Carol Sarno, Anne K. Sturm, Bob Sumbs, Marie Torrise, Connie Weaver, Tracy Weiss, Bob Wilmering, Pete Wismann, Sally Wood, & Hank Zoeller that Jesus will be a source of strength & comfort.

We pray for the repose of the soul of Greg Loney

Parishioners of St. Nicholas & St. William Parish are invited to share the name of a loved one (or themselves) for the prayer list in our bulletin. This prayer list is for those who are sick, hospitalized, or in need of healing. If you are submitting the name of someone other than yourself, please obtain their permission. **Names are kept in the bulletin throughout the month they are received. If you need to extend the listing for an additional month, please contact the parish office at 650-948-2158.**

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Second Collection Report

Catholic Home Missions: 5/7	\$5,884.00
Catholic Charities: 5/21	\$6,243.95

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Stewardship Report: May 21, 2023

	Actuals	Budget	Variance
Basket, Mailed-in & Online Giving: 5/15-21	\$26,112.80	\$21,326.03	\$4,786.77
YTD (as of 5/21)	\$1,255,497.46	\$1,190,136.99	\$65,360.47
% of Budget YTD			105.5%

Thank you for your continued generosity!

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL



Thank you to families who generously responded with a gift to the 2023 Annual Diocesan Appeal. Please prayerfully consider making your pledge if you have not yet. As we have reached our parish goal, every dollar

pledged above our goal will now be returned to our parish and go towards helping offset capital improvements at St. Nicholas School. Gifts can be made online at www.dsj.org/ADA or by check. Please contact Lidia at the parish office if you have any questions at lidia.fiandeiro@dsj.org

ADA 2023 monthly report as of May 31

Goal:	\$395,000
Pledged to date	\$566,390
# of donors	345
% of registered families	21.5%



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