Welcome to Saint Nicholas and Saint William Catholic Parish



"But of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father."

- Mark 13:32

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- ◆ Emmet Cahill 11/30 1:00pm - St. William Church
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- ♦ Children's Choir Rehearsal 12/7 9:00am - St. William Church
- Advent Parish Mission 12/10-12
- ♦ Advent Christmas Concert 12/15 2:00pm - St. William Hall
- ♦ Knitters & Crocheters Needed 1/11&12, 1/18&19 - Collection Dates

More information found inside the bulletin.

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 17, 2024

Sunday Mass

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://snswparish.org

Drive up & Park Communion

St. William - Sunday from 12:15 to 12:30pm

Confessions

St. William - Saturday from 2:30pm to 3:30pm Wednesday from 6:30pm to 7:30pm

Daily Mass

St. Nicholas - Monday - Saturday at 8:00am

Monday - Friday at 12:10pm

St. William - Wednesday at 7:30pm (Young Adults)

Adoration

St. Nicholas - Thursday 8:30am to 12:00pm St. William - Wednesday 6:30pm to 7:30pm **Sacrament of the Sick:** First Saturday of the month during 8:00am Mass at St. Nicholas Church

Sacramental Care: If you are in need of Anointing of the Sick, 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: Mon, Tue, Thu, & Fri - 8:30am to 5:00pm

Wednesday - 8:30am to 7:00pm

Phone: (650) 948-2158 stnicholas@dsj.org Email: Website: snswparish.org

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—Reflection by Fr. Matt Stanley

The 2024 Election is over. Our nation, decided, among many things, who will be the next President of the United States. As citizens we exercised our right to choose our government.

One of the great things about this country, that we have practiced quite well for most of our history, is that when all is said and done, when the votes are counted and the victor proclaimed— we shall not riot, we shall not revolt, we will not fail to accept the will of the people, and we will have a peaceful transition of

power. God has truly blessed America as a nation dedicated to the values of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. And for this we are grateful.

However, we must also remember, "Democracy without morality is impossible." The values and moral principles which the Church has voiced throughout the years, cannot remain silent. We pray that we will always seek to understand the issues and concerns that confront our city/state/country, and how the Gospel compels us to respond as faithful citizens.

We ask for eyes that are free from blindness, so that we might see each other as brothers and sisters, one and equal in dignity, especially those who are victims of abuse and violence, discrimination and poverty. We ask for ears that will hear the cries of children unborn and those abandoned, those oppressed because of race or creed, religion or gender. We ask for minds and hearts that are open to hearing the voice of leaders who will bring us closer to the Kingdom. We pray for discernment, so that we may choose leaders who hear God's Word, live in His love, and keep in the ways of truth.

Therefore, we pray for all candidates for public office—may those elected filled with the purpose and conviction of serving well the people chosen to be their representatives. And may God bless America.

To our Parish Community,

We write to share information regarding a recent incident in our parish that contradicted the Diocese's Standard of Conduct policy. We realize that information like this can be and is surprising.

At this time, we intend to be open, transparent, and in communion with the Church's commitment to this endeavor. We would also like to reassure our parish community that all incidents are addressed in accordance with civil and Church protocols, adhering strictly to a zero-tolerance policy.

When a complaint is received, we conduct a thorough investigation and implement appropriate corrective action as necessary. Anyone who suspects a boundary violation or other inappropriate behavior should promptly report their concern to civil authorities and then to the Diocesan Office for the Protection of Children & Vulnerable Adults (OPCVA) at 408-983-0113.

Parish and school personnel, including clergy, are "Mandated Reporters" and are required by state law to report abuse, even a reasonable suspicion of abuse, to civil authorities—law enforcement or Child Protective Services. The Diocese of San José reports all allegations to the civil authorities in accordance with mandated reporter laws.

Rev. Matthew D. Stanley

Pastor

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

How would you spend your day if you knew it was the last day you would spend on earth? Undoubtedly, it would not be a

normal day. The point of today's Gospel reading is that the end-



time is always imminent. The good steward remains prayerfully alert, ready to give an accounting; and living each day in the awareness of the coming judgment and salvation. How do we exercise stewardship over our daily lives? Are we prepared to give an accounting? How will we allow Christ to work in and through us to prepare for the reconciliation of the heavens and the earth?

Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever - Psalm 118:1

Thanksgiving Day, November 28

is the one authentic American religious feast. How better for us to honor this day than to gather as a faith community for the celebration of the Eucharist at 9:00am at St. William Church. Our cash collection for our St. Vincent de

Paul Fund will continue to assist families in our area who have little money left over for groceries after paying rent, utility, and medical bills. We invite you to bring bread and wine that will be shared at your Thanksgiving dinner tables to that liturgy for a blessing.



We invite all musically talented individuals—families, children, soloists, and ensembles—to join us in glorifying God through song at our Advent Christmas Concert. This is a beautiful opportunity to use the gifts God has given you to bring joy to our parish community as we prepare our hearts for the birth of Christ. Following the concert, we will gather in the parish hall for fellowship and refreshments.

If you would like to participate, sign up at: https://forms.gle/zeHDXV15Xsbn6pM7A, or contact Clare Lee at: clee5898@yahoo.com





We need your help!

Liturgy is life! Our relationship with God is the heart and center of our parish, pumping life into all our other ministries and

programs. For our Liturgy to thrive, we need your help. Please consider sharing your gifts & talents with our parish, either as a Lector, Altar Server, Eucharistic Minister, Usher, our budding Floral Ministry.





Chalice **Program for Promoting** Vocations

The purpose of the Chalice Program is to encourage families to

pray and promote vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. The consecrated Chalice is a tangible reminder of this particular intention for the Church. The Second Vatican Council highlights the laity's responsibility to pray for and support vocations. This urgent call has been strongly affirmed in the writings and addresses of Pope John Paul II and Pope Benedict XVI. Praying for vocations is the most powerful way to support them. A vocation is a call from the Holy Spirit, a gift from God nurtured in prayer. When we pray for vocations, we lift up to our Father those men and women whom He is calling to follow Him in an exceptional way.

This is how it works. At the end of the Sunday Mass, the priest calls a family forward to receive the chalice and a blessing. The family takes the chalice home and puts it in a place of honor. Each day for a week, during prayer time, the family includes in their prayer the increase and perseverance of vocations. (A prayer guide will be provided.) They can also send a note of support to a Seminarian, Priest, or Sister. The following Sunday, the family returns the chalice bag for another family member to take home. The chalice will be given to the family at the 10 am Mass at St. Nicholas and 11 am Mass in St William.

Let us ask the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mother, the mother of vocations, to make this project work well.



Register to participate in this program, https://tinyurl.com/snsw-vocations2024



SAINT NICHOLAS AND SAINT WILLIAM PARISH

CHILDREN'S CHOIR



CHILDREN'S SUNDAY MASSES

December 8 - 11 am January 12 - 11 am

SATURDAY REHEARSALS

December 7 - 9-10 am January 11 - 9-10 am

Join our Children's Choir and let your child's voice bring joy to our community! Our Choir is open to children 2nd Grade and up. The choir will sing at our **Children's Masses** & rehearse the day before.

TO REGISTER
USE WITH THIS QR CODE:



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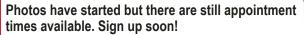
OR CONTACT

Michaelsternhagen@dsj.org (650) 948-2158 x 2204 473 Lincoln Ave, Los Altos CA

Location for Rehearsals and Masses:

St William Church

SIGN UP & GET A FREE 8" X 10" PHOTO AND A FREE PHOTO DIRECTORY





Nov 18 - 22 & Dec 2 - 6 2:00pm - 8:30pm Nov 23 10:00am - 4:00pm

Sign up at <u>ucdir.com</u>. Church code **CA139**, password *photos*. Or contact the parish office 650-948-2158.

St. Nicholas Office Remodel

The remodel of the St. Nicholas & St. William Parish Office is now complete, bringing a fresh, welcoming, and functional space to serve our community.

The updated office features new floors, new cabinets, LED lighting, expanded workspaces and a new parlor (meeting room).

The remodeled office provides a comfortable environment for administrative activities and for meetings.

We are thrilled to share this good news with everyone, and we look forward to it being a central place to serve our parish







Attention Knitters and Crocheters! Time to start making baby items for our January Outfitting Newborns Collection/Layette Drive for mothers in need. Collection dates: Jan. 11-12, and 18-19, 2025. Size 0-6 month knitted/crocheted items needed: cotton hats, cotton hat and bootie sets, and sweaters. Contact Karen Shea-Daley, 650 823-9085 for more information.



2024 Giving Tree - \$25 Gift Cards Requested

Choose your Charity and purchase Gift Cards. Place Gift Card in an envelope with the name of the Charity.

Drop off envelopes in the Sunday collection basket or mail/return to the Parish Office.



Heritage Home for Crises Pregnancies (Target or Walmart)

Catholic Charities
After School
Reading Program
(Linden Tree)

Sacred Heart Homework Club (Target or Walmart) SVdP of St. Athanasius Parish (Safeway) Help One Child Foster Children (Safeway, Walmart, or Target)



Catholic Charities Refugee Youth (Target or Walmart) Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Services (Target or Walmart) Day Worker Program (La Plaza Food, Target, or Walmart)







Celebrate the Feast of Saint Nicholas with Bishop Cantú



Saturday, December 7, 2024 Saint Nicholas Church at 4pm

Following the Mass, we will have a Gluhwein celebration at St. Nicholas Hall Gluhwein is a traditional German warm mulled wine!

> Our Open House will showcase Our newly remodeled Front Office

Please RSVP by: November 25 https://tinyurl.com/snsw-stnicholasfeast



ADVENT PARISH MISSION



"Dusting Off Advent!"

Morning schedule - St. Nicholas

8:00am Mass

8:30am Mission Talk (abbreviated)

9:00am Reception and fellowship

Evening schedule - St. William

6:15pm Confessions available

6:15pm Reception and fellowship

7:00pm Mission Talk

Event is FREE! Register at:

https://tinyurl.com/snsw-adventmission2024

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10 The Uniqueness of Advent WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11

Fighting Our Culture Appropriately **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12**

Jesus and Advent

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: FR. JOHN AUTHER S.J.

Fr. John is a Jesuit for over 40 years and a priest for 30 years. He has worked as a high school campus minister, an associate pastor and pastor, most recently at the Jesuit parish in San Diego. In his pastoral ministry he has devoted a good deal of time to Spanish-speaking work, detention facilities and retreats. Believing that powerful things from God happen on retreats that don't happen at other times, he has always viewed retreat ministry as a wonderful way to serve the Lord. He is in his fourth year at the Jesuit Retreat Center.



For questions, contact Lidia: 650-948-2158 ext 2202 or lidia.fiandeiro@dsj.org

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH PROGRAM

Faith Formation

Classes on Sundays St. William Hall 10 am to 11 am Nov 17, Dec 8, 15

OCIA Youth

9 to 11 am Sr. E. Teen Center Dec 7

Confirmation

7th to 12th grades meet on 1st and 3rd Sundays from 12 noon to 1:30 pm Sr. E. Teen Center Nov 17, Dec 15

EDGE

6th to 8th grades meet on 2nd and 4th Sundays from 3 to 4:30 pm Sr. E. Teen Center Nov 24, Dec 8, 15* *Christmas Party 6:30-8pm

theIntersection

9th to 12th grades meet on Sundays, 6:30 to 8:30 pm Sr. E. Teen Center Nov 17, Dec 8, 15* *Christmas Party 6:30-8pm

Children's Mass December 8 at 11 am | Youth Mass Sundays 5pm St. William - 6th-12th grade, join us in the front pews!











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Join Us For Donuts!

Gather for hospitality on Sunday after our morning Masses: 8, 9, 10, & 11

BRIDGES

HUNGER KNOWS NO SEASON - Hunger is an ongoing problem, and we can all help. As you are grocery shopping, please think about picking up an extra item or two for the families in our community who are in need.

Foods most useful are: rice, beans, tuna, peanut butter, soup, pasta, cereal, coffee, granola bars, baking mixes, oil, snacks, juices, and baby formula. Both churches have a white food bin inside the front entrance where you can leave your food.

WORKING ON THE MARGINS

Today's Second Collection: Catholic Campaign for Human Development - The Catholic Campaign for Human Development is the domestic anti-poverty program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops, working to carry out the mission of Jesus Christ"... to bring good news to the poor ... release to captives...sight to the blind and let the oppressed go free." (Luke 4:18) CCHD provides the Catholic faithful with concrete opportunities to live out the love of God and neighbor in ways that express our baptismal call and continuing Eucharistic transformation. CCHD is made possible by the generous support of Catholics in the United States, especially through an annual parish collection. You also help your neighbors, because 25% of the collected fund stay in our Diocese. Please be generous.

"Supporting Our Mission Together"

November Report - 2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal Goal: \$425,000 - Pledged: \$502,567 - Rebate: \$77,567



Your generosity and support for our local Church of San Jose is a true sign of God's goodness. We will earmark this year's rebate to support the mission, objectives, and action items of our diocesan pastoral plan in our parish which may include pastoral resources, improved staffing, and new ministries.

We are so grateful to the 350+ parishioners who participated in this year's ADA. It is not too late to make your gift today. In my name,

and the name of Bishop Cantú, I thank you again, for your love and support of Saint Nicholas and Saint William Parish, St. Nicholas School, and the Diocese of San José.

| Stewardship Report: October 20, 2024 | | | | |
|--|--------------|--------------|---------------|--|
| | Actuals | Budget | Variance | |
| Basket, Mailed-in & Online Giving: 10/14-20 | \$19,978.52 | \$24,317.81 | (\$4,339.29) | |
| YTD (as of 10/20) | \$362,309.52 | \$392,084.93 | (\$29,775.41) | |
| % of Budget YTD | | | 92.4% | |

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Mass Intentions for the week of November 17, 2024

| St. William Church | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|--|------------------------|--|--|
| Sat | 4:00pm | Tony Reyes - Birthday | Andrews Family | | |
| | ' | Augusta & Edmund Anderson † | Tony & Jean Vecchiet | | |
| | | Margaret Grapp † | Loving Family | | |
| Sun | 9:00am | Paul B. & Paul Jr. Oliveira † | Loving Family | | |
| | | Roseo Pantontin † | Loving Family | | |
| | 5:00pm | Joseph Blackall † | Eileen Gann | | |
| | | Jesse Sanchez † | Maria Sanchez | | |
| St. William - In-Person & Livestream | | | | | |
| Sun | 11:00am | People of the Parish & All Souls Nover | na | | |
| St. Nicholas Church | | | | | |
| Sun | 8:00am | Nelson Archey † | SN Parish | | |
| | | Andy Andrada † | Loving Family | | |
| | 10:00am | Gertrud Kraenkel † | Francis Pimentel | | |
| | | Stanislaw Kazimierczak † | Aga Kazimierczak | | |
| | 40.00 | Catherine Maloney † | De Natale Family | | |
| | 12:00pm | John Croman - Intention | | | |
| | F.00===(F) | Christopher Walker - Intention | Terry & Janis Walker | | |
| Mon | 5:00pm(F) 8:00am | Thelma Barboza † | Gillian Athayde | | |
| IVIOII | 12:10pm | Patricia O'Malley - Intention | Janis Walker | | |
| | 12. 10pm | Mario Bernardi † | Loving Family | | |
| Tue | 8:00am | Mano Bernardi | Loving railing | | |
| Tuc | 12:10pm | Reece Sharp - Intention | Loving Family | | |
| | 12.10p. | Gissela Carmen Barreda - Birthday | Gissela Carmen Barreda | | |
| Wed | 8:00am | | Ciccola Camon Zanoaa | | |
| | 12:10pm | Merces Fiandeiro † | Loving Family | | |
| Thu | | Carolyn Thompson † | Jo Anne | | |
| | | Alex Alfonso - Birthday | Andrews Family | | |
| | 12:10pm | Mary Vieira † | Fernanda Januario | | |
| | | Marta Carr † | Fernanda Januario | | |
| Fri | 8:00am | Jeanne Giuliani † | | | |
| | | Barbara Barnes - Birthday | Sally | | |
| | 12:10pm | Bill Almon † | Loving Daughter | | |
| | 0.00 | Aggie & Craig Cousins - Wedding Ann | iv. Sally | | |
| Sat | 8:00am | | | | |

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

Let us pray for Anastasia Adams, W. M. Andrews, Susan Berger, Vicente Bobila Jr., William Brugnoli, Steve Castain, Lida Co, Lorraine Croft, DeBell Family, Chaz DeCoteau, Jennifer DeCoteau, Bernie Flores, Shannon Lilly Ekedal, Morgan Fielding, Valerie Gawron, Diane Geschke, Kristin Griffin, Pat Haley, Megan Hanken, Jean Harris, Janice Heidmiller, Jeanne Jensen, Faris & Libby Kahwajy, Arlene Kramer, Ray Light, Margaret Manoogian, Lisa McBride, Josie Mendoza, Ramon Mendoza, Gary Mirka, William Newkirk, Ivana Panontin, Katherine Paternoster, Anne Rullo, Jason Santos, Carmel Smith, Anne K. Sturm, Sally Ann Thomas, Connie Weaver, Tracy Weiss, Bob Wilmering, and Ryan Zweng that Jesus will be a source of strength & comfort.

Loving God, we give you thanks, and praise your holy name, in answer of our prayers for Louanna Angelo

Readings for the week of November 17, 2024

Sun: Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32 Mon: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 18:35-43 Tue: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 19:1-10 Wed: Rv 4:1-11/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 19:11-28 Thu: Rv 5:1-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 19:41-44 Fri: Rv 10:8-11/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Lk 19:45-48 Sat: Rv 11:4-12/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Lk 20:27-40

Thirty-Third Sunday in OT

Saturday (Anticipated) - November 23 SW 4pm Fr. Michael Gazzingan Sunday - November 24

SN 8am Fr. Michael Gazzingan SW 9am Fr. Matt Stanley Fr. Johannes Busch SW 11am Fr. Michael Gazzingan Fr. Johannes Busch SW 5pm Fr. Matt Stanley SN 5pm Fr. Johannes Busch

French Mass Sundays at 5:00pm St. Nicholas Church



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