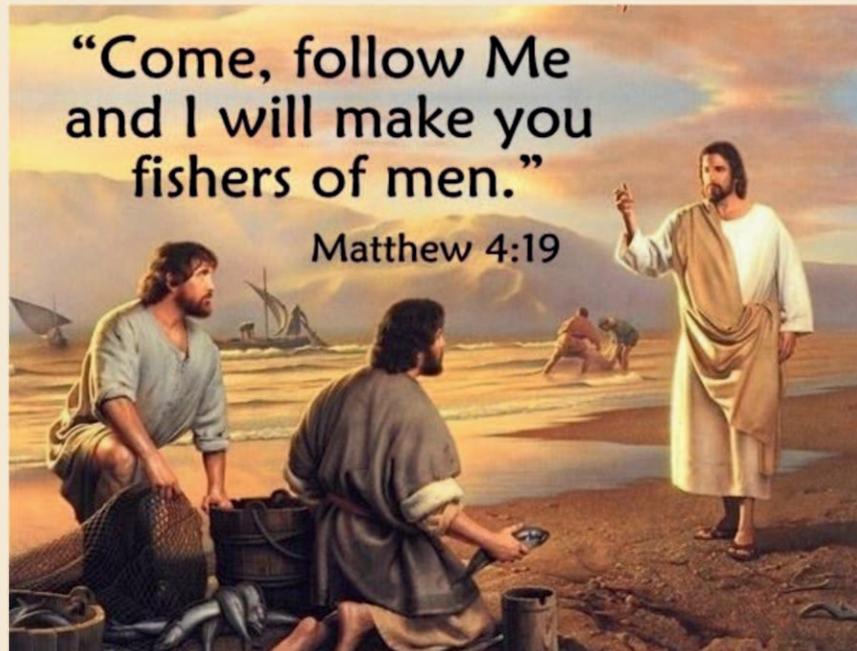


January 25, 2026  
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

# Welcome to Saint Nicholas and Saint William Catholic Parish

**Pastor:** Rev. Matthew D. Stanley | **Parochial Vicar:** Rev. Michael Gazzingan  
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## SUNDAY MASS

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

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

**LIVESTREAM MASS** Sunday at 11:00am - <https://snswparish.org>

**DRIVE UP AND PARK COMMUNION** St. William - Sunday from 12:15 to 12:30pm

## CONFESSIONS

**St. William Church** Saturday from 2:30pm to 3:30pm

**St. Nicholas Church** Wednesday from 6:00pm to 6:55pm

## DAILY MASS

**St. Nicholas Church** Monday - Saturday at 8:00am, Monday - Friday at 12:10pm, & Wednesdays 7:00pm

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

## SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

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

## PASTORAL CARE

If you are in need of Anointing of the Sick, Confession, or Holy Communion, call the Parish Office for assistance

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Dear Parishioners of St. Nicholas and St. William Catholic Parish,

This week marks the beginning of Catholic Schools Week, a time to celebrate the important work taking place in Catholic elementary schools across the nation and especially here at St. Nicholas Catholic School.

At the heart of Catholic education is a faith-centered approach that intentionally weaves spiritual values into both learning and daily life. These values foster unity among students, families, and staff, and help form young people who carry faith, compassion, and integrity well beyond their years in our classrooms.

Catholic schools also play a vital role in helping students understand their responsibility to others and to the world around them. In a culture that often prioritizes image and attention over truth and humility, our students are reminded that service is not an obligation but a way of life. Catholic education counters today's noise by forming students grounded in authentic connection, empathy, and purpose.

At St. Nicholas, we are committed to educating the whole child: mind, body, and spirit. Academic excellence is essential, but it is never separated from spiritual growth or the formation of meaningful relationships. From Transitional Kindergarten through 8th grade, students are supported by teachers and peers who model kindness, responsibility, and faith in action.

Our students leave well prepared for the next chapter of their educational journey, equipped with confidence, competence, and a strong sense of agency. Even more important is what happens during the 180 days we share each year: students grow in faith, serve others, and strengthen their sense of community. The impact of this formation reaches far beyond our campus and lasts a lifetime.

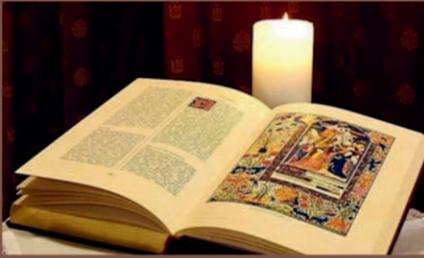
Our partnership with families and the parish is central to this mission. Active involvement creates a strong network of support and reinforces the belief that education is relational. We invite you to experience the difference for yourself.

Next Saturday, January 31st, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., we will host an Open House at St. Nicholas Catholic School. Current families are welcome to visit classrooms to celebrate their child's growth and preview next year's experience, while parishioners and prospective families are invited to explore our campus and see how we foster connection, service, and belonging.

Thank you for your continued prayers, generosity, and support. We are deeply grateful to be part of the St. Nicholas and St. William Catholic Parish community.

With gratitude and blessings,

Jan Popolizio  
Principal  
St. Nicholas Catholic School



## Word of God Sunday

It is fitting, then, that the life of our people be constantly marked by this decisive relationship with the living word that the Lord never tires of speaking to his Bride, that she may grow in love and faithful witness.

Consequently, I hereby declare that the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be devoted to the celebration, study, and dissemination of the word of God. This Sunday of the Word of God will thus be a fitting part of that time of the year when we are encouraged to strengthen our bonds with the Jewish people and to pray for Christian unity. This is more than a temporal coincidence: the celebration of the Sunday of the Word of God has ecumenical value, since the Scriptures point out, for those who listen, the path to authentic and firm unity.” – (Pope Francis, Apostolic Letter, *Aperuit Illis*, nos 2-3; 2019)



Next Sunday, February 1, at the 5:00 pm Mass (St. William), we will celebrate a **ritual of welcome** for our young people from our parish and school who have entered a time of preparation for the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation. We will offer them our prayers and our support as they continue to discern God’s unique and precious call given to them at their Baptism.

### STEWARDSHIP MOMENT



In today’s Gospel, Jesus begins his Sermon on the Mount with a series of blessings, the Beatitudes. The Beatitudes are a summary of the fundamental attitude of a Christian steward. This speech sets the themes and tone for Christ’s public ministry. He calls for a radical change in how we respond to the human condition. Good stewards understand that conversion is a lifelong process and that trying to live the Beatitudes is fundamental to this process. Make it a point to reflect on this Gospel reading during the week. Identify the blessing you relate to the most. Which one is the most challenging for you?

### This Sunday’s Second Collection: St. Nicholas School



National Catholic Schools Week begins January 25! As a parish, we recognize the value of Catholic education and the vital role of St. Nicholas School in helping our young people reach their full potential in Faith, Academic Excellence, and Service. As a vital part of our community, the parish supports the school through prayer and resources, and the school, in turn, develops our future leaders and citizens rooted in Catholic tradition and values. Thank you for prayerfully considering your contribution to Catholic Education. May God bless this important work for the future of our Church and our Country.

## Thank you to our Liturgical Ministers!



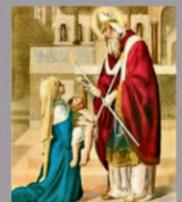
A sincere **thank you to all our liturgical volunteers** who were commissioned this past Sunday. Thank you for bringing the light of Christ to our community, we couldn't do it without you! We still do have a few ministries that need more help, namely - **hospitality, floral ministry, and the sacristan ministry**. If you would like more information or are interested in volunteering please contact the parish office. Thank you again for your service!



On Monday, February 2, the Church celebrates the **Feast of the Presentation of the Lord**, which occurs forty days after the birth of Jesus and is also known as Candlemas Day, since the blessing and procession of candles is included in today's liturgy. If you would like to have candles blessed at Mass, please bring them with you.

### Blessing of Throats

In memory of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr, there will be a special blessing of throats after the 8:00 am & 12:10 pm Mass on Tuesday, February 3. We ask St. Blaise to protect us from all throat diseases.



### Stewardship of Treasure Report – December 2025

We have ended the first half of the fiscal year (July 25-June 26). Thank you for your support of our parish mission and ministries. In December, our average weekly collection was \$34,510.

You also generously donated to various important causes through our December special collections, totaling \$11,844 (\$2,961 per week). This brings our weekly December total to \$37,471. We budgeted our Sunday Offertory income (less special collections) for JUL-DEC (25 weeks x \$25,000) at \$650,000, and we received \$647,600 (-\$2,400). Our 2025 Christmas collection stands at \$120,000. We count on every parish family and household to faithfully participate in the mission of St. Nicholas and St. William Parish by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, and your service. We can accomplish this by our sacrificial giving of time, talent, and treasure. We encourage everyone to consider using the Sunday Offertory Envelopes or Online Giving as a way of giving to the Lord the "first fruits" of the "treasure" we have received.

THANK YOU FOR SHARING GOD'S GIFTS!

# Faith Formation and Youth Ministry

*Registration is still  
OPEN ONLINE*

**Catechesis of the  
Good Shepherd**

3 to 5 years old

**Faith Formation & Parents**

1st to 5th graders

Sundays 10 to 11 am

Jan. 25 & Feb. 1, 8

in St. William Hall

**Christian Sacraments  
of Initiation**

7 to 18 years old

9 to 11 am

Feb 7

in Teen Center downstairs at St. William

**Edge** 6th to 8th

Tuesdays 6:30 to 8:00pm

Jan 27 & Feb 10, 24

**Intersection** 9th to 12th

Sundays 6:00 to 8:30 pm

Jan. 25 & Feb 1, 8

in Teen Center downstairs at St. William

**Confirmation** 7th to 12th

2th and 4th Sundays

12:00 noon to 1:30pm,

Jan 25 with sponsors

**Retreat** March 6-8

in Teen Center downstairs at St. William

**Thank you to all our teen liturgists**



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## Mass Intentions

### Sunday, January 25th – 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am (SN) † Wilton Moss by Loving Family; Candace Faust (Health) by Loving Friend

9:00 am (SW) † Mr. and Mrs. Do Huu Quen by Loving Family

10:00 am (SN) † Dan Brunello by Robert & Sandra Berry;

† Italo and Flavia Bardelli by Barbara and Mark Rindge

11:00 am – Catholic Schools Mass (SW) People of the Parish

12:00 pm (SN) † Evelyn S. Troedson by Loving Family; † Mr. and Mrs. Do Huu Quen by Loving Family

5:00 pm (SW) Madeleine Fackler (Intention) by Eileen Gann

### Monday, January 26th – Ss. Timothy & Titus

8:00 am (SN) Anna Maria Cannatella (Birthday) by Charles Bourgeois

12:10 pm (SN) Scarlett Clark (Birthday) by The Roger Clark Family; Michael Cremer (Birthday) by Loving Family

### Tuesday, January 27th – St. Angela Merici

8:00 am (SN) Niels Pearson (Health) by Loving Friends

12:10 pm (SN) † Carlos Alvarez by Loving Family; † Isabel Gamboa de Barreda by Gissela Carmen Barreda

### Wednesday, January 28th – St. Thomas Aquinas

8:00 am (SN) For the Souls of the Faithful Departed

11:00 am – Grandparents Mass w/ Bishop Cantu (St. Nicholas School)

12:10 pm (SN) Fr. Michael Gazzingan (Birthday) by Loving Friends

7:00 pm (SN) For the Souls of the Faithful Departed

### Thursday, January 29th

8:00 am (SN) For the Souls of the Faithful Departed

12:10 pm (SN) † Felipe Barreda Gamboa by Gissela Carmen Barreda

### Friday, January 30th

8:00 am (SN) Maria (Birthday)

12:10 pm (SN) Brian Gates (Birthday) by The Roger Clark Family; Paul English (Health) by Christina Del Rosario

### Saturday, January 31st – St. John Bosco

8:00 am (SN) For the Souls of the Faithful Departed

4:00 pm (SW) For the Souls of the Faithful Departed

## Readings for the week of January 25, 2026

Sunday: Is 8:23-9:3/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23

Monday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-4

## Sick Relatives and Friends

Let us pray for Benjamin Backs, Sarah Bond, Steve Castain, Lida Co, Tony Croft, James Franklin Farris, Pat Haley, Cianna Holbrook Laptalo, Cianna Holbrook, Bart Miaullis, Blanca Nieto, Susan Ocampo, Jason Orellana, Molly Oshatz, Ivana Panontin, Doug Sarver, Keilana Soliven, and Marita Trobough.

**Jesus - please be a continuous source of strength & comfort for those in need.**

Parishioners of Saint Nicholas and Saint William Parish are invited to share the name of a loved one (or themselves) for the prayer list. 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, we ask that you please obtain their permission.

Please email: amy.blalockcastillo@dsj.org to add a name to the list. Thank you

## Presider Schedule

February 1, 2026

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday – (Anticipated)

(SN) 4:00pm – Fr. Stanley

Sunday Masses

(SN) 8:00am – Fr. Stanley

(SW) 9:00am – Fr. Gazzingan

(SN) 10:00am – Fr. Valenton

(SW) 11:00am – Fr. Gazzingan

(SW) 12:00pm – Fr. Kimm

(SN) 5:00pm – Fr. Basile (French)

(SW) 5:00pm – Fr. Stanley

The presider schedule is subject to change without notice.

## Your Statement is in the Mail



Your 2025 annual contribution statement should arrive in the mail soon. Don't hesitate to contact Lidia Fiandero, Business Manager, lidia.fiandero@dsj.org if you did not receive one, or if there is some inaccuracy. Remember, the best way for us to keep an accurate record of your contributions is by using the Sunday Offertory Envelopes or Online Giving – call us if you need any assistance. Thank you for your support!



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