

WELCOME TO SAINT NICHOLAS AND SAINT WILLIAM CATHOLIC PARISH



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**AUGUST 23, 2026
TWENTYFIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

"I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." (Mt 16:19)



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 - 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



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

Building on a Strong Foundation

As we prepare to welcome our students back to campus for another school year, there is a tremendous sense of excitement at St. Nicholas Catholic School. This year, we gather around our theme, One School: United in Mission, a reminder that the work of Catholic education belongs to all of us.

As the transformation of our campus takes shape, we also begin with a profound sense of gratitude. To our current parents, alumni, parishioners, and friends of St. Nicholas Catholic School: thank you.

Your generosity has provided the critical resources necessary to make these renovations possible. Every improvement represents more than an investment in buildings. It is an investment in our children, in Catholic education, and in the future of our school and parish community.

In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus tells Peter, "upon this rock I will build my church." It is a powerful image for us during this time of renewal. While we are literally rebuilding and improving spaces across our campus, we are reminded that the most important foundation of our school is not concrete, walls, or classrooms. Our foundation is our faith in Christ.

That mission is particularly important at this moment.

Our students are growing up in a world where emerging technologies, especially artificial intelligence, can provide answers almost instantly. At St. Nicholas Catholic School, we will embrace technology thoughtfully and teach students to use it as a tool to enhance learning rather than shortcut it. This also echoes Pope Leo XIV's call for Catholic education to keep the dignity and unique capacities of the human person at the center of technological progress. Our responsibility is not simply to prepare children to use the technology of their future. It is to prepare them to think, discern, and lead within that future.

Our renovated campus will provide wonderful new spaces and resources for this work, but buildings alone do not make an excellent Catholic school. People do. Teachers who challenge and inspire. Parents who partner with us. Parishioners who sustain the mission. And children who come through our doors each day ready to discover who they are and who God is calling them to become. Matthew's Gospel reminds us that when we build upon the right foundation, what we build can endure.

Thank you for all you do to help us continue to build a strong foundation at St. Nicholas Catholic School.

ONE SCHOOL — UNITED IN MISSION

With Much Gratitude,

Jan Popolizio

Principal, St. Nicholas Catholic School

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

Welcome! No matter who you are, where you come from, or where you find yourself on your faith journey, we are truly glad you are here. Our parish is more than a place - it is a family gathered in the love of Christ. Whether you are visiting, searching, returning to the Church, or have been walking with us for many years, we pray that you experience the peace, hope, and mercy of God in this community. Here we strive to grow together in faith, to support one another in prayer, and to be the hands and feet of Jesus in the world. May you always feel at home and valued in our parish.

Preparing for Mass begins long before we walk through the church doors. It starts by quieting our minds and opening our hearts to encounter Christ. Taking a few moments to pray, asking the Holy Spirit to help us be present and receptive to God's Word, can help us set aside the distractions of the week.

The sounds of life - whether from young children or from adults with disabilities - are not disruptions, but reminders that the Body of Christ is living among us. We embrace these moments with patience and love, recognizing that every person belongs here. Please feel at home, knowing that your presence, in all its beauty and uniqueness, is a gift to our parish community.

Readings for the week of August 23, 2026

Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2a, 2b-3, 6 and 8/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

Monday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51

Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5/Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21/Mk 6:17-29

Next Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

Stewardship of Treasure Report – July 2026

July is the first month of our new fiscal year (July 2026-June 2027).

Thank you for your support of our parish's mission and ministries. In July, our average weekly collection was \$21,462. You also generously donated to various important causes through our July special collections, totaling \$5,592 or \$1,398 per week. This brings our weekly July total to \$22,860. We budgeted our Sunday Offertory income (less special collections) for July (4 weeks x \$25,000) at \$100,000, and we received \$86,000 (-\$14,000).

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!



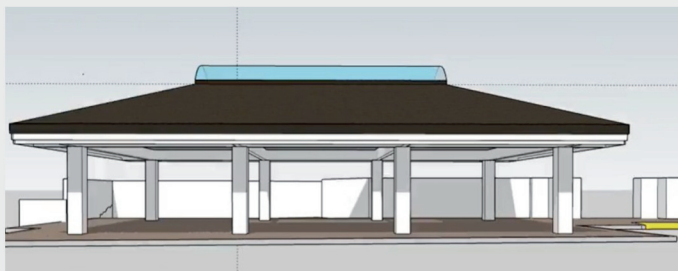
Sowing Seeds of Faith – A Campaign for Spiritual Renewal – FAQ

What is the difference between the Campaign and the Annual Diocesan Appeal (ADA)?

The Annual Diocesan Appeal provides yearly operational support for a wide array of ministries and programs across the Diocese. Sowing Seeds of Faith is a one-time campaign investing in a new and vibrant future for the Catholic Church in Santa Clara County— funding the strategic priorities of the Pastoral Plan, rather than sustaining existing operations.

For 2026 only, the ADA is integrated into our Campaign; thus, we did not conduct the ADA earlier this year. Our Sowing Seeds of Faith goal includes our parish ADA goal (\$440,000). The first funds raised by our parish will be applied toward meeting our parish's 2026 ADA goal, with all additional funds supporting the key investment opportunities of our campaign. The Annual Diocesan Appeal will return in early 2027.





Town Hall Meetings Sunday, September 6 St. William Hall

One of the key parish investments in our Sowing Seeds of Faith Campaign is the planning, development, and construction of a long-desired capital project for our parish community.

The proposed project includes:

- A large covered outdoor gathering space at St. William to replace the temporary tent structure.
- A permanent, safe, and family-friendly play structure that parishioners have requested for many years.

This new outdoor space will provide much-needed opportunities for fellowship after Mass. With St. William Hall now regularly used by our Faith Formation program, space for after-Mass gatherings has become limited. The new area will allow parishioners to socialize, strengthen our sense of community, welcome new families, and build lasting relationships.

We invite all parishioners to attend one of our upcoming Town Hall Meetings to learn more about the proposed project and share your comments, ideas, and feedback. The Town Hall Meetings are scheduled at St. William for Sunday, September 6:

- Following the 9:00 AM Mass
- Following the 11:00 AM Mass

Your voice is important as we continue planning for the future of our parish. We hope you will join us and help shape this exciting investment in our parish community.

Together, we are sowing seeds of faith for generations to come!



Hygiene Drive for St. Leo's Marketplace:
Weekend Masses Sept 12th/13th and
Sept 19th/20th

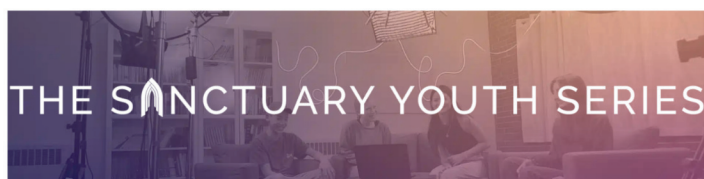
Government assistance (SNAP, WIC) does not cover hygiene products, so these purchases are often skipped to make ends meet.

Help support our neighbors at our sister parish, St. Leo the Great. Please bring full-sized hygiene items to any Mass on these two weekends.

UPDATED list of needed items:

Body Wash, Bar Soaps (individually packaged), Shampoo, Liquid Hand Soap, Deodorant, Body Lotion, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Dental floss, Laundry Detergent Pods, Band-aids (small packages)

If you are not able to bring in items in person, consider an online donation at:
<http://tinyurl.com/stleosmarketplace-wishlist>
(delivery charges may apply for orders under \$35)
In this small way, we can make a big impact for those living from paycheck to paycheck!



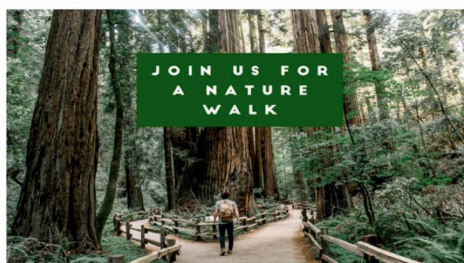
THE SANCTUARY YOUTH SERIES A faith-based mental health program for our teens

(includes separate parent class too)



We are grateful to be offering this program, once again after a successful first offering, for eight Thursday nights starting September 10, 2026
6:30 to 8 pm

Saint William Hall and Teen Center
611 S. El Monte Ave, Los Altos



Nature Walk

with our Mental Health
and Care for Creation
Ministries

**Saturday, August 29
at 9 to 11 am**

**Starting at St. Nicholas
Fr. Gary Thomas Hall
473 Lincoln Avenue, Los Altos
- light refreshments will be
served after the walk**



ST. NICHOLAS AND
ST. WILLIAM

Youth Ministry Kickoff

FOOD | MUSIC | GAMES

Sept. 13

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Come learn about our Middle & High
School Programs!

5PM Youth Mass

6PM BBQ & Games

7:00-8:00 PM Parent Info Meeting

RSVP:



St. William Church & Teen Center
611 S. El Monte Avenue,
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Saint Nicholas and
Saint William Parish



ST. NICHOLAS
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ANNUAL COMMUNITY MASS & BBQ

A CELEBRATION OF
FAITH AND FAMILY

SUNDAY, AUG 30, 11AM-3PM



SAINT WILLIAM PARISH CHURCH & HALL



FOOD, DRINKS, GAMES, FELLOWSHIP, FUN



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FAMILIES WELCOME

FREE EVENT - RSVP TODAY!
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



CELEBRATION OF *Summer* VEGETABLES

LUNCH BUNCH

Join us for a delicious luncheon
honoring the best of summer's harvest!

THURSDAY
August 27

🕒 11:30am

📍 St. William Hall



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**SUNDAY,
AUGUST 30**



12:30 to 2:30 PM



ST WILLIAM HALL

Questions?



Parish Volunteers: lidia.fiandei@dsj.org



School Volunteers: dianaszelong@stnicholaslah.com

Faith Formation and Youth Ministry

Saint Nicholas and Saint William
Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

Back to Faith Starts week of September 20

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

3 to 5 years old
extra CGS Level I at noon to 1pm

Faith Formation 1st to 5th

Sundays 10 to 11am

Christian Initiation Sacraments

7 to 18 years old
Those still needing Baptism and First Holy
Communion beyond 3rd grade
Saturdays 9 to 11 am once a month starts
October 4

Contact: For Christian Initiation contact
Catherine first before registering
& Children's program questions to
catherine.campbell@dsj.org
Teen programs questions to **JJ**
juliana.carlson@dsj.org

Grade PreK-5th Parent Meeting Aug 23
Grade 6th - 12th Kickoff BBQ Sept 13

Edge Program 6th to 8th

Tuesdays 6:30 to 8:00pm

Intersection 9th to 12th

Sundays 6:30 to 8:30 pm

Confirmation 7th to 12th

1st and 3rd Sundays
1:30 pm to 3:00 pm
starts October 18 with sponsor
(all excluding holidays)



Pancake Breakfast at 10 am

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Mass Intentions

Sunday, August 23rd 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am (SN) Dave Weis (Birthday)

9:00 am (SW) Catherine Zaretzki (Birthday), † Karen Jenney

10:00 am (SN) † Joseph Zawatski, † Anne Rullo

11:00 am (SW) † John Brazil Jr., Deacon Leonel Mancilla (Health)

12:00 pm (SN) People of the Parish

5:00 pm (SN) † Elaine Marie Fisher, Tiffany Hyun Lee (Intention)

5:00 pm (SW) Madeleine Fackler (Intention)

Monday, August 24th St. Bartholomew the Apostle

8:00 am (SN) † Vince Cilia

12:10 pm (SN) Suma Mathew (Birthday)

Tuesday, August 25th St. Louis, St. Joseph of Calasanz

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

12:10 pm (SN) For the Souls of the Faithful Departed

Wednesday, August 26th

8:00 am (SN) Charlie (Birthday)

12:10 pm (SN) For the Souls of the Faithful Departed

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

Thursday, August 27th St. Monica

8:00 am (SN) † Sr. Joan Panella SND

12:10 pm (SN) For the Souls of the Faithful Departed

Friday, August 28th St. Augustine of Hippo

8:00 am (SN) † Jean-Luc Giuliani

12:10 pm (SN) † Jessica Haley, Gerard Wen (Health)

Saturday, August 29th The Passion of St. John the Baptist

8:00 am (SN) † Sanoj Stephen, Armando y Agustin Barreda (Birthday)

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

St. Nicholas Catholic School

Our Mission

St. Nicholas School is a Catholic community serving the whole child, where students develop their faith, pursue academic excellence, lead by example, and are inspired to care for others with compassion.



Our Core Values



Reflecting Christ
Christlike Citizen



Community Leader



Critical Thinker

Inspiring Excellence Rooted in Catholic Values

St. Nicholas School Mass

Sunday, August 30

11:00 am – St. William Church

Presider Schedule

August 30, 2026

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday - (Anticipated)

(SW) 4:00 pm - Fr. Matt

Sunday Masses

(SN) 8:00 am - Fr. Michael

(SW) 9:00 am - Fr. Matt

(SN) 10:00 am - Fr. Michael

(SW) 11:00 am - Fr. Matt

(SN) 12:00 pm - Fr. Greg

(SN) 5:00 pm - Fr. Basile

(SW) 5:00 pm - Fr. Robert McKay

The presider schedule is subject to change without notice.

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

LET US PRAY FOR BENJAMIN BACKS, CHUCK BLALOCK, STEVE CASTAIN, ROGER CLARK, LEOLANI CLEMENTS, LIDA CO, LORRAINE CROFT, SARAH MICHELE DAY, REMEDIOS DELA PINA, LOUIS FIANDEIRO, PAT HALEY, EMILE LUNDQUIST, CHESTER MAKSIM, PRESTON MARGUET, RUPERTO MENDOZA, JASON ORELLANA, MOLLY OSHATZ, IVANA PANONTIN, FR. LARRY PERCELL, DOUG SARVER, AND KEILANA SOLIVEN.

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: BENITA.KENT@DSJ.ORG TO ADD A NAME TO THE LIST. THANK YOU

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: 650 948 2158

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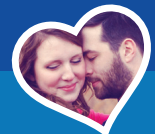
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