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#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

### **Adoration Hours**

Sunday 4 pm to Monday midnight Monday 5 am to Wednesday 2 am Wednesday 4 am to Thursday midnight Thursday 4 am to Friday midnight Friday 5 am to Saturday 8 am

We invite you to visit Jesus as your schedule allows.

If you would like to be placed on the weekly adoration schedule, please contact Sherry Moening at <a href="mailto:smoenin1@gmail.com">smoenin1@gmail.com</a> or sign up online at <a href="https://www.stncc.net/available-adoration-hours">https://www.stncc.net/available-adoration-hours</a>.

### This week at St. Nicholas





Sun	Jul 30	8:00am Mass: For the Parish 10:00am Mass (live streamed): Robert and Bernice Devine 합합	
Mon	Jul 31	Mass is not scheduled on this day.	
Tue	Aug 1	8:00am No Mass or confessions	
Wed	Aug 2	8:00am No Mass or confessions 4:45pm No confessions	
Thu	Aug 3	8:00am No Mass or confessions	
Fri	Aug 4	8:00am No Mass or confessions	
Sat	Aug 5	8:00am No Mass or confessions 3:30 - 4:40pm Confessions 5:00pm Mass: David Friedges **	
Sun	Aug 6	8:00am Mass: For the Parish 10:00am Mass (live streamed): Leon Zweber♥	



Father Rudolph is planning to be on vacation beginning Sunday afternoon, July 30, through Monday, August 7. There will be no daily Mass or confessions at St. Nicholas from Tuesday, August 1, through Saturday morning, August 5. Please visit one of our neighboring Catholic parishes for the sacraments that week. There will be Masses, with substitute priests, at all the Sunday Liturgies August 5th and 6th.

### Weekly Readings

#### Readings for the week of July 30, 2023

Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 (97a)/Rom 8:28-30/

Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Mt 13:31-35 Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9/Mt 13:44-46
Thursday: Ex 40:16 21, 24, 38/Ps 94:3, 4, 5, 63 and 82, 11/Mt 13:47, 53

Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11/Mt 13:47-53 Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9

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#### **General Information**



**St. Nicholas Catholic Church** 51 Church Street Elko New Market, MN 55054 952-461-2403

Parish Office Hours Monday: Closed Tuesday—Friday: 7:45 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

#### Lord's Day Mass

Saturday: 5:00 p.m., Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. (Live streamed on our website and Facebook page.)

#### **Daily Mass**

Tuesday—Saturday: 8:00 a.m.
Saturday morning Mass and confessions will be cancelled when there is a wedding or funeral.

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday—Friday: 7:35—7:50 a.m. Wednesday: 4:45– 5:30 p.m.

Saturday: 8:35 a.m. and 3:30—4:40 p.m.

or by appointment

#### Sacrament of Baptism

Pre-baptism meetings are held with the pastor. Please call for an appointment.

#### Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements must be made a minimum of six (6) months in advance.

#### **Communion Call**

If you or someone you care for must receive communion at home or in the hospital, please call the parish office.

#### **Care Fund**

Help is available for emergency situations & special needs. Please contact the parish office.

#### **Prayer Line**

This group is designed to help pray for specific concerns or special intentions. To add someone to the prayer line or if you are interested in becoming one of 45+ who pray, please contact Mary Zweber at 952-461-2366 or Sue Roufs at 612-759-9892.

#### **Bulletin Guidelines**

- Bulletin items are due on Tuesdays by 4 p.m.
- Email items to kjohnson@stncc.net.
- All bulletin content is approved by Fr. Rudolph.

### From the desk of Father Rudolph

Giving it all up for even more...

"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it" (Matthew 13:44-46).

I once saw someone teaching a group of people about trusting God. He asked if anyone would lend him a dollar bill. He said, "trust me." Someone handed him a dollar. He promptly tore it up. Gasps came from the crowd. Then, with a grin, the teacher pulled a ten-dollar bill out of his pocket and gave it to the man who had trusted him with the one dollar.

God is like that. If we trust him, he might ask us to give up something, but he is sure to replace it with something better. This is one manifestation of something Saint Paul wrote: "We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose" (Romans 8:28).

The greatest gift we can give up is our life. Martyrdom has always been seen as a noble and high calling, the ultimate imitation of Jesus Christ. Most Catholics are familiar with the lives of many martyr saints, from Saint Stephen the Deacon in the 1<sup>st</sup> Century to Saint Maximilian Kolbe in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. Martyrdom is the highest act of love. Sometimes martyrs are killed out of hatred for their Christian faith, but not always. There are other kinds of laying down one's life in love. For example, on March 23, 2018, French police officer Arnaud Beltrame offered to take the place of a woman who was being held hostage by a terrorist. After Arnaud's offer was accepted and she was freed, the terrorist fatally wounded him. Another example is seminarian Michael Nnadi, who was kidnapped in Nigeria by armed men on January 8, 2020. His dead body was found several weeks later. The murderer confessed his crime, saying that he and his companions killed Michael because he kept insisting that they repent, change their lives, and let go of their evil attitudes.

Not all martyrs are Catholics. Protestant missionary Jim Elliot went to bring Jesus Christ to the Auca Indians of Ecuador in February of 1956. He knew it was dangerous, because members of the tribe had killed a number of other outsiders. But God had given him a love for these people and a hunger for their salvation. So he and four other missionaries, after months of preparation, were dropped off by a small plane on a sandbar in a river. After a few days of seemingly friendly contacts, the missionaries were speared to death by a group of Auca men. Six years earlier, Jim had written these words in his journal: "He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain that which he cannot lose." Less than two years later, Jim's widow Elisabeth, her daughter Valerie, and a woman named Rachel—the widow of one of the other martyred missionaries—were able to move to the Auca village. Many became Christians and they are now a friendly tribe.

Jesus said: "Whoever of you does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple" (Matthew 14:33). He also said: "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever saves his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it" (Matthew 16:24-25). We can lose our lives literally, but also figuratively, by letting ourselves be remade from the inside out, and letting go of everything that keeps us from doing God's will. New heart, new thoughts, new desires, new habits. Life in Christ makes the best this world has to offer seem like dust. Whatever we give up in response to the call of Jesus, he will give us infinitely more, and better.

Your fellow grateful disciple of Jesus,

Father Rudolph

### St. Nicholas News & Events



#### Recently discovered volunteering at St. Nicholas:

Amy McDonald ordering donuts and picking up juice and milk for Donut Sunday. James Curren cleaning the air conditioning units.

Our volunteers do a lot to maintain and enhance the life of our parish. – Fr. Rudolph



# CUS Religious Education registration for the 2023-2024 school-year is open!

Registration can be done at www.lnmvre.net/online-registration.

Register quickly to qualify for early bird discount pricing and consider being a catechist or classroom aide to receive an additional deduction.

Early bird discount of \$15 per student - if registered before the end of July!!!

Late fee of \$25 is added - if registered after August 15th!!

If you are interested in helping this coming school year, please contact Mary Rose Rynda with any questions. You do not need to have family in the program to volunteer! Come help pass on the faith to the next generation.

For further information contact Mary Rose Rynda at maryroser@holycrossschool.net



#### **DONUT SUNDAY HOSTS NEEDED**

Hosting Donut Sunday is shared by parish groups, individuals, and families just about every second Sunday of the month after both Sunday Masses. Volunteers help serve coffee, juice, milk, and donuts and clean up afterward. A free will offering is collected and helps to provide the donuts and beverages.

Easy instructions are given and help is always there to guide you. This is a great way to get to know your fellow parishioners and to volunteer and involve the whole family or join with others to serve fellow parishioners. For more information or to sign up to host, call the parish office or visit our parish website:

https://www.stncc.net/host-a-donut-sunday

**Donut Sundays:** 

\_\_\_\_9/10/2023 \_\_\_\_\_ 10/8/2023 \_\_\_\_\_ 11/12/2023

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#### Saint of the Day – Saint Julitta

Julitta was a widow living in Caesarea in Cappadocia (then in the Roman Empire, now a part of Turkey). A man who wanted to take over her extensive estates harassed her so much that she went to a local judge for protection, only to find out that the man then denounced her for being a Christian. Her estates were confiscated. When ordered to sacrifice to Zeus she replied: "May my estates be ruined or given to strangers; may I lose my life, and my body be cut to pieces, rather than that by the last impious word I should offend God who made me. If you take from me a little portion of this earth, I will gain heaven for it." She was burned and her head cut off. This was about the year 303. Saint Basil, writing about the year 327, describes how a spring of fresh water flowed from her burial place and provided water that "preserves health and relieves the sick." Saint Julitta, pray for us! (Excerpted and adapted with permission of the Publisher from Butler's Lives of the Saints, New Full Edition © Paul Burns 2003, Published by Liturgical Press, Collegeville, MN)



With joyful hearts, we welcome our newly baptized.

Cheyenne Aurea, Daughter of Nik and Rachel Friedges



#### FRIDAY, AUG. 11, 6-8:30 PM

Summer gathering at the Nicolai home! Swimming, sand volleyball, pizza & growing in HOLINESS.

Beautiful ladies one piece swimsuits only. Friends are welcome. Contact Angie Nicolai for any questions at Angienshop@msn.com



#### **SATURDAY, AUG. 12, 6-9:00 PM**

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#### St. Nicholas News & Events



### **PATRONESS**

# **Our Lady of Guadalupe**

This was the first Marian apparition to bless our continent, and it very concretely changed the course of history in the Americas! Our Lady of Guadalupe is the official Patroness of the National Eucharistic Revival. Today, we ask her to lead America to a greater love for her Son in the Eucharist.

# **Pray for Revival**

Join us in asking for the special intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe and Blessed Carlo Acutis upon the National Eucharistic Revival movement. Scan the QR code to join the movement!





eucharisticrevival.org/get-involved

# **OUR SPECIAL INTERCESSOR**

# **Blessed Carlo Acutis**

Carlo Acutis was the first millennial to be beatified by the Catholic Church. He lived his whole life consumed with love for the Eucharist until his death at age 15. His earthly legacy is a virtual museum of more than 100 Eucharistic miracles that have been approved by the Church! We ask for his special intercession upon this movement, especially in reaching young hearts.



#### **Area News & Events**

# POPE'S MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION – FOR A EUCHARISTIC

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

# NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS: STAY CONNECTED WITH THE MOVEMENT!

For beautiful reflections and resources on the Eucharist, as well as updates on the Revival, subscribe to receive the "Heart of the Revival" weekly newsletter at eucharistic revival.org.

# DISCOUNTED TICKETS TO NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS NOW AVAILABLE

July 17-24, 2024, Indianapolis, IN

Join your Catholic brothers and sisters at the first National Eucharistic Congress in 83 years! Encounter the living Jesus Christ, experience profound renewal, and be sent out on mission for the life of the world. With tens of thousands of pilgrims expected, the best time to secure your spot at this historic event is now. One more reason to register early: The Archdiocese has a limited number of discounted tickets available! Find out more and begin your registration at archspm.org/eucharisticrevival.



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- 2. Gordon and Nancy Fredrickson
- 3. The Bag Ladies
- 4. Creative Generations
- 5. Gary Salsman
- 6. The Soap Lady
- 7. Cakes by Brenda
- 8. Ashley's Card Creations
- 9. Heather Groenke
- 10. Sawdust and Bobbin
- 11. CoZ Creations from MN
- 12. Kotek, Agnes
- 13. Shortie's Sweets 'n Treats
- 14. Kaz Krafts
- 15. Doodads & Tulle

- 16. Solor Quilters
- 17. Urban Flea Market
- 18. Cub Scouts
- 19. Just Sew Creative
- 20. Lisa by the Lake
- 21. Side by Side Crafters
- 22. Kodada Bee Farm
- 23. Hook & Thread
- 24. Dresow Family Farm
- 25. Linda Meyer and Virginia Malecha
- 26. Small Town Clothing Company
- 27. Donna Holzinger
- 28. The Crafty Corner
- 29. Zealouslyhandmade

## Measure of Our Treasure to the Lord July 23, 2023 - Week 4 in Fiscal Year

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Weekly Giving:	Weekly Needed:	Weekly Over/(Under):				
\$4,315	\$6,365	(\$2,050)				
YTD Giving:	YTD Needed:	YTD Over/(Under):				
\$23,657	\$25,462	(\$1,805)				



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We appreciate your financial support. Every gift you make advances our mission of making Jesus Christ known and loved and enables us to continue our parish operations.

Here's how you can to help:

- Text GIVE to 1-952-209-7799.
- Give Online: <a href="https://www.stncc.net/give-now">https://www.stncc.net/give-now</a>
- Mail in your weekly contribution:
  - St. Nicholas Catholic Church, 51 Church St.



We cannot be without the banquet of the Eucharist, the table of the Lord to which we are invited to receive the Risen Christ himself, present in body, blood, soul and divinity in that Bread of heaven which sustains us in this earthly pilgrimage.

- Cardinal Sarah



# CAPITAL CAMPAIGN CORNER

As of 7/26/2023, the total pledged is \$971,151 less \$24,513 pledges withdrawn for a net of \$946,638 in pledges. The total payments received is \$841,878. **THANK YOU** to all who have made a commitment! **Pledges/donations can still be made and we welcome adoption of pledges that have been withdrawn.** Please consider supporting this campaign to enhance the life of our parish. Pledge cards are in the back of church or you can pledge online at stncc.net.

To see all updates for the Faith in Our Future Campaign, please visit: <a href="https://www.stncc.net/capital-campaign-corner">https://www.stncc.net/capital-campaign-corner</a>.



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