

AUGUST 20, 2023

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PSALM 67

Welcome to St. Nicholas Catholic Church!

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Sun	Aug 20	8:00am Mass: For the Parish 10:00am Mass (live streamed): Bill Vogel†
Mon	Aug 21	Mass is not scheduled on this day.
Tue	Aug 22	7:35am Rosary and confessions 8:00am Mass: Francis Fritz Tupy† 8:35am Fatime Rosary Group - all are welcome!
Wed	Aug 23	7:35am Rosary and confessions 8:00am Mass: Leon Zweber† 4:45pm Confessions
Thu	Aug 24	7:35am Rosary and confessions 8:00am Mass: Francis Fritz Tupy†
Fri	Aug 25	7:35am Rosary and confessions 8:00am Mass: Roman and Dolores Deutsch††
Sat	Aug 26	7:35am Rosary 8:00am Mass: Stuart and Joyce Russell†† 8:35am Confessions 3:30 - 4:40pm Confessions 5:00pm Mass: Lillian Thomas†
Sun	Aug 27	8:00am Mass: For the Parish 10:00am Mass (live streamed): Joan Malecha†



THANK YOU SHOUT OUT

Recently discovered volunteering at St. Nicholas:

Jerry Bedeaux repairing a variety of items in the rectory. Ron Chlan helping to relocate live streaming cameras.

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

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

Adorers are especially needed on the following hour effective September 5, 2023.

Tuesdays at 5pm

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

Weekly Readings

Readings for the week of August 20, 2023

Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28
Monday: Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44/Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 20:1-16
Thursday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51
Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Mt 22:34-40
Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Mt 23:1-12
Next Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 (8bc)/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

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

Big things from small groups...

Note from Father Rudolph: The following is adopted from the homily I gave last Sunday—in case you weren't there to hear it.

Saint Peter stepping out on the Sea of Galilee in imitation of Jesus Christ is an event that is acted out very movingly on the TV show "The Chosen." It's in Season 3, Episode 8. I recommend watching it if you get a chance. Appropriately, the theme song for "The Chosen" is "Walk on the Water." Why appropriately? Because Jesus Christ has chosen each one of us to do with him what we can't possibly do on our own.

For many of us, walking on water might seem only a little more difficult than something the leaders of our Church have been telling us to do for a long time. What's that? Evangelize! I think many of us might rather try stepping out onto the surface of a lake than try to talk about Jesus with another human being.

In telling us to evangelize, the popes and bishops have simply been passing on to us what Jesus told his apostles just before he ascended into heaven: **"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and behold, I am with you always, to the close of the age."**

Evangelization is something the Shepherd of our local Church, Archbishop Bernard Hebda, has in mind when he is asking every parish to be involved with the Archdiocesan Synod Process. Now I know that word "synod" might turn some of you off. I get that. You may have heard some things about other synods that alarm you. But rest your hearts—the Synod here in the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis has no connection with those other synods.

Here we are in a five-year Synod implantation process. Year 1, which started on July 1st, is devoted to small groups. Year 2 will be devoted to the Mass. Year 3 will be devoted to parents as primary educators. We don't know what Year 4 and 5 will be devoted to. I think the Archbishop may be waiting to hear from the Holy Spirit on that one.

I'm excited to let you know something about what you can expect in this year devoted to small groups. Here at St. Nick's we have an eight member synod evangelization team. They are Angie Nicolai, Chris McAllister, Lynda and Mike Cole, Marlin Hennen, Rochelle Ibarra, Shawn Overgaard, and Steve Addabbo. Last winter they and I went through a School of Discipleship, and in the Spring met for a Parish Small Group Visioning Day and an Activated Discipleship Seminar. Three of the members of the evangelization team coordinate its work as an executive cell (small group) team. They are Angie, Chris, and Mike. Rochelle is helping them out as their secretary.

The members of the synod evangelization team are preparing something that a lot more parishioners will get to be involved in. It's a seven-week small group leader formation series this fall. Many of you will be getting invitations to it. "Seven weeks!" Please, don't freak out! I was in seminary *six years*. And I know that some of you have been blessed to go through the Catechetical Institute, which has a *two-year* program. Seven weeks is not that long.

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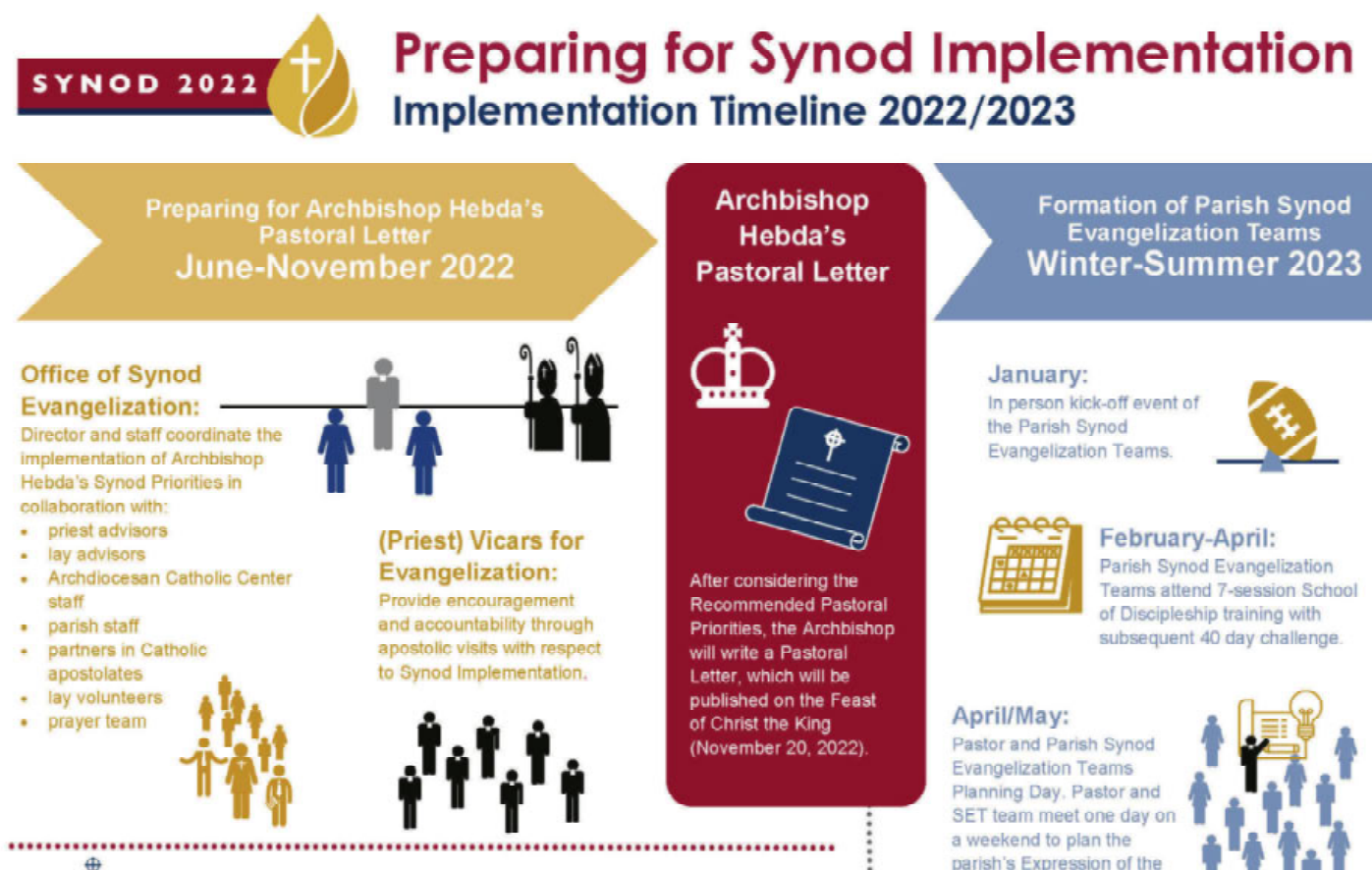
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Going to this training won't commit you to anything. But it will give you some perks. If you are already involved in leading a small group of some kind, the training can equip you to be an even better leader. If you think God might be calling you to lead a small group, but aren't sure, the training can help you discern that. If you think the parish needs a kind of small group that it doesn't already have, the training might help you be able to get it going. At the very least, the training could teach you some helpful interpersonal skills. If you don't get invited to the training, feel free to volunteer for it. Step out in faith! Any new small groups are supposed to be launched by Ash Wednesday of next year.

Saint Peter was able to walk on water when Jesus called him. Whatever God is calling us to do—as individuals and as a parish—we will be able to do. Let's not worry about getting wet.

Saint of the Day - Saint Maria de Mattias

Maria was born in Vallecorsa, Italy in 1805, the oldest of four children. Her father was an attorney. In 1834, she was asked by a bishop to take charge of a school in his diocese. She decided to not only teach, but to start a religious house. She welcomed her first recruit, Anna Farrotti, the next year, and they committed themselves to the establishment of a religious congregation, known as the Sisters Adorers of the Precious Blood. Maria had the gift of straightforward and convincing speech. She used this to good effect in teaching religion and in the girls' and women's societies she organized. She also led spiritual exercises for mothers of families. Other foundations followed, and the work for adult women and girls expanded. Maria died at the age of 61 on August 20, 1866, in Rome. During her lifetime, the Congregation established over 70 communities throughout Europe, and eventually expanded into other continents. Saint Maria de Mattias, 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)



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CAPITAL CAMPAIGN CORNER

As of 8/16/2023, the total pledged is \$971,676 less \$23,753 pledges withdrawn for a net of \$947,923 in pledges. The total payments received is \$849,971. **THANK YOU** to all who have made a commitment! **Pledges/donations can still be made.** 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](https://www.stncc.net).

PROJECT UPDATES

The tuck pointing has resumed. Although much progress will be made in the tuck pointing, we have only addressed the more urgent areas on the church and the JPII building in this capital campaign. The remaining tuckpointing is not so urgent and can be done in the next 5 - 10 years. 6,600 sq. ft. remains to be tuck pointed on the church at an estimated cost of \$226,000. We are awaiting an estimate for the remaining tuck pointing to be completed on the JPII building.

Also, this fall we plan to have the cheek walls (stone walls on the sides of the steps) rebuilt on the west entrance, the west steps overlayed with new concrete, and a new patio and sidewalks poured on the west side of the church.

More concrete work is planned for spring after we address the water issues in church. The remaining concrete work and water remediation work is not included in this capital campaign.

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

ADOPT-A-PLEDGE

Thanks to many wonderful donors, the *Faith in Our Future* Capital Campaign has been a great success. To date, more than \$946,000 has been raised to install an elevator lift in our church and address maintenance issues and facility improvements throughout our campus.

As you may recall, pledges made to the campaign are collected over a three-year pledge period. During these three years, situations arise such as donors moving out of town or facing financial challenges or deaths. So far we have been notified of \$23,000 of pledges that will be unfulfilled. ***We kindly ask that members of our parish family prayerfully consider adopting these pledges.***

If you are interested in adopting these pledges, please contact Karen Johnson at the parish office or send payment making note of the pledge adoption.



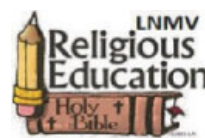
Have you been thinking about becoming Catholic?

Do you know someone who is interested in becoming Catholic? Or is there someone you could invite to consider it? It's as simple as asking if they would like to learn more about the Catholic Church and take classes.

The information night for the RCIA program (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is scheduled for Thursday, September 21, 7pm, at Holy Cross Catholic School.

RCIA is for all who desire to become Catholic or to learn about what the Catholic Church teaches, as well as for those who grew up Catholic but did not receive all their sacraments (Baptism, Confirmation, Penance, and Eucharist).

For more information, please contact Mary Rose Rynda at lnmvre@holycrossschool.net



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

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

Consider being a catechist or classroom aide to receive an additional deduction.

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

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"AVE VERUM CORPUS" - RETURNING, FALL OF 2023!

Our popular "Ave Verum Corpus" events return this Fall, following a summer break. "Ave Verum Corpus" (Latin for "Hail, True Body") is a two-part Eucharist event held in the main worship space of our beautiful Church. Part one combines Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration with Classical Sacred Music presented by the St. Nicholas Choir. Part two is a Vespers service (Evening Prayer, from Liturgy of the Hours) which concludes with Benediction. Many who have attended past events describe the experience as deeply spiritual, unique, and a powerful way to enter into His Real Presence. What a great way to celebrate this year of Eucharistic Revival!

Our Fall events will be held on **Friday Evenings at 7pm (Sept. 15, Oct. 13, and Nov. 10)**. We are very pleased and excited to announce that **Archbishop Hebda** will preside at our **Nov. 10** event! More details to come. Mark your calendars. Tell your friends and family.

If you are interested in becoming involved in our music ministry for "Ave Verum Corpus" please contact Ryan Flicek, our Director of Music Ministry or the Parish Office.



BOOK CLUB INVITE

A welcome to any and all women who enjoy reading! Our group reads a variety of Christian and Catholic books while enjoying comfortable and thought-provoking conversation that engages and challenges our growth in Faith. We meet the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7pm. The first meeting will be on September 19. For more information, please contact Sue Roufs at roufssue@gmail.com.

Area News & Events

POPE'S MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION – FOR WORLD YOUTH DAY

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives

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 eucharisticrevival.org.

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JOURNEY THROUGH THE CATECHISM AS A STORY FROM BLESSING TO BLESSING

Applications are now being accepted for the Class of St. Thérèse of Lisieux in the Catechetical Institute's popular two-year Pillars Program beginning this fall!



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Our Parish School News



PRAYERS
for the
NEW SCHOOL YEAR
Sunday
August 27
4:00 p.m.

PRAYERS FOR THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Each year the Mom's In Prayer group from the New Prague school district organizes a day of prayer at each of the schools in the district. This includes Holy Cross Catholic School. All are welcome to join us to pray the rosary and offer up intentions for the new school year. If your child attends a different school in the New Prague school district, you are welcome to join the prayer at that school which will be the same day and time. Please bring a lawn chair.

Measure of Our Treasure to the Lord
August 13, 2023 - Week 7 in Fiscal Year

Weekly Giving: \$5,112	Weekly Needed: \$6,365	Weekly Over/(Under): (\$1,253)
YTD Giving: \$39,185	YTD Needed: \$44,558	YTD Over/(Under): (\$5,373)

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NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him."
- Jesus | John 6:56



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1:00 PM
The St. Nicholas Golden Hearts will be meeting at Lone Oak Winery on Saturday, September 9th, at 1:00 PM for wine-tasting and a picnic (indoors if the weather is inclement).
The winery is located at 22598 Inga, Hastings. Please bring a dish to share and whatever beverage you would like. RSVP to Joyce Hanke (952-461-1963), or Mary Hilpisch (952-894-9272). All parishioners 55+ are welcome to join us!

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