

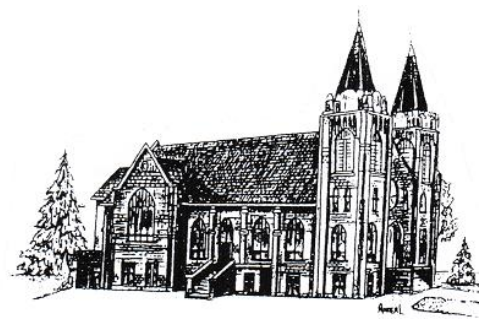
CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS

15862 Co Rd 165, Watkins, MN 55389

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Feast of St. Cloud

September 7, 2014



PARISH STAFF		PARISH ORGANIZATION LEADERS	
Fr. Thomas Olson	398-2229	Christian Women, Anita Neu	685-3287
Brenda Kraemer, Secretary	764-7345	Men’s Society, Lee Bautch	597-3255
Sandy Stang, Parish Nurse	764-2030	Catholic United, Barb Walz	685-7376
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Mat & Barb Walz, Rel. Ed Coordinators	685-7376	Parish Council, Don Kuechle	453-3120
Cell phone	320-217-4531	Parish Council, Sue Stommes	597-3454
*Bulletin Deadline is Thursday at 9am *Email: stnicholas@meltel.net *Website: www.churchofsaintnicholas.com *Usual Office Hours of Secretary are Monday and Thursday from 9:00 to 11:30am.		Parish Council, John Schutz	764-6171
		Parish Council, Vicki Landwehr	764-6603
		Parish Council, Robert Kraemer	685-3715
		Parish Council, Marion Frank	764-9111
		Trustee, Mike Kuechle	685-3225
		Trustee, Mary Caskey	597-2854

MASS SCHEDULE

Sept 6	Saturday	{SN} 7:30 pm	Feast of St. Cloud	+Alfred Theis
Sept 7	Sunday	{SN} 8:00 am	Feast of St. Cloud	People of the Parishes
Sept 8	Monday	{SA} 8:00 am	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
Sept 9	Tuesday	{SN} 8:00 am	St. Peter Claver	+L & D Ludwig Family
Sept 10	Wednesday	{SA} 8:30 am	Weekday	
		{SN} 7:00 pm	Weekday	Rel. Ed. Students, parents, teachers
Sept 11	Thursday	{SN} 8:00 am	Weekday	+Ed Weismann
Sept 12	Friday	NO MASS	Weekday	
Sept 13	Saturday	{SN} 7:30 pm	Exaltation of the Holy Cross	+Andrew Stang
Sept 14	Sunday	{SN} 8:00 am	Exaltation of the Holy Cross	+Marcellus & Randy Hansen

Weekend Masses at St. Anne’s in Kimball are Saturday at 5:00 pm and Sunday at 10:00 am.

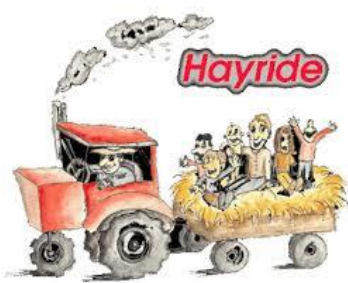
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday at 7:00 pm at St. Nicholas.
Weddings: Engaged couples should see the pastor at least 6 months before the planned wedding date.
Anointing of the Sick: Call the parish office for homebound or hospitalized.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

	Eucharistic Ministers	Servers	Ushers	Lector
Wed. Sept 10 at 7 pm	TBD	Luke Ludwig Breanna Stang	*Gift Bearers: Leah Krueger, Jonathan Gathje, Gavin Pendergast	Lauren Johannes
	Petition Readers: Andrew Bautch, Kathy Kraemer & Olivia Metzger			
Sept 13 at 7:30 pm	Art Faber Barb Walz Rick Utecht	Nathan Utecht Derek Utecht	Robert Wehseler Elmer Vossen	Cassey Lahr
Sept 14 at 8:00 am	Marion Frank Elmer Frank Judy Schutz	Brook Stang Breanna Stang	Sy Schreiner Steve Stang	Dave Stang

Parish Council Meeting: The next Parish Council Meeting will be on **Monday, September 8th at 7:30 pm** at Church.

Quarterly Meetings: The next Quarterly Meetings for Catholic United Financial, Christian Women & the Men’s Society will be on **Sunday, September 7th** starting at 7:30 pm. Lunch will be served.




Fall Hayride: On Sunday, Sept. 14th the Parish Life Committee is sponsoring another hayride immediately following the 8:00 am mass. This year we will tour the northwest side of St. Nicholas. After the hayride, lunch will be served in the church basement. The hayride usually lasts about 1 ½ hours. We stop at one place enroute for a bathroom break. We will come back to St. Nicholas around 11:00 for lunch. Please consider spending the morning with fellow parishioners. It is a great time and a history lesson. If you can come and stay for lunch, all we ask is if you can bring along a dish to share. We will have hotdogs/buns and beverages. Bring along a **travel COFFEE MUG** that you can fill up with coffee to take along on the hayride. See you there!

Stewardship of Treasure Aug 24, 2014

Adult	\$XXX	(33 of 199 envelopes)
Youth	XXX	
Loose	XXX	
TOTAL	\$XXXXX	
Votive Stand	\$XXX	
Energy Needs	\$XXX	(3 gifts)

Stewardship Thought:

As we give, let us remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, “It is more blessed to give than to receive.” (Acts 20:35)



The Feast of St. Cloud: The Life of St. Cloud: Upon the death of Clovis, King of the Franks, in the year 511 his kingdom was divided between his 4 sons, of whom the second was Clodomir. Thirteen years later he was killed fighting against his cousin, Gondomar, leaving 3 sons to share his dominions. The youngest of these sons of Clodomir was St. Clodoald, a name more familiar to English people under its French form of Cloud from the town of St. Cloud near Versaille in France. Clodoald (translated as Cloud) was raised in Paris, France by his grandmother, St. Clotilde. He was one of three brothers, all of whom were targeted for assassination by their uncle, Cloraire I. Clodoald’s brothers, Theodoald and Gunther, were killed by Clotaire when they were ten and nine respectively, but Clodoald survived by escaping to Provence. Clodoald renounced all claims to the throne, and lived as a studious hermit and disciple of St. Severinus of Noricum. Visited by many for counsel and healing, Clodoald in effect gained nothing by keeping himself remote from society. He therefore returned to Paris, France, where he was received with joy. At the people’s request, he was ordained a priest by Bishop Eusebius of Paris in 551 and served the church for some time. Clodoald established an abbey at a hamlet named Novigentum, on the Seine near Versaille, France, that is now a church of canons regularly called St. Cloud wherein his relics are kept. St. Cloud ended his days at Nogent about the year 560 when he was some 36 years old. The hamlet hosting his tomb was renamed St. Cloud accordingly. St. Cloud’s feast day is September 7th.

Religious Education News: *The first student class* will start with a Mass on **September 10th at 7:00 pm. This Mass will be for BOTH students and PARENTS! After Mass, students will find their room in the Parish House will class will be held regularly. Registrations forms and schedules have been mailed out to each family. They will also be available in the back of church. Please register as soon as possible by either sending it back to Mat or dropping it off in the collection basket during Church. If you have any questions, please contact Mat Walz at 685-7376 or 217-4531.**

Special Collection: We have received a letter from Bishop Kettler requesting us to have a special collection. To show our solidarity with our brothers and sisters who are suffering as a result of the persecution of many Christians in the Middle East, Bishop Kettler is asking every parish of the Diocese of St. Cloud to take up a special collection during the weekend of September 13 & 14. The proceeds from this collection will be sent to Catholic Relief Services to meet the urgent humanitarian needs facing the people of Iraq, Gaza, Syria and surrounding countries where refugees have fled. Here at St. Nicholas, we will just use all the loose collection from that weekend to send to the Diocese. Please be generous in your efforts!

Speaker Matthew Kelly: Living Every Day with Passion & Purpose: Are you thriving or just surviving? Are you ready for more energy? A deeper sense of purpose? More joy? A clearer understanding of God’s plan for your life? Join us for one of our Passion & Purpose Live events. It’s not your typical church event! It has been a life-changing event for tens of thousands of people. Living Every Day with Passion & Purpose Live is presented by internationally acclaimed speaker and author Matthew Kelly and the incredibly talented musician Eliot Morris. Matthew Kelly has dedicated his life to helping people and organizations become the-best-version-of-themselves®. He is an internationally acclaimed speaker, bestselling author, and business consultant. His books have been published in twenty-five languages, have appeared on the *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, and *USA Today* bestseller lists, and have sold in excess of seven million copies. Matthew Kelly will be at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church in Sartell on Saturday, November 8th from 9 am to 1:30 pm. Most of his dates are already sold out, but there are still tickets left for this date! To purchase tickets, visit www.DynamicCatholic.com. Tickets are \$39.00 and will be well worth the ticket price!

Community Events:

- September 12-14th: Koinonia Retreat. Koinonia is a community experience in Christian living designed especially for adults 20 and older. For more information, contact LeRoy & Mary Lou Raden at 320-293-2080 or centralmnkoinonia.org.
- Thursday, Sept 18th: St. John’s School of Theology & Seminary Benefit Dinner from 6 – 7 pm held in the Founder’s Room # 170 on the St. John’s University campus. Space is limited & registration is required. Call 363-3570.
- September 20th: St. Cloud Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Annual Fall Conference at St. Marcus Church, Clear Lake, MN. For more information contact Julie Moorhead-Miller at 320-243-3891.
- Sunday, September 21st: Annual Fall Festival at St. Anne’s in Kimball. Polka Mass at 9 am. Fritter Bread French Toast Breakfast from 9 am to noon. Hamburger & Beer stand starting at 10 am. Quilt Raffle Drawing at 3 pm. Activities all day.
- Saturday, Sept. 27th: Diocesan Barn Dance held at the Frank & Peggy Inholte Ranch, 8158 Co Rd 138, St. Cloud (not too far from Fleet Farm). Mass with Bishop Kettler at 5 pm, followed by a meal & 4 live music groups. There will be a free will donation at door.
- October 11th: Catholic Women’s 2014 Conference at Holy Angels Performing Arts Center in St. Cloud. For more information, you may contact the Office of Marriage & Family at 252-4721.

Readings for the Week:

Monday, Sept 8 th : Mi 5:1-4a / Mt 1:1-16, 18-23	Tuesday, Sept 9 th : 1 Cor 6:1-11 / Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday, Sept. 10 th : 1 Cor 7:25-31 / Lk 6:20-26	Thursday, Sept 11 th : 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13 / Lk 6:27-38
Friday, Sept 12 th : 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27 / Lk 6:39-42	

Fall Festival Held at St. Anne’s in Kimball on Sunday, Sept 21st

Mass will be at 9 am. Music will be provided by Stan’s Country Dutchmen.

Breakfast of Fritter Bread French Toast, Knaus’ Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Fresh Fruit, coffee and milk will be served from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. Enjoy the Hamburger Stand, Live music by Charlie Roth, Silent Auction, Horse Drawn Wagon rides, Farmer’s Market, Bingo, Cake walk, Pinko, Kid’s Games, Inflatables, Take a chance to win Beats Headphones, and much, much more! Raffle Drawing will be at 3:00 p.m. Grand Prize is a 2014 Cub Cadett LTX 1052 Lawn Tractor donated by Arnold’s of Kimball and Kuechle Underground. Also Handmade quilts by Barb Hoffmann.