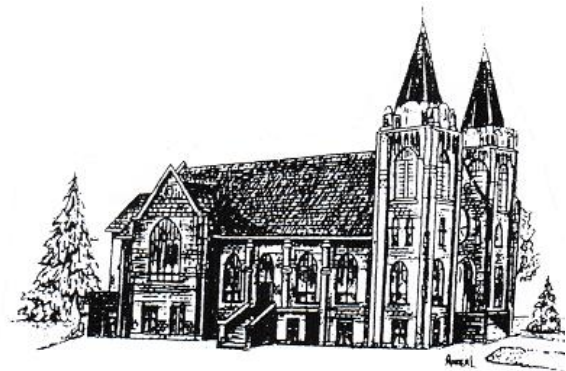


CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS

15862 Co Rd 165, Watkins, MN 55389

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 5, 2015



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MASS SCHEDULE

July 4	Saturday	{SN} 7:30 pm	14 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	+ W & MA Frank Family
July 5	Sunday	{SN} 8:00 am	14 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	+Msgn. Daniel Taufen
July 6	Monday	{SA} 8:00 am	Weekday	
July 7	Tuesday	{SN} 8:00 am	Weekday	+Jerome Schwartz
		{SN} 5 – 8 pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament SN	
July 8	Wednesday	{SA} NO MASS	Weekday	
July 9	Thursday	{SN} NO MASS	Weekday	
July 10	Friday	NO MASS	Weekday	
July 11	Saturday	{SN} 7:30 pm	15 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	+Irene Warner
July 12	Sunday	{SN} 8:00 am	15 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	+Ron Stommes

****Fr. Tom will be on vacation from Wednesday, July 8th to Friday, July 17th. Please welcome Fr. Eb Schefers!**
Please watch the Mass schedule for changes during Fr. Tom’s absence

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 visits.
Our website has important information, including the weekly bulletin! www.churchofsaintnicholas.com

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

	Eucharistic Ministers	Servers	Ushers	Lector
July 11 at 7:30 pm	Anita Neu Elmer Neu Art Faber	Mitchell Utecht Katelyn Utecht	Robert Wehseler Ron Steil	Anita Neu
July 12 at 8:00 am	Gene Schutz Judy Schutz Annette Stang	Olivia Metzger Breanna Stang	Peter Stang-Walz Orville Cremers	Dave Stang

Ice Cream Social

After Mass on both Saturday, July 11th and Sunday, July 12th
Sponsored by Catholic United Financial and the Parish Life Committee




Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Adoration will be held at St. Nicholas on Tuesday, July 7th from 5 to 8 pm.
Won’t you come and spend an hour with the Lord?

Stewardship of Treasure June 28, 2015

Adult	\$XXX	(33 of 164 envelopes)
Youth	XXX	(0 of 45 envelopes)
Loose	XXX	
TOTAL	\$XXXXX	
Votive Stand	\$XXX	
Peter's Pence	\$XXX	(1 gift)

Stewardship Thought:

Lord, you remind us to look after orphans and widows in their distress. Thank you for giving us this opportunity to honor you in this command. Guide us and give us discernment so that we may help those in need.



Gospel Connection: For most us, their story begins and ends on a windy sand dune at Kitty Hawk: two bicycle-makers from Ohio put a motor on a glider and invent the airplane. And the rest is history. But in his new book, Pulitzer Prize-winning author David McCullough tells the fascinating story of brothers Wilbur and Orville Wright - and what happened before and after their one-minute flight on that North Carolina beach on December 17, 1903. The two brothers did not just invent a machine, McCullough writes: they invented the art and craft of aviation itself. Their studies of wind currents, the countless hours they spent observing birds riding those winds without flapping their wings, their detailed drawings of the shape and structure of their wings, convinced them that human beings could fly in a heavier-than-air machine. And once the brothers built a "flyer" that could fly on its own power, they learned **how** to fly: how to ride with the wind and control the wings' angles in order to stay in the air, how to maneuver the craft in whatever direction they wanted to go. The Wrights discovered the science of aerodynamics. What most impressed McCullough about The Wright Brothers was their exceptional courage and dedication, their limitless curiosity, and their infinite patience. No problem seemed insurmountable. That they had no more than a high school education, little money, and no contacts in high places ever stopped them in their "mission" to take to the air - not even the reality that every time they took off in one of their machines, they risked being killed. They carried on despite the perception that they were bonkers. But they were anything but eccentric. They were smart, careful, cultured men, devoted to the goal of human flight. They relied on their imaginations, inexpensive materials, bicycle-related ideas about balance and steering, and the modest sums they earned building bicycles at their Dayton, Ohio, shop. They read everything they could about flight and wrote to anyone who might reply. They conducted painstakingly detailed experiments in a homemade wind tunnel, regrouped after many wrong turns and wrecked models, and endured several long stints roughing it on the desolate, cold, buggy North Carolina seashore. The two brothers built several versions of their "flyer" until they finally got it right that December day at Kitty Hawk. The Wright Brothers weren't into flight in order to become famous or rich - they despised the limelight and avoided it whenever possible. They were in it to do it right. And to that end, they devoted every dollar they had as well as their lives. David McCullough writes, "They had this passion, this mission; there were obsessed to succeed."

The story of the Wright Brothers is not just that of two homespun geniuses but of two brothers dedicated to seeking wisdom and understanding regarding the possibility of flight. They are nothing less than prophets: the Wrights possessed the single-minded determination to make the unimaginable possible and understood that the realization of that vision would not come without cost or sacrifice. Just as Wilbur and Orville Wright carried on with singular determination despite the ridicule and risk, Jesus' teachings on mercy and justice calling the people of his hometown beyond their own safe, insulated world, are rejected with scorn and skepticism. Jesus calls us - dares us - to change our perspective, our belief systems, and ourselves to "give flight" to God's kingdom of peace and compassion for all his sons and daughters.

Reminder: Parish Council Meeting: The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 7th at 7:30 pm.

Mass Intentions: An individual may ask a priest to offer a Mass for several reasons: for example, in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday), or, as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. One must never forget the infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefit one's soul. If you would like to schedule a Mass intention, please drop it in the collection in an envelope marked "Mass Intention", or contact Brenda at the parish office. Mass intentions are \$10.

The Bulletin is Online! Just as a reminder, our bulletin is on the Church Website. If you haven't already, bookmark our website and check the bulletin for information if you happen to miss picking one up! Our website is www.churchofsaintnicholas.com.

St. Nick Baseball: The St. Nick Amateur team's next game will be played on Sunday, July 12th in St. Nick against Kimball at 2 pm.

Readings for the Week: Monday, July 6th: Gn 28:10-22a / Mt 9:18-26
Tuesday, July 7th: Gn 32:23-33 / Mt 9:32-38 Wednesday, July 8th: Gn 41:55-57, 42:5-7a, 17-24a / Mt 10:1-7
Thursday, July 9th: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5 / Mt 10:7-15 Friday, July 10th: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30 / Mt 10: 16-23