

CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS

15862 Co Rd 165, Watkins, MN 55389

Pentecost Sunday

June 9, 2019



PARISH STAFF		PARISH ORGANIZATION LEADERS	
Fr. James Statz	398-2229	Christian Women, Anita Neu	685-3287
Brenda Kraemer, Secretary (Office)	764-7345	Men's Society, David Stang	469-4735
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		Parish Council, Sue Stommes	597-3454
		Parish Council, Elmer Frank	764-9111
		Parish Council, Kelly Bautch	597-3255
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*Bulletin Deadline is Thursday at 9am
 *Email: stnicholas@meltel.net
 *Website: www.churchofsaintnicholas.com
 *Usual Office Hours of Secretary are Monday and Thursday mornings.

MASS SCHEDULE

June 8	Saturday	{SN} 7:30 pm	Pentecost	+Eugene Schutz
June 9	Sunday	{SN} 8:00 am	Pentecost	People of the Parish
June 10	Monday	{SA} 8:00 am	Weekday	
June 11	Tuesday	{SN} 8:00 am	St. Barnabas	+Eugene Schutz
June 12	Wednesday	{SA} 8:00 am	Weekday	
June 13	Thursday	{SN} NO MASS	St. Anthony	+Edith Stang
June 14	Friday	NO MASS	Weekday	
June 15	Saturday	{SN} 7:30 pm	The Most Holy Trinity	MCCL – Pro Life
June 16	Sunday	{SN} 8:00 am	The Most Holy Trinity	+Erma Bautch

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

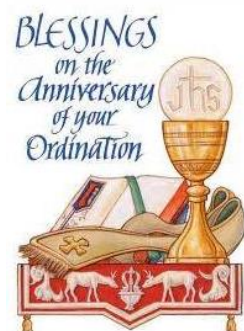
	Eucharistic Ministers	Servers	Ushers	Lector
June 8 at 7:30 pm	Anita Neu	Derek Utecht Volunteer	Laverne Ludwig Art Faber	Elmer Neu
June 9 at 8:00 am	Marion Frank Elmer Frank Greg Utecht	Caden Neiman Landon Neiman	Ron Stang Don Dufner	Shirley Lutgen



Donut Sunday: The Christian Women will host a Donut Sunday on Sunday, June 9th after the 8:00 am Mass. Everyone is welcome to stay after Mass for some coffee and donuts!!

Area Catholic Communities: The ACC Council members met for the first time on May 22nd. The purpose of this initial meeting was to gather information relating to each of the five parishes. All 5 parishes were represented at this meeting. Dave Stang volunteered to facilitate this group. The information shared was used to develop a Seven Elements Grid and a Staffing Chart. The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, August 13th at St. Wendelin's in Mary Hall. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Dave Stang or Mary Caskey.

Congratulations to Fr. Statz! Last week was Fr. Statz's 35th Anniversary of Ordination!



Stewardship of Treasure May 26, 2019

Adult	\$XXX	(27 of 161 envelopes)
Youth	XXX	(2 of 45 envelopes)
Loose	XXX	
TOTAL	\$XXXXX	



Votive Stand	\$XXX
Energy Needs	\$XXX (1 gift)
Easter	\$XXX (1 gift)
Holy Land	\$XXX (1 gift)

Gospel Connection: A few years ago, the great Jazz trumpeter Wynton Marsalis was performing at a New York City jazz club. He was playing a solo of Victor Young's romantic ballad "I Don't Stand a Ghost of a Chance with You." The audience was mesmerized as Marsalis captured the sadness and melancholy of the piece. But the silence was suddenly shattered when, at the most dramatic point in Marsalis' performance, someone's cell phone went off, blaring a sing-song melody of electronic bleeps. Some people sighed, a few giggled; the audience returned their drinks. The magic of this extraordinary moment was gone.

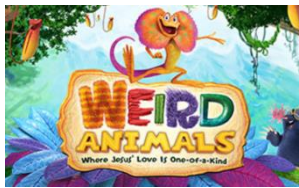
Or so it seemed. The cell-phone offender beat a hasty exit out of the room; the audience's chatter grew louder. Alone at the microphone, Marsalis paused for a moment, motionless, his eyebrows arched. Marsalis then began to play the silly cell-phone melody note for note. He repeated the four notes and began improvising variations on the tune. The audience's chatter quieted down, sensing that something wonderful was happening. They slowly came back. In a few minutes, Marsalis resolved the improvisation through a couple of key changes and settled to a tempo ballad, ending with the final notes of "I Don't Stand a Chance with You." The ovation was tremendous. Wynton Marsalis had recaptured the magic. [From "Wynton's Blues" by David Hajdu, *The Atlantic*, March 2003.]

All great musicians like Wynton Marsalis are uniquely tuned into music as a continuum, hearing melody where the rest of us hear noise, imagining connections between every tune and air to the great symphony of all music. From that first Pentecost to our own day, the Spirit "plays" in every expression of compassion and act of justice, enabling us to add our own instruments to humankind's communion song with God, with the world, with one another.

Bishop's Annual Appeal: Thank you to everyone who has donated to the Appeal. As of April 26, 5,754 parishioners have donated \$849,080 in gifts and pledges. That is 65% of the Diocese's goal of \$1,300,000. Every dollar raised goes directly to diocesan ministries like respect for life and the diaconate, and is not used for any other purpose. Please consider a donation if you have not already!

Peter's Pence Collection: We will take up the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Please be generous. You can use the envelope in your pack.

DCCW: The Diocesan Council of Catholic Women is sponsoring a Fun, Food and Fund Day, Tuesday, June 25th from 9:00am -2:15 pm at St. Augustine Catholic Church, 442 2nd St. SE, St. Cloud, sponsored by the Foley/Princeton Deanery. Registration (\$15.00) is due by June 17th to Janis Fagin, 14585 31st.St. Clear Lake, MN 55319 . All are welcome!



ST. ANNE'S VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL : The theme this year is "Weird Animals." VBS will run July 15-18, from 9 to 11:30 a.m. This is a free program for youth in grades preschool - 6th grade. Participants will rotate between the following activity stations with their crew leaders: One-of-a-Kind Bible Adventures, Sing & Play Stampede, KidVid Cinema, Imagination Station, Wild Crafts, Untamed Games, Critter Cafe, and The Tail End. **Registration is due by July 1, and forms can be found on the table in the back of Church.**

St. Nick Baseball: The Nicks will play be in St. Nicholas against Kimball at 2 pm at the St. Nick Ball Fields. The next game will be Sunday, June 16th in Cold Spring at 2 pm.

Readings for the Week: Monday, June 10th: 2 Cor 1:1-7 / Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday, June 11th: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3 / Mt 5:13-16

Thursday, June 13th: 2 Cor 3:15 - 4:1, 3-6 / Mt 5:20-26

Wednesday, June 12th: 2 Cor 3:4-11 / Mt 5:17-19

Friday, June 14th: 2 Cor 4:7-15 / Mt 5:27-32

Community Events:

- Sunday, June 9th: St. Nicholas Donut Sunday after the 8:00 am Mass
- Sunday, June 9th: St. James Parish in Jacobs Prairie Parish Bazaar. Breakfast from 8 to 12:30 pm. Outdoor Mass at 9:00 am weather permitting. Most stands open at 10:00 am. Cake walk, Country store, Classic Car Display, beer garden, brats/hamburgers/hot dog, kid's inflatables, Bingo, live music, silent auction, quilt auction and cash raffle!!

Congratulations to our High School Graduates!

❖ *Kiarra Ahrens*
❖ *Alex Foehrenbacher*
❖ *Gregory Gathje*
❖ *Lauren Johannes*

❖ *Kendra Kraemer*
❖ *Damian Lincoln*
❖ *Mitchell Utecht*
❖ *Rachel Utecht*

