

CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS

15862 Co Rd 165, Watkins, MN 55389

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 3, 2019



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MASS SCHEDULE

Nov 2	Saturday	{SN} 7:30 pm	31 st Sunday in Ordinary Time	+Stanley Jungels
Nov 3	Sunday	{SN} 10:00 am	31 st Sunday in Ordinary Time	+Rita Ludwig
Nov 4	Monday	{SA} 8:00 am	St. Charles Borromeo	
Nov 5	Tuesday	{SN} 8:00 am {SN} 5 – 8 pm	Weekday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	+Edith Stang
Nov 6	Wednesday	{SA} 8:30 am {SA} 9:00 am – 4 pm	Weekday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
Nov 7	Thursday	{SN} 8:00 am	Weekday	Special Intention for E.H.
Nov 8	Friday	NO MASS	Weekday	
Nov 9	Saturday	{SN} 7:30 pm	32 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	People of the Parish
Nov 10	Sunday	{SN} 10:00 am	32 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	+Tony Vossen

**Father Statz will not be here for Mass on Saturday, November 2nd. Please welcome Fr. Larn Vernig.

****November 3rd Sunday Mass Times will switch to 10:00 am and St. Anne's will have the 8:00 am Mass****

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
Nov 9 at 7:30 pm	Rick Utecht	Dylan Utecht Volunteer	Tom Landwehr Laverne Ludwig	Lucy Schreiner
Nov 10 at 10:00 am	Kelly Bautch Marion Frank Elmer Frank	Michael Bautch Volunteer	Don Dufner Sy Schreiner	Lee Bautch

MASS TIME CHANGE STARTING SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD

It is that time of the year again! SUNDAY Mass times will change with St. Anne's on Sunday, November 3rd. The 8:00 am Mass will be at St. Anne's and the 10:00 am Mass will be at St. Nicholas. Saturday times will remain the same.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Adoration will be held at St. Nicholas on Tuesday, November 5th from 5 pm to 8 pm. Also, Adoration will be held at St. Anne's on Wednesday, November 6th from 9 am to 4 pm. Please consider coming and spending some time with the Lord!

Stewardship of Treasure October 27, 2019

Adult	\$XXX	(26 of 162 envelopes)
Youth	XXX	(2 of 45 envelopes)
Loose	XXX	
TOTAL	\$XXXXX	



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\$XXX (1 gift)

Gospel Connection: Producer Brian Grazer and director Ron Howard are among the most successful movie-making teams in Hollywood. Their company, Imagine Entertainment, has produced such iconic movies and television shows as *A Beautiful Mind*, *Apollo 13*, *Empire* and *Friday Night Lights*. In his latest book *Face-to-Face: The Art of Human Connection*, Grazer recounts one “connection” that began horribly wrong. Grazer sought an interview with Dr. Jonas Salk, the physician who developed the first polio vaccine. Dr. Salk was a childhood hero of Grazer’s; Grazer worked for more than a year to get a few minutes of Salk’s time for a book project. Grazer’s persistence finally paid off when Salk agreed to meet with him at the Beverly Hills Hotel. Grazer would only have a few minutes with the famed physician.

The morning of the interview, Grazer woke up feeling tired and light-headed, his throat a little sore and stomach a little queasy. Arriving two hours ahead of time, Grazer waited in the lobby until Salk appeared. He approached Dr. Salk with a nervousness that quickly bloomed into full-bore panic, and, when he was finally face to face with the great scientist, Grazer proceeded to . . . become “ill.” Salk responded like the compassionate doctor he was, physically supporting Grazer, asking a waiter for orange juice to boost his blood sugar and helping poor Grazer clean up. In that painfully embarrassing moment, Brian Grazer witnessed the true greatness of Jonas Salk. “Dr. Salk was so accessible, so human, so perceptive — he wasn’t some genius off in his own world,” Grazer writes. “He behaved, in fact, like a physician. He noticed immediately that something wasn’t right, and he wanted to take care of me . . . He may have been the man who cured polio, but he behaved as a regular doctor in that moment. He looked into my eyes — and, however out of it I was, I managed to look back. We became friends and remained so until the day he died.” [Material also from *A Curious Mind* by Brian Grazer.]

A young writer is lifted up from the most embarrassing moment imaginable by a revered doctor who responded, not as a celebrated world figure, but as a physician, a healer. In much the same way, Jesus the renowned rabbi calls up to the scorned Zacchaeus perched in the sycamore tree; the tax collector is now able to claim his dignity as a son of God. Such is the “salvation” that Jesus brings to Zacchaeus’ home. In his less-than-auspicious meeting his childhood hero, Brian Grazer realizes the humility and compassion that were at the heart of Jonas Salk’s work. By our generosity and kindness that mirror the spirit of Jesus, may we be the similar means of “salvation” for the struggling and broken, the scorned and the marginalized.

Religious Education: The next Class will be on Wednesday, November 6th at 7:00 pm.

Cemetery Flowers: The Cemetery Committee is reminding you that any flowers that are in the cemetery need to be removed. Thank you!

Bishop’s Appeal Update: Thank you to everyone who had donated to the Appeal. As of October 28th the diocese raised \$1,254,118 in gifts and pledges. That is 96.47% of the Diocese’s goal of \$1,300,000. This is made possible through the donations of 7,452 people throughout the 16 counties of our diocese. **Every dollar raised goes directly to ministries that support our Catholic faith and is not used for any other purpose.** If you would like to make a donation, please visit www.stcdio.org/annualappeal.

Readings for the Week: Monday, Nov 4th: Rom 11:29-36 / Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday, Nov. 5th: Rom 12:5-16b / Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday, Nov 6th: Rom 13:8-10 / Lk 14:25-33

Thursday, Nov 7th: Rom 14:7-12 / Lk 15:1-10

Friday, Nov 8th: Rom 15:14-21 / Lk 16:1-8

Community Events:

- Sunday, November 3rd: Breakfast at the Church of St. Joseph Heritage Hall in St. Joseph. Serving Pep’s pork, St. Joe Meat Market sausage, scrambled eggs, hash browns, pancakes and more from 8:30 am to Noon. Sunday Mass at 8:00 am and 10:00 am.
- Sunday, November 10th: KC Breakfast at St. Boniface in Cold Spring. Serving eggs, hash browns, ham, sausage, cinnamon bread, sweet rolls and more from 8:30 am to Noon.
- November 8-10, 2019: Koinonia Retreat held in Belle Prairie at the TEC center, North of Little Falls. Starts at 5:30 pm on Friday and ends Sunday afternoon. Go to centralmnkoinonia.org for more information or call Shari at 320-291-6428.
- Sunday, December 8th: Sts. Peter & Paul Holiday Extravaganza in the school gym from 9 am to Noon. Breakfast of ham & cheese omelets, hash browns, sausage, applesauce and more. Also a Cookie & Candy walk and silent auction.

Some Information on All Souls Day that you might not have known or forgotten:



All Souls Day is a solemn celebration in the Roman Catholic Church commemorating all of those who have died and are now in Purgatory, being cleansed of their venial sins and the temporal punishments for the mortal sins that they had confessed, and being made pure before entering into the presence of God in Heaven.

On All Souls Day, we not only remember the dead, but we apply our efforts, through prayer, almsgiving, and the Mass, to their release from Purgatory. There are two plenary indulgences attached to All Souls Day, one for visiting a church and another for visiting a cemetery. (The plenary indulgence for visiting a cemetery can also be obtained every day from November 1-8, and, as a partial indulgence, on any day of the year.) While the actions are performed by the living, the merits of the indulgences are applicable only to the souls in Purgatory. Since a plenary indulgence removes all of the temporal punishment for sin, which is the reason why souls are in Purgatory in the first place, applying a plenary indulgence to one of the Holy Souls in Purgatory means that the Holy Soul is released from Purgatory and enters Heaven. Praying for the dead is a Christian obligation