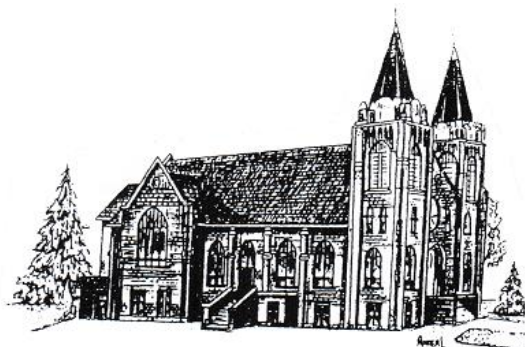


# CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS

15862 Co Rd 165, Watkins, MN 55389

12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 21, 2020



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## MASS SCHEDULE

June 20	Saturday	{SN} NO MASS	12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	
June 21	Sunday	{SN} 8:00 am	12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	+Eugene Schutz
June 22	Monday	{SA} 8:00 am	Weekday	
June 23	Tuesday	{SN} 8:00 am	Weekday	+Marietta Schneider
June 24	Wednesday	{SA} 8:30 am	Weekday	
June 25	Thursday	{SN} 8:00 am	Weekday	+Elmer Vossen
June 26	Friday	NO MASS	Weekday	
June 27	Saturday	{SN} 7:00pm PRIVATE	13 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	+Larry Frank
June 28	Sunday	{SN} 8:00 am	13 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	+Stanley Jungels

**\*\*The Mass on Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup> will be for the First Communion students and their families\*\***

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

- 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](http://www.churchofsaintnicholas.com)

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

	Eucharistic Ministers	Servers	Ushers	Lector
Sunday, June 28 at 8:00 am			John Hopfer Art Faber	Lee Bautch

**Churches slowly re-opening!** We have received approval from Bishop Kettler to hold Masses with 50% seating capacity. There will be a list of changes that we will need to implement for us to comply with the Bishop's guidelines. Here are some of the changes and/or additional things you will see:

- \* Pews will be marked where you can sit in family groups. Ushers will seat you.
  - \* There will be hand sanitizer that you will be asked to use before & after Mass
  - \* There will be no missellettes for the time being with no singing. The musician will do that for us!
  - \* There will be no Mass Servers or Extraordinary Ministers
  - \* Ushers will tell you when to go to communion and leave the Church
  - \* The Church will be sanitized after Mass
  - \* Weekday Masses will be held in the Church and not the basement
  - \* We ask that you practice social distancing when entering, leaving, and during communion procession
  - \* We ask that you not gather at the back of Church after Mass
- \*\*The Bishop is still dispensing you from attending Sunday Mass, if you are not comfortable gathering, we understand!**

**Volunteer List:** With the upcoming changes to our Mass schedule and times, we would like to look at our list of parishioners that have volunteered to be Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers and Mass Servers. **If you would like to start, continue** or end your volunteer involvement for a Sunday only Mass, please contact the Parish Office. *Please give this some thought and prayerful consideration.* We will be re-organizing the list during the month of June. Moving to one Mass also means that you will not be as burdened by your obligation as some were with the past schedule! **Please reply to the email that was sent to those already on the list!**

## Stewardship of Treasure June 14, 2020

Adult	\$2,462.00	(24 of 156 envelopes)
Youth	0.00	(0 of 45 envelopes)
Loose	45.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,507.00</b>	



Peter's Pence	\$20.00 (1 gift)
Old St. Nick Chapel	\$5.00

**Connections:** In their book *The Tales from the Night Rainbow*, Pali Jae Lee and Koko Willis recount this parable from Hawaiian folklore:

"Each child, it is believed, is born with a bowl of perfect light. If the child tends the light, it will grow in strength and the girl or boy can swim with the sharks, fly with the birds, and know and understand all things. But if the child, along the path of his or her life, becomes envious, jealous, fearful, or angry, each of these emotions becomes like a stone that the child places in their bowl of light. As a result, some of the light goes out because the stone and the light cannot hold the same space. If the child continues on this path, the child becomes heavy like a stone; a stone cannot move, and a stone cannot grow. But if at any time the child tires of being a stone, all she or he needs to do is turn their bowl upside down: the stones will fall away and the child's light will shine once more."

In every life there are moments when we are overwhelmed by "stones" of grief, disappointment, despair, hopelessness. But Jesus promises in today's Gospel that the light of God is always in our "bowl" if we are wise and humble enough to turn our bowl upside and let the stones fall away and the light return. Turning over a life full of stones is not easy and often requires the help of others — sometimes we are called to offer our understanding, patience and generosity to help other souls cast their stones aside. Jesus calls us to embrace a vision of hope that is the opposite of fear: hope that matches our uncertainty of the unknown with the certainty of the love of God; hope that can only be found and embraced when we reach beyond our own fears to confront the fears and heal the hurts of others; hope that the Good Fridays of our lives can be transformed into Easter completeness.

**Religious Education:** First Communion HAS BEEN SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY, JUNE 27<sup>TH</sup> AT A 7:00 PM **PRIVATE MASS**. Mass will just be for the First Communicants and their families. Please remember to bring back your DVD set. Confirmation will be rescheduled to a later date. Please watch for updates.

**Combined Holy Saints Bulletin:** Holy Saints will have a combined bulletin with the first bulletin starting at the end of July. With the new bulletin, each parish is looking for business that would like to advertise. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office or Brenda with your businesses name and information.

**Holy Saints Mass Times Update:** The new Priest's assignments have come out from the Diocese and with that announcement our Holy Saints Community will have 2 priests on July 1<sup>st</sup>. **There still could be some changes** to this schedule, but it stands like this. Between the 5 parishes (St. Anne - SA, St. Nicholas - SN, Holy Cross - HC, St. Wendelin - SW and St. Mary Help of Christian - SMHOC) there will be 6 Mass times available on a weekend. The current Mass schedule looks like this:

Saturday Masses: HC: 4:00 pm	Sunday Masses: SMHOC: 8:00 am	Weekday: Monday - SA 8:00 am
SA: 5:00 pm	<b>SN: 9:00 am</b>	Tuesday - <b>SN 8:00 am</b> , SMHOC 6:00 pm
SMHOC: 6:30 pm	SW: 10:30 am	Wed - SW 7:45 am, SA 8:00 am
		Thurs - SW 7:45 am, SMHOC 8:00 am
		Friday - HC 8:30 am

\*\*Holy Days, Christmas & Easter will need some work with Mass times yet.

More than likely, **Confession** will be before the Sunday, 9:00 am Mass. Confession times with Fr. Matthew Crane will most likely be during his weekday Masses at SMHOC (currently on Tuesday and Thursdays).

**Update:** It sounds like we will gradually move to this schedule with priest on a rotating schedule. For the month of July, Father Statz will only do the Masses at St. Anne and St. Nicholas, while Father Matthew will do the Masses at SMHOC, HC, and SW. A rotation will start in August.

**Missellettes:** Since we are not currently using the missellettes during Mass, it was decided that we will make them available for you to take a copy home with you to use and bring to Mass. It will be your personal copy to use so they do not need to be sanitized after each Mass. They will be available in the back of Church. This missal is good until November 28, 2020.

**Cemetery Tree Trimming:** The Cemetery Tree Trimming will take place on Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am. It would be great to have a big crew and get the job done quickly. Please bring any equipment you think would be helpful. There will be some available to use here. Rakes and things of that nature would be helpful. If you have questions, please contact Ralph Schreiner at 764-9080. Lunch will be served when the trimming is complete!

**Bishop's Annual Appeal update:** We are the Church Together: The diocese is grateful to be able to offer weekly Mass to the faithful in many formats. There are TV, online and radio options available at <http://worship.stcdio.org/tv-mass>

**Readings for the Week:** Monday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a / Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 13-21, 31-35a, 36 / Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup>: Is 49:1-6 / Acts 13:22-26

Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup>: 2 Kgs 24:8-17 / Mt 7:21-29

Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup>: 2 Kgs 25:1-12 / Mt 8:1-4

## Happy Father's Day to all Fathers!

### A Father's Day Prayer

Heavenly Father, you entrusted your Son, Jesus, the child of Mary, to the care of Joseph, an earthly father. Bless all fathers as they care for their families. Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience; support them in the work they have to do, protecting those who look to them, as we look to You for love and salvation, through Jesus Christ our rock and defender, in union with the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. St. Joseph, Pray for all our Fathers. Amen.