

Saint Nicholas Catholic Church

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Welcome to Saint Nicholas Catholic Church! We are happy to have you with us to worship today! If you are visiting, we would be happy to get to know you and invite you to continue to favor us with your presence and prayers. New members are always welcome! Please call the parish office if you are interested in becoming a member of our parish. God bless!



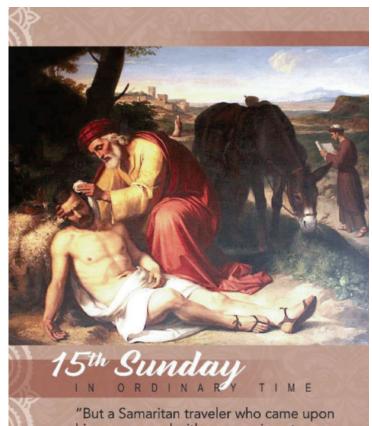
Saturday, July 9 +4:00pm Ray VanDynHoven and Family Sunday, July 10 +7:00am Amanda Conrad 10:30am Herman Hildebrand Monday, July 11 8:00am Mass at Schoenstatt Wayside Shine, **Refuge of Sinners** Tuesday, July 12 +5:45pm James Koepp Wednesday, July 13 8:15am Mass at St Edward – Mackville Thursday, July 14 +8:15am Vernon, Phyllis & Yvonne Konkle Friday, July 15 Mass at St. Edward- Mackville 8:15am 9:00am Holy Hour at St. Edward Saturday, July 16 +4:00pm Floyd & Catherine VanVreede and Family Sunday, July 17 +7:00am For the People of St Nicholas & St Edward Parishes

+10:30am Phyllis Stumpf

+ Denotes deceased person(s)

Scripture Readings for Next Weekend

First Reading: Genesis 18:1-10a Second Reading: Colossians 1:24-28 Gospel: Luke: 10:38-42



"But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight." - Lk 10:33

July 10, 2022

Mass Schedule: Saturday 4:00 pm Sunday 7:00 am & 10:30 am Tuesday 5:45 pm Thursday 8:15 am Livestream: <u>https://www.youtube.com/stnicholasparishwi</u> Saturday 4:00 pm & Sunday 10:30 am



Weekend of July 16th & 17th

Lectors:

4pm – Karen Court, Jen VanDenEng 7 am – John Van Rossum, Volunteer Needed 10:30 am – Bridget Wisneski, Ron Koepke Sacristans: 4pm – Linda Borneman 7 am - Gary VerVoort 10:30 am – Roger Stanley **Mass Servers:** 4pm – Joe Hinshaw, Aaron Bain 7 am - Paige Smudde, Kayla Smudde 10:30am - Rebecca Rew, Camden Brody **Music:** 4pm - Anne Thelen, Kelly Bekkers-Graham 7 am – Shannon Helms, Jennifer Jochman 10:30 am- Lena Cook, Katherine Cook **Ushers:** 4pm- Dennis VanAsten, Merlin Van Asten, Jim Greiner 7 am- Tom Hooyman, Gary VerVoort 10:30am - Terry Vosters, Jeff Zabel, Carl Vosters, Dean Zabel

In Memory of...



The Sanctuary Candle Burns for the Special Intentions of Duane & Karen Court



The Host & Wine is sponsored by Saint Nicholas Parishioners

Do you have a family member or friend who is ill and/or hospitalized and in need of a visit? We are here for you! Please call or email us so we can help at 920-788-1792 or email gvanness@stnicholasfreedom.org.



THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

Wed, July 13 Faith & Fun Day at St. Edward 1-4:00 pm

Thurs, July 14 Scrip Sales 2-4:00 pm

St. Nicholas Committee Needs

We had great response in asking for volunteers to help our cemetery board and building and grounds committee!

Other opportunities at Saint Nicholas:

Living Justice Committee Head

Blood Drive Coordinator

Leader for Children's Liturgy of the Word

Sacristan

This summer we are looking for carpenters to help construct walls for our new school library area and our 5th grade classroom. Plaster, drywall, and walls are our biggest needs. We may need help with a few windows and doors as well.

Please call the parish office at 920-788-1492 or email us at: <u>maintenance@stnicholasfreedom.org</u> if you have any questions or would like to help us out!





Sunday, Jur	ne 19, 2022
Envelopes:	\$ 1,562
Loose:	475

Total:

2,037



We need help moving our school library! If you are able to help pack boxes or move carts, please meet us by the school office on July 11th at 9:00am. Contact Abby Linwood at 920-788-9371 for more information. Thank you!

New Evangelization Office Update

Kathy Brennan, our New Evangelization Coordinator, has resigned from her position at Saint Nicholas. We would like to send a huge *"Thank You"* to Kathy for her many years of guidance in her ministry with us! She has brought us new insight and ideas of which we are very thankful.

We are looking for an enthusiastic individual to head our New Evangelization program. This person will design, develop, execute, and evaluate the K-12 religious education program and assist the youth ministry program coordinator. The coordinator will practice a rich spiritual and intellectual life to strengthen and give focus to these endeavors. Additionally, he/she will assist with Baptismal preparation, adult programs, and support and help with parish events.

If you are interested in applying for this position, or know of someone who would be a good fit, please contact Nikki at 920-788-1492 or businessmanager@stnicholasfreedom.org

Middle School Campfire Night



On Wednesday, June 29, middle schoolers came by for a campfire night! They spent time with friends, made s'mores, played a game together, prayed, and learned about Sts. Peter and Paul and why their stories matter to us. It was a great time!

St. Nicholas Golf Outing

It's time to sign up for the St. Nicholas Golf Outing to be held at Fox Valley Golf Course on Sat., July 30, 2022! Registration forms are available at church entrances or by calling our office. See you there!

Parish Directory

St. Nicholas is partnering with Harmann Studios for our next Parish Directory! We invite you and your family to have your



picture taken at St. Nicholas over the summer.

<u>Dates</u>

Tues, July 12th thru Sat, July 16th Tues, July 26th thru Sat, July 30th Tuesday, Aug 16th thru Sat, August 20th <u>Times</u> Tuesdays – Thursdays: 1:45pm to 7:45pm Fridays: 11:45am to 5:45pm Saturdays: 9:00am to 3:00pm

How to schedule

Online: by scanning the below QR code on your phone or by going to *stnicholasfreedom.org* and

scrolling down to the Parish Directory section. Link can be found there.

Other: Call Joe Hinshaw at 920-788-1492 ext. 303 or by emailing him at jhinshaw@stnicholasfreedom.org



FAMILY ROSARY PROCESSIONS



SCHOENSTATT WAYSIDE SHRINE REFUGE OF SINNERS N4664 Old Ireland Way Freedom, WI 54130

3:00 PM on the 3rd Sunday of each month: July 17th August 21st September 18th October 16th All are welcome!

For more information and other upcoming events, please visit the shrine website at www.refugeofsinners.org or call Tom and Mary Murphy at 920-788-4729.



Wow! What an amazing night at Freedom Country Fest! We set a new record with approximately 3,400 people in attendance at the concert this year! This is over 1,000 more than last year! We couldn't have made this possible without the countless hours of support from the St. Nicholas Family! From the set-up to the clean-up and all the people that worked the night of the concert, you made this possible! We also appreciate the volunteers that stayed over their assigned shift and the folks that jumped in to fill the gaps when it got so busy!

We are immensely grateful to our sponsors who so generously support Freedom Country Fest (see the bulletin insert list of sponsors). We need several weeks to let all the invoices arrive and get paid before we can share our profit, so stay tuned later this summer for the big reveal! Mark your calendars for June 9, 2023 for next year's Freedom Country Fest! Once again, thank you from the entire Freedom Country Fest Committee!



by ShopWithScrip

Order your scrip today! Scrip is sold Thursdays from 2-4 in the parish office and after weekend Masses in the St. Therese Hall. Orders can be left with a scrip seller or emailed to: <u>scrip@stnicholasfreedom.org</u>





Wedding Anniversary Mass

August 14, 2022 | 12:30 p.m. St. Francis Xavier Cathedral, Green Bay Celebrant: Fr. John Girotti

Are you celebrating your 50th wedding anniversary in 2022? You are invited to a special Mass held at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday, August 14. Each anniversary couple may have up to six guests with them, and there will be a gift bag reception to follow. We look forward to celebrating this milestone anniversary with you!

For more information and to register,

please call the Office of Marriage & Life Ministries at (920) 272-8309 by August 5. You can also register online:



www.gbdioc.org/anniversary



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Parish Office Hours Monday – Thursday: 8am – 4pm Friday – Closed Office Voicemail is available at all times

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Reconciliation - Confessions Saturdays 3:00 – 3:30 pm or by appointment – please contact Fr Walter Stumpf

Prayer Chain – Please call Donna Hildebrand – 920-733-4602 or **Cindy Pynenberg** – 920-832-0322

Intercessory Prayer with Adoration every Tuesday & Wednesday 8:45am – 9:45am All are welcome!

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

July 10, 2022 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We can learn a great deal from Mister Rogers. Remember him? He was the gentle soul who found his way into living rooms worldwide starting as far back as 1968. Mister Rogers' Neighborhood was a beloved program that celebrated and exalted people, especially children. He taught us that we are neighbors and that everyone has a place. Everyone matters. He had a vision, born of his relationship with God that highlighted every human life's innocence, beauty, and uniqueness. To that end, he called us to be responsible for each other, saying nothing different than what Jesus said. Viewers quickly learned that life is not just about me.

"We live in a world in which we need to share responsibility. It's easy to say, 'It's not my child, not my community, not my world, not my problem.' Then there are those who see the need and respond. I consider those people my heroes (Fred Rogers)." It is so easy to look the other way. After all, I'm not the one who needs to leave home out of fear and try to find somewhere safe. I am not the one who is hungry and without shelter or food. I am not the one who has a child being bullied or ridiculed because of the way they dress or act. I am not the one being threatened with violence or unable to find meaningful work. The distress and agony of our neighbors are our distress and agony. We cannot walk by it with an attitude of indifference, especially if we call ourselves believers. When we no longer care, we have suffocated our souls. This is a great sin.

God's law "is something very near to you, already in your mouths and in your hearts; you have only to carry it out." We all have a need for love and acceptance. That's why Mister Rogers' television show was so popular. It spoke to something deeper, something sacred about humanity. God didn't give us his law in a book. He wrote it on our hearts. We know what we need to do. It's a matter of choice. Love is sacred. When we love another human being, especially without regard for ourselves, it is a holy moment. These moments are often missed due to our self-serving agendas and rules. ©LPi

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

What Jesus Doesn't Say

"If Jesus wanted us to (fill in the blank), he would have said so."

We hear this argument applied to every controversial topic under the sun — and even some not-so-controversial topics, too. Whenever someone is trying to make a case for a decision they have already made, they call in Jesus' scriptural silence on the matter as their expert, unimpeachable witness.

And sure, there's much Jesus doesn't talk about in the Gospels. But by this logic, we would have to assume that Jesus doesn't care, for instance, if we drive well over the speed limit (he doesn't discuss cars and highways in the Bible) or what we do online (he never mentions the Internet or websites at all!), when we know that certainly is just not the case.

Like the scholar of the Jewish law who challenges Jesus to define who exactly his "neighbor" is, we can argue semantics all we want. But if we rest in prayer and look deep into our hearts, we know what path we need to take, and it's usually not the easy one.

I find that I do this plenty in ways that are far more subtle. I lament that the situation facing me is not sufficiently "black and white." I become frustrated by the shades of moral grey and toss up my hands, claiming I don't know what the right answer is, insisting that I can't be blamed for the ramifications of whatever decision I make.

What I need to be doing in these situations is asking God for His guidance, even if it makes me nervous. I need to be like the scholar. He was brave enough to ask, even though I think he knew he wouldn't particularly like the answer. Let's strive for that same courage.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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