



St. Nicholas CATHOLIC CHURCH

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time, World
Day of Grandparents and the Elderly
July 25, 2021

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Rev. Tyler Mattson
Pastor

Mass Schedule

Week of July 26-Aug 1

Wednesday: No Mass
Friday: 8:00 AM
Saturday: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 9:00 AM

Confession Schedule

Saturday: 4:00-4:45 PM
Sunday: 8:00-8:45 AM

Confession in the
Justin Larson Family Room
(northwest corner of the parish hall)

Sacramental Preparation

Baptism

By Appointment. Call the parish
office.

Marriage

Arrangements to be made with
the priest at least six months in
advance.

Summer Office Hours

Mon, Tue, Thu .. 8:00 AM-5:00 PM
Wed 8:00 AM-3:00 PM
Fri 8:00 AM-NOON

Parish Staff

Business Administrator:

- Susan Schaunaman

Office Manager:

- Sharon Metzger

Religious Education Director:

- Vickie Venhuizen

Music Ministry:

- Lon Semansky

Custodian:

- Rachel Devlin

From Your Pastor:

Sometimes I can feel inadequate. I think that is a feeling that many of us relate to in some way. For me, I wonder how I could possibly have the responsibility of being a priest. I feel too weak and little. Maybe for some of you, you feel inadequate about being a parent or a spouse. Maybe you feel like you are not qualified for your career. I think one inadequacy that many of us feel is around holiness. The Church teaches, based on Scripture, that we are all called to be saints, that we are called to holiness. If you're like me, you think, "Me? A saint? Really? I'm not up to that!". Yet that is the call that Jesus addresses to us all, to be saints.

Today's Gospel presents us with a wonderful antidote to our feelings of inadequacy. There is a huge, hungry crowd and no food. The apostles are worried that they would never be able to feed them all. Listen to what happens next, "There is a boy here who has five barely loaves and two fish". There it is. A little boy who has just a little bit of food, maybe the small meal he was bringing home for his family. But this boy still comes forward and presents it to the apostles and to Jesus. Jesus takes this small offering and multiplies it so that all are fed, and there is even an abundance of leftovers. What if that little boy would have been too afraid to come forward with his food because he felt inadequate? There would have never been this miracle and all those people would have gone hungry. We can be grateful that he does not let his sense of inadequacy stop him from coming to Jesus.

This boy in the Gospel shows us how to be holy. We might not feel like we are up to being saints. Yet, all that Jesus asks is that we come forward with what little we do have, and he will take care of the rest. The important thing is to be bold and confident. Our confidence as Christians is rooted not in our own resources or power, but rather in the power and mercy of God. I can be confident that I will become a saint because I know that God is good and that he loves me. It is the love of God that can take my lack and turn it into an abundance.

This week, remember that your call is to be a saint. Remember also that our holiness does not depend on how much we have but only on how willing we are to go to Jesus. Let's bring our loaves and fishes to him this week.

God bless,

Fr. Tyler

17th
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When they had had their fill, he said to his disciples, "Gather the fragments left over, so that nothing will be wasted." - Jn 6:12

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On January 31, 2021, Pope Francis instituted the World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly, to be celebrated every fourth Sunday of July. As we celebrate, today, July 25th, let us give thanks for our own grandparents and all the elderly who are our witnesses of hope.

“You are the treasure of the Church, the gold that has been refined by fire. You are not alone. Your prayers and love are holding up the world. You are treasured. Your fidelity to truth is a burning fire that brings glory to God and intercedes for the world. We need the light that only you can supply! Do not

be discouraged. Keep praying for your families, keep witnessing to hope in whatever way you can - even if no one sees you or listens to you. The Heavenly Father sees and listens ... and, out of these tribulations, brings light into the world.”

*Fr. Joseph Mary Wolfe, MFVA
 EWTN Chaplain*

On the occasion of the First World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly, Pope Francis grants Plenary Indulgences to grandparents, the elderly and all the faithful who participate “motivated by a true spirit of penance and charity.”

St. Nicholas RE Info & Youth Activities

St. Nicholas 2021-2022 Religious Ed Info!

Happy summer everyone! The fall Religious Education calendar has not yet been finalized as Father Mattson will not be in our parish until August, but now is the perfect time to volunteer to teach our fall classes. Please consider teaching or co-teaching a class this fall. We are in need of 40 teachers at all grade levels for fall.

Please contact Vickie@stnicholastea.org if you are willing to help or would like some additional information.

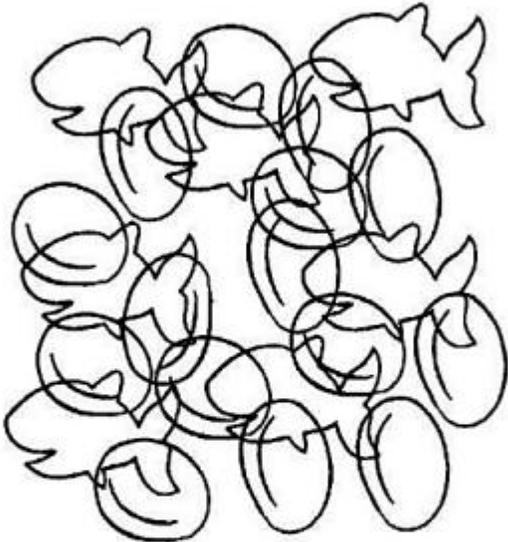
Researchers agree on six motivators for volunteering. "People volunteer to make a difference in others' lives; to support an organization, community, or cause; to learn something new; to develop personally or professionally; to feel better about themselves; and to meet people." Teaching Religious Education classes to our children achieves all six of those things in just one hour a week.

Have a great rest of the summer. Look for the RE religious education registration forms to be available in August.

Vickie Venhuizen
Religious Education Director
Vickie@stnicholastea.org

PUZZLE

There are a lot of loaves and fish. How many fish can you count?



ANSWER: FISH THERE ARE SEVEN

MISSION

Share two cans of fish and five bags of flour with needy.

GROWING WITH THE *Gospel* CYCLE B

COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



**PARISH CALENDAR
July 24-August 1**

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat, July 24 5:00 PM: +Dennis Meyer
Sun, July 25: 9:00 AM: People of the Parish
Fri, July 30: 8:00 AM: +Debbie McGee
Sat, July 31: 5:00 PM: +Msgr. Marvin McPhee
Sun, Aug 1: 9:00 AM: People of the Parish

*Weekday Mass intentions are available for October & November, 2021.
Suggested donation is \$10 per Mass. Call the parish office to request a Mass.*

Weekly Offering - July 18

Adult: \$3,418; Loose: \$138
Debt Reduction: \$628
CFSA: \$180; Coffee & Rolls: \$23
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Purchase your tickets and plan now to attend the **2021 Taste the Goodness** event scheduled for Sat, August 14, 5-9 PM. Held outdoors in downtown Sioux Falls, attendees can plan on a great evening of fun and fellowship while tasting a wide array of foods, craft beers, wines, and other beverages. Music will be provided, along with a great mobile bidding silent auction, exciting games and activities. This is a come and go event, so if you are unable to attend the entire evening, you are encouraged to join us when you can. In 2020 the **Bishop Dudley Hospitality House** provided services to 1,549 different individuals, 44 families, including 78 children, served 29,248 lunches and provided 15,758 showers! All these individuals were provided meals, housing, programs, and above all – LOVE! For on-going event updates or to purchase your ticket to **Taste the Goodness**, visit our website www.ccfesd.org or call 605-988-3765. Now more than ever, the mission of the Bishop Dudley Hospitality House needs our support.



Register today for the **"Bishop's Cup" Benefiting Broom Tree Retreat & Conference Center**

The 28th Annual Bishop's Cup golf tournament will be held Monday, August 23 at Minnehaha Country Club and The Country Club of Sioux Falls. All proceeds from this charity event support Broom Tree Retreat and Conference Center. Due to popular demand, our afternoon round is sold out. However, we have opened a morning round, which will include all the amenities as the afternoon round, including the noon lunch, evening barbeque, social and program. Register soon, as we anticipate this too will sell out! Also, there is a great opportunity for non-golfers to support Broom Tree Retreat and Conference Center through the purchase of hole signs that will be placed on the courses to promote your business, family or any intention.

Your support will ensure Broom Tree is available to people of all ages and income levels for years to come! For more information or to register visit ccfesd.org or contact the Catholic Community Foundation at 605-988-3765.

Q: What happens when you throw a green rock into the Red Sea?
A: It gets wet!



**READINGS FOR THE WEEK
July 25-August 1**

Sunday, July 25, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 2 Kg 4:42-44; Ps 145:10-11, 15-18; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15
Monday, July 26, Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-23; Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday, July 27: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5-9, 28; Ps 103:6-13; Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday, July 28: Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5-7, 9; Mt 13:44-46
Thursday, July 29, St. Martha: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3-6, 8, 11; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Friday, July 30, St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop & Doctor of the Church: Lev 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34-37; Ps 81:3-6, 10-11; Mt 13:54-58 or Eph 3:8-12; Ps 119:9-14; Lk 6:43-45
Saturday, July 31, St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest: Lev 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12
Sunday, August 1, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78:3-4, 23-25, 54; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

Diocese Updates/Events/Activities

Job Openings

The Catholic Chancery Office, Sioux Falls - Database Administrator

The qualified candidate will manage the data of the Catholic Diocese of Sioux Falls in various database software solutions. In addition, responsibilities include collaborating to integrate various software and management tools to create efficiencies and implement emerging technologies. Additional responsibilities involve researching, recommending, developing, implementing and training staff using various software and data solutions along with working to consolidate and integrate those solutions into a diocesan wide data warehouse. The position is full time with benefits working from the Catholic Pastoral Center in Sioux Falls. Interested applicants should submit a resume and cover letter to Twila Roman, Director of Human Resources at troman@sfcatholic.org.

Catholic Diocese of Sioux Falls - Parish Accounting Services Position

The Catholic Diocese of Sioux Falls is seeking an active, practicing Catholic who is detail oriented to serve in the full-time position of Parish Accounting Services. The ideal candidate will be responsible for maintaining accounting principles and practices to ensure accurate and timely financial statements for parishes and other diocesan entities. Activities of the position include general ledger preparation and related reconciliations, completion of financial reporting, payroll, year-end tax filing and providing technical support for parish bookkeepers on accounting software program. The position offers the option of working remotely from a parish office located outside of the Sioux Falls area. Interested candidates should send their resume and cover letter to the Director of Human Resources, Twila Roman at troman@sfcatholic.org or 523 North Duluth Ave, Sioux Falls, SD 57104.

Chief Operating Officer for The Catholic Community Foundation for Eastern South Dakota

The Catholic Community Foundation for Eastern South Dakota is seeking an experienced, management-level professional, active in their Catholic faith to serve as Chief Operating Officer. The position will share in the responsibility of advancing the overall mission of the Foundation, refine and implement effective policies and procedures, provide support to the Board of Directors, provide oversight and coordination of the senior leadership team and manage daily operations. In addition, the position will guide the vision, growth and management of the Catholic Family Sharing Appeal conducted on behalf of the Diocese of Sioux Falls. Candidates should have a bachelor's degree or higher and a minimum of five years relevant experience. Send resume and cover letter to Twila Roman, Director of Human Resources via email at troman@sfcatholic.org or mail to 523 North Duluth Avenue, Sioux Falls, SD 57104.

Other Job Openings

Administrative Assistant - Catholic Community Foundation

Gift Planning Officer - Catholic Community Foundation - Pierre Office

Youth Minister/Communication Coordinator - St Michael Parish, Sioux Falls

Director of Discipleship & Evangelization - St John Paul II Parish, Harrisburg

Youth Group



St. Nicholas Parish would like to extend a warm welcome to all who are visiting or are new to the area. If you are not currently registered at St. Nicholas and consider this your parish, please call or stop by the parish office to register.



If you have thought about being a part of the music ministry (musicians & vocal) at St. Nicholas, please call or email the parish office.



Sign Up to Serve!

We are in great need of **Liturgical volunteers** to serve in these **summer months** as Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors and Ushers. Please call or email the parish office if you can help!!!

Reminders...

- **Weekday Mass Schedule for July**
 - Friday, July 30, 8:00 AM
- **New address, phone number or email?** Please let the parish office know so we can keep you in the know!
- **Summer Office hours:** Mon, Tue, Thurs, 8 AM-5 PM; Wed, 8 AM-3 PM; Fri, 8 AM-NOON



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