

PENTECOST SUNDAY, MAY 24th, 2015

Greetings brothers and sisters in Christ! This weekend we celebrate the wonderful feast of Pentecost. Recall when Mary and the Apostles were in the upper room and the Holy Spirit came upon them and they went forth boldly proclaiming the Gospel. Archbishop Luis Martinez in his book *The Sanctifier*, said that devotion to the Holy Spirit is a regular part of the Christian life, it is not just for certain times or only when praying a novena, just as devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary is a constant part of our spiritual life, not just at certain times.

When the Holy Spirit came upon Mary, Jesus was formed, hence Archbishop Martinez comments that when the Holy Spirit and Mary are in our lives, Jesus is formed within us. When Jesus is formed within us, we begin to sing the hymn of praise to the Father, which is what Jesus' life was about. We join in this hymn especially at Mass, and when our relationship with the Holy Spirit and the Blessed Virgin Mary grows, our whole life becomes a hymn of praise to the Father! This is more than nice sounding theology, this is real life! We can call on the Holy Spirit at all times, when driving, when working, when socializing, when preparing supper. The more we become attentive to the working of the Holy Spirit in our lives, the more we will be able to respond to His inspirations!

A few updates:

Holy Cross School update: Our Principal Lisa Simon is moving on from Holy Cross to become the Principal at Saint Vincent DePaul in Osseo. Congratulations Lisa and thank you for all of your help and service at Holy Cross the last two years. We greatly appreciate you. We also appreciate the gifts and skills that you brought to your role as principal. Thank you!!

We are currently interviewing candidates for the principal position at Holy Cross and we ask your prayers for wisdom in hiring well for the future of the school. We will continue to move forward in faith and in confidence that God will provide for us the leadership we need! Thank you to the interview team and to all of you for your support.

We would also like to thank Theresa Sticha for her work at Holy Cross School. She is moving on from her position as Bookkeeper, and our parishioner Kathy Chlan will now be the Bookkeeper at Holy Cross. Kathy will continue as the Director of our Religious Education Program as well. Welcome Kathy to this new role at Holy Cross!

With the Bookkeeper job becoming part-time, we have been able to hire our parishioner Karen Johnson as the Development Assistant at Holy Cross School. This will include among other things working at the front desk and welcoming visitors to the building. Welcome Karen to the staff at Holy Cross!

We are excited about the future and about growing in our mission of being a Catholic Parish and Catholic School. We can't thank you as a parish enough for your continued support!

God Bless,
Fr. Barnes

EVENTS AND MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Sun, May 24.....Traders Market Hosted by YG
Mon, May 25...Memorial Day – Mass @ 8am
Cemetery Service 8:50am, Traders Market Hosted by YG
Tues, May 26...Fatima Group 8:30am, Mother of Perpetual Help
Devotion 8:30am, CMLG Meeting 6:30pm, Choir Practice 7pm
Wed, May 27..
Thurs, May 28...Mom's Group 9:30am
Fri, May 29.....
Sat, May 30.....NO Morning Mass, Priest Ordination 10am,
Rosary in Chapel 9am, Food Shelf Weekend
Sun, May 31...Food Shelf Weekend

Liturgy of the Hours (Morning Prayer): Everyone is Welcome - Tuesday – Friday at 7:20am & Sat at 7:35am in the church.

Please consider signing up for Automatic Withdrawal for your Sunday giving. It's easy to sign up and will automatically be withdrawn from your

account one time a month. Forms are in the back of church, on the parish website; www.stncc.net or by calling the parish office at 952-461-2403.

St. Nicholas apparel items and accessories are available to order online. Please visit the parish website (stncc.net) and follow the link provided or visit <https://ssastores.com/store/st-nicholas-catholic-church-elko-new-market-mn/>
Please note all ordering, payment, shipping and returns are handled through SSA Stores and not the parish office.

Doughnut Sunday schedule: June 14th, July 12th, August 9th, Sept. 13th, Oct. 11th, Nov. 8th & Dec. 13th. Doughnuts are served after both Sunday masses. Everyone is welcome!!

Memorial Day Mass & Cemetery Service –Mass at 8am followed by the annual Memorial Day cemetery service at 8:50am.

The bans of marriage are published for the first time between Amanda Wagner and Travis Sticha.



Welcome to St. Nicholas Parish

Please extend a warm welcome to the newest member of St. Nicholas Parish:

- David & Janine Flaherty
- Justin & Kathryn Keil
- Josh & Jessica Humphrey and family

Procession to honor our Blessed Mother Sunday, May 31st after the 10am mass. Children bring a small statue or picture of Mary to carry in procession.

Work will begin this week on the hardwood floors in church. One side of the hardwood floors will be done each week over the next two weeks. The carpet will be installed beginning Monday, June 22nd.

With all the work going on in the church, daily mass will be held in the church basement on May 19-22, May 26-29 and June 30-July 3rd.

St. Nicholas Youth Group will be hosting the food booth at Traders Market Antique Show and Flea Market, May 23, 24 & 25. Traders Market is located on County Road 2, near the 35w exit. Please stop by and show your support for the group, by purchasing your food and beverage items from them

46th ANNUAL CHICKEN COOKOUT IS 4 WEEKS AWAY SUNDAY, JUNE 21st, 2015

There are many ways to volunteer and get involved with the Chicken Cookout –please see the list below!

PLEASE PICK-UP YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS IN THE BACK OF CHURCH TODAY!

There were a lot of great prizes donated, including a \$1000 Grand Prize. If you would still like to make a donation to the Big Ticket Raffle, please continue to place your donations in the collection basket or drop at the parish office. Please note, your donation will not be listed on the ticket, but will still be used in the raffle.

This year's committee members for the Big Ticket Raffle are; Jim and Jodi Muelken, 952-447-1160; Cheryl Thomas, 952-461-2021 and Jan Seykora, 952-461-3435). All proceeds from the Chicken Cookout go directly to the parish.

*****What is the "Big Ticket Raffle" anyway?***

Some of you that may be new to our parish might be wondering, "why should we donate to the "Big Ticket Raffle"?"

The Chicken Cookout is one of our biggest fundraisers for our parish. Every item for the raffle is donated. So everything we make on ticket sales is all profit. Please consider donating either as a donation from your family or business and anything works. From five dollars cash to gift cards or anything else you'd like to put together. Anything would be greatly appreciated! If you have any questions, please call one of the committee members listed below.



SET-UP: SATURDAY, JUNE 20th @ 8:30am

Many volunteers are needed to help with set-up on Saturday June 20th. Start time will be 8:30am. If you are available to help even 1 hour, then please sign up in the volunteer book which is located in the back of church, or just show up the morning of.

CAKE PANS

Cake Pans for the Country Store & Cake Walk will be available in the basement & back of church beginning Memorial Weekend!

Many cakes and baked goods are needed for our Cake Walk and Country Store. We are asking every family of the parish to donate one or two items. Please bring all baked goods to the Church basement the day before or the day of the Cookout!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED IN ALL AREAS

Please sign up to work a short 1 or 2 hours shift some time during the day. The most help is needed in the kitchen – (all youth that work can apply all their hours towards service hours – this is a great way to complete all service hours before classes start up in the fall) other area that need help are kids games, grounds set-up and clean-up, cake walk & country store. Please sign up in the back of church in the 3 ring binder and list a phone number where you can be reached the week before the cookout.

PRIZE DONATIONS FOR KIDS GAMES

The Pop Ring Toss Game - This games has been a big hit with the kids in years past and is often requested to return. In order to have this game available we would need some help with pop donations. The games committee made a special box to hold 16-20oz bottles of pop. **If anyone is willing to help with pop donations, please drop them off at the parish office or leave in the church basement in the kitchen by the coffee maker.**

****Other prizes for games** – if you have left over new or gently used prize items from parties or grab bags – please consider donating those items as well. These items can be left by the coffee maker in the basement or dropped off at the parish office.



Save the date for the **St. Nicholas Garden Tour** which will take place on Sunday, June 28 from 1-5 pm. Tickets will be available to purchase at the parish office mid-May. Cost will be \$10 per person. For more information

call Joyce Hanke (952) 461-1963 or Linda Fischer (952)-461-2230. All proceeds will go directly to maintaining the grounds at St. Nicholas Church.

Attention All Veterans!

The parade committee for the Fire and Rescue Days parade is asking all veterans to walk with The Color Guard in the parade. This is for all veterans in the Elko-New Market area. We want to have response by June 12th. Call Sandy at the city hall #461-2777

Thank you to everyone who has responded so quickly to the parish needs, through prayer, treasure and talent! God Bless You!

All these projects are complete!

We still need continued financial support for these projects.

- Sidewalk replacement - \$2,236.50**
- Replacement of flat roofs over basement bathrooms & south basement entrance - \$11,250.00**
- Mold removal in parish basement - \$1,755.00**
- Mold removal in school building - \$600.00**
- Leaf guards for gutters on rectory - \$620.00**
- Additional Mold Removal (not in original bid) - \$1,952.00**
- Air Quality Tests (not included in original bid)- \$568.00**
- Total cost of current needed repairs: 18,981.50**
- Donations to date – Thank You! 15,951.00**
- Balance 3,030.50**

We are also in the process of identifying and prioritizing a number of other projects (solving our water problems is a big one). If you are able to contribute to the parish for these expenses, you can make your donation two different ways. In your current Sunday envelopes, on the left side of the envelope it reads Capital Improvement and Endowment Fund Offering. Simply circle Capital Improvement and then list the dollar amount you would like to contribute to the projects.

You may also stop in the parish office and leave your donation with Lisa. As the donations continue to come in, the dollar amounts will be listed in the

bulletin. If you have any questions please contact the parish office at 952-461-2403. Thank you from the Parish Leadership.

Mass Intentions – (* indicates a change in mass time)

Sat	23	5:00 pm	Frank & Mary Tupy+
Sun	24	8:00 am	For the Parish
Sun	24	10:00 am	Ben & Mary Zweber – 60 th Anniversary
*Mon	25	8:00 am	
Tues	26	8:00 am	Bill Tissek+
Wed	27	8:00 am	Antonin Mostek+
Thurs	28	8:00 am	Louise Damiani+
Fri	29	8:00 am	Sandra Damiani
Sat	30	8:00 am	Harlan & Carol Segler 50 th Wedding Anniversary
Sat	30	5:00 pm	Stuart & Joyce Russell+
Sun	31	8:00 am	For the Parish
Sun	31	10:00 am	Sister Dominica+



Daily Scriptures

Monday:	Sirach 17:20-24	Mark 10:17-27
Tuesday:	Sirach 35:1-12	Mark 10:28-31
Wednesday:	Sirach 36:1,4-5a,10-17	Mark 10:32-45
Thursday:	Sirach 42:15-25	Mark 10:46-52
Friday:	Sirach 44:1, 9-13	Mark 11:11-26
Saturday:	Sirach 51:12cd-20	Mark 11:27-33
Sunday:	Deuteronomy 4:32-34,39-40/Romans 8:14-17/Matthew 28:16-20	

Liturgical Stewardship		May 30 & 31
May 30 @ 5pm	Lector:	Chuck Mathews
	Ministers	Jolene Pierson-H, Ken Thomas-Ch-H
	Ushers:	David Sheedy, Dave DeGonda
May 31 @ 8am	Lector:	Mary Kay Forland
	Ministers	Jan Freeman-H, Gail Mathews-Ch-H
	Ushers:	Paul Thoresen, Craig Goblirsch
May 31 @ 10am	Lector:	Margo Theisen
	Ministers	Joyce Anderson-H, Mike Cole-Ch-H
	Ushers:	Steve Addabbo, Mike Chlan

SUNDAY GIVING: May 17 / Week 46 in Fiscal Year	
Budget Weekly Sunday Giving:	\$ 6,276
Budget Year-to-Date Sunday Giving:	\$288,696
Actual Collection Received	\$ 4,114
Cemetery Care	120
ACH	5,500
Collection Received Year-to-Date:	\$ 284,340
	- \$ 4,356
Capital Improvement \$131	

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Vacation Bible School (VBS) Registration is now open!

VBS is open to children age 4 (by June 1st) – Entering 5th gr. in the Fall 2015. To register your child please pick up a form in the back of church or call the parish office at 952-461-2403. VBS will be held June 8-12th, 9am– 11:45am, \$20 per child with a family cap of \$60.

Thank you to everyone who volunteered to help with VBS –

All the positions are filled! Thank You!

If you would like to volunteer in another area or would like to get your service hours in – please sign up to help in one or more areas/shifts at the Chicken Cookout!

DONATIONS

To help keep costs down for this program, we are asking for simple donations of food and supplies.

Food Items: small marshmallows, pretzel rods, 10 cans of white frosting, vanilla pudding cups, canned fruit, raisins, goldfish crackers, Smarties candy, gummy worms, apples, caramel dip, fruit dip, cookies, granola bars, fruit snacks, large containers of lemonade or Kool-Aid, fruit juice, chocolate milk and 5 cases of water.

Supplies: cups, plates (large size), glue dots, cotton balls, fabric markers and fabric paint, band aides or cash donations.

Theology on Tap is coming to New Market on Thursdays, June 4th and 11th at The Doublewide. Social time begins @ 6:30pm. A 15 minute talk @ 7pm followed by discussion and Q & A session. Join Father Barnes and guest speakers as we explore different topics relevant to young people today!

If you have any questions please contact St. Nicholas Catholic Church at 952-461-2403

Knights of Columbus meeting Thursday June 4, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. To become a Knight contact Leon Meger at 952-652-2826. Thank you!

Ever wonder what it is like to be a Nun or Brother? Come and See!

St. Nicholas Church is taking a bus to tour religious communities in Mpls. and St. Paul on Friday, June 5th. Bring your whole family! Cost: \$5 a person. Meals will be provided.

To sign up for this fun filled day, please call the parish office at 461-2403 or e-mail lisal@stncc.net

Any questions on this event please contact Lisa Damiani at 651-203-7734.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

LNMV Religious Education

Keep in touch by checking out the RE website at www.lnmvre.net Registration information for 2015-16 school year will be sent in early July.

****Future catechists and aides:** Please discern your call to help your parish by passing on the faith through teaching. We will be working toward filling our teaching spots by August. Please email Kathy Chlan @ kathyc@holycrossschool.net if you have any questions or are interested in teaching, co-teaching or being an aide in a room. You do not need to have children in the program to help teach or aide in classrooms. **LNMV Religious Education** - Check out the RE website at www.lnmvre.net



[Registration for 2015-16 school year will be sent and begin in early July.](#)

HOLY CROSS NEWS:

Happy Memorial Day from the students and staff at Holy Cross! We celebrated the end of a successful school year with the Summer Kickoff at Holy Cross on Thursday evening. We wish everyone a safe and relaxing summer! While the students are gone, staff will continue to prepare for another wonderful school year in 2015-2016. The school office will be open Tuesday through Thursday during the summer. Registrations are being accepted, so please contact Anne Fredrickson at 952-652-6100 for information about signing up to be part of our school family!

2015 CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

The CSA goal for St. Nicholas is \$18,555

Donations to date: \$19,701

If you have not made your contribution to the 2015 Catholic Services Appeal, please consider doing so.

One pledge can make a difference, especially when combined with all the other pledges made throughout our local Church. And, when our parish reaches its goal, 25% of all funds received will be returned for use to support ministries in our parish

Food Shelf Weekends!

We are excited to announce that our parish will now be holding food drives the last full weekend of every month. All donations will be going to the Scott County Food Shelf. Mark your calendar and thanks in advance for your donations!

Food Drive weekends: May 30/31 and June 27/28.

Please bring food and drop in alcoves on sides of church.



Book Club meets one Tuesday a month @ 7:15pm at Deb Streefland's home. If you are interested in joining us, please call Deb Streefland at 952-652-2349. **2015 Schedule; Sept. 15, Oct. 13, Nov. 17 & Dec. 15.**

CHRISTIAN MOTHER'S AND LADIES GUILD (CMLG)

The next CMLG meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 26th at 6:30pm in the church basement. All women of the parish are invited to attend.



The St. Nicholas choir practices Tuesday evenings 7:00-8:30pm. No previous choir or vocal training required to join. Our music ministry is one of the most vital to the Liturgy and one that brings its members many rewards for their time and talents shared. If you are interested but have questions, please contact Deb Carlson at 952-884-8251 or debc@stncc.net

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL

Memorial Day weekend schedule – The Adoration Chapel will close on May 21st at 5 pm, will stay closed through the weekend, and will reopen on Tuesday, May 26th at 8:30 am.

MORE ADORERS ARE NEEDED FOR HOLY HOURS WITH JESUS. PLEASE CONSIDER HELPING WITH AN HOUR.

Adorers are needed especially for the following hours: **Sunday:** 1 pm (1st, 2nd, 4th, and 5th Sundays), 4 pm (from June - Sept), **Tuesday:** 1 pm (2 Tuesdays a month), 7 pm, **Wednesday:** 10 am, **Friday:** Midnight, 1 am, 2 am, 3 am, 7 pm (2 Fridays a month), **Saturday:** 1 pm (on 2nd, 3rd Saturdays of the month). To sign up as an Adorer or for more information on Adoration, please contact Dan and Lynne Soderlund at (507) 645-6012 or at lynsod@yahoo.com

MOTHER'S GROUP

Wonder what your **Prayer Life** should look like as a **MOM**? Come discuss prayer with us based on Fr. Dubai's book, **Prayer Primer!**

If you don't have time to read, join us anyway! Meeting in the **Myra Room at 9:30 on May 28**. Please call Lisa Damiani with questions: [651-203-7734](tel:651-203-7734)

PRO-LIFE

We invite you to the chapel for the Pro-Life Rosary, every Saturday at 9am.



Save the Date:

Saturday, November 14th

Park Ballroom, New Prague

Social Hour starting at 5:00pm

(Mass will be celebrated at 4:00pm)

This adult-only event will feature an evening of Fellowship, a Delicious Meal, Specialty Games of Chance, Bountiful Baskets and Silent & Live Auctions.

HAPPENING IN THE AREA:

Southern Valley Alliance for battered Women – Is in need of volunteers to answer the 24-hour crisis line from the comfort of your home. We also are seeking volunteers to facilitate support groups and provide childcare. For more information, please call Jan or Anna at 952-873-4214.

Bishop Piché to Celebrate All-City Charismatic Pentecost Mass

All are welcome to the annual All-City Charismatic Pentecost Mass, Sunday, May 24, 2015, at Immaculate Conception Church, 4030 Jackson Street NE, Columbia Heights, MN 55421. Bishop Lee Piché will celebrate the Mass, joined by other clergy from around the archdiocese. This beautiful Spirit-filled event, sponsored by the Catholic Charismatic Renewal Office (CCRO), begins with praise & worship at 2:00 p.m. Mass at 3:00 p.m. and fellowship and refreshments after. Please join us.

Archdiocesan Marriage Day Celebration

Saturday, June 6, 10 a.m. Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Paul

Married couples, celebrate the gift of your vocation at the Archdiocesan Marriage Day Celebration Mass with Archbishop John Nienstedt. Participate in the grand opening of the exhibit "100 Years of Marriage at the Cathedral of Saint Paul." Those celebrating their silver and golden anniversaries in the 2015 calendar year will be honored in a special way. Family and Friends are welcome.

Submit requests for a special certificate by May 30 via email at fomos@archspm.org, or by mail to Office of Marriage, Family and Life, Marriage Certificates, 328 Kellogg Blvd W, St. Paul, MN 55102. For more information, call (651) 291-4488.

Saint John's has been awarded a grant to develop successful models of building and sustaining community in parishes nationwide. We are now seeking men and women student applicants and referrals for this new Lilly Community Fellowship program at Saint John's School of Theology. More info at www.collegevilleMN.com

The Holy Father is coming to Philadelphia in September! Where will you be? – The registration form is available for download & printing at http://www.archspm.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/World-Meeting-of-Families-2015-Archdiocese-of-St-Paul-and-Minneapolis_Monday-September-28-return2.pdf

Join the Archdiocesan pilgrimage to the World meeting of Families and the Papal visit, Sept 22-28, 2015. Accommodations in and around Philly are very limited, so ensure your spot with us. Register today! Visit archspm.org/WMF or call Sonya at 651-291-4488.

St. John Paul II Champions for Life Awards - Nominate someone today!

Do you know of someone who devotes his or her time helping the poor, elderly, disabled, pregnant, or is committed to praying for Respect Life issues? He or she may be our next Champion for Life! The Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis is looking to honor those who respect life at our annual St. John Paul II Champions for Life Awards. To submit a nomination or for more information, go to archspm.org and search keywords "Champions for Life". Questions? Please contact Nancy Schulte Palacheck at 651-291-4489 or MFL@archspm.org.

Fortnight for Freedom - Speaker Series - Wednesday, June 24, 7 p.m.

"Building Babylon's good without bending to its gods" by Jason Adkins, Minnesota Catholic Conference Church of Saint Paul, 1740 Bunker Lake Blvd NE, Ham Lake
The cost for this event is free of charge. Refreshments (apple pie) following program. Please join us. Email: lightforreligiousfreedom@inbox.com or phone 651-291-4488.

SUMMER SPLASH with the School Sisters of Notre Dame: a weekend for girls who are completing sixth, seventh or eighth grade and their moms (or significant female adults). Mom and daughter alumnae from any previous Summer Splash are also welcome. Held at Our Lady of Good Counsel Campus (170 Good Counsel Drive, Mankato, MN 56001), beginning at 1:00 p.m. Friday, June 26 until 6:00 p.m. Saturday, June 27. Cost - \$75 per mother/daughter pair. Includes a blend of activities designed to strengthen the mother-daughter connection while providing an inside look at the Sisters' lives. See www.ssndcentralpacific.org/summer-splash-2015 for more information and to register. Questions? Contact Sister Dorothy Zeller, SSND 507-514-2296.

Archbishop Harry J. Flynn Catechetical Institute

Come discover the plan that will transform your work, your marriage, your family, your community... your life!

This fall, the Archbishop Harry J. Flynn Catechetical Institute will begin another two-year course at The Church of the Epiphany campus in Coon Rapids. Taught by some of the best instructors in the Twin Cities, such as Bishop Andrew Cozzens, Jeff Cavins, Deacon Joe Michalak, Fr. John Klockeman, Dr. Bill Stevenson, Dr. Todd Flanders, Christina Smith and more, the program follows the four pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* and will make sense of all things Catholic, deepen your faith, and lay out the roadmap to heaven.

The classes are divided into four eleven-week modules and meet on Monday evenings, 7 to 9 pm, with two Saturday morning formative sessions per module. Applications are now being accepted through June 1, 2015, for the class beginning in September. For more information and an application to become part of the Class of St. Teresa of Avila, call (651) 962-5028 or visit www.Clstudent.com.

