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Our Parish Vision:

To be a growing family who joyfully brings people to Jesus.

November 3, 2024 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time We Value Relationships of:

- **Faith**
- **Community**
- **Service**

8:30am, 10:30am, 7:00pm Sunday Mass:

Mass of Anticipation: Saturday evening @ 5:00pm

Weekday Mass: Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri & holidays @ 8:15am; Tuesday @ 6:00pm

Sat @ 9:00am - followed by Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet all days except Tuesday

First Friday: Adoration after 8:15am Mass, concluding with Benediction @ 3:50pm

Reconciliation: Sat @ 9:30am - 10:00am and 4:30pm, or by appointment with Fr. Nixon.

30 Minutes before weekend &15 Minutes before weekday Mass.

Adult Faith

Baptism: Please contact the Parish Office. Pre-Baptismal instruction is required.

Marriage: Please notify the Parish Office at least six months in advance.

Marriage preparation course is required.

Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday, 9:00am-5:00pm

"One cannot possibly understand the teaching of the	
saints unless one has a pure mind and is trying to	

imitate their life."

St. Athanasius

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31st Sunday in Ordinary Time



Mass Intentions: Nov 2 to Nov 9, 2024

Nov 2	(5:00pm Sat)	Robert Dean †
Nov 3	(8:30am Sun)	Facchin Family †
Nov 3	(10:30am Sun)	St. Nicholas Parishioners (Int.)
Nov 3	(7:00pm Sun)	Augusto Ponte †
Nov 4	(8:15am Mon)	Peter Loo †
Nov 5	(6:00pm Tues)	Julie Tio †
Nov 6	(8:15am Wed)	Mauro Sacchetti †
Nov 7	(8:15am Thurs)	Sacchetti Family (Int)
Nov 8	(8:15am Fri)	Roisin & Kris Cu (Int)
Nov 9	(9:00am Sat)	Julie Tio †



Lorne Miess passed away on Thursday, October 31, 2024. Pray for the eternal repose of his soul. Please remember his family, Irene, Dan and Samantha in your prayers.



"And 'to love him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself' is worth more than all the burnt offerings and sacrifices." Mark 12:33

Of all the gifts that God gives us, the one He wants the most is our heart. He wants us to share out of our love for Him, not out of obligation. Using our talent in parish ministry and contributing money to support our parish mission is important, but it's more important to spend time in prayer with God daily and discern how He is calling us to be generous with all our gifts. Not just the visible ones, but the invisible ones like love, mercy and forgiveness.

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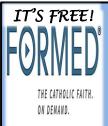
ANOINTING OF THE SICK – Father Nixon is available to administer the sacraments anointing of the sick, confession & holy communion to those who are sick or homebound. Please email Fr. Nixon directly at nds.ilva@rcav.org



St Nicholas Parish continues its pastoral work & we appreciate your continued financial support.

Please consider giving online through the Parish's website, use your envelopes at Mass, or drop them off during office hours. Thank you for your generosity.

Weekly Anticipated Expenses: \$9120



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PICK OF THE WEEK: Saint Charles Borromeo: The Good Shepherd



As the Cardinal-nephew of Pope Pius IV, Saint Charles Borromeo was one of the wealthiest and most powerful men in all of Rome. Yet he chose the extraordinary challenge of reforming the enormous Archdiocese of Milan to the pampered life of a Renaissance prince, and willingly spent himself in the service of his flock.



November is a special time to remember our departed loved ones. **November Month of Holy Souls** envelopes are available in the Church's foyer. You are invited to use the envelopes to have loved ones remembered at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the month of November. *The suggested offering is \$10 per mass per person.* **Parishioners using these envelopes should NOT use cheques – cash only, please.**

PASTOR SURVEY ENDS NOVEMBER 5

There were 160 responses to the pastor's survey. Thank you to all who responded. Anyone who has not yet participated, can do so by accessing this website: https://rcav.org/pastor-feedback-survey



14994 Knights of Columbus St Nicholas Council Received Triple Star Council Award for Fraternal Year 2023-2024. This award is "the top of the top awards" selected within the 16,000 councils in the world with over 16 million members in the Order. To receive this Star Council Award, our St Nicholas council earned 1) *Father McGivney Award*, 2) *Founder's Award*, and 3) *Columbian Award*. **CONGRATULATIONS!!**

Join our **Youth Ministry mass** on **Saturday**, **Nov. 16**, **5pm**. This is a good opportunity to see what it's like to help prepare for mass! If you are interested in being an usher, choir singer, or altar server, please contact Kelly at youth.snic@rcav.net.



Are you considering Catholic High School Education for your child? Jennifer Friesen from St. John Brebeuf Regional Secondary School will be visiting our senior PREP Classes and hosting a brief parent **information session** during PREP on **November 6th and 7th**. Please come and learn more about your local Catholic High School and all it has to offer!



CWL FUNDRAISER – MERIDIAN MEATS/ RALPH'S FARM MARKET GIFT CARDS

begins on November 11 and ends on November 22. No orders will be accepted after November 22. For every \$100 in gift cards sold, the CWL retains \$30 that will go to the Parish and other charitable causes that we support. The gift cards never expire, are 100% redeemable at any Meridian Meats & Seafood or Meridian/Ralph's Farm Market location and are available in denominations of \$20 and \$100 – With Christmas just around the corner, what better way to support your Parish CWL and other worthwhile charities. For more details or to receive an order form, please email Pam Doyle at pamdoylecwl@yahoo.com or phone her at 604-530-9782.

FAMILY-FRIENDLY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION - Saturday, November 16

You're invited to a time of Adoration that is family friendly. ALL are welcome - bring friends!

Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them; for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven."

Matthew 9:14

1pm - 1:45pm Spend time with Jesus through music, prayer and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Pls. note: Father Nixon will be available for Confession at this time.

1:45pm - 3pm Enjoy snacks and meet other individuals and families in the Pope Francis room A and at *Open gym - Note: Parent supervision required.

Hosted by Family Ministry. We're looking for volunteers! Please reach out to Laura if you're interested in assisting with this event and/or future projects in whatever way you are able - laura.defleuriot@gmail.com

HOW TO FOSTER A DEEPER RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

Learn 5 Impactful Steps for Praying a LECTIO DIVINA Sat., Nov. 16 @ 2pm - 3:30pm, Classroom 4 A&B

Do you want to be more intentional when reading the bible? Wondering how to encounter Christ in a more personal way? This interactive workshop will demonstrate the practice of "Divine Reading" or Lectio Divina. Learn how to converse with the Lord in an authentic way by meditating on scripture and by discerning your response. Become immersed in God's word and take time to rest in Him. This style of prayer can be done on your own, as a couple, with your family and in a group.

Can Lectio Divina help inspire our young children and tween/teens to also grow closer to God at their level? Parents, caregivers and educators are also invited to join this session. Optional resources will be available to guide families on how to implement Lectio Divina prayers for children ages 3 +.

It's never too early, or too late to start! Kindly **RSVP by Nov.14** & direct questions to Lisa Price & Donna Crombie - donna@InspiredWithGrace.com

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We are proud St Nicholas Knights.

The Knights of Columbus empowers Catholic men to live their faith and serve their family, parish, community and our country, CANADA!

Dear St Nicholas parishioners, we are pleased to share this success to you all. CONGRATULATIONS!



To receive this Star Council Award, our St Nicholas council must earn 1) Father McGivney Award, 2) Founder's Award, and 3) Columbian Award.

- Father McGivney Award recognizes excellence in council membership growth.
- Founder's Award recognizes excellence in the promotion of our insurance and fraternal benefits.
- Columbian Award recognizes council's charitable service activities and fraternal programs.

Note that not only KofC St Nicholas council 14994 achieved all the above and awarded as a STAR COUNCIL, but we also reached 360% of the goal and WAS AWARDED TRIPLE STAR. This is incredibly special!

From all of us at KofC council executives at St Nicholas, thank you Fr Nixon, and to all parishioners, and your families for continued supports to Knights of Columbus.

Vivat Jesus!



Cor St Nicholas - Men's Prayer Group

Inspired by the Apostolic Exhortation for Catholic men written by Bishop Olmsted of Phoenix, this video series which seeks to answer the question of what it means to be a man and how to live as a man in today's world.



Date: Wednesday, November 6th, 7:00pm - 8:30pm

Contact: Cor.StNick@gmail.com



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OCTOBER UPDATE

We are almost out of time for 2024.

We have only achieved 50% of our parish goal this year!

Many thanks to the 12.9% of parishioners who have pledged so far helping us to reach this point.

Just imagine, what we could accomplish if our other **600** families gave something to Project Advance.

The St. Nicholas parish goal this year is \$110,000.

Now that the goal for the Archdiocese has been surpassed all additional funds raised are directed back to the parish to fund our vision; saving the required capital for the cost of our church project and to facilitate the application for an Approval in Principle to start the multi-step process of moving forward on actual construction.

It is not too late to participate; all gifts are important to us in collectively achieving our Parish goals and the December 31st tax deadline is approaching. Please participate with any amount according to your means.

Please help our parish move forward by making a gift to Project Advance today.

Making a safe, easy and secure gift online to Project Advance can be done by going to www.projectadvance.ca

and selecting St. Nicholas as your parish from the drop down menu.

Check for your Project Advance brochure and letter from Father Nixon that came to your email on Tuesday, April 30th.

If you prefer, the brochure you receive in the email can be completed and dropped in the Sunday collection basket or at the parish office.

If you don't receive email from the parish, please pick up an envelope with the brochure and Father's letter in the foyer.

"Live gratefully, give generously."



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UPDATE: From our previous 7 sales, we have raised \$20,348.50 to fund all of our goals, including *Domestic Abuse Services*, *NET Ministries*, *Youth Ministry*, *St. Nicholas Parish Building Fund*, the *Catholic Women's Leadership Foundation* and *Euthanasia Prevention/Pro-Life Initiatives*.

As with our sale in the Fall of 2023, the cards will be for online shopping as opposed to in-store shopping. You will have the option of picking up your order in the store or having it delivered to your home. Deliveries arrive hand-packed and chilled, across Vancouver and the Lower Mainland. With your help, we are hoping for continued success in our Fall 2024 campaign, which begins on November 11 and ends on November 22. No orders will be accepted after November 22.

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Sales Oct 1, 2024 to Dec 14, 2024, 8pm Early Bird Draws Oct 7 (2x\$1000), Oct 21 (2x\$1000), Nov 4 (2x\$1000)

Nov 18 (2x\$1000), Dec 2 (2x\$1000) Main Draw Saturday December 14, 2024, 8:01pm

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