

St. Nicholas
50 Years as a Parish
 1974 - 2024



St. Nicholas Catholic Church

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32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury." - Mk 12:42-43

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid. Go and do as you propose. But first make me a little cake and bring it to me." (1 Kgs 17:13)

Psalm — Praise the Lord, my soul! (Ps 146)

Second Reading — But now once for all he has appeared at the end of the ages to take away sin by his sacrifice. (Heb 9:26)

Gospel — "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury." (Mk 12:43)

Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM
 Sunday: 8:30 & 10:30 AM
 Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday: 8:30 AM
 Tuesday: 6:30 PM (Latin Mass)

Adoration of Most Blessed Sacrament:
 Wednesday: 9 AM - 6:30 PM
 Benediction: 6:30 PM

Confessions:
 Saturday: 3:45 PM - 4:20 PM
 Tuesday: 5:45 PM - 6:15 PM
 (other times by appointment)

A Message from Our Pastor:



Dear Parishioners,

In just another week we will have the beautiful 50th Anniversary Mass with Bishop Schlert and our 50th Anniversary Gala. My thanks to everyone who has been working so hard to make this a beautiful day for all of us. So much planning and preparation has been done and now the day is upon us. I hope everyone will enjoy this celebration and realize what a truly great community we have here at St. Nicholas.

This year, in the 3 days after our Anniversary celebrations, we will have our annual 40 Hours of Eucharistic Adoration and Retreat. This will be a perfect way for us to continue to reflect on the meaning of this 50th Anniversary and pray for each other and the future of our parish, a family that is centered around Our Lord in the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. From Our Lord present in the Holy Eucharist we receive our identity as a Catholic parish, the graces and gifts we need to carry on with the mission of salvation and hope that will inspire our family to grow, now and in the future.

Our 40 Hours will begin on Monday evening with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 5:30PM, quiet prayer time with confession available until 6:15, and then at 6:30PM our first evening of prayer, meditation and Benediction. Tuesday and Wednesday, exposition and adoration will begin after the morning Mass, which is at 8:30AM, and will continue throughout the day until we being our second and third evenings (respectively) of prayer, meditation and Benediction.

Father Keaton Eidle, ordained this year in June, will be here each evening to offer our Eucharistic Retreat sermons, which will provide us with much food for meditation, on the path to holiness through devotion to Our Lord in the Holy Eucharist. He will focus on the Eucharist and humility, the Eucharist and knowing and doing the will of God and the Eucharist and Charity. I am so happy that Father Eidle can be with us and I know you will enjoy him and will find his sermons to be very inspiring and useful in seeing to deepen one's friendship with Our Lord.

These special days of Adoration are always an opportunity to grow personally and also to be a means of grace for our parish and for all those whom we brown before the Lord in our prayers. The following four fruits always come from a parish that devoutly celebrates these days of adoration:

- ✦ Adoration brings many blessings to the parish community and is one of the pillars of a healthy parish and makes parish life thrive.
- ✦ Adoration is a rich source of grace for each soul who comes before the Lord. In His presence our hearts are united to His Sacred Heart and we receive peace which cannot be found elsewhere.
- ✦ By offering ourselves before The Lord, we bring the grace of conversion to souls around the world. Through our Adoration of our Eucharistic Lord we are part of saving the world.
- ✦ A partial Indulgence is granted the faithful who make a visit to the Most Blessed Sacrament for the purpose of Adoration, this becomes a plenary indulgence if the visit is for at least one half hour.

I hope you will plan on being there each evening and spending some private time in prayer on Tuesday and Wednesday. This is also the perfect opportunity to invite someone new or someone who has not been with us for some time. A kind invitation is sometimes all it takes to save a soul. What rejoicing in heaven there will be when you invite someone to our 40 Hours!

Peace- Father Adam



Observances week of November 10, 2024

Sunday: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Martin of Tours, Bishop; Veterans Day
Tuesday: St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr
Wednesday: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin
Friday: St. Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Saturday: St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin

St. Nicholas Food Pantry Is Open

Collections are on the third weekend of the month. If you know of a family or person that can use a hand at this time, let the parish office know.



Mass Intentions:

Sat 11/9	4:30 PM	John Eisenreich (Mary Eisenreich)
Sun 11/10	8:30 AM	Barbara & Sterling Hendricks (Cindy Saab)
	10:30 AM	Mary Ellen Meinsell (JoAnne Kochmark)
Mon 11/11	8:30 AM	St. Nicholas Memorial Society
Tues 11/12	6:30 PM	All Souls Intentions
Wed 11/13	8:30 AM	People of the Parish
Thu 11/14	8:30 AM	Rose Taddeo, Victoria Danner, Carl Balaha
Fri 11/15	No mass	
Sat 11/16	4:30 PM	Helen Anthony (Charlene & Robert Reilly)
Sun 11/17	8:30 AM	Frank Pecsí (Gay Pecsí)
	10:30 AM	Richard Augustine (Pat & Roland Hunsicker)

Counting Our Blessings-Thank You!

10/27	Collection Envelopes	\$3,672.00
	Weekly Budgeted Operational Expenses	\$7,352.00
	All Souls	\$87.00
	Renovation & Preservation	\$50.00

Miraculous Medal Novena



The prayers of the Miraculous Medal Novena are prayed publicly in our parish every Wednesday after the evening Benediction at 6:30PM. We offer public praying of the Miraculous Medal Novena as a perpetual novena of prayer as a part of the spiritual life of our parish. Please come and join together each Wednesday as we pray this beautiful prayer as a weekly devotion.

St. Monica Ministry Holy Hour

**Every 3rd Wednesday of the Month
6-7PM**

We come together to pray for those who have fallen away from the Faith!



Parish Holy Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet

Holy Rosary: Saturday & Sunday: 30 minutes before Mass. Monday & Thursday: 9AM. Tuesday: 6PM. Wednesday & Fridays: 3PM (*immediately after the Chaplet of Divine Mercy*).

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Every Wednesday & Friday at 3PM.



Eucharist Adoration

Jesus still waits for us in the tabernacle. Please spend time with our Lord, in Eucharistic Adoration.

Eucharistic Adoration is every Wednesday between 8:30AM and 6:30PM.



Tabernacle Candle Intentions

To reserve one of the Lamps for a weekly intention, donation is \$10.

Altar Wine and Bread

You are able to reserve in your name the Altar Wine and Bread used throughout the week for all the Masses. Donation is \$20.



Blessed Mother or St. Joseph Flowers

Each arrangement is a donation of \$35. Stop by or call the parish office.



Week of November 10 to 16

*Tabernacle Candles will be lit in Memory of
Wednesday Adorers*

St. Nicholas Memorial Society

*Altar Hosts and Wine Offered in Memory of
St. Nicholas Memorial Society*

Annual 40 Hours Eucharistic Adoration and Retreat

November 18th, 19th & 20th with **Father Keaton Eidle**

"The Eucharist, Our Path to Holiness"

Father Eidle will offer a meditation each evening at 6:30PM, the theme of his talks will focus on how the Lord leads us to holiness through the Sacrament of the Most Holy Eucharist

✠ Nov 18th:

Adoration will begin at 5:30PM with Confessions from 5:30-6:15PM.

Prayers, Meditation, and Benediction at **6:30PM**

✠ Nov 19th:

Adoration will begin at Morning Mass at 8:30AM and continue through the day.

Prayers, Meditation, and Benediction at **6:30PM**

✠ Nov 20th:

Adoration will begin at Morning Mass at 8:30AM and continue through the day.

Prayers, Meditation, and Benediction at **6:30PM**

Caring Hands Knit-Crochet Group

We create comforting items to be donated to those in need within our area, such as prayer shawls, lap robes, cancer hats, preemie & newborn hats and blankets...etc.

Join us the second and fourth Friday of each month from 10am-12pm in the social hall. If you are interested or have any questions please contact: Krista Ambrosino @ 484.597.3685

Please call the parish center office at 610-767-3107 if you would like to suggest the name of someone who would benefit from one of our items.



Women of Hope Retreat Malvern Retreat House March 14-16, 2025

"The Eucharist - Food for the Journey"

Ladies, join us for an inspiring weekend and renew your faith and relationship with the Lord. The retreat will be led by four dynamic and faithful women! You will be led in prayer, hear great talks, attend Mass & Adoration and much more.

Cost: \$275 includes overnight accommodations and meals. * \$75.00 deposit to secure your spot

*Virtual Option Available if 5 people register for Zoom
Cost is \$75 per person

Register at: malvernretreat.com or call 610-644-0400

Scouting for Food

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH

Food Pick up starts at 8am

SUGGESTED ITEMS

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| ◆ Canned Foods | ◆ Diapers |
| ◆ Hygiene Items | ◆ Peanut Butter |
| ◆ Paper Products | ◆ Juice Boxes |
| ◆ Baby Formula | ◆ Whole Grain Cereal |
| ◆ Pasta | |

NO GLASS JARS PLEASE

For items that have not been picked up, please be so kind & deliver to your local food bank

Boy Scouts Hoagie Sale

- We have Italian Hoagies in different options
 - Everything: Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Peppers
 - Plain: Lettuce, Tomato
 - No Onion: Lettuce, Tomato, Peppers
 - No Peppers: Lettuce, Tomato, Onions
 - Veggie: Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Peppers, Multiple different cheese
- Tuna and Cheese on a Kaiser
- Ham and Cheese on a Kaiser

All roles are baked fresh that day at Valos Bakery in Bethlehem.

We package the Tomato and Peppers separately to keep the hoagie fresh

All hoagies or Kaiser are \$6

Please email your order to Andreas.hassold@web.de or andreas.hassold@us.bosch.com

Call or text: 610-653-7520 or 484-619-1053

Orders due Wednesday 11/13. Pick-up **Wednesday November 20th at 7:15pm** at the church.

Hoagie sale benefits the Boy Scout Troop 62

Boy Scouts

Boys Scouts meet Thursdays at 7 PM in the social hall. For more information, please call Mike, 610-824-6556.



Alcoholics Anonymous

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. Membership is open to anyone who has the desire to do stop drinking.

AA Group meets 6:30 PM Sunday in the social hall.





50th ANNIVERSARY UPDATE

50th Anniversary Mass Celebration
at St Nicholas Catholic Church
Sunday, November 17 at 10:30 am

Presider Bishop Alfred A. Schlert and Father Adam Sedar
Followed in the afternoon by the Gala Event

Time/Location: 1 pm Woodstone Country Club, 3777
Dogwood Rd, Danielsville PA.

The 50th Anniversary Gala Committee is seeking **photos of the Church/Congregation for the event.**

Please contact Robert Stettner at 610-554-4099.
You can also email digital photos to
event@stnicholaswalnutport.org

SPECIAL NEED

Anyone who volunteered to bake a dessert for the 50th Anniversary Gala, please drop off your baked good on Friday, November 15 at 2pm in the Church Social Hall. Anyone who uses nuts in their dessert, please let Lisa know when dropping off the baked item.

If you are unable to drop off at that time, please call Lisa Pignataro at 610-737-4716 to make arrangements with her. Thank you.

Silent Auction

For those individuals attending the 50th Anniversary Gala, we invite you to bid on items offered by our Silent Auction table. The value of offerings will range from \$100 to \$500 payable at the day of the event. Winners can pay for items by cash, check or credit card.

Any questions, please email:
event@stnicholaswalnutport.org or call Cindy Miller at 610-751-5601. Thank you.

BVMSN FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

Serving the parishioners and families of Assumption BVM and St. Nicholas Churches. We offer lower interest rate loans and financial counseling if you want to help clean up your credit. Your money is insured up to \$250,000. For more information, call the credit union at 484-272-2858 or stop by the St. Nicholas Rectory on Monday nights from 7pm-9pm. We are here for you.

We Need Your Help!

If you or you know a parishioner that is homebound or is in or going into in a nursing home or personal care facility, please let us know by calling the Parish Office.

One Family for Thanksgiving

St. Nicholas parish is one family in the Church, and we celebrate Thanksgiving as family. There are some who may not have a Happy Thanksgiving because of financial concerns.



As a Parish Family we would like to reach out to our parishioners in need of assistance.

There are several ways you can help. We are asking for **canned or boxed food donations** that would be used for a Thanksgiving Dinner, such as cranberry sauce, vegetables, turkey gravy, instant potatoes, rice, applesauce, or cake mixes. All food items can be brought to the social hall before November 20th. Or **take an envelope from the table in the portico marked "Turkey" and make a monetary donation.** These envelopes can be placed in the collection basket or dropped off at the parish office by November 20th.

Finally, do you know of anyone in our parish or area that needs assistance? Fill out the form in the portico and place it in an envelope marked "TURKEY". Envelopes can be dropped in the collection basket or dropped off at the church office. All information will be kept confidential.

Pick up will be November 23rd and 24th in the social hall. The name of the family to receive the food package and the family size is needed ASAP, but no later than **November 17th**, so we can plan how much additional food needs to be purchased.

Keeping the Lord's House Tidy

St. Nicholas cleaning team is looking for team members, usually Thursdays in the evening, but time and day are flexible. Come help us keep the Lord's house clean!

Contact Lisa Pignataro
610 7374716



Remembering our Veterans

November 11
Veterans Day

