SAINT GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH

FEBRUARY 19, 2023 — SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM Monday - Friday: 8:15 AM

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00 PM - 3:30 PM

ADORATION / PRIVATE PRAYER

Tuesday: 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM in Church with Benediction Monday through Friday: 11:00 AM to Midnight in Holy Family Chapel

PARISH OFFICE

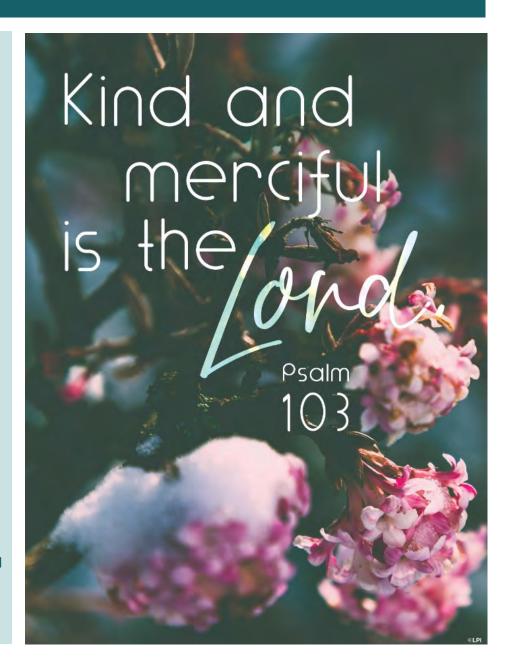
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Monday, Wednesday & Friday:
8:45 AM to 3:00 PM
Tuesday & Thursday:
8:45 AM to 6:00 PM
Office Closed: 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM
Monday through Friday

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CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

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OUR MISSION

We, the faith-filled community of Saint George, nourished by God's Word and His Sacraments and renewed by the Holy Spirit accept the call to continue the Mission of Christ by living in, sharing and transforming our world.

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FROM THE PASTOR

This week, we begin the holy season of Lent. These upcoming forty days offer us an opportunity to reset out spiritual life and renew our relationship with God. On Ash Wednesday, we will hear the call to prayer, fasting and almsgiving. These three touchstones of Lent guide us to reconciliation and new spiritual strength. I urge you to use these days to the best of your ability. Take time to pray. Get to reconciliation and feel God's forgiveness. Make some sacrifice that will get you in touch with the spiritual emptiness we sometimes carry. May this be a blessed time for all of us.

Saint George and all the parishes in the Archdiocese of Chicago will be participating in a parish survey about discipleship conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute. The purpose of the survey is to give our parish leadership a better sense of the spiritual needs of our community and how we can best respond. We need your help!!

All you have to do is take a 10 to 15 minute survey online. The survey can be accessed at www.catholideaders.org /chicagodmi from Ash Wednesday, February 22 until March 31. All responses will be confidential and the parish will only receive information about the community as a whole. We will have paper copies available in church and at the parish office shortly. A printable version of the survey will also be available on our

website. To submit the completed paper survey, please drop it off at the Parish Office.

We are trying to get the highest response rate possible. This information will be invaluable to Father Paul and our various ministries as we plan for the future and strive to be the best disciples we can be. We will receive the results this spring/summer at which time we will share what we have learned with the entire parish.

Thank you for helping us with this important project!

I am also grateful for the kind (and patient) response to this year's Annual Catholic Appeal. As you know, our goal is just over \$56,000. As we join all other parishes in this effort, we know the money is going to important ministries that care for the poor, defend life, educate our children and enhance our spiritual growth and sense of discipleship. Any funds donated in excess of our goal will come back to the parish. That money will be designated to develop a beautiful Marian shrine outside the Adoration Chapel and refresh the parish landscaping. Many of our trees and plants are dead or overgrown. With last year's funds, we have acquired several new vestments. More are on the way. We are also going to have a number of liturgical items refurbished, such as our processional candles the servers carry into Mass; the processional cross; the holy water fonts; the Benediction candelabra, among others.

All of this is possible because of you. Your generosity and love for the Church and our parish is the engine that keeps us going. All of this, of course, is a result of the working of the Holy Spirit among us. Thank you for your kind response!



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THIS WEEK AT SAINT GEORGE

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2023

Annual Catholic Appeal

Rice Bowl / Little Black Book Distribution Paczki House Build Fundraiser (CC Lobby)

9:30 AM Bread & Word (MR 4)

9:30 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word (RMR)

Parish Registration (MR 1) 10:30 AM 11:30 AM Baptism (Church) 11:30 AM Teen Mass (Church) Ice Skating (Oak Lawn) 1:00 PM 5:00 PM Adult Volleyball (Gym)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2023

No School

6:30 PM Society of St. Vincent De Paul Mtg. (MR 3)

7:00 PM Bible Study (MR 3) 7:00 PM Finance Committee (MR 1)

7:30 PM Al-Anon (O'CH)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023

10:00 AM Bible Study (MR 3) 6:00 PM Adoration (Church) SPRED II (SC, K) 6:00 PM

6:30 PM Domestic Violence Outreach (MR 1) 7:00 PM Living Stations Practice (Church)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2023

Aid for the Church in Central & Eastern Europe

8:15 AM Ash Wednesday Mass (Church)

3:00 PM Ash Wednesday Prayer Service (Church) CFF Gr. 1-8 (S, CC, O'CH, GR, G, K, 6:00 PM

MR 1-4, BR, QR, SGS)

6:30 PM Ash Wednesday Mass (Church)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2023

9:30 AM CWSF Prayer Shawl Ministry (MR 1-2)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2023

7:00 PM Bingo (O'CH, GR, K) 7:00 PM Marian Fellowship (MR 4)

7:00 PM Pack the House After Party (MR 1-2) 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross (Church)

8:00 PM Narcotics Anon (MR 3)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2023

Mission Trip Collection

Pro-Life Prayer Card at Church Entrances

6:30 AM That Man Is You (O'CH) 3:00 PM Reconciliation (Church) 7:00 PM Adult Volleyball (Gym)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2023

Mission Trip Collection

Pro-Life Prayer Card at Church Entrances

7:00 AM BSA Troop 385 Pancake Breakfast

(O'CH, NCR, GR)

9:30 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word (RMR)

5:00 PM Adult Volleyball (Gym)

WEEKLY READINGS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19 Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/Ps 103:1-2, 3 -4, 8, 10, 12-13 (8a)/

1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-4

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/ Mk 9:14-29

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27 -28, 39-40/Mk 9:30-3

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor 5:20— 6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-1

Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23 Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4

and 6/Lk 9:22-25

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-1

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25 ls 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 (see 3a)/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/

Mt 4:1-11



WORSHIP SCHEDULE MASS SCHEDULE

Weekends

Anticipated Mass on Saturdays at 4:00 PM Sundays at 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM

The 4:00 PM Mass on Saturday and the 9:30 AM Mass on Sunday are broadcast via 101.7 FM to the parking lot. Please park on the east side of the parking lot by 175th Street. Communion will be brought to your car.

The 4:00 PM Mass is live streamed on Facebook, then posted to the parish webpage and YouTube.

Weekdays

Monday through Friday at 8:15 AM

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays - 3:00 PM to 3:30 PM

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesdays - 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM (Church) Monday through Friday - 11:00 AM to Midnight (Holy Family Chapel)

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 25 - 4:00 PM

Celebrant: Father Paul **Deacon:** Jerry Souta

Eucharistic Don Clark - Bread Ministers: Fran Clark - Bread Cindi Patula - Bread

Lectors: Mary Spengler - Lector

SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 26 - 7:30 AM

Celebrant:Father PaulDeacon:Tom SchutziusEucharisticPaul Windish - BreadMinisters:Betsy Windish - BreadLectors:Sandra Novotney - Lector

SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 26 - 9:30 AM

Celebrant: Father Paul **Deacon:** Greg Bartos

Eucharistic Karen Kiner - Bread **Ministers:** Joanne O'Brien - Bread

Nicole Olson - Bread

Lectors Denise Iggins - Lector

SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 26 - 11:30 AM

Celebrant: Father Stan **Deacon:** Tim Keating

EucharisticWally Wawzenek - BreadMinisters:Diane Wawzenek - BreadLectors:Tom German - Lector

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office office will be closed on Friday, February 24. The staff will be on retreat from Thursday February 23 at 2:00 PM until Friday February 24 at 2:00 PM. Please pray for the staff of Saint George as they gather for renewal and prepare for the Easter season.

TINLEY PARK FOOD PANTRY

Donations of non-perishable food for the Tinley Park Food Pantry can be brought to Saint George Church on the third weekend of each month.

The next collection will take place this weekend, February 18-19. Thank you for your generosity!

HOLY FAMILY CHAPEL

STOP BY HOLY FAMILY CHAPEL DURING LENT

Lent will be starting soon. You have thought about visiting Holy Family Chapel, but somehow it has not yet happened. Why not make visits during Lent to spend some quality time with Jesus in Holy Family Chapel. You will receive the grace and love radiating from Jesus present in the Sacred Host. It will not take long before you feel peace and love while in front of Jesus in the Eucharist. Even if you are not certain how to pray, just know that you are before Jesus who knows you inside-out. You might even decide to join fellow parishioners as a frequent visitor, or by taking a regular hour each week. Find an hour where you can get away from the fast pace of life to seek insight from Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

Holy Family Chapel is open 13 hours per day on Monday through Friday from 11:00 AM to midnight to provide that opportunity. Use this link to get more information and to register for an hour that works for you: http://stgeorge60477.org/eucharistic-adoration/

Choose "Click Here To Sign Up" below the monstrance image, press "Weekly Commitment," select the hour you prefer, and enter the requested contact information. Press "Signup" to complete your registration. You will receive a confirmation email that includes instructions on how to electronically request a substitute when you might need one. If you do not have electronic access, please call Bill Beckman at 708-429-2762 to register your hour.

Currently, Tuesday 11:00 PM needs a new regular adorer. While there are many hours to consider that might fit your schedule, if possible, see if one of the following hours might work as your regular hour: Monday - 1:00 PM, 2:00 PM, 4:00 PM; Tuesday - 2:00 PM, 11:00 PM; Wednesday - Noon, 1:00 PM; Thursday - 2:00 PM, 7:00 PM, 9:00 PM; Friday - 1:00 PM, 2:00 PM, 5:00 PM. If making a regular hour is difficult because your schedule changes, please consider becoming a substitute adorer by pressing "Become a Sub" (under "Weekly Commitment").

SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



In today's Gospel, Jesus challenges us by saying: "You must be perfected as your heavenly Father is perfect."

By your gift to the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul you indeed put your faith into action as you fulfill the commands of Jesus.

If your family or someone close to you is in need, please contact us at 708-532-2243 x515. A representative will return your call as soon as possible to arrange a confidential conversation. Confidentiality and compassion are the cornerstones of our ministry.

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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 18

4:00 PM Intentions of Cynthia Aguilar

Vera Bayer+ Wesley Anderson+

SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 19

7:30 AM Deceased Members of

Knights of Columbus+ Carol Vander Sanden+

Tom Nolan+

9:30 AM Jay Surufka+

Ann Rangel+

Mass for Parishioners

11:30 AM Patricia DeLisa+

Jim Dougherty+

Mary Jean McLaughlin+

MONDAY - FEBRUARY 20

8:15 AM Jay Surufka+

Patrick & Maude Brennan+

TUESDAY - FEBRUARY 21

8:15 AM Allan Byrd+

WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 22

8:15 AM Antoinette Hauser+

Michael J. Kill

6:30 PM Mass for Parishioners

THURSDAY - FEBRUARY 23

8:15 AM Ann Rangel+

Faye Esposito+

FRIDAY - FEBRUARY 24

8:15 AM Mass for All Souls

Healing for Mary Scudella

Veronica Schmidt+

SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 25

4:00 PM Joseph & Jean Perlikiewicz+

Maggie Devries+ Elmer W. Braun, Jr.+

SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 26

7:30 AM Doretta Strittar+

Margaret Quitter+

Sophia Menos

9:30 AM Mass for Parishioners

Mary Ortigara+ Shirley Jenkins+

11:30 AM John Rangel Family

Al Byrd+ Ann Rangel+

PLEASE PRAY FOR

OUR SICK...

Yvonne Renee Adams, Robert Baader, Terrence Baker, Ed & Pat Barta, Ed Bidrowski, Nancy Bishop, Bernadette Bosco, Dennis Bowman, Bernie Brady, David Charleston, Margaret Concannon, Diane Cosgrave, Mary Deskovich, Linda Dorminey, Baby Lucy Dovin, Baby Mark Easley, Beth Edwards, Phil Estrada, Darlene Everson, Ruth Galleher, Marirose Grosschadl, Holly Hesselschwardt, Jace Hettinger, Paul Hosso, Robyn (Kristinat) Jankosky, Evelyn Knight, Zach Lomax, Lynn Kot, William Krystyniak, Pat Kukula, Margaret Lakes, Donald Lavey, Carol Manow, Tom McGrath, Kathleen Mohan, Sharrelle Newson, Brian & Sandy Nichols, Gwen Norvilas, Romaine Padgett, Deacon Joe Panek, Lottie Pano, Toni Pusateri, Eunice Robey, Ben Schaefer, Mary Scudella, Jerry & Alexa Sebesta, Shirley Smiley, Burt Stewart, Delores Stewart, Mary Ann Stewart, Richard Stewart, Frank Stoecker, Tony Streeter, Lorraine Szara, Roger Tagtmeier, Matt Taylor, Sara Taylor, Mary Theriault, Tammy Thomas, Andrew Tihlarik, Joyce Tikalsky, Dennis Torri, Marlene Torri, Leslie Vaicik, Lisa Vari, William Vis, James Walker, Shannon Wallace, Sandra Wickeham, Pat Woolet, Shirley Wydra, Antoinette Zaro, Richard & Mary Zdun

If you or a loved one needs prayers due to an illness, please call the parish office to put your name on the prayer list. Names are kept on the list for four weeks unless we are notified the person has not recovered.

OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED...

Janice Fahrner, James Malone, Helga Stockinger

OUR MILITARY...

Please remember in your prayers the following people who are serving our country: PO3 Mary Balkas (Coast Guard), Sqt. Jacob Berry (Army), SSqt. Mark Bradley (Marines), Staff Sqt. Amanda Brennan (Army), First Sqt. Robert Brennan (Army), Capt. Michael Caddigan (Army), SSqt. Brad Clemmer (Air Force), SSgt. Heidi Currie (Air Force), Lt.Col. Kevin Currie (Air Force), Maj. Patrick Currie (Air Force), Sqt. Matthew Daliege (Army), Sqt. James Dewey (Army), Maj. Christopher Doering (Army), Sqt. Jonathon M. Filca (Marines), PO2 James J. Guerino (Navy), Cmdr. Daniel Hollendoner (Navy), Cpl. Ryan Hollendoner (Army), L.Cpl. Jonathan Idrovo (Marines), Lt. Erin Janofski (Navy), Becky Johnston (AirSybiland John Force), L.Cpl. Bryan Johnston (Marines), L.Cpl. Ashton Kahne (Marines), A1C Dylan Knispel (Air Force), AOAA Zachary Kovalcik (Navy) Spc. Martin McCarthy (Army), Lt. Cmdr. Sean Miner (Navy), Spc. Joshua S. Mitchell (Army), Alexandra Novak, Lt. Charles W. Novak (Marines), HM3 Elizabeth O'Neill (E6 Navy Corpsman), Sqt. Jacob Pusateri (Marines), L. Cpl. Brian Richard (Marines), PFC James Rodriguez (Army), Amn. Michael Sarniak, Jr. (Coast Guard), Bo Shipan (Marines, LCPI), SSgt. Alison Smallwood (Air Force), SSgt. Chaise Smallwood (Air Force), Lt. David F. Steinberger III (Navy), Spc. Alexander Waters (Army), Sqt. FC Powell Yates (Army), A1C Andrew Yock (Air Force)

If there are parishioners currently serving in the United States military, we would like to know. Please call the parish office and tell us the name of your dear one and he/she will be remembered in the prayers of our community and the name posted in the bulletin. Please indicate branch of service and rank.

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On Wednesday, February 22, we begin the holy season of Lent. Ash Wednesday provides an opportunity for everyone to come to pray and receive ashes. These forty holy days are intended for us to focus on prayer, fasting and almsgiving, as the readings on Ash Wednesday teach us. That day, the collection will go to Eastern Europe per archdiocese instructions. Please come and begin your Lent well – pray with us!

LENTEN REGULATIONS

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of Lent. Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those who are bound by this may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. The special Paschal fast, as well as abstinence, are prescribed for Good Friday and encouraged for Holy Saturday.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The Parish Reconciliation Service will take place on Wednesday, March 15 at 6:30 PM.

Private reconciliation is scheduled on Saturdays from 2:30 to 3:30 PM. Confessions will not be heard on Holy Saturday.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesdays, February 28, March 7, 21, 28 and April 4 from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Note: Holy Family Chapel will be closed during the Triduum (April 6, 7 and 8).

ASH WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 22

Masses with ash distribution will take place at 8:15 AM and 6:30 PM. A prayer service with ash distribution is scheduled at 3:30 PM.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be performed at 7:00 PM on Friday nights during Lent.

SOUP AND THEOLOGY



you are not familiar with the process, we will provide homemade soup prior to an open conversation about our faith and how we can live out our call to discipleship. This year we will be using Bishop Baron's series called "Conversion." We will be meeting on Monday evenings starting on February 27 at 6:30 PM. Our goal is to have many participants where we can watch the videos together and then have small group discussions with a final wrap-up. I have not done this in the past but I am looking forward to gathering with you as we break open the message that God has for each of us through some very familiar Gospel stories.

You will need to register ahead of time so we can have adequate supplies for both the soup and the theology. I hope you can join us for at least some or all of the sessions. If you have questions you can contact me via email at jlassandrello@stgeorge60477.org or my office 708-532-8211 or to register call the Parish Office at 708-532-2243.

Jeanne Lassandrello Director of Life Long Formation

A LENTEN RETREAT HOSTED BY THE MARIAN FELLOWSHIP GROUP

The Marian Fellowship Group is hosting a Lenten Retreat: The Eucharist and the Spiritual Works of Mercy. Our presenter will be Deacon Jerry.

The Good Samaritan parable defines "neighbor love" as the practice of mercy. In response to the question "Who is my neighbor" one might answer "the man lying wounded along the road." But it is not.

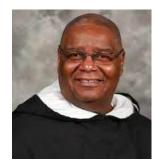
The answer is the Samaritan. The neighbor is the one who shows mercy. In The Face of Mercy, Pope Francis's first words identify Jesus Christ as the face of mercy. This Jesus comes to us in a special way, in a real way, every time we receive the Eucharist at Mass. So, mercy is extended to us in and through the Blessed Sacrament. At the end of Mass, one of the options for the words of dismissal is, "Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life." Through this retreat, we will learn to live what we believe. We are to become another Christ, the Face of Christ, the Face of Mercy, to every person we encounter, the familiar and the unfamiliar, the lovable and the unlovable.

The retreat will take place on Saturday, March 18. Check-in for the retreat is at 8:00 AM (coffee and donuts) and will begin with morning prayer in the Sanctuary at 8:30 AM. The retreat will be from 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM. Lunch will be served. PLEASE RSVP FOR LUNCH BY FEBRUARY 26 at: MarianFellowshipGroup@stgeorge60477.org.



To Praise, To Bless, To Preach

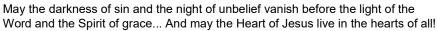
You are invited to our Parish Mission here at Saint George. Please take advantage of this opportunity to pray with us together in community. Let us prepare for the Solemnity of Easter.



Fr. Brian Guadalupe Walker, OP Mission Preacher

Sunday, March 12 - 7:00 PM Monday, March 13 - 7:00 PM





St. Arnold Janssen, SVD





LITTLE BLACK BOOKS

The Little Black Books for Lent will be available at the Weekend Masses on February 18-19. Pick yours up from the baskets at the entrances of church.



The Mission of Little Books is to Help People Pray During Lent.

Each Little Book has been carefully crafted to help you explore the depths of Scripture and deepen your relationship with Christ. Use your Little Book for personal devotional time, and spend some quiet time with the Lord.

How to use the Little Black Book

This Little Black Book is your companion for Lent. It's an old-fashioned "vade mecum" (pronounced vahday maykum). That's the Latin for "travel with me" and was used to describe a book of prayers for traveling priests, or a handbook for quick reference – something you could take with you anywhere. It travels easily in your pocket, purse, glove compartment. The goal is to find six minutes of quiet time every day for the next 50 days to walk through this book a page at a time. Six minutes. That's within reach. And it pays big returns.

The key is the right-hand page. Starting with Ash Wednesday, we will walk through the passion narrative of Matthew, a few verses at a time, with explanations and reflections along the way. It's an ancient way of praying the Scriptures — called lectio divina. God speaks to us "live" through the sacred word and we're often surprised at the thoughts that

The left-hand page has a variety of quotes, information, timely thoughts. Treat it like a buffet table from which you can take what you like. (If pressed for time, go directly to the right-hand page and spend your time there.)

We won't start reading the Gospels until Ash Wednesday. But we'll start the six-minute program on Sunday, February 19 (the Sunday before Ash Wednesday), which will give us three days to get ready for Lent.

CRS RICE BOWL

Lent is Coming! Time for CRS Rice Bowl

CRS Rice Bowl is a staple on the table of Catholic Families across the country during Lent. The simple cardboard box is a tool for collecting Lenten alms—and comes with a Lenten calendar that guides families through the 40 days of Lent with activities, reflections and stories.

Join our Saint George faith community—and more than 12,000 Catholic communities across the United States - in a transformative Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl beginning Sunday, February 19. Baskets containing Rice Bowls will be available at the entrances of church. Children from the Children's Faith Formation program and the children at Saint George School will receive their Rice Bowls at those locations.

During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on global hunger and take action to help our sisters and brothers impacted by this injustice.

This year Rice Bowl will introduce us to our neighbors in Honduras, the Philippines and Kenya. We'll learn how hard-working families are overcoming challenges to build a better life and provide their children with the opportunity to attend school and pursue their dreams.



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BSA Troop 385 is hosting an ALL YOU CAN EAT Pancake Breakfast Sunday, February 26 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM at Saint George School. Tickets are \$8.

A proceeds will be used to fund our amazing scouts and their activities, adventures and development.



It's official! The **Disciple Maker Index (DMI) Survey** is a great way to reflect on your own spiritual growth while helping our parish plan for the future.

Complete the short, 10-15 minute **anonymous** survey at **catholicleaders.org/chicagodmi** or scan

the code, or find a paper copy in the narthex or parish office after Mass.

Available from **Ash Wednesday**, **February 22 to March 31**. Don't miss this opportunity to be heard.





For additional information on Saint George, please visit the parish website - www.stgeorge60477.org

MARY'S WAY OF THE CROSS



All Women of the Parish are invited to a special version of the Stations on Friday, March 3 at 7:00 PM. This special Stations is Mary's version of watching her Son walk His steps to His death.

If you would like to be a part of this special evening please contact Leslie Vaicik at

708-502-0243 or lesliev1019@yahoo.com.

If you have ever thought about becoming a lector this might be a chance for you to "test the waters" and see if you would like to join the lectors group.

THAT MAN IS YOU

THE FIRST MAN Saturday, February 26 - 6:30 PM to 8:00 AM

This week's presentation will focus on Adam, "The First Man", and Christ's relationship to him. We will look at the parallels as well as the differences. Which do we appear to be more like, both to others and to ourselves? The battles that Adam faced still rage in the modern human heart.

Hot coffee and a hearty breakfast are available beginning at 6:30 AM. The program begins at 7:00 AM.

Don't forget to invite a friend, or join us with the idea of making some new ones!

Hoping to see YOU there!

That Man Is You! meets on Saturday mornings for breakfast in O'Connell Hall at St. George School. All adult men, 18 and older, are invited and encouraged to attend. To learn more about TMIY, please contact Gary at 708-614-1734; ghendzell@msn.com.

AL-ANON

"Are You Bothered By A Loved One's Drinking?"

Please join us at Al-Anon Family Groups - a fellowship of relatives and friends who share their experiences, strength and hope. It is a program of understanding. You have choices and Al-Anon can help. Al-Anon meets at Saint George on Mondays at 7:30 PM in O'Connell Hall.

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SAINT GEORGE SAINT JULIE YOUTH MINISTRY SACRED JOURNEY

Mass and Ice Skating - February 19

Please join us for Mass this Sunday, February 19 at 11:30 AM at Saint George and then meet us at Oak Lawn Park District Ice Arena for skating from 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM. Admission is \$7, and skate rental is \$5.

Living Stations - April 4 and April 7

We are excited to be leading a Living Stations prayer performance during Holy Week. The performance will take place at 7:00 PM at Saint Julie on April 4, and at 7:00 PM at Saint George on April 7. Our first meeting is **Tuesday, February 21** at Saint George Church. Practices are on Tuesday nights. Please see the schedule on the right.

Encounter Night - February 26

All are welcome at Encounter Night, sponsored by Southwest Suburban Youth Ministry Association. Encounter Night will take place on Sunday, February 26 at 7:00 PM at Saint Francis of Assisi. This is a great opportunity for Lenten prayer and reconciliation.

Service Project - February 27

Please join us on Monday, February 27 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM for a service project for the Tinley Park Food Pantry at Zion Lutheran Church.

Wanted: Virtus Trained Adult volunteers to share their faith and time with our youth! Contact Kristen if you are interested!

Please see the Saint George website for more information including permission slips for all events. Contact Kristen Maxwell at kmaxwell@stgeorge60477.org with any questions.

Thank you so much for your generous support of our bake sale for Holly Hesselschwardt! Thanks to you, we were able to give her two large cards, a warm blanket, and \$2,499.50. Also, thank you to our wonderful bakers and our teens who made the blankets for her and others in need.

Please help us lead our parishes in



prayer by participating in the

Rehearsals - 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Tuesday, February 21 - Saint George Tuesday, February 28 - Saint Julie Tuesday, March 7 - Saint George Tuesday, March 14 - Saint Julie Tuesday, March 21 - Saint George Tuesday, March 28 - Saint Julie

Prayer Performances - 7:00 PM

Tuesday, April 4 - Saint Julie Friday, April 7 - Saint George





The Archdiocese of Chicago Is once again offering adult sessions for preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation for Adults via Zoom. This is the final step in completing the Sacraments of Initiation. "For by the Sacrament of Confirmation, [the baptized] are more perfectly bound to the church and are enriched with a special strength of the Holy Spirit. Hence, they are, as true witnesses of Christ. And to defend the faith by word and deed." (LG 11; cf. Rite of Confirmation, Introduction 2)

Candidates must be at least 18 years old and have completed the sacraments of Baptism and Communion. Sessions will start March 7. The program meets for 8 weeks via Zoom, from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM.

Candidates should be attending Mass regularly, and belong to a Catholic parish. There is a required in-person service and prayer event on April 1, 2023, from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM at Our Lady of the Angels Mission in Chicago. The Confirmation Mass is on May 22, 2023 at 7:00 PM at Saint Hyacinth Basilica with Bishop Lombardo. The fee is \$60.

Below is the direct link to register through the Archdiocese, or you can search Archdiocese of Chicago Adult Confirmation.

https://pvm.archchicago.org/documents/87254/254302/ AdultConfirmation_Calendar_Spring23_v1.pdf/dface32e-0168-4e8f-8c1e-9d9bd3563f89

If you have any further questions, you can contact Jeanne Lassandrello at jlassandrello@stgeorge 60477.org or call the Faith Formation Office at 708-532-2811.

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STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

February 11-12

Weekly Offering / Holy Days	\$	13,188.61	We're grateful to
Weekly Offering / Holy Days - Revised Bu	udget* \$	14,081.51	those who continue
Difference	\$	(892.90)	to financially support our parish. God bless
School Fund	\$	421.00	you! Your support is
Sharing Parish – Saint Gerard Majella	\$	128.00	deeply appreciated
Initial Offering	\$	40.00	and needed.
Church in Latin America	\$	25.00	If you drop off
Central & Eastern Europe	\$	35.00	envelopes at the
Fiscal Year 2023 Year-to-Date			parish office, please use the mail slot in
YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days	\$	467,048.93	the wall marked, "Key
YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days - Budg	geted \$	464,689.83	Deposit" which will
YTD Difference	\$	2,359.10	bring them safely into the parish office.



ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Walking on the road with Jesus

Our parish is conducting our campaign for the Annual Catholic Appeal. Please remember that the Annual Catholic Appeal is much different than a one-time special collection. It is a pledge campaign where you can make a gift payable in installments.

The new Annual Catholic Appeal theme, "Walking on the road with Jesus," is an important theme as we prayerfully consider our support for the Appeal but also important for embracing the life that the Lord wants us to live. Each pledge makes a difference! All parish communities participate in the campaign and the gifts of many enable our parishes, schools and

ministries to deliver needed services. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response. To make your gift, you can complete the mail-in giving envelope available at church or make a gift online at annualcatholicappeal.com

PLANNED GIVING

Demonstrate Love for Thy Neighbor with a QCD Gift

* Revised budget numbers based on YTD January actuals.

The Annual Catholic Appeal is an opportunity to express concretely the generosity of love that marks the lives of those who walk with Jesus and the very holiness of God in whom we live and move and have our very being. One way you can support your fellow Catholics is by making a gift directly from your individual retirement account (IRA).

A qualified charitable distribution (QCD), also known as an "IRA Charitable Rollover," allows individuals age $70\frac{1}{2}$ or older to authorize their IRA administrator to directly transfer up to \$100,000 annually from their IRA to qualified charities, tax-free.

There are three main benefits of supporting the Annual Catholic Appeal with a QCD gift:

- 1. If you are 73 years old or older, the amount you transfer can satisfy all or part of your required minimum distribution.
- 2. The amount transferred directly to charity does not generate taxable income, which may reduce your annual income level. This may help lower your Medicare premiums and decrease the amount of Social Security that is subject to tax.
- 3. Your gift will directly support the necessary work of parishes, Catholic schools and vital ministries throughout the archdiocese, allowing you to see the impact of your gift now.

If you would like information on how to make a QCD gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal, please contact Renee Beemsterboer at 708-532-2243 or rbeemsterboer@stgeorge60477.org or contact Karen Whitehead, Archdiocese of Chicago at 312-534-7461 or kwhitehead@archchicago.org.

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Give Central is an option more people are choosing. You can go to our website - www.stgeorge60477.org to learn how to make your weekly or monthly donations or use the new archdiocesan universal offertory website at: www.archchicago/support. For more information, please contact Renee Beemsterboer at rbeemsterboer@stgeorge60477.org.

YEAR END TAX STATEMENTS

2022 contribution statements are available and will be provided upon request. request. To request your statement, please contact the parish office at 708-532-2243 or email Kathy Rubino at krubino@stgeorge60477.org. Please put 2022 Tax Letter in the subject line.

OFFERTORY DONATIONS

Saint George Church does not "pass the basket" at the offertory. Instead, please drop your contributions in the collection boxes located near the pews in church.

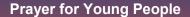
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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH

The Domestic Violence Outreach is a very small group of parishioners concerned about the growing problem of abuse in the home. Statistics tell us that one in four adults experiences violence in their own homes. This means that as you sit in church and look around at the people sitting near you whose faces you recognize, some have been or are now victims. We need to help them realize that help is available, and that hope is a reality. You need no prior experience or training. We need your help for only an hour or so now and then. No regular commitment is required. Please come join us to see what you can do to help turn victims into survivors.

Our next meeting is: **Tuesday, February 21, at 6:30 PM in Meeting Room #1 in the Cahill Center.**

All are welcome!



O God, we pray and ask you to guide and protect young people from the dangers that are ever present in our world today.

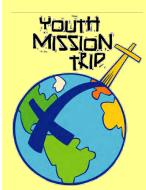
Be with them, as they experience both sickness and health, sorrow and joy, loneliness and friendship, success and failure.

Gracious God, give them the courage and strength
to make the right decisions as they journey through life.
Through the power of the Holy Spirit,
may they come to know and
experience your loving care.
We make this prayer through Christ Our Lord.
Amen.

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SECOND COLLECTON



Next weekend, February 25-26, there will be a second collection to benefit Sacred Journey Youth Ministry's mission trip to Cumberland, Kentucky on June 5-6.

Thanks you for your generosity.



Thursday March **02** 2:45 PM - 7:00 PM

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Helpful tip: Make sure to eat a healthy meal and drink plenty of water before donating.

Call 1-800-7TO-GIVE for questions or appointments.

Please fill out Versipass on drive day to decrease your wait time
---->www.versiti.org/versipass/illinois

RESPECT LIFE

PRAYER FOR LIFE DURING LENT

Next weekend Saint George Pro-Life will be providing Pro-Life prayer cards that you can pick up at the entrances of church. Please take a prayer card home with you to pray that mothers who consider abortion will decide in favor of life. During Lent, a 40 Days for Life Vigil will take place at Planned Parenthood in Flossmoor. Your prayers are very important for mothers who go there, so that they will be moved to choose life, rather than abortion. As abortion has been increasing in Illinois through more public funding, less regulation, and the repeal of parental notice, prayers are needed more than ever to defend innocent lives.

FLOSSMOOR 40 DAYS FOR LIFE VIGIL

Please join the 40 Days for Life Vigil at Planned Parenthood in Flossmoor on any day from February 22 through April 2. Thursday is a known abortion day, so that would be a good day for on-site prayer for the victims of abortion. Join other Saint George parishioners from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM on any Thursday from February 23 through March 30, or choose any hour from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM (ending at 5:00 PM) for prayer on site at the Planned Parenthood abortion facility in Flossmoor at 19831 S. Governors Highway.

This vigil is part of the national call for 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion running from February 22 through April 2, and is one of nearly 600 in 30 nations. During these 40 days, please make an extra effort to pray and fast for the end of abortion in our nation (e.g. make extra visits to Holy Family Chapel and/or attend weekday Mass). You can schedule your vigil time at 40daysforlife.com/en/flossmoor/.

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Saint George Catholic School Early Childhood Open House

Come see all that Saint George has to offer! Meet with our Kindergarten and PreK Teachers.

Thursday, February 23, 2023 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Email Mrs. Stock to set up an appointment! LStock@stgeorgeschool.org 6700 176th St., Tinley Park (Just south of the Metra Station













SAINT GEORGE SCHOOL - CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Dads and Donuts!

Students and their dads shared some special time - and treats - together on Monday morning of Catholic Schools Week. Very sweet, indeed!























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PARISH INFORMATION

BAPTISMS will take place at 1:00 PM on the first Sunday of the month and at the 11:30 AM Sunday Mass on the third Sunday of the month. The family must be registered. A baptismal preparation program is obligatory in advance; please call the parish office to register and for more information.

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS is a program for anyone inquiring and seeking information about entering the Catholic faith. Contact the parish office.

WEDDING arrangements must be made four months in advance of the wedding date. You must be a registered parishioner for six months prior to making arrangements. Please schedule your church date before reserving your hall.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK / RECONCILIATION can

be arranged by contacting the Parish Office to have a priest celebrate the sacraments with the person who is seriously ill or homebound.

HOSPITAL VISITS can be made by our priests or deacons, if notified by family members or friends. Although sacramental needs of patients are administered by the hospital chaplain or by a local priest, in an emergency, Saint George clergy will respond to sacramental needs.

MINISTRY OF CARE: Mandated Agape Ministers of Care are available to visit, pray with, and bring Holy Communion to those who are sick and unable to attend Mass. Notify the parish office when this service is needed.

REGISTRATION: We welcome new members with open arms. Please call the parish office for more information.

STEWARDSHIP involves your time, talent and treasure. Contact the parish office for assistance in getting started in any of the Parish's ministries and organizations. Please remember Saint George Parish when planning your estate or preparing your will.

MASS: Each week, we will celebrate a Sunday Vigil Mass on Saturday at 4:00 PM, and three Masses on Sunday - 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM, as well as a weekday Mass Monday through Friday at 8:15 AM.

RECONCILIATION: Every Saturday from 3:00 PM to 3:30 PM.

ADORATION AND PRIVATE PRAYER: In church every Tuesday from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM. 11:00 AM to Midnight Monday through Friday in the Adoration Chapel. You may come and go as is convenient for you during this time.

FUNERALS, BAPTISMS AND WEDDINGS: To make arrangements, please call the parish office at 708-532-2243.

BULLETIN INFORMATION provides updates on parish and Archdiocesan events. Please submit articles or recommendations to bulletin@stgeorge60477.org by Friday at 4:00 PM before publication date. Because of space limitations, articles regarding Saint George activities and information, as well as Archdiocesan events and news will take priority. All articles are subject to editing and will be published at the discretion of the Pastor. No guarantees can be made as to size or placement of the articles.



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