

# SAINT GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH

**MARCH 12, 2023 — THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

## **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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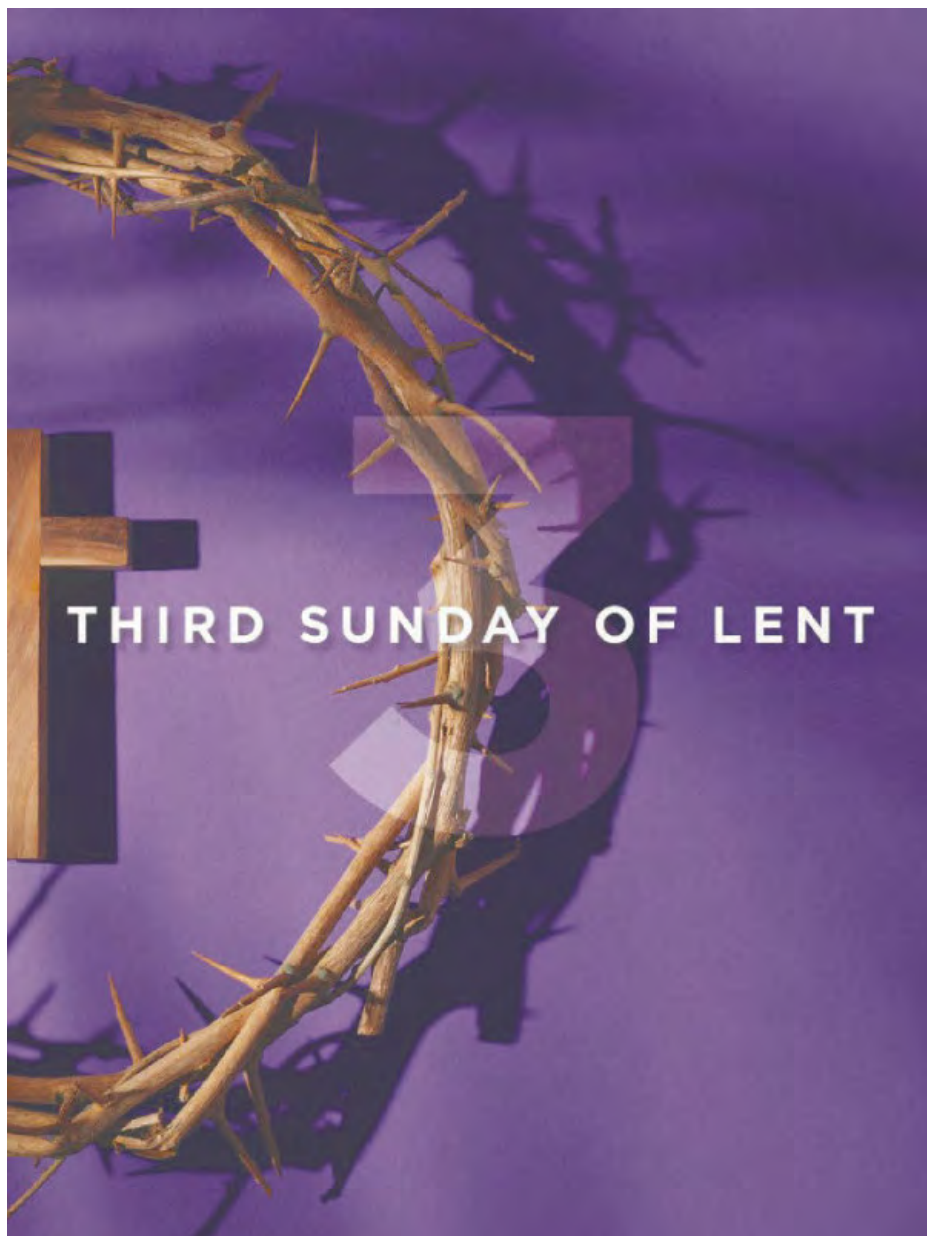
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## **OUR MISSION**

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 weekend we begin a series of three Gospels that are central to our story as Christians. These Gospels are a bit longer than we are used to but they are stories worth hearing. Today we are introduced to the Woman at the Well. She is a Samaritan, and Jews and Samaritans were bitter enemies. Jesus approaches her, asking for a drink of water, a shocking thing for a Jewish man to do. A Samaritan woman and a Jewish man speaking to each other was unheard of. But Jesus was all about breaking down barriers.

Next week, we will hear about The Man Born Blind. "Was it his sin or a sin of his parents that caused him to be born blind?" the disciples ask. Jesus sets them straight on that right away. As usual, Jesus helps the blind man, and as usual, the Pharisees give both Jesus and the cured man a hard time.

Lastly, we will hear about The Raising of Lazarus. Jesus seemingly delays going to help his friend as he was dying, even though He wasn't far away. This puts Lazarus' sister, Martha, on edge. She challenges Him. Jesus calms her and promises great things to come. I like that this story gives us a kind of permission to question God. Martha is asked to affirm her faith in Jesus, which she does. So even the most faithful among us can have questions, and this story shows it is alright.

Each of these three beautiful stories come from Saint John's Gospel. They all have a similar pattern of people not knowing Jesus, coming to understand Him, and finally coming to faith and recognition of who He truly is, Our Savior. Over these weeks at the 9:30 AM Mass, we will pray with those preparing for the Easter sacraments.

These Gospels, in some way, reflect their experience of conversion. Those to be baptized, confirmed and receive the Eucharist have been preparing for several months. Now they have reached a point in which we as a parish hear them profess their desire to become Christians and live it in the Catholic Church. These rituals are called the Scrutinies, a terrible term of our Catholic jargon, which simply means they will be questioned and prayed for as they come closer to the great Easter Vigil, when they will receive the sacraments.

So it is a very good time for us to begin our Lenten Parish Mission. You will meet Father Brian Walker, O.P. who will lead us in prayer and reflection. I hope you will join us for this first mission since COVID. Father Walker will speak at all the Masses this weekend. Then he will offer a presentation tonight (Sunday), Monday and Tuesday. On Wednesday, we will have our Parish Reconciliation Service at 6:30 PM. And on Saturday, Deacon Jerry will lead a day of reflection. It's a busy week! Please join us for these beautiful opportunities to deepen your faith this Lent.

Cardinal Cupich, called on the people of the Archdiocese of Chicago to take part in a global effort to celebrate the 10th Anniversary of Pope Francis' election to the papacy by praying the Hail Mary 10 times. You can register your participation on the campaign by lighting a digital candle on <https://www.decimusannus.org/site/index>. The page may be in Italian but there is an option to translate into English.

Don't forget to take the DMI survey! This will be very helpful in setting the direction of the future of Saint George. It is available at <https://portal.catholicleaders.org/d/gb1tt4>, and paper copies can be found at the exits of church. Please participate in this survey!

Lastly, Gentlemen, please mark your calendar for a Men's Club meeting on Tuesday, March 28 at 7:00 PM in meeting Room 3 in the Parish Center. Hope to see you there!

## SAINT GEORGE PARISH MISSION

### *To Praise, To Bless, To Preach*

**Sunday, Monday and Tuesday - March 12, 13 and 14**  
**7:00 PM Each Night - Saint George Church**

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

**Father Brian Guadalupe Walker, OP**  
**Mission Preacher**



Being a member of the Order of Preachers, popularly known as the Dominicans, Father Walker spends extensive time preaching on how we can better our lives and develop our relationships with all of God's people. We are called to be sisters and brothers to one another. We have to break down the walls that divide us and keep us from our goal. Father Walker is currently assigned to Saint Pius V Priory in the heart of the Mexican-American community in Chicago.

*May the darkness of sin and the night of unbelief vanish before the light of the Word and the Spirit of grace... And may the Heart of Jesus live in the hearts of all!*

*St. Arnold Janssen, SVD*

## 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.

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesdays, March 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).

## 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 PM to 3:30 PM during Lent. Confessions will not be heard on Holy Saturday.

## 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

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

## WELCOME



### Become Part of Our Church Family

If you are new to our church or just visiting, please introduce yourself. We are delighted to

share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you do not have a church home, we invite you to become a part of our parish.

The Saint George Parish Registration Team is happy to announce that registration for new parishioners will take place next Sunday (March 19), AFTER the 9:30 AM Mass in the Parish Life Center, Meeting Room 1.

Join us for coffee and a light breakfast as we welcome you into the Saint George Parish Family!



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](https://catholicleaders.org/chicagodmi) or scan the code, or find a paper copy in the narthex or parish office.

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



## PARISH RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Please join us for the **Parish Reconciliation Service on Wednesday, March 15 at 6:30 PM.**

## A LENTEN RETREAT HOSTED BY THE MARIAN FELLOWSHIP GROUP

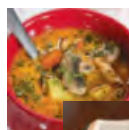
The Marian Fellowship Group is hosting a **Lenten Retreat: The Eucharist and the Spiritual Works of Mercy.**

**Our presenter will be Deacon Jerry.**

The 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.

For additional information, please contact Deacon Jerry at [jsouta@stgeorge60477.org](mailto:jsouta@stgeorge60477.org).

## SOUP AND THEOLOGY



Soup and Theology will be offered Monday evenings during Lent, beginning at 6:30 PM. This year, we will be using Bishop Barron's series titled "Conversion". We will share some delicious soup, and hopefully, have great conversations about a few characters in the bible who had a particular experience of hearing God's words. Bishop Barron takes each story of conversion as he sees it apply to our own experiences.

Soup will be available at 6:30 PM with fellowship. We will open the session with prayer, followed by a 10-15 minute video presented by Bishop Barron. With that we will share stories and insight in small groups connecting what we heard, what we read and how it all speaks to us on our faith journeys. Each evening's session is independent and is not contingent on attending the previous week.

Stories from Scripture that we will be covering if you care to read ahead are:

- March 13 - PARISH MISSION with Rev Brian Walter (no soup)
- March 20 - Jonah ~ The Book of Jonah (Old Testament)
- March 27 - The Woman at the Well ~ John 4:1-42
- April 3 - Journey of the Magi ~ Luke 2
- April 10 - Matthew ~ 9:1-13

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 and one Old Testament story. If you have questions, please contact me via email at [jllassandrello@stgeorge60477.org](mailto:jllassandrello@stgeorge60477.org) or call my office 708-532-8211, or to register call the Parish Office at 708-532-2243.

Conversion is not a one-time event. It is a lifelong turning away from sin and toward Jesus Christ. Again and again and again ...

Jeanne Lassandrello  
Director of Life Long Formation





Thank you for welcoming me to Saint George!

We are looking for musical volunteers to step forward and share their gifts. As Easter is fast approaching, we could use some help to make it a special holiday. If helping for Easter is not a good option for you, let me know and we will use your help later.

Please consider the following if you are musical:

- Choir
- Children's choir
- Instrumentalists – guitar, flute, trumpet, strings, anything!
- Cantors

You need not sing or play every week, just when based on your schedule, it is convenient for you to prepare and share at Mass. If you have any questions, please feel free to see me after a Mass, or email me at [TQuistorff@stgeorge60477.org](mailto:TQuistorff@stgeorge60477.org).

Thanks!

Tim Quistorff

## THAT MAN IS YOU

### A LIMITLESS LOVE

**Saturday, March 18**

**6:30 AM to 8:00 AM**

Former London Mafia Enforcer, John Pridmore, returns once again as our presenter!

The limitless mercy of the Cross, in the context of modern culture, borders on scandal. If God can forgive John Pridmore for ALL the evil, destruction, lust, lies, pain and suffering that he personally brought into this world; if He can completely wipe away his sins; then what can He do for yours?

Through all the videos and discussions we've had this year, the one thing we consistently realize that we need, more than anything else, is God's mercy!

Wherever you are in your spiritual life, the merciful love of Christ wants to meet you right there and take you further.

Hot coffee and a hearty breakfast will be available beginning at 6:30 AM. Our program begins promptly at 7:00 AM.

That Man Is You! meets on Saturday mornings for breakfast in O'Connell Hall at Saint 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](mailto:ghendzell@msn.com).



## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION



My name is Timothy Bolin.

I was born at Perry County Memorial Hospital to my parents, Ivan and Nancy. I have three brothers and two sisters. I also have two step-brothers and one step-sister. My mother remarried to my step-father, Cecil Sinclair in the early 1970s. As a young boy growing up, I attended church with my family at a Baptist church in Tell City, Indiana, and believe I was baptized at a young age.

I moved away from Tell City after high school and joined the Indiana National Guard and was honorably discharged. I worked as a carpenter in the Lake County area for almost 15 years building custom homes and performing many duties including pouring concrete for foundations, concrete sidewalks and construction work until 1997. It was then that I was sworn in as a Police Officer in the town of Schneider. I left there in 2005 to join the Burnham Police Department in Illinois where I currently serve as a Detective.

This year as a special gift to my wife and me, I have been attending RCIA classes to become a Catholic member of Saint George Parish and have a traditional Catholic Church wedding.

While attending these classes I have gained a lot of knowledge along the way and look forward to having a closer relationship with God, and continue to attend Mass with my wife, Krystyna and our daughter, Isabell who has attended Saint George Children's Faith Formation.

Thank you for your prayers and support,

Tim





## SAINT GEORGE SAINT JULIE YOUTH MINISTRY SACRED JOURNEY

Thank you to all who attended our teen Mass and Lenten meeting last Sunday!

Thank you to all who supported our Eat and Earn Fundraiser at Oberweis Ice Cream last Sunday night. We wouldn't be able to attend our June mission trip without the support of you, our kind and generous parishioners!

We will be running a Popus Popcorn sale from March 19 to April 2. With the purchase of a \$10 bag of popcorn (a variety of flavors), \$4 will go toward our mission trip! We are excited to support a local small business in downtown Tinley Park. See social media and next week's bulletin for more details.

Our teens have been doing a great job preparing for the Living Stations! It's not too late to be a part this prayer performance during Holy Week at 7:00 PM on April 4 at Saint Julie, and at 7:00 PM on April 7 at Saint George. Practices take place every Tuesday night rotating between parishes.

We have been blessed with a donated bus for our trip to the Shrine of Christ's Passion on Sunday, March 19. Seventh graders and older are welcome to attend. Permission slips are available on the Saint George website under youth ministry, and in the foyer of the parish office at Saint Julie. The deadline to register is March 15.



### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Living Stations Rehearsal - March 14

Thursday, March 7 at 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM at Saint Julie.

#### Teen Hosted Mass - March 19

Teen Hosted Mass at Saint George at 11:30 AM followed by trip to Shrine of Christ's Passion.

#### Trip to Shrine of Christ's Passion in Saint John, Indiana - March 19

Trip to Shrine of Christ's Passion in Saint John, Indiana from 12:30 PM to 4:30 PM. Please contact Kristen Maxwell if you plan to attend our field trip to the Shrine of Christ's Passion on March 19, to better plan for transportation.

#### Living Stations Rehearsal - March 21

Thursday, March 21 at 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM at Saint George.

#### Living Stations Rehearsal - March 28

Thursday, March 28 at 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM at Saint Julie.

#### Living Stations - April 4 and April 7

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.



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

Thank you to our teens and families who helped sort food and check expiration dates for the Tinley Park Food Pantry on February 27th! With your help, we were able to complete all the tasks that were needed!

## THIS WEEK AT SAINT GEORGE

### SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2023

- 9:30 AM** Bread & Word (MR 4)  
**9:30 AM** Children's Liturgy of the Word (RMR)  
**5:00 PM** Adult Volleyball League (G)  
**7:00 PM** Parish Mission (Church)

### MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2023

- 7:00 PM** Parish Mission (Church)  
**7:30 PM** Al-Anon (O'CH)

### TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2023

- 6:00 PM** Daybreak Shelter  
**6:00 PM** SPRED II (SC, K)  
**7:00 PM** Parish Mission (Church)  
**7:00 PM** Living Stations Practice (Saint Julie Billiart)

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 2023

- 6:00 PM** CFF Gr. 1-8 (S, CC, O'CH, GR, G, K, MR 1-4, BR, QR, SGS)  
**6:30 PM** CFF Reconciliation (G)  
**6:30 PM** Parish Reconciliation Service (Church)  
**6:30 PM** School Board Mtg. (SC)  
**7:00 PM** RCIA (MR 1)  
**7:00 PM** SPRED 1 (SC, K)

### THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2023

- 9:15 AM** Grandparents Day Mass (Church)  
**9:30 AM** CWSF Prayer Shawl Ministry (MR 1-2)  
**11:15 AM** Preschool Prayer (Church)  
**7:30 PM** Knights of Columbus (O'CH)

### FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 2023

- No School  
**7:00 PM** Bingo (O'CH, GR, K)  
**7:00 PM** Stations of the Cross (Church)  
**8:00 PM** Narcotics Anon (MR 3)

### SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2023

- 6:30 AM** That Man Is You (O'CH)  
**8:30 AM** Lenten Retreat (MR 1-3)  
**2:30 PM** Reconciliation (Church)  
**7:00 PM** Adult Volleyball (Gym)

### SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2023

- 9:30 AM** Bread & Word (MR 4)  
**9:30 AM** Children's Liturgy of the Word (RMR)  
**10:30 AM** Parish Registration (MR 1)  
**11:30 AM** Baptism (Church)  
**11:30 AM** Teen Mass (Church)  
**12:30 PM** Teen Trip to Shrine of Christ's Passion  
**12:30 PM** First Communion Retreat (MR 1-3, Church)  
**7:00 PM** Adult Volleyball League (Gym)

## WEEKLY READINGS

### SUNDAY, MARCH 12

Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

### MONDAY, MARCH 6

2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30

### TUESDAY, MARCH 7

Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8

Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

### THURSDAY, MARCH 9

Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23

### FRIDAY, MARCH 10

Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/Mk 12:28-3

### SATURDAY, MARCH 11

Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

### SUNDAY, MARCH 12

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

## THE PARISH AS A SCHOOL OF PRAYER

The three disciplines of Lent are Almsgiving, Fasting, and Prayer. My hope and prayer is that Saint George Parish, through the journey of Lent and into Easter, will become a School of Prayer! Where to begin- the Eucharist. How do we enter into communion - but through prayer! In his book, *7 Secrets of the Eucharist*, Vinny Flynn, writes: "The Church has always emphasized a time of preparation before Communion and a time of thanksgiving after Communion to properly dispose our minds and hearts to enter into the deeper relationship of mutual love and unity to which the sacrament calls us... How seriously the saints took this! And what stark contrast there is between their preparations and thanksgivings and the all too prevalent tendency today to simply attend Mass, receive Communion, and leave immediately after the final blessing." (p.66-67).

To help our parish become a School of Prayer, during Lent and into the season of Easter, I invite you to pray this prayer of preparation before Communion and to pray this prayer of thanksgiving after Communion:

### A Prayer of Preparation (Vinny Flynn)

Mary, you were the first one asked to believe that God himself wanted to take flesh in you. Come now into my heart, and help me to believe that this same God wants to live in me. Prepare my Heart to receive Him, sweeping it clean of anything impure or unholy. And as I say "Amen," let it be a "Fiat", a complete "Yes" to his will and joyful acceptance of His life within me. Amen.

### A Prayer of Thanksgiving (Alice Clair Mansfield)

Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament, pray for me that I may become, like your Son Jesus, Bread for the life of the world. Through Him, with Him and in Him, may my life be a joyful, living sacrifice of love and praise to the honor and glory of God our Father. Amen.

Your Fellow Classmate in Prayer  
 Deacon Jerry

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## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY - MARCH 11

4:00 PM Mass for Parishioners  
Robert Mitchell+  
Vera Bayer+

### SUNDAY - MARCH 12

7:30 AM Patricia DeLisa+  
Mary & Steve Matusik+  
Joan H. Werges+

9:30 AM Deceased Members of the  
Knights of Columbus+  
Deceased Members of the  
Quatrini Family+  
Ann Rangel+

11:30 AM Tom Nolan+  
Shirley Jenkins+  
Mary Jean McLaughlin+

### MONDAY - MARCH 13

8:15 AM Intentions for Elaine Lovato  
Susan Ohl+

### TUESDAY - MARCH 14

8:15 AM Tom Nolan+  
Earl Zastro+

### WEDNESDAY - MARCH 15

8:15 AM Mass for Fathers  
Tom Nolan+

### THURSDAY - MARCH 16

8:15 AM Tom Nolan+

### FRIDAY - MARCH 17

8:15 AM Florence Urbanek+  
Greg Mayhugh+  
Michael Carey+

### SATURDAY - MARCH 18

4:00 PM Elmer W. Braun, Jr.+  
Special Intention for Liz  
Dirksen  
Special Intention for Vicky  
Butler

### SUNDAY - MARCH 19

7:30 AM Mass for Parishioners  
James Malone+  
Carl Servin+

9:30 AM Nancy K. Gatto+  
Mary Ortigara+  
John McCulley+

11:30 AM Brad & Joanne Bennett+  
Joseph Gembala+  
Peter Kiec+

+ Deceased

## PLEASE PRAY FOR

### OUR SICK...

Yvonne Renee Adams, Robert Baader, Terrence Baker, Ed & Pat Barta, Ed Bidrowski, Bernadette Bosco, Dennis Bowman, Bernie Brady, David Charleston, Margaret Concannon, Diane Cosgrave, Mary Deskovich, Linda Dorminey, Baby Lucy Dovin, Baby Mark Easley, Beth Edwards, Joseph Ellul, Phil Estrada, Darlene Everson, Ruth Galleher, Marirose Grosschadl, Holly Hesselschwardt, Jace Hettinger, Paul Hosso, Rosemary Jablonski, Robyn (Kristinat) Jankosky, Evelyn Knight, Lynn Kot, William Krystyniak, Pat Kukula, Donald Lavey, Margaret Lokes, Zach Lomax, Carol Manow, Deacon Fred Mason, Kathleen Mohan, Sharrelle Newson, Brian & Sandy Nichols, Gwen Norvilas, Romaine Padgett, Deacon Joe Panek, Lottie Pano, Toni Pusateri, Eileen Reeves, 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, Lisa Vari, William Vis, James Walker, Shannon Wallace, Sandra Wickeham, Pat Woollet, 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...

Nancy Bishop, Jeffrey Baker, Marie Graiziger, Alice Hoogervorst, Rita King

### OUR MILITARY...

Please remember in your prayers the following people who are serving our country: PO3 Mary Balkas (Coast Guard), Sgt. Jacob Berry (Army), SSgt. Mark Bradley (Marines), Staff Sgt. Amanda Brennan (Army), First Sgt. Robert Brennan (Army), Capt. Michael Caddigan (Army), SSgt. Brad Clemmer (Air Force), SSgt. Heidi Currie (Air Force), Lt.Col. Kevin Currie (Air Force), Maj. Patrick Currie (Air Force), Sgt. Matthew Daliege (Army), Sgt. James Dewey (Army), Maj. Christopher Doering (Army), Sgt. 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), Sgt. 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), Sgt. 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.*



## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY - MARCH 18 - 4:00 PM

**Celebrant:** Father Paul  
**Deacon:** Deacon Joe Panek  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Debbie Olejarz - Bread  
 Charlene Yock - Bread  
 Ron Yock - Bread  
**Lectors:** Tim Framke

### SUNDAY - MARCH 19 - 7:30 AM

**Celebrant:** Father Tom  
**Deacon:** Deacon Tom Schutzius  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Kelly Conrad - Bread  
 Pat Kukula - Bread  
**Lectors:** David Whitaker

### SUNDAY - MARCH 19 - 9:30 AM

**Celebrant:** Father Paul  
**Deacon:** Deacon Jerry Souta  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Joanne O'Brien - Bread  
 Ventura Quatrini - Bread  
 Pina Quatrini - Bread  
**Lectors:** Sheryl O'Sullivan

### SUNDAY - MARCH 19 - 11:30 AM

**Celebrant:** Father Tom  
**Deacon:** Deacon Greg Bartos  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Mary Cermak-Vis - Bread  
 Jean Gaytan - Bread  
**Lectors:** Youth Minister

## EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Need help? Food, shelter, housing, employment, job training, counseling, addictions, utilities, physical or mental health services, legal and financial, immigration, naturalization and refugee and senior services are provided by **Catholic Charities**. Call 312-655-7700 or catholiccharities.net.

<b>Alcohol and Drug Abuse</b>	1-800-821-4357
<b>Child Abuse</b>	1-800-252-2873
<b>National Domestic Violence</b>	1-800-799-SAFE
<b>National Sexual Assault</b>	1-800-656-4673
<b>Compulsive Gambling Hotline</b>	1-410-332-0402
<b>Poison Control</b>	1-800-222-1222
<b>Suicide Prevention</b>	1-800-273-8255
<b>Elder Abuse</b>	1-800-252-8966
<b>Unplanned Pregnancy Option</b>	1-800-712-4357

## HOLY FAMILY CHAPEL

### STOP BY HOLY FAMILY CHAPEL DURING LENT

Lent is now ongoing. 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.

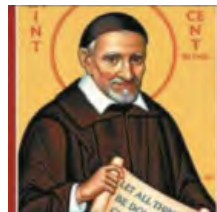
Holy Family Chapel is open 13 hours per day on Monday through Friday from 11:00 AM to midnight to provide that opportunity. Use this link to get more information and to register for an hour that works for you: <http://stgeorge60477.org/eucharistic-adoration/>

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.

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; Wednesday - Noon, 1:00 PM, 2:00 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

### THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



In today's Gospel, Jesus says: "My food is to do the will of the one who sent me and to finish his work."

Through your almsgiving you are doing the will of the Father and finishing the work of Jesus. Know that your nickel, dime or quarter is multiplied by the coins placed by others in the Saint Vincent de Paul Poor Box.

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.

## STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

### March 4-5, 2023

Weekly Offering / Holy Days	\$ 17,136.76
Weekly Offering / Holy Days - Budgeted	\$ 14,081.51
Difference	\$ 3,055.25

School Fund	\$ 933.00
Sharing Parish – Saint Gerard Majella	\$ 295.00
Easter	\$ 185.00
Good Friday - Holy Land	\$ 50.00
Holy Thursday - Parish Missionary Group	\$ 50.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 50.00
Saint Vincent de Paul	\$ 10.00
Church in Latin America	\$ 20.00
Central & Eastern Europe	\$ 130.00

### Fiscal Year 2023 Year-to-Date

YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days	\$ 510,082.13
YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days - Budgeted	\$ 506,934.36
YTD Difference	\$ 3,147.77

We're grateful to those who continue to financially support our parish. God bless you! Your support is deeply appreciated and needed.

If you drop off envelopes at the parish office, please use the mail slot in the wall marked, "Key Deposit" which will bring them safely into the parish office.

## ELECTRONIC GIVING

Give Central is an option more people are choosing. You can go to our website - [www.stgeorge60477.org](http://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](http://www.archchicago/support). For more information, please contact Renee Beemsterboer at [rbeemsterboer@stgeorge60477.org](mailto:rbeemsterboer@stgeorge60477.org).

## PLANNED GIVING

### Legacy Gifts for Our Parish

Jesus told us, "whatever you do for the least of my brothers, you do for me." Every day, we have the opportunity to see the face of Jesus in others and be the face of Jesus to others.

Saint George Parish and the archdiocese steward your gifts in many ways. Please continue to keep "the least of our brothers" in your prayers, and pray for the wisdom and strength to recognize those needs. One of the ways you can provide support is through a gift from your:

- Will or Trust
- Retirement Assets
- Life Insurance Policies, or
- Charitable Gift Annuity, which provides you with fixed payments for life and remaining funds will benefit our parish.

Create or update your estate plans today by contacting your estate attorney and financial advisor. For more information, please contact Renee Beemsterboer at 708-532-2243 or [rbeemsterboer@stgeorge60477.org](mailto:rbeemsterboer@stgeorge60477.org) or visit [myimpact.archchicago.org/resources](http://myimpact.archchicago.org/resources).

## LENT: A TRANSFORMATIVE HEALING JOURNEY

(resource books)

In his homily on the First Sunday of Lent, Deacon Jerry shared that the never-ending faith journey is characterized by healing, reconciliation and transformation. Bob Schuchts, the founder of the John Paul II Healing Center characterizes the faith journey as that of encountering Jesus, facing our brokenness, and healing our wounds. He is the author of the bestselling books: *Be Healed*, a guide to encountering the powerful love of Jesus in your life and *Be Transformed*, the healing power of the sacraments. The center can be contacted at: [info@jpiihealingcenter.org](mailto:info@jpiihealingcenter.org).

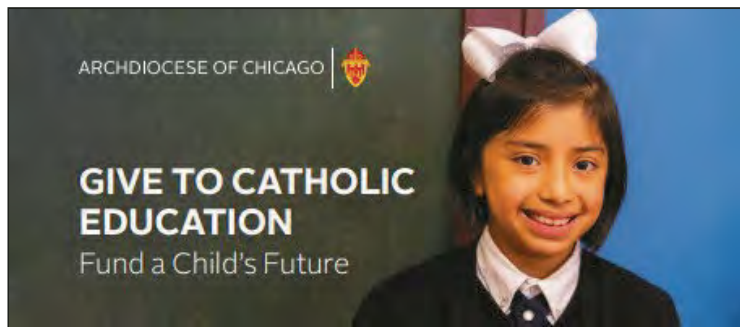
## YEAR END TAX STATEMENTS

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

## 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.



The **Invest in Kids Act Tax Credit Scholarship Program** helps children from low-income homes receive scholarships that cover up to 100% of a Catholic school's tuition. Thanks to the generosity of our community, **Saint George School** has raised **\$2,300** and of that **\$2,300** is being matched for a grand total **\$4,600**.

#### **We still need your help.**

This year, more than 4,400 children are waiting for the opportunity to attend a school in the archdiocese with the help of the Illinois Invest in Kids Tax Credit Scholarship Program, including **34** on the waitlist at **Saint George School**.

#### **1-for-1 Matching Program is still open!**

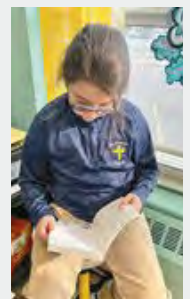
Good news. There is still about \$230,000 left in matching funds. The cap for the match is \$75,000 per school; therefore we still have an opportunity to match \$72,700.

#### **THANK YOU!**

These simple steps make a difference in a child's life and will have a long-lasting, positive impact on our community because you have invested in Catholic education.

For more information, please contact the TCS hotline at **312-534-2617** or **tcs@archchicago.org**, or visit **archchicago.org/tcs**

Scan to get started today!



Our fourth graders are excited to start our novel, "Phineas Gets Slimed!" Comprehension checks, booklets, and projects will be forthcoming, but we are off to a great start!



## PORT MINISTRIES

A PLACE OF PRAYER AND HOPE

The Port Ministries, founded in 1985 by Father Augustin Milon O.F.M., began as a soup kitchen, and in subsequent years, expanded in response to the many critical needs of area residents, and now serves the poor and homeless through the following ministry areas.

- Saint Mary of the Angels: Secular Franciscan Fraternity
- The Mantle: Family and Children Center (began in 1991): Family enrichment and supplemental education for adults and children.
- The Bread Truck (began 1994): "Soup Kitchen on Wheels".
- Home Visiting Program
- After School Tutoring and Supplemental Education
- Pio House (began 1995): Administration Facility
- Tony's Gym (began 1998): Recreational Facility for Children
- The Port Free Clinic (began 1999): Basic medical services to neighborhood poor and uninsured

For information about Volunteering at the PORT, please see <https://www.theportministries.org/volunteer/>

### The PORT Easter Collection time is here! SATURDAY & SUNDAY - MARCH 25 & 26

Drop off at entrances of church at weekend Masses.

In the past, the Saint George Parish Family has been very generous when remembering the PORT. Please consider making a donation once again of items listed below. Thank you and God bless you for your continued generosity. For information, contact Angie Brady at 708-532-3644.

#### The PORT always Needs...

**Bread Truck Needs:** Lunch meats, sandwich cheese, 100% Juice concentrate, healthier individual packed snacks, bulk hot cocoa mix (with no marshmallows), fresh apples or oranges, bulk packs of chili and soups, sandwich bags, 8 oz. hot cups, plastic soup spoons, paper lunch bags, plastic sandwich bags.

**Pio House Needs:** Office Supplies... #10 & 6 3/4 envelopes, white out, scotch tape, letter size copy paper, glue sticks, 8 1/2 x 11 computer photo paper. Household... Bleach, spray disinfectant, paper towels, toilet paper, Pine Sol, dish liquid, laundry detergent, 8oz. hot cups, scouring pads, aluminum foil, plastic wrap, rubber gloves.

**Clinic Needs:** Adult and children over the counter (not expired) cold/flu medications, disinfectant wipes and spray, bleach.

**Mantle Needs:** 100% juice, milk, fruits/healthy snacks, fruit juice drink boxes, baby wipes, anti-bacterial lotion and wipes, diapers (sizes 2 to 5), pens, binders, folders, glue sticks, construction paper, coloring books, spiral notebooks, arts and crafts supplies.

\*Any **monetary donation** is welcome and ALWAYS NEEDED.



### THIRD OF WEEK—OVERCOMING DISASTER

#### A STORY OF HOPE FROM THE PHILIPPINES



Raul and Rhodora Enecillo live on their farm in Northern Samar, Philippines, with their granddaughters Loraine and Kate.

Raul and Rhodora get up at 5:00 AM each day to tend to the fishpond, pigs

and chickens before getting their granddaughters off to school. Education is important to Raul and Rhodora. Their dream is that Loraine and Kate will graduate from college and get good jobs - Loraine wants to be a doctor when she grows up.

For years, Raul and Rhodora worked hard as coconut farmers. After harvesting, they prepared the coconuts for making oil - but it took a lot of work before they made money. On top of that, periods of heavy rain caused flooding, making farming difficult.

Then Raul and Rhodora participated in a Catholic Relief Services program where they received training and assistance to build their own fishpond. They bought little fish to stock the pond, fish food and a net. The fish grew bigger, and soon they were able to sell them at the market. The fishpond also provided food for their family so they could enjoy nutritious meals together.

"Life is so much easier now that we have the fish for our daily living," Rhodora says.

In the program, Raul and Rhodora also learned how to better prepare for the increasing natural disasters in their area - like typhoons, flooding, earthquakes and landslides. They made improvements to their house, using stronger, sturdier materials to protect their home and family.

Since joining the program, Raul and Rhodora added two more fishponds along with pigs and chickens. With the extra income from their farm, their granddaughters can enjoy their childhood and live a more comfortable life, giving them the opportunity to study hard and finish school.

"I have many dreams for my family and my grandchildren," Raul says. "I hope I can give them something good."



## 10 HAIL MARYS FOR POPE FRANCIS

Join with Catholics around the world and say 10 Hail Marys to mark the 10th anniversary of Pope Francis' election to the Chair of Peter. Scan code to participate.



Cardinal Cupich is calling on the people of the Archdiocese of Chicago to take part in a global effort to celebrate the 10th Anniversary of Pope Francis' election to the papacy by praying the Hail Mary 10 times. "From the first day of his papacy, when Pope Francis speaks to the faithful he asks that we remember to pray for him," said Cardinal Cupich. "He has spent the 10 years of his pontificate preaching the Gospel of love and mercy in a world deeply in need of both. Let us respond as he has asked, with prayers." You can register your participation in the campaign by lighting a digital candle on this page - [www.decimus-annus.org/site/index](http://www.decimus-annus.org/site/index).

## CATHOLIC MEN'S SPIRITUALITY

Men from around the Archdiocese of Chicago are invited to gather for good speakers, good food, to grow spiritually, and enjoy great fellowship with other men for the 19th Annual Bishop Perry's Chicago Catholic Men's Forum.

**Saturday, April 15, 2023  
8:30 AM to 1:00 PM**

Saint John Neumann - North  
(Saint Anne Church / Sweeney Hall)  
16801 Dixie Hwy., Hazel Crest, Illinois

Registration and Information:  
[www.forum/cmcsmen.net](http://www.forum/cmcsmen.net)

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## POPE FRANCIS TWEET



Let us pray together for those who have suffered because of the wrongs done to them by members of the Church. May they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.

## RESPECT LIFE

### FLOSSMOOR 40 DAYS FOR LIFE VIGIL

Please join the 40 Days for Life vigil at Planned Parenthood in Flossmoor on any day 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 March 9 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, Illinois at 19831 S. Governors Highway. Public parking is available 1/2 block north of the Planned Parenthood site on 198th Street which goes west from Governors Highway, or along the alley that runs east from Governor's Highway behind the Vollmer Road strip mall (parking spots facing Planned Parenthood).

This vigil is part of the national call for 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion running from February 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/](http://40daysforlife.com/en/flossmoor/)

### PREGNANT, NEED HELP?

Depending on the location that would be more convenient, if you learn of a pregnant woman who is considering abortion, suggest that she call The Women's Center at 708-425-0707 (Evergreen Park), Aid for Women at 312-621-1100 (Flossmoor and downtown Chicago), PASS Pregnancy Care Center at 708-614-9777 (Tinley Park and South Holland), or Southside Women's Services at 708-229-0092 (Evergreen Park).

If you (or a person you know) needs to talk to someone to seek reconciliation and healing from an abortion, people are available who are ready to help you. Please call Project Rachel at 888-456-HOPE (4673) or Post-Abortion Hotline at 800-5-WE-CARE.

### ILLINOIS MARCH FOR LIFE

You are invited to the Illinois March for Life to be held on Tuesday, March 21 from Noon to 2:00 PM. Assemble at the Illinois State Capitol in Springfield for the Noon rally, followed by the 1:00 PM march. After the march, you are encouraged to lobby your state legislators on life issues. Arrangements for a bus from Tinley Park are being pursued. Check with Sheila at Saint Julie (Sheila@stjulie.org) for status of this bus. Get more info at: <https://illinoismarchforlife.org/>

## 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](mailto: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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