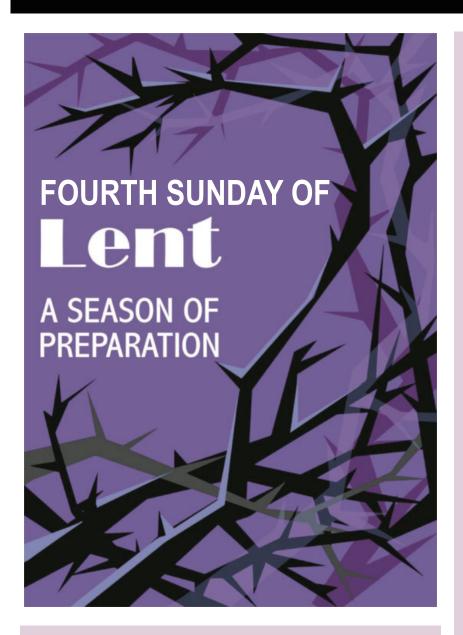


SAINT GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH

CELEBRATING 90 YEARS OF FAITH, COMMUNITY AND SERVICE

March 10, 2024 - Fourth Sunday of Lent



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.

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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Message From Father Paul



This afternoon, we will be praying for an end to violence in our world. This will be a simple moment of prayer and music today at 2:00 PM in church. As we watch the horror of war around the world and even have experienced the violent deaths of a family at the hands of their own father in Tinley Park, now is a good time to ask God's guidance and help. Please join us!

There are certain moments in the life of a parish that can have a remarkable effect. A new priest. A cause the community can rally

around, such as an end to violence. Or a new project. Saint George has experienced many of these over our ninety-year history. At the end of February, we had another as Joe Paprocki walked us through three extraordinary evenings of reflection and challenge. Over the three evenings --- even with threatening weather on the last night --- we ranged from 125 to 165 attendants, not only from Saint George but as many as six other parishes.

Joe's approach was exactly what I had hoped it would be: Scripturally-based, sound and a healthy mix of spiritual and practical. He touched on the many challenges the Church is facing but more importantly, walked us through some very doable and compassionate responses. The first chapter of his book insists that we recognize the brokenness within our community and the Church. That means we see the hurts others are carrying and admit we don't all have our act together either. But as Joe said, "The cracks are where the light comes in." What a beautiful and hopeful image!

He also used three words to describe what God does for us and what the mission of the Church is. First, God comes to our rescue in the person of Jesus Christ. Though we have sinned, so we have reconciliation and redemption in Him. God then restores us to our original place in His family, with healing and spiritual rehabilitation. Finally, in God we are reassured. We, like the Prodigal Son, need to know that God's grace is with us, and that through all the tumult and difficulties we endure, God walks with us each step of the way.

I foresee this parish mission as the beginning of a new path forward for Saint George. Most of Joe's ideas are explained in his book, "A Church on the Move." In it he offers fifty-two practical ways the Church can respond to a hurting --- or even apathetic --- world. The Pastoral Staff has been working through the book and I hope our parish leadership will follow suit. As we try to cultivate this approach as a Church on the move, we will analyze our parish strengths and weaknesses, see where Joe's writings can help us improve our parish and work to implement them. This will be a long process, so if you were at the mission and you're chomping at the bit to get going, good! But be patient! We want this to be inclusive, planned and Spirit-led. Stay tuned.

Speaking of moments in the life of a parish that can galvanize the community, I want you to reserve Sunday, April 21 for a very special event. The City Lights Orchestra under the direction of Rich Daniels will be playing a concert of Jazz music from the Swing Era on at the Tinley Park Convention Center. The doors will open at 2:30 PM, music begins at 4:00 PM. ADMISSION IS FREE! We will be asking a free-will donation, food and drinks will be available for sale, as well as many raffles. Every cent of proceeds will be divided among the families of Paula Dettmann, Roberto Mercado and Julia Donohoe, who are faced with long-term health crises. We want this to be a huge success, so we need you to show up! Tickets will be available soon. This is a joint venture between Saint George and Saint Julie parishes, all made possible by the Chicago Federation of Musicians and the Tinley Park Convention Center. In the interest of full-disclosure, I was a founding member of the band and played with them for seven years. I may sit in for a few numbers. It will be fun! More information soon to come.

Three Families. Two Parishes. One Great Event!



Lenten Regulations

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on all the Fridays of Lent. Fasting is to be observed on Good Friday 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, is also encouraged for Holy Saturday.

Stations of the Cross

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

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays, March 12, March 19 and March 26 at 6:00 PM in the church. Note: Holy Family Chapel will be closed during the Triduum (March 28, 29 and 30).

Sacrament of Reconciliation

A Parish Reconciliation Service will take place on Wednesday, March 13 at 7:00 PM.

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

Lenten Resources

The Archdiocese of Chicago Department of Communications has produced video reflections that will be available throughout the season of Lent. In addition, to deepen your Lenten journey, the Department of Parish Vitality and Mission has compiled a list of resources. We encourage you to bookmark the webpage below: Lenten resources https://pvm.archchicago.org/events/lenten-resources.



Palm Sunday - March 25

Saturday Anticipated Mass at 4:00 PM Sunday Masses at 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM Blessing of palms will take place at all Masses.

Holy Thursday - March 28

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 PM Private Adoration until 10:00 PM

Good Friday - March 29

Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord at 3:00 PM Living Stations performed by the teens at 7:00 PM

Holy Saturday - March 30

Blessing of baskets at noon in O'Connell Hall Easter Vigil at 7:00 PM

Easter Sunday - March 31

Masses at 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM



Soup and Theology Bishop Barron's "The Creed"

Join us in the Parish Life Center on Monday evenings during Lent to explore the true meaning of our Nicene Creed, which we recite each Sunday at Mass. In his unique blend of facts and wisdom, Bishop Barron will reveal the history and the significance of each of the parts of this familiar prayer. It is not necessary to attend every week to benefit from these presentations, so don't let other commitments stop you from coming at all!

6:20 PM - Grace and Soup Buffet Opens 6:50 PM - Video -7:40 PM to 8:00 PM - Discussion

Topics:

March 11 - "Jesus Christ. Only Begotten Son"

March 18 - "He Suffered Death"

March 25 - "Holy Spirit, Giver of Life"

April 1 - "One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic"

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Calling All High School and Middle School Students to Living Stations of the Cross on Good Friday



On Good Friday evening, our teens will present the Living Stations of the Cross at Saint George Church. These will feature

reflections with contemporary music between stations.

We need Jesus, Mary, Simon, Veronica, Pilate, Roman soldiers, and crowds both for and against Jesus as He makes His way to Calvary. There will be four Wednesday evening practices during Lent, with a full run through at the last practice. All practices will be held in Saint George Church. (Enter at the East side door by the organ.) You are welcome to join us even if you cannot make every practice. Please help us by taking part. No lines to memorize.

For more information, call Fran Fancsali, 708-429-3979 or email ffatpts@ameritech.net, or leave your name at the CFF office.

Practice Dates are as follows:
Wednesday, March 27 - 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM
Friday, March 29 - 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM
(possible dress rehearsal)
Friday, March 29 - Call Time - 6:00 PM

Saint George First and Second year Confirmandi please note: This can be used as a service experience for your parish in your Confirmation Service Journal.

Marian Disciples

SHARING OUR BROKENNESS will be the focus of the Marian Disciples of Saint George, using the book by Bob Schuchts, *Be Healed - A Guide to Encountering the Powerful Love of Jesus in Your Life.* The book is available through Ave Maria Press (www.avemariapress.com).

Registration is open to all individuals 18 years and older. You do not have to be a parishioner to register. There will be five sessions, all of which will be held at Saint George in the Cahill Parish Life Center, Meeting Room 4, on Thursday evenings from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM beginning April 11 and ending May 9.

Please register now through April 8, 2024 by emailing Rosa Jimenez at rmjrey@ameritech.net or Mary Spengler at mary.spengler@yahoo.com. More information as well as a confirmation email with the syllabus will be sent to those attending.





Stop in the Dragon Drop Raffle Room!
Split the Pot
Raffle Bames
Multiple Pull Tab Games

\$35 Per Ticket
Includes
One 9-On, a Dauber, Dessert ticket,
Dragon Drop Ticket & a Door Prize
Raffle Ticket

Healing the World of Violence Prayer Service



On Sunday, March 10 at 2:00 PM, Saint George will be hosting a prayer service for Healing the World of Violence.

Please come and join us as we lift up our world in prayer and become more aware of the suffering endured by so many.



Domestic Violence Did You Know?

- Domestic violence happens to people of every educational and socio-economic level.
- > Domestic violence occurs in all races, religions, and age groups.
- > It happens behind closed doors on the street where vou live.
- It happens to someone who sits near you in church each week.

The Saint George Domestic Violence Outreach aims to: Build awareness; Connect victims to services; Conduct and support prevention activities and initiatives.

Help Wanted...

We are a small group with great hopes of helping families out of the bondage of domestic violence. But we need the help of caring and compassionate people like you. Our work is neither difficult nor time-consuming, but the rewards are

Please join us at our next meeting.

Tuesday, March 12 at 6:30 PM Cahill Center Meeting Room 1



Mark your calendar for the

BIG EVENT

April 21 Watch the bulletin for details.

This Week at Saint George

Sunday, March 10

9:30 AM Bread & Word (MR 4) 9:30 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word (RMR) 2:00 PM Peace Prayer Service (Church) Adult Volleyball League (G) 7:00 PM

Monday, March 11

3:00 PM Liturgy Mtg. (MR 4) 6:20 PM Soup & Theology (MR 1 & 2) 6:30 PM Society of St. Vincent de Paul (BR)

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

Tuesday, March 12

Daybreak Shelter 6:00 PM Adoration (Church) 6:00 PM SPRED II (SC, K) 6:30 PM Domestic Violence Outreach (MR 1)

7:00 PM Baptismal Prep. (MR 3)

Wednesday, March 13

5:30 PM CFF Gr. 1-8 (S, CC. O'CH, GR, G, K, MR 1-4. BR. QR. SGS)

7:00 PM Parish Lenten Reconciliation (Church)

7:00 PM SPRED I (SC, K)

Thursday, March 14

9:30 AM CWSF Prayer Shawl Ministry (MR 1) 12:30 PM SGS Band Practice (MR 1 & 2) 6:30 PM Grief Support Group (MR 4) 7:00 PM Choir Practice (Church) 7:30 PM Knights of Columbus (O'CH)

Friday, March 15

MA 00:8 Confirmation Retreat (PLC, G) 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 16

6:30 AM That Man is You (O'CH) 9:30 AM First Communion Retreat (O'CH, C)

2:30 PM Reconciliation (Church) 7:00 PM Adult Volleyball (Gym)

Sunday, March 17

9:30 AM Bread & Word (MR 4)

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

10:30 AM Parish Registration (MR 1)

11:30 AM Baptism (Church)

5:00 PM Adult Volleyball League (G)



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

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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday, March 16, 2024

Celebrant: Father John
Deacon: Tom Schutzius
Eucharistic Mary Spengler - Cup

Ministers:

Sue Stanton - Cup Jim Weglarz - Cup Jack Yock - Cup Don Clark - Bread

Mary Kubick-Martino - Bread

Carey Murray - Bread Eileen Weglarz - Bread

Lector Bob Wyatt

Sunday, March 17 - 7:30 AM

Celebrant: Father John
Deacon: Jerry Souta
Eucharistic Alice Graff - Cup
Ministers David Whitaker - Cup

Betsy Windish - Cup Paul Windish - Cup Lynda O'Brien - Bread Ray Schulze - Bread

Lector: Marybeth Kelly

Sunday, March 17 - 9:30 AM

Celebrant: Father Paul Deacon: Greg Bartos

Eucharistic Christopher Barrett - Cup Ministers: Thomas Kavanaugh - Cup

Karen Kiner - Cup Ventura Quatrini - Cup Susan Amann - Bread Jennifer Barrett - Bread Joanne O'Brien - Bread Rebecca Schutzius - Bread

Lector: Stephen Amann

Sunday, March 17 - 11:30 AM

Celebrant: Father Paul Deacon: Tim Keating

Eucharistic Frances Bouchard - Cup Ministers: Tim Dovle - Cup

Linda Milazzo - Cup Jim Novotney - Cup Mary Cermak-Vis - Bread

Eric Susnis - Bread

Lector: Jeanine Patrick



Readings for the Week of March 10

Sunday:

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/ Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21

Monday:

Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/

Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday:

Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8

-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday:

Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30 Thursday:

Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47

Friday:

Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10,

Saturday:

Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53

Next Sunday:

Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 (12a)/Heb 5:7-9/

Jn 12:20-33



We welcome into the Catholic Church & the Saint George Parish Community

Emelyn Elizabeth Smagacz, Daughter of Brian & Nicole (Rodrick) Smagacz

Easton Michael Smagacz, Son of Brian & Nicole (Rodrick) Smagacz

> Elena Favela, Daughter of Susana Favela

Congratulations to the Parents & Godparents!

Early Bulletin Deadlines

Please note: Due to the schedule for Holy Week and Easter, we have some early bulletin deadlines. Articles for the March 24 (Palm Sunday) must be submitted by Friday, March 15. Articles for the March 31 (Easter) bulletin must be submitted by Friday, March 22.

Al-Anon

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.



Saint George Family Bowling Party

The Saint George Men's Club is hosting a Bowling party on April 6 from 11:30 AM to 2:00 PM at Tinley Park Bowl which includes bowling, shoes, pizza and refreshments. There will be prizes and raffles. The cost is

\$30.00 for bowlers, and \$11.00 for non-bowlers. Contact the parish office at 708-532-2243 to purchase tickets.

All men of the parish are invited to join the Saint George Men's club for an evening of faith and fellowship at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, March 19 in Room 3 of the Cahill Center. Pizza and refreshments will be served after the meeting. Please plan to join us as we discuss ways the men of Saint George can contribute to the parish family.

Become Part of the Legacy!



We are still offering the opportunity for you to purchase and personalize a brick paver to help make our Marian Shrine a special place to pray and honor our Blessed Mother.

Please visit https://donate.brickmarkers.com/sgc to place an order. There are also order forms at the entrances of the church.

If you have any questions, please contact Kelly Conrad at www.kconrad@stgeorge60477.org.

Saint Michael Ministry for Mental Health Prayer Gathering

All are welcome to attend the Saint Michael Ministry for Mental Health Awareness March prayer gathering on Wednesday, March 27 at 7:00 PM. They will meet in the Chapel to pray the Rosary and offer petitions for those in need.

Following prayer, those present can choose to participate in respectful and confidential sharing with one another.

Saint Michael is located at 14327 Highland Avenue in Orland Park. For more information, please visit their website at https://saintmike.com/mental-health-ministry/ or send an email to StMichaelMHAM@gmail.com.



Have you been baptized, and are receiving Eucharist at Mass but have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation? Through a virtual platform the Archdiocese of Chicago is offering formation for the reception of Confirmation. The sessions are held on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM. You must register through the Archdiocesan website noted below.

https://pvm.archchicago.org/ es_MX/lifelong-formation/ sacramental-formation/adultconfirmation

Sessions begin on March 26; however, registration ends on March 22. If you or someone you know would like to participate in the process, you need to be affiliated with a parish within the Archdiocese. When you register you will be asked to provide a Baptismal Certificate as well as recognition that you received your First Communion or are a practicing Catholic receiving from a particular parish.

Confirmation is scheduled for May 20 at Queen of All Saints parish in Chicago. There is also a mandatory Retreat scheduled for April 6 at Our Lady of Angels Mission. For more information, Please reach out to Jeanne Lassandrello@stgeorge60477.org or call my office at 708/532-8211. I am looking forward to walking with you as you prepare to complete your initiation into the Catholic Church.

Jeanne Lassandrello, Director of Life Long Formation

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 9

4:00 PM Rose Marsden+

Thomas Doyle+ Daniel Disabato+

Sunday, March 10

7:30 AM Marilyn Lasala+

Mass for Parishioners

Aquilino Guiang+

9:30 AM John & Janice Clough+

Audrey Dombrowski+

Richard Arlen+

11:30 AM Robert Anderson+

Diane Marie Kulpin+

Bernadette Bosco+

Monday, March 11

8:15 AM Amedo Barredo+

Deborah Wendling (Special

Intention)

Tuesday, March 12

8:15 AM Maria Becker+

Mary & Steve Matusik+

Wednesday, March 13

8:15 AM Elaine Lovato (Special Intention)

Ted Glaser+

Thursday, March 14

8:15 AM Eugene+ & Florence Budz

Friday, March 15

8:15 AM Beverly Godfrey+

Ann Rangel+

Saturday, March 16

4:00 PM Mass for Parishioners

Pat Mitchell+

Maureen Mitchell-Johnson+

Sunday, March 17

7:30 AM Thomas G. Dohm+

Elaine Buchanan+

Thomas Giblin+

9:30 AM Pat & Jack McGeehan+

John McCulley+

Mary Ann Dwornik+

11:30 AM Joseph Gembala+

Peter Kiec+

Anthony & Katherine Scott

Family

+ Deceased

Please Pray For...

Our Sick...

Scott Adams, Yvonne Renee Adams, Robert Baader, Terrence Baker, Ed & Pat Barta, Dennis Bowman, Angie Brady, Arlene Bulow, Dominick Byrne, Jack Carlson, Laurie Cassidy, David Charleston, Margaret Concannon, Diane Consgrave, Jennifer Crawford, Larry Cundary, Mary Deskovich, Paula Dettmann, Linda Dorminey, Lucy Dovin, Steve Easton, Sharon Elzinga, Phil Estrada, Darlene Everson, Karen Feil, Ruth Galleher, Linda Granger, Marirose Grosschadl, Holly Hesselschwardt, Carole Holding, Sandra Jakala, Robyn (Kristinat) Jankosky, John Joe, James Kiner, Sr., Evelyn Knight, Donald Lavey, Bruce Lorence, Joelee Mac Masters, Carol Manow, Noreen Mariani, Kelsey Mercado, Robert Metzger, Patricia Mitchel, Kathleen Mohan, Sharrelle Newson, Brian & Sandy Nichols, Gwen Norvillas, Romaine Padgett, Deacon Joe Panek, Lottie Pano, John Pochinski, Hailey Polk, Neil Reece, Eileen Reeves, Eunice Robey, Ben Schaefer, James J. Schmitt, Theresa Schultz, Jay Scott, Karen Singer, Burt Stewart, Delores Stewart, Mary Ann Stewart, Richard Stewart, Frank Stoecker, Tony Streeter, Lorraine Szara, Zbigniew Szyler, Matt Taylor, Sara Taylor, Tammy Thomas, Joyce Tikalsky, Dennis Torri, Marlene Torri, Elsie Tragnitz, Leslie Vaicik, Judy Vock, Shannon Wallace, Sandra Wickeham, Pat Woolet, Bob Wyatt, Shirley Wydra, 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 Deceased...

Brian Cassidy, Ellen Hallahan, Julie Davis, Beatrice Muller, Victoria Kasper, John G. Sheridan, Antoinette Zaro

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), Bradley Brunod (Navy), 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), SSG Matthew Daliege (Army). Sgt. James Dewey (Army), Maj. Christopher Doering (Army), Sqt. Jonathon M. Filca (Marines), PO2 James J. Guerino (Navy), Cmdr. Spc.4 Nathan Hesse (Army), 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), Sean Rio, PFC James Rodriguez (Army), Amn. Michael Sarniak, Jr. (Coast Guard), Bo Shipan (Marines, LCPI), Camryn Shupryt (Army), Nicholas Shupryt (Army), 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.

Stewardship Update

February 23-24, 2024

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

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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.

Live The Liturgy

YTD Difference

Out of love for us, God sent His son into the world, to illuminate the truth that brings salvation. But light can be blinding to eyes that have only seen darkness. Pray that God will teach us to walk bravely in the light.

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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. Your weekly donation can also be made by clicking on the QR code on the right.



Donations can be made by credit card, debit card and electronic payments. For more information, please contact Renee Beemsterboer at rbeemsterboer@stgeorge60477.org. Thank you for your generosity!

Offertory Collections

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.

Year End Tax Statements

2023 contribution statements are available and will be provided upon request. Please contact the parish office at 708-532-2243 or email Kathy Rubino at krubino@stgeorge60477.org to request your statement. Please put 2023 Tax Letter in the subject line.

Planned Giving

Please prayerfully consider remembering our parish when you update your estate plans. These gifts help us to build a solid foundation for the Catholic formation of future generations.

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

For a free step-by-step guide to reviewing your estate plan, please contact Marguerite Q. Zappa, Planned Giving Officer, Archdiocese of Chicago at 312-848-3068 or mzappa@archchicago.org.

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Saint George Pro-Life

FLOSSMOOR 40 DAYS FOR LIFE VIGIL

Please join the 40 Days for Life vigil at Planned Parenthood in Flossmoor on any day from now through March 24. 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 through March 21, or choose any hour from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM (ending at 6:00 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 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/.

SPEAK OUT ILLINOIS 2024

The Speak Out Illinois conference will take place on Saturday, March 16 at the Drury Lane Oak Brook from 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM. This year's conference, including lunch and informative talks, features keynote speaker Mark Houck. Get complete details and register at: www.speakoutillinois.org The cost is \$55 including lunch. Discounts for students and clergy are

ACTION NEEDED: Dangerous 2024 Illinois bills: HB 4876 and SB 3499

The HB 4876 will criminalize parents who refuse to take their minor children for an abortion or "afffirm" their gender of choice. Such parents will be charged with child abuse for denying their children abortion services or gender-affirming services. Contact Rep. Debbie Meyers-Martin (38th Dist) by calling either 217-558-1007 or 708-833-7010 to ask her to oppose HB 4876.

SB 3499 will allow "medical assistance in dying" (assisted suicide) in the state of Illinois. It will allow doctors to prescribe lethal drugs to anyone diagnosed with a terminal illness. Doctors should not be asked to assist in suicide. Doctors need to have the trust of their patients. That trust would be threatened by assisted suicide. Contact Senator Michael Hastings (19th Dist) by calling either 217-782-9595 or 815-464-5431 to ask him to oppose SB 3499.

Saint Vincent de Paul Society

Fourth Sunday of Lent



In today's Gospel, God demonstrates great love for us by sending his Son so that we may believe in Him. We demonstrate our great love for God by doing good works: reaching out to others, acting in justice and charity.

Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; far greater than you think. Know that your nickel, dime, quarter or dollar is multiplied by coins placed by others in the Saint Vincent de Paul Poor Box.

Please pray for the poor and suffering, knowing that you are bringing the love and peace of Jesus to those who live in fear and doubt. loneliness and dread.

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.

That Man Is You THE TRIUMPH OF DIVINE MERCY

Saturday, March 16 - 6:30 AM to 8:00 AM

Steve Bollman returns for one final session this semester as our presenter. Topics for discussion will include:

- Trusting in Ourselves vs Trusting in God
- Pope John Paul's Last Message to the World
- Practical Steps to Practice Divine Mercy

No matter how far we've fallen individually or as a society at large, the merciful heart of the Father continues to pursue us with his unfailing love.

Jesus - We trust in You! Help us to heed the warning of Pope John Paul II.

Please join us this Saturday for another hard-hitting session of TMIY! That Man Is You! meets on Saturday mornings in O'Connell Hall at Saint George School. All men are invited and encouraged to attend. Hot coffee and a hearty breakfast are available beginning at 6:30 AM, our video program begins at 7:00 AM, and we adjourn at 8:00 AM.



Living a Prayerful and Contemplative Lifestyle through Spiritual Direction

There are two ways to live prayerfully in your everyday life. The first is to pray around, in and through the ordinary activities of your day. The second is to cultivate a contemplative lifestyle. Through participation in spiritual direction with a Spiritual Director, one learns how to live more prayerfully in his or her everyday life, focus on one's relationship with God and learn ways to nourish that relationship, and reflect on your life story and faith journey and your deepest spiritual desires.

Deacon Jerry is a certified Spiritual Director. Please contact him if you would like to learn more about spiritual direction or if you would like to participate in it, please contact Deacon Jerry at: jsouta@stgeorge60477.org or jsoutajr@att.net, or call him at: 708-574-6093.

Holy Family Chapel

Holy Family Chapel offers the opportunity to focus on Jesus in the Eucharist during the ongoing National Eucharistic Revival. 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.

NOTE: 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, 4:00 PM; Tuesday: 1:00 PM, 2:00 P:M; Wednesday: 12:00 PM, 1:00 PM; Thursday: 2:00 PM, 3:00 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").



Story of Hope Indonesia





After I've been involved in the disaster preparedness group, I see the benefits of what the community and I did. - Evita Tiro Wada

Located in Southeast Asia between the Pacific and Indian Oceans, Indonesia has beautiful beaches, diverse cultures and nearly 280 million people—the fourth highest population in the world!

Many of the country's more than 17,000 islands are in the Ring of Fire, a region around the rim of the Pacific Ocean where volcanic eruptions and earthquakes are common. Climate-related disasters such as cyclones also threaten the islands and are becoming more frequent and destructive.

Strong rains and wind from these storms—combined with long periods without rain, called drought—make it difficult for people like Evita Tiro Wada to grow food. Evita and her family live on Flores Island, where she keeps a home garden for food and income.

To help her family and community become more resilient against natural disasters and have more reliable access to food, Evita participated in a Catholic Relief Services' program, through which she joined a disaster preparedness group.

The group helps their community stay safe during emergencies like cyclones and earthquakes. They created a system to warn people to evacuate and identified evacuation routes, assembly points and resources they can use during a crisis.

The group also maintains a community garden. They grow vegetables like beans, eggplant and water spinach to provide healthy food for their families. They use a drip irrigation system that conserves water so the vegetables can grow even during a drought. Evita and her group members use the garden to teach people from other communities how to start their own.

To protect their garden from the wind and prevent erosion from the ocean waves, Evita and her group planted trees. They also cleaned up the river and other areas in their town by picking up trash, which helped prevent flooding.

Evita says, "When I first joined the village disaster preparedness group, I thought, 'What will I do or give to help the community?' After I've been involved, I see the benefits of what the community and I did."

Lent, time of...
Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving

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Our winners of the "God is Present in My Life" essay contest for the archdiocese of Chicago. Congratulations! Great job!



Our winners of the Knights of Columbus "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster contest. Congratulations! Well done!













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Saint Elizabeth Seton Lenten Parish Mission

WOMEN OF WISDOM

MARCH 18, 19 and 20 — 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Monday, March 18 — Finding and Sharing Kindness — Kathy Arduino

Do you get so caught up in the day that by the time you sit down in the evening you wonder where all your time has gone? As a wife, mother of two, and teacher (to name a couple of the hats I wear) you can imagine that this happens to me often! Many years ago, I made it my passion to find and spread kindness in my busy everyday life. The Bible has many references of spreading kindness. My hope is to share ideas and stories from my life that will ignite a feeling in others to spread kindness.

Tuesday, March 19 — Conforming Our Hearts to Christ's Heart — Sister Kate O'Leary

Every Lent is an opportunity to conform our hearts to Christ's Heart especially in The Paschal Mystery - His Passion, Death, Resurrection, and Ascension. Sister Kate O'Leary invites you to journey into the Heart of Christ in The Eucharist - an incredible treasure of our Faith. Come to hear how we can unite our sacrifices and ourselves more closely to Him at Mass.

Wednesday, March 20 — Caregiver's Gifts — Sister Therese Maltby, RSM

The person who provides care shares many gifts with her family member, friend, patient: clinical competence, emotional support, help with ordinary tasks, etc. On any day that giving care is also a giving up: loss of sleep, of energy, of confidence, etc. This same day may also bring many gifts to be received. Wisdom invites us to embrace the gifts received without losing sight of the loss.

Hospitality will be offered following our March 20 mission in the Narthex. All are welcome! Come one or all three nights! Saint Elizabeth Seton Church is located at 9300 West 167th St., Orland Hills. Questions? Please call 708-403-0101.

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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.

RITE OF 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.

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

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

PRAY THE ROSARY: Please join us to pray the Rosary before morning Mass Monday through Friday starting at 7:45 AM.

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 4:00 PM on the Friday ten days 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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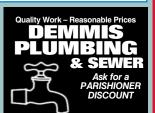
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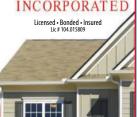
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