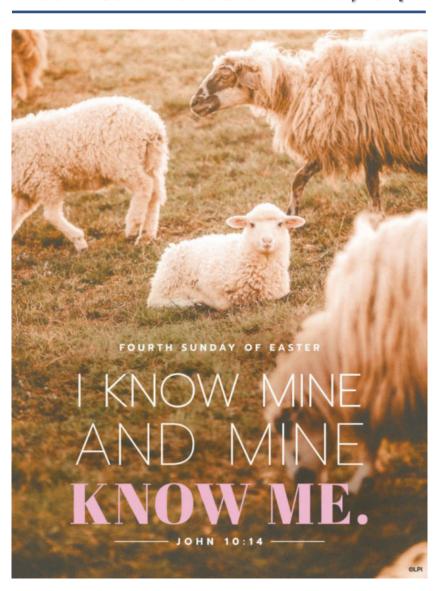


# SAINT GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH

# CELEBRATING 90 YEARS OF FAITH, COMMUNITY AND SERVICE

### FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - APRIL 21, 2024



# **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

# Parish School

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# Message from Father Paul



Last Sunday was a spectacular day of beautiful sunshine and warmth. It was a perfect setting for the Holy Spirit to move among us in a special way, as Bishop Bob Lombardo confirmed thirty of our young people. His gentleness, holiness and humor are all part of who he is. He radiates goodness and we all felt it. May the Holy Spirit continue to bless us and our parish!

Today is often referred to as Good Shepherd Sunday. It causes me to reflect on my own calling and vocation to the priesthood. Cardinal Meyer used to say that the goal of the seminary is to create good men, Christians and priests, in that order. I think this is a powerful guidance for us in whatever vocation God has given us. We must first be decent people. God has blessed us with a conscience and a sense of basic humanity. We need to be attentive to that and not let other influences cause us to betray those core values of decency. We learn our Christian values from those around us, primarily our parents and family. In this, God is clearly at work. To pass on and to receive the faith becomes a beautiful cycle of holiness for which each of us is responsible. Knowing Jesus raises our hearts, helps us to see beyond our own immediate needs, economic concerns and political bias. Our calling as Christians helps us to embrace compassion, kindness and a deep desire to imitate Jesus, especially when it is uncomfortable, challenging or inconvenient. Lastly, our vocation is our purpose in life

and our role in His plan of salvation. Our calling comes to us when we are attentive to the movement of the Holy Spirit. My call is to the priesthood. Yours is different as married people, parents, single or widowed. Each of these has a beauty and an integrity that cannot be demeaned but rather is to be cherished and celebrated.

I want to urge you to not only pray for vocations as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers but also work for them, too. Think about the young people in your life. Surely there is someone you know who could have a calling. Tell them the qualities you see in them. Ask them if they have ever considered dedicating their life to God. Who knows? You may be the one who lights the flame of the Spirit in their heart!

Today is also blest as we celebrate our call to be of help to others. At the Big Event at the Tinley Perk Convention Center, we are having a fundraiser for three families with connections to Saint George: Paula Dettmann, Julia Donohoe and Kelsey Mercado. Each of these individuals and their families are faced with long-term medical crises. 100% of proceeds will go to help these families. The City Lights Orchestra will entertain us with what promises to be a wonderful concert of Big Band jazz. In other words, Saint George is going to have a blast today!

As I write this, I am looking forward to being on retreat for the week. Bishop Gerald Kicanas, retired bishop of Tucson and Chicago priest, will lead us in prayer and reflection. By the time you read this, I will be back. While on retreat, you and your intentions will be in my prayers.

Join us for a

Musical Prayer Service

Friday, April 26 at 7:00 PM in the church

Saint George

and

Words of the Saints

Saint George's Feast Day is the 23rd of April

All are velcome! Bring a friend!



It's Back -Women of Purpose - Bare Bones Bunco

Just come for an evening of fun & fellowship! \*\*Nothing fancy!

Thursday, April 25 - 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM Saint George Parish Life Center (MR 1 and 2)

\$10 Pre-Pay (includes pizza, bunco supplies and prizes, water and coffee)

To RSVP and to pre-pay, drop off payment at the parish office in an envelope marked Women of Purpose, Bunco, and your name(s). Since seating is limited, please RSVP and pre-pay by Tuesday, April 23.

Adult friends and family are welcome. Feel free to bring your own fun beverages and/or a dessert to share. Any questions, please contact Joan at 708-227-0028.



# This Week at Saint George

### Sunday, April 21

7:00 AM Bread & Word (MR 4)

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

9:30 AM Parish Registration (MR 1)

11:30 AM Baptism (Church) 1:00 PM Baptism (Church)

4:00 PM Big Band Concert (Convention Center)

5:00 PM Adult Volleyball League (G)

### Monday, April 22

9:00 AM Spiritual Direction (QR) 6:30 PM Bible Study (MR 1) 7:30 PM Al-Anon (O'CH)

### Tuesday, April 23

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

6:30 PM Caregiver Support Group (MR 4)

### Wednesday, April 24

5:30 pm CFF Gr. 1-8 (S, CC, O'CH, GR, G, K, MR 1-4.

BR, QR, SGS)

7:00 PM SPRED I - (SC, K)

### Thursday, April 25

9:30 AM CWSF Prayer Shawl Ministry (MR1) 12:30 PM SGS Band Practice (MR1 & 2)

6:00 PM Marian Disciples (MR 4)

6:30 PM First Communion Practice (Church) 6:30 PM Women of Purpose Bunco (MR 1 & 2)

7:00 PM Choir Practice (Church)

7:30 PM Kentucky Derby Planning Committee

(MR 4)

### Friday, April 26

7:00 PM Bingo (O'CH, GR, K)

7:00 PM Musical Prayer Service (Church)

8:00 PM Narcotics Anon (MR 3)

### Saturday, April 27

Working Bikes Collection (Parking Lot)

Home Build-Sign Up

10:00 AM Girl Scout Troop 65496 Mtg. (MR 3)

3:00 PM Reconciliation (Church) 7:00 PM Adult Volleyball (Gym)

### Sunday, April 28

Working Bikes Collection (Parking Lot)

7:00 AM Home Build Sign-Up 9:30 AM Bread & Word (MR 4)

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

2:00 PM First Communion (Church) 5:00 PM Adult Volleyball League (Gym) Page 4 April 21, 2024

# Cheers to 90 Years!



SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2024 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM Saint George Church -Cahill Center

Join Us for the Tastiest Day of the Year!

\$30 Per Person in Advance (A limited number of tickets may be available at the door for \$35 per person.)

# WINE TASTING - WINE RAFFLE LIGHT APPETIZERS

Water, soda and beer also available.

Wine provided by sip. Wine bar\*.
\*parishioner owned

For More information: 708-532-2243 https://stgeorge60477.org

You must be at least 21 or older to enter the event.
Photo ID required.





Saint George 90th Anniversary Dinner Dance September 22, 2024



# Kentucky Derby Party

Please note: the Kentucky Derby party which was scheduled on Saturday, May 4 has been CANCELLED.

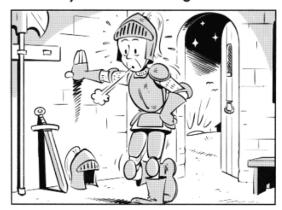
# **Bread and Word**

Please join us on Sunday mornings at 10:00 AM in Meeting Room 4 for Bread and Word. Bread and Word is open to all ages from middle school students to grandparents and beyond.

We open with a prayer, and then read aloud and discuss the Scripture readings of that Sunday. The discussions are fluid, and you are welcome to stop in at any point during the morning. Some people come after the 9:30 AM Mass, some leave at 11:00 AM to go to the 11:30 AM Mass. It is a very open ended commitment.

For more information, contact Fran at ffatpts@ameritech.net or 708-828-1837.

### "Why was St. George tired?"



# "He worked the knight shift."



St. George is the patron saint of England, he was a soldier and officer in the Roman army who was martyred for his faith in Jesus.

@LP!

# Readings for the Week of April 21

#### Sunday:

Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 (22)/ Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

### Monday:

Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10

### Tuesday:

Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30

### Wednesday:

Acts 12:24–13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Jn 12:44-50

#### Thursday:

1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20

### Friday:

Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8 -9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6

#### Saturday:

Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 14:7-14

### **Next Sunday:**

Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 (26a)/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

# **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 below.

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" during the offertory. Instead, please drop your contributions in the collection boxes located near the pews in church.

# Saint of the Week

Saint Paschal Baylón was a devout Spanish monk. In his vocation as a lay brother, he worked as a chef, porter, gardener, and official



beggar. He often gave so much to the poor that his brothers tried to limit his generosity. Because of his devotion to the Blessed Sacrament, he is the Patron Saint of Eucharistic Congresses and Societies.

# Stewardship Update

### April 6-7, 2024

Weekly Offering / Holy Days Weekly Offering / Holy Days - Budgeted Difference	\$ \$ \$	18,672.85 15,196.00 3,475.85
Easter	\$	7,195.00
School Fund	\$	1,260.00
Sharing Parish - Lord of Mercy	\$	377.00
Holy Thursday: Parish Missionary Group	\$	45.00
Good Friday: Holy Land	\$	165.00
Easter Flowers	\$	110.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$	110.00
Hardship Fund	\$	100.00
Fiscal Year 2023 Year-To-Date		
YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days	\$	643,388.11
YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days - Budgeted	\$	623,036.00
YTD Difference	\$	20,352.11

We are 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.

# Planned Giving

As stewards of our faith, you can express your gratitude for God's gifts and help ensure that God's good work on earth continues by considering a charitable gift annuity. When you establish a charitable gift annuity with the archdiocese, not only will you receive fixed payments for life, but you can designate our parish as the remainder beneficiary.

You can schedule payments according to your financial needs, and enjoy immediate and future tax benefits, including a federal income tax deduction for a portion of your gift, if you itemize. Also, a portion of each annuity payment will be tax-free (through life expectancy). The funds remaining after your lifetime will support our parish or school – as designated by you.

For more information, please contact Renee Beemsterboer at 708-532-2243 or rbeemsterboer@stgeorge60477.org. To receive a free, no-obligation personalized illustration of how you could benefit from a Charitable Gift Annuity, contact Krystina M. Campbell, Planned Giving Officer, Archdiocese of Chicago at 312-534-5404 or kcampbell@archchicago.org.

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### **Mass Intentions**

### Saturday, April 20

4:00 PM Don Graff+

> Wanda Malec+ Barbara Ann Grady+

Sunday, April 21

7:30 AM Mieczyslaw Gierat+

Anthony F. Ponziano+

Czeslaw Hanusiak+

9:30 AM Richard Arlen+

> Robert Brusich+ Joseph Doyle+

11:30 AM Robert Anderson+

> Antoinette Zaro+ Linda Meinke+

Monday, April 22

8:15 AM Ewa Lang

Paula Dettman (Healing)

Tuesday, April 23

8:15 AM Michael Gibbons+

Wednesday, April 24

8:15 AM Rev. Robert Wisnewski

Alice F. Lesnik & Stanley

M. Lesnik+

Thursday, April 25

8:15 AM Intentions for Francisco

Marcos

Friday, April 26

8:15 AM Irv Lovato+

Margaret Quitter+

Saturday, April 27

4:00 PM Joseph & Jean

Perlikiewicz+

Patrick & Kathleen Sherry+

Geri Biel+

Sunday, April 28

7:30 AM Val Hynes+

9:30 AM Marge Soich+

> Jane Miritello+ James M. Gallagher

> > Family

11:30 AM Helen & Joseph

> Gembala+ David Lamberty &

**Deceased Members of** 

the Lamberty 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 Cosgrave, 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, Jan Kosmatine, Donald Lavey, Bruce Lorence, Joelee Mac Masters, Carol Manow, Noreen Mariani, Kelsey Mercado, Robert Metzger, Lorraine Miller, Patricia Mitchell, Kathleen Mohan, Baby Thomas Nelson, Sharrelle Newson, Brian & Sandy Nichols, Gwen Norvilas, Brian O'Connor, Romaine Padgett, Deacon Joe Panek, Lottie Pano, John Pochinski, Hailey Polk, Dennis Porebski, Neil Reece, Eileen Reeves, Eunice Robey, Matthew Rogal, Ben Schaefer, James J. Schmitt, Theresa Schultz, 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, 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 Faithful Departed...

William Shanahan, Paula Stripling, Victoria Kasper, George Hruban, John A. Woltman, Richard Burton

### 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 Sqt. Amanda Brennan (Army), First Sqt. 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 Dallege (Army). Sgt. James Dewey (Army), Maj. Christopher Doering (Army), Sgt. 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), A0AA 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), Sean Rio, PFC James Rodriguez (Army), Amn. Michael Sarniak, Jr. (Coast Guard), Bo Shipan (Marines, LCPI), Camryn 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

# Mother's Day Masses

Each Mother's Day, it is a custom to have a Novena enrollment of Masses for living and deceased mothers. The Novena consists of twenty Masses celebrated throughout the year, beginning on Mother's Day. Envelopes and cards to enroll your mother are available at the exits of church. Please fill out the enrollment envelope and place it in the collection basket between now and Mother's Day.



# Holy Family Chapel

Holy Family Chapel offers an 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: 2:00 PM, 4:00 PM; Tuesday: 2:00 PM; Wednesday: 12:00 PM, 4:00 PM; Thursday: 2:00 PM, 3:00 PM, 4:00 PM; Friday: 1:00 PM, 2:00 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").

# 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.

# Live the Liturgy

Jesus the Good Shepherd knows that real love is an action, not an idea. His sacrifice is the proof of his love for his flock. Let us remember to love one another as the Good Shepherd loves us: not just in words but in actions, in choices, in deeds.

### Weekend Mass Schedule

### Saturday, April 27 - 4:15 PM

Celebrant: Father John
Deacon: Greg Bartos
Eucharistic Don Clark - Cup
Ministers: Debbie Olejarz - Cup

Cindi Patula - Cup Mary Spengler - Cup Carey Murray - Bread Sue Stanton - Bread Eileen Weglarz - Bread Jim Weglarz - Bread

Lector: Bob Wyatt

### Sunday, April 28 - 7:30 AM

Celebrant: Father John Deacon: Jerry Souta

Eucharistic Kelly Conrad - Cup Ministers: Phyllis Hendzell - Cup

> Pat Kukula - Cup Ray Schulze - Cup Sandi Rogina - Bread Paul Windish - Bread

Lector: Betsy Windish

### Sunday, April 28 - 9:30 AM

Celebrant: Father Paul
Deacon: Tom Schutzius

Eucharistic Frances Bouchard - Cup

Ministers: Nicole Olson - Cup

Pina Quatrini - Cup Ventura Quatrini - Cup Susan Amann - Bread Dawn Bartos - Bread Karen Kiner - Bread Joanne O'Brien - Bread

Lector: Thomas Kavanaugh

### Tuesday, April 28-11:30 AM

Celebrant: Father Paul Deacon: Tim Keating

Eucharistic Mary Cermak-Vis - Cup

Ministers: Tim Doyle - Cup

Jean Gaytan - Cup Jeanine Patrick - Cup Fran Fancsali - Bread Martha Pena - Bread

Lector: Bob Page

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Shaken Baby Syndrome occurs when an infant or young child is shaken forcefully. Shaking can cause serious brain injury and even death.

# CRYING is the #1 trigger for shaking a baby or toddler.

All babies cry. Some babies cry a lot! Have a plan of what to do if you can't calm your crying baby. Keep a list of emergency numbers by or in your phone. Call a friend. Call your doctor if you fear something is wrong. If you feel yourself getting upset, gently put your baby in safe place and walk away.

### How to Help Your Crying Baby



Check to see if your baby needs to be fed, burped or changed.

Check to see if the baby has a fever or if they are too hot or too cold.

Hold your baby close to you. Gently walk, rock or sing to your baby.

Some babies can get fussy if there is too much noise, light or too many people. Find a quiet, safe place for baby to nap.

Make sure that EVERYONE who cares for your child knows about the dangers of shaking. Tell them to NEVER SHAKE your baby. You could save your baby's LIFE!

MORE RESOURCES FOR PARENTS &
CAREGIVERS
www.erikson.edu/fussy-baby-network
www.text4baby.org
www.dontshake.orog



# Saint George Pro Life

### Pregnant, Need Help?

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), depending on the location that would be more convenient. If there is a change of heart after taking the abortion pill, call 877-558-0333 or go to AbortionPillReversal.com. There may still be time to save your pregnancy.

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), Post-Abortion Hotline at 800-5-WE-CARE, or Rachel's Vineyard at 877-467-3463.

### Responding to Abortion Tourism in Illinois

You are invited to attend Illinois Right to Life's Ground Zero tour: "Changing the Tide: Understanding and Responding to Abortion Tourism in a Post-Roe Illinois." Saint Veronica Church (located at the corner of Flossmoor Road and Leavitt Avenue in Flossmoor) is hosting this presentation by Illinois Right to Life Executive Director Mary Kate Zander on Tuesday, April 23, at 7:00 PM in the Saint Veronica church hall (behind the church with entrance from the church parking lot). All are welcome to hear what is being done to bring a culture of life to Illinois.

# Mental Health Awareness Forum

There will be a mental health awareness forum on Tuesday, April 30, at 6:30 PM in Cahill Meeting Room 1.

As a faith community, we must not underestimate what we can do to have a positive impact on mental and emotional well-being. 19.86% of adults are experiencing a mental illness. Equivalent to nearly 50 million Americans, 4.91% adults are experiencing a severe mental illness. A 2023 survey found that approximately 87 percent of youth and children suffer from mental health problems on a regular basis. Amongst youth, there have been increasing numbers of those who have committed suicide or have considered it.

At this forum, there will be opportunities to talk about our own journeys of healing, our concerns for those suffering from mental illness and addictions, and how we as a faith community can offer support for them and their families. We will also hear from another parish how they have started a mental health ministry. There will also be an opportunity to discuss your thoughts on starting a mental health ministry in our parish.

# Don't Forget Earth Day!

Bring your bikes and parts to

# WORKING BIKES COOPERATIVE COLLECTION



NEXT WEEK! - Saturday and Sunday, April 27 and 28

Donate your old bikes, even with flat tires!

Drop off your bikes and bike parts at Saint George Church Garage, 6707 176 Street, Tinley Park, in the parking lot on Saturday, April 27 from 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM or Sunday, April 28 from 7:30 AM to 12:30 PM.



Give Your Used Bike a New Home in a Developing Country!

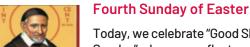
Bicycles in a developing country can mean the difference between work and unemployment. Bikes are used for transportation and delivering cargo. Some bikes also provide transportation for doctors, mechanics and messengers.

The Working Bikes Cooperative ships bicycles to Africa, Latin America, and distributes about 500 bikes a year to refugees and day camps in the Chicago area.

Contact Angie Brady at 708-341-3644, with any questions or visit the Co-Op on the web at:

http://www.workingbikes.org. Send email to: workingbikes@yahoo.com or phone 708-660-9452.

# Saint Vincent de Paul



Today, we celebrate "Good Shepherd Sunday" where we reflect on Jesus'care and love of us.

Have you considered answering the call to "help the poor find forgiveness and healing in their life" by joining the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul?

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.



# Thank you for your support of the Port Ministries

Your donations helped the PORT Staff and Volunteers continue to serve the needs of the people of the south side of Chicago: The Bread Truck, The Free Health Clinic, The After School Program, the Hope House, the Gym, the PORT Office, Educational Opportunities, Tutoring, and much more. The needs are many. The PORT relies on the generosity of people like Saint George parishioners to continue their work of helping our sisters and brothers in need. God Bless You!



The PORT is blessed with Anthony Brown, an all around member of the staff at the PORT. He makes the pick-ups of much needed donations and supplies around the Chicago area. He also operates the Bread Truck on a

daily basis, delivering food in the community.

"The Bread Truck is our "soup kitchen on wheels" that drives to eight (8) different locations around the neighborhood to battle hunger by providing meals to under-served community members. Meals are donated to The Port Ministries from various parishes, partners and corporations and then distributed six days a week through the Bread Truck.

The BREAD TRUCK provides over 134,000 meals per year. Monday through Friday from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM, and Saturday from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Summer hours are Monday through Saturday from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

# Prayer of the Good Shepherd



Dear Lord, You are my Shepherd, a Good Shepherd, who leads in ways beyond my understanding. Guide me in the paths You would have me go. Amen.

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### Welcoming the Stranger: Our Migrant Care Response

Since buses of migrants and asylum seekers began arriving in Chicago from Texas in August 2022, Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago has partnered with our parish, government, and community partners to connect new arrivals with safe, long-term housing and provided resources and materials to meet their basic needs. We have a dedicated team of 130+ bilingual individuals working on the frontlines each day, serving with courageous and faith-filled compassion, hope, and joy.



Pictured: A mother and her two children recently arrived from Venezuela wait outside our downtown Chicago location to join a community supper. Response Snapshot

- Total arrivals to Chicago area since August 2022, reported by the City of Chicago - 36,077
- Total individuals directly supported by Catholic Charities Migrant Care Initiatives - 22,921
- Adults and children reunited with families outside Chicago - 4,893
- Individuals living in shelters and hotels who have been connected to housing 13,798
- Individuals aided with work authorization and Temporary Protected Status applications\* - 3,800
- Individuals housed and accompanied through the Parish Family Sponsorship Program - 430 (116 families)

Together with our parish partners and with philanthropic support, Catholic Charities has also distributed 9,000 Ventra cards and 7,500 gift cards to new arrival families across the city. We continue to serve thousands through Catholic Charities' anchor programs at our community centers across Lake and Cook counties, including providing fresh food through our pantries, welcoming them as guests to our community suppers, and connecting them to other services.

For more information, contact welcomethestranger@catholiccharities.net



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For additional information, contact Michelle McCarthy 708-429-7255 option #5 or mmccarthy@crisisctr.org

### **50th Class Reunion!**

The Saint Mary's Star of the Sea Class of 1974 will be holding their 50th Class Reunion on June 8 from 6:30 PM to 9:30 PM. The reunion will take place in Duggan Hall at Saint Mary's, 6435 S. Kilbourne Ave. For additional information, please contact Marry (Hassett) Galazkiewicz—megg9375@att.net (708-218-6972), Jeanine (Clucas) Venckus—jeaninevenckus@gmail.com (630-540-8264) or Frank Bilek—frankbilek@comcast.net (708-878-4908).

# **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.

Alcohol and Drug Abuse	1-800-821-4357
Child Abuse	1-800-252-2873
National Domestic Violence	1-800-799-SAFE
National Sexual Assault	1-800-656-4673
Compulsive Gambling Hotline	1-410-332-0402
Poison Control	1-800-222-1222
Suicide Prevention	1-800-273-8255
Elder Abuse	1-800-252-8966
Unplanned Pregnancy Option	1-800-712-4357
Abortion Pill Reversal	1-877-558-0333

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### Housing is a basic human need

Housing is the basic necessity of every human being along with food and water. Sadly, many people are without a simple decent place to live safely and in dignity.

### How we help

Together with the assistance of Crossroads Missions, seven parishes of Vicariate V aim to assist Habitat for Humanity through fundraising for building materials, and by constructing the house framing on the Build Day.

The walls are transported to the home site where Habitat for Humanity will complete the house with other volunteers and skilled tradespeople.

Upon completion, the home will be dedicated to a family in need.

### How you can help

### Partcipate!

You don't need special skills or abilities to be a participant. We need children, teens (under 18 requires parental supervision) adults, and seniors for a variety of roles.

### **PREPARERS**

Friday only; Volunteers 18 and over:

Measure and cut lumber. (radial arm saw experience desired)

### **CREW LEADERS**

Oversee build crews. (Trained on Friday)

#### **BUILDERS**

Swing a hammer and pound some nails! Assemble the wall sections.

### HOSPITALITY

Help plan, prepare, or serve food.

### REGISTRATION

Help us register all of our wonderful volunteers.

### **CLEANERS / SAFETY**

Assist with traffic flow. Help keep area neat and safe during and after the event.

#### **WALL LOADERS**

After walls are built, load wall sections into truck for delivery to construction site. Follow truck to the site and unload walls (unloading at the site is tentative).

### Weekend Agenda

During this weekend, we will do more than build a house. We will come together as a faith community. We will pray, laugh, renew old friendships and build new relationships.

Rain or shine at Incarnation St. Terrence 4300 W 119th Place Alsip, IL 60803

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 21

- 12 Noon Setup & Lumber delivery
- 1:00 PM Measure and cut lumber
- 3:00 PM Build Leader training

### **SATURDAY, JUNE 22**

- 8:00 AM Registration
- 8:30 AM Opening Prayer
- 9:00 am-12:00 PM Work Detail
- 12:00 pm Lunch
- 2:00 PM Load walls for departure
- Unload walls at construction site.

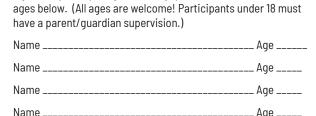
If you have questions or need additional information, please contact: Matt Vieck (vicariate5homebuild@gmail.com).

Scan the QR code below to watch a video from last year's build.

Please return this sign up form to your parish office or parish representative. In addition, we will be taking registrations on the weekend of April 27 & 28 in the narthex of church. For more information call: Angie Brady, 708-341-3644 or Naomi O'Malley, 708-305-0529.

### SIGN UP

Dro	op this form off at y	ou/	r home parish office.
Yes! I / We would like to participate.			
Na	me		
Best Phone #			
Email			
Pai	rish		
Check all areas of interest			
	Preparers		Registration
	Crew Leaders		Cleaners/Safety
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If you are participating as a family, please list additional names /



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# Did you know there is **BINGO** every Friday night at Saint George School???

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- Progressive Lightning
- Hot Ball Game
- Coverall

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- \$1.00 For Special Games
- \$1.00 Per Pull Tab

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Located in O'Connell Hall and the Georgian Room. Doors open at 5:00 PM and games begin at 7:00 PM.



# **SAINT GEORGE SCHOOL**



What a wonderful learning experience the Solar Eclipse was for our students! The teachers planned various activities for the children to complete before, during, and after the eclipse. This day definitely will be one to remember!

















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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 additional 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 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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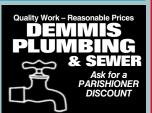
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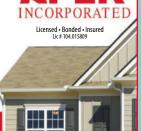
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