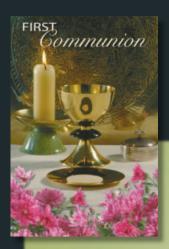


## SAINT GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH

CELEBRATING 90 YEARS OF FAITH, COMMUNITY AND SERVICE

### FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - APRIL 28, 2024



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Saint George Parish April 28, 2024 We Welcome The Children Celebrating Their First Holy Communion

> Erin McIntyre Landon McIntvre Robert Mitchell Genevieve Morreale Edwin-Micah Okolie Peter Olson Dylan Orozco David Palafox Giovanni Palafox\* Janelle Palafox Jonathan Palafox\* Keiry Palafox\* Rodrigo Palafox\* Rebecca Partacz Charlotte Podborny William Rostak Audrey Triller Charlotte Triller John Turner Emilio Valles Alan Xique Ivan Xique

\*Received the sacrament of First Holy Communion on March 14, 2024

We are thankful for our families bringing their children to the Eucharistic table, and we share in their joy! We pray that these children and their families find both comfort and strength in the regular reception of Jesus in Communion.

Congratulations and Blessings!

## **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



Today is another joyous occasion as we celebrate with our young people their First Holy Communion. When I see the excitement in the children, it is a reminder for me of what a precious gift the Eucharist is in our lives. As time goes on, it becomes too easy to take Holy Communion for granted. Several years ago I went to a "mega church" service in California. It was pretty amazing. There were almost five thousand people filling the church/

auditorium. There was a lot of music and some interesting preaching, but at that service, they were offering Communion. They do not believe in the Real Presence of Jesus in Communion like we do. For them it is only a symbol. But before Communion, the preacher gave a short teaching on the significance of our disposition for receiving Communion. He spoke about how important it is for us to be as free from sin as possible. That the sharing of the bread and wine would bring us into intimate union with Jesus and for that, we must be prepared. He was quite good.

Receiving Holy Communion at Mass should not be automatic. Our disposition, our readiness to receive the Body and Blood of Christ is a part of preparation. If we are aware of serious sin in our life, it is important to welcome God's forgiveness through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Approaching the altar of God to receive Communion is intended to be our public proclamation of our belief. We reach out our hands and consume the Body and Blood of Jesus with reverent joy. And then it becomes a part of us, and we become a part of it --- the Body of Christ, real and living in the world. As Saint Paul says, "We are ambassadors of Christ." We become His hands, feet and voice. This is no small matter! We receive Communion so we may be changed! And we need to be ready.

Last Sunday was one of the most astonishing days of my life. About 600 people came to The Big Event, as we gathered to support three families in need. People from the Donohoe, Mercado and Dettmann families were all present and all blown away by the generosity of so many people. The energy in the room was electric. The City Lights Orchestra under the direction of my dear friend, Rich Daniels, was superb. In addition to the City Lights Orchestra and the Chicago Federation of Musicians who unwrote their appearance, we want to thank Mayor Michael Glotz and the Village Board for their continued support. We are grateful for their donation of \$500 to this great cause. We thank the Tinley Park Convention Center for their generous help. There were winners of the Split-the-Pot raffles who gave part or all of their winnings back to the event, to be shared with the families. I want to stress that neither Saint George nor Saint Julie profited from this.

In a special way, I want to thank our office staff, especially Renee Beemsterboer, Kathy Rubino, Kelly Conrad and Theresa Gonzalez; Jim and Johnnie Faller; our 90th Anniversary Committee; and the many volunteers who made The Big Event so memorable. To everyone who attended, to all who donated items, and everyone who gave so freely, thank you. I know this was an occasion that will live on in our memories for years to come.

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## Family First Sunday - May 5

#### Celebrate Mothers at our last FFS this season!

May is a month dedicated to mothers, and especially to Our Blessed Mother Mary. Come begin the celebration of this glorious month with us at Family First Sunday on Sunday, May 5, after all the morning Masses.



As in the past, the Parish Life Center will be open by 7:15 AM for anyone wanting to drop off a contribution on their way to 7:30 AM Mass. Contributions to our buffet are always welcome and greatly appreciated! A free will basket will be available for those who prefer to help defray costs of the non-donated items.

We hope you will be able to stop by for a few minutes of food, fun, and fellowship at this last Family First Sunday until September.

## Fair Trade Sale



Stop by the Fair Trade Table at the Front and South Entrance of Church.

Saturday & Sunday, May 4 & 5

Remember Mom on Mother's Day with some delicious Fair Trade Goodies. She is sure to love the organic Coffee, Tea, Hot Cocoa, and the Colorado Women's Bean Project Bean Soup Mixes! Best of all is the Divine Chocolate. So Delicious!

Fair Trade makes the world a better place. When you treat farmers and workers fairly, everyone benefits. Fair trade helps businesses source products that are ethically and sustainably produced while giving consumers confidence that the people behind the products they buy get a fair deal for their hard work.

For information or to volunteer for 30 minutes once a month, call Angie Brady at 708-341-3644.

## This Week at Saint George

#### Sunday, April 28

	Working Bikes Collection (Parking Lot)
	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)

#### Monday, April 29

6:30 PM	Bible Study (MR 1)
7:30 PM	Al-Anon (O'CH)

#### Tuesday, April 30

10:00 AM	Bible Study (MR 3)
4:30 PM	Women of Purpose Retreat Planning (QR)
6:00 PM	Adoration (Church)
6:00 PM	SPRED II (SC, K)
6:30 PM	Mental Health Awareness (MR 1)

#### Wednesday, May 1

5:00 PM	Catechist Dinner (BR)
7:00 PM	SPRED1(SC, K)
7:00 PM	Vision Council Mtg. (MR 4)

#### Thursday, May 2

	SGS Art Show (MR 1-3)
9:30 AM	CWSF Prayer Shawl Ministry (MR1)
12:30 PM	SGS Band Practice (MR 1 & 2)
6:00 PM	Marian Disciples (MR 4)
7:00 PM	Choir Practice (Church)
7:30 PM	Knights of Columbus (O'CH)

#### Friday, May 3

	SGS Art Show (MR 1-3)
7:00 PM	Bingo (O'CH, GR, K)
8:00 PM	Narcotics Anon (MR 3)

#### Saturday, May 4

	SGS Art Show (MR 1-3)
	Fair Trade (Before & After Masses
3:00 PM	Reconciliation (Church)
7:00 PM	Adult Volleyball (Gym)

#### Sunday, May 5

	SGS Art Show (MR 1-3) Fair Trade (Before & After Masses)
7:00 AM	Family First Sunday (MR 1-3)
9:30 AM	Bread & Word (MR 4)
9:30 AM	CFF/School Family Mass - May Crowning
	(Church)
9:30 AM	Children's Liturgy of the Word (RMR)
1:00 PM	Baptism
5:00 PM	Adult Volleyball League (Gym)







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

Xyla Belle Flores, Daughter of Daniel & Angela (Alonso) Flores

Cora Faye Matthews, Daughter of Jeff & Julie (Adams) Matthews

Leighton My-tien Payonk, Daughter of Kenneth & Lisa (Phan) Payonk

Ellie Mae Grace Van Dyck, Daughter of John Van Dyck & Bailey Lovetere

Gabriella Ann Van Dyck, Daughter of John Van Dyck & Bailey Lovetere

Case Joseph Salefski, Son of Chad & Ahleah (Balawender) Salefski

Congratulations to the Parents & Godparents!

## Saint Vincent de Paul Fifth Sunday of Easter

In the Gospel today, Jesus says "Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing." Indeed, by helping the poor we can "bear much fruit" and we find that with Jesus we can do everything.

Your gift to the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will show that you are indeed the disciple of Jesus as it will bring your love to those who live in fear and doubt, loneliness and dread.

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.

## Readings for the Week of April 28

#### Sunday:

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

#### Monday:

Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26

#### **Tuesday:**

Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/ Jn 14:27-31a

#### Wednesday:

Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122: 1-2, 3 -4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8 Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11

#### Friday:

1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14

#### Saturday:

Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

#### Next Sunday:

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44 -48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/1 Jn 4:7-10/ Jn 15:9-17

## **Planned Giving**

#### Leave a Legacy to Bring Hope to the World

As we stand before God's promise to make all things new, please consider one of the greatest acts of stewardship by including a gift to our parish in one of the following ways:

- Will or Trust
- Retirement Assets
- Life Insurance Policies
- Charitable Gift Annuity

For more information, please contact Renee Beemsterboer at 708-532-2243 or rbeemsterboer@stgeorge60477.org or contact Marguerite Q. Zappa, Planned Giving Officer, Archdiocese of Chicago at 312-848-3068 or mzappa@archchicago.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.

## **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.

## Stewardship Update

#### April 13-14, 2024

**YTD Difference** 

Weekly Offering / Holy Days	\$ 14,347.76
Weekly Offering / Holy Days - Budgeted	\$ 15,196.00
Difference	\$ (848.24)
School Fund	\$ 254.00
Sharing Parish: Lord of Mercy	\$ 296.25
Easter Offering	\$ 1,930.00
Holy Thursday: Parish Missionary Group	\$ 13.00
Good Friday: Holy Land	\$ 40.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 5.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 20.00
Catholic Charities	\$ 5.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 5.00
Fund for Retired Priests	\$ 20.00
Fiscal Year 2023 Year-To-Date	
YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days	\$ 657,735.87
YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days - Budgeted	\$ 638,232.00

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.

## **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.



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Thank you for your generosity!

## **Mass Intentions**

#### Saturday, April 27

4:00 PM	Joseph & Jean Perlikiewicz+
	Patrick & Kathleen Sherry+
	Geri Biel+

### Sunday, April 28

11.70 AM	Liston 9 Joseph Combole
	Family
	of the James M. Gallagher
	Living & Deceased Members
	Jane Miritello+
9:30 AM	Marge Soich+
7:30 AM	Val Hynes+

11:30 AM Helen & Joseph Gembala+ David Lamberty & Deceased Members of the Lamberty Family+

#### Monday, April 29

8:15 AM	Barry Hagan+
	John Sasveld+

#### Tuesday, April 30

8:15 AM	Nancy McGeehan+
	Edwin Quistorff+
	Ellen Hallahan+

#### Wednesday, May 1

8:15 AM	Karol Szubert (F	or Healing)
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#### Thursday, May 2

8:15 AM	Sam & Helen Baumann+
	Daniel C. Disabato+
	Pat & Jack McGeehan+
	David & Claudette Bialka
	(60th Wedding
	Anniversary)

#### Friday, May 3

8:15 AM	Margaret McDermott+
	Flordelina Marcos+

#### Saturday, May 4

4:00 PM	Helen Rusnak+
	William & Eleanore Kehoe+
	Rose Mayer+

#### Sunday, May 5

7:30 AM	Leonard Borrmann+ Jacob Schmitt+ Tony Ray Smiley+
9:30 AM	Tom Sheu+ Eugene Budz+ Tracie Foster+
11:30 AM	Jean Jaque Campas+ Ted Glaser+ Ellen Hotter+
+ 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, Julie Donohoe, 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, Dean Kosek, 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...

Ralph Cassidy, Patricia Lassandrello, Beverly Taylor, Lois Owens

#### **Our Military...**

Please remember in your prayers the following people who are serving our country: P03 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). Sqt. 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, Sgt. 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), 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.

## 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.

## Weekend Mass Schedule

#### Saturday, May - 4:00 PM Celebrant: Father John Deacon: **Tim Keating**

Eucharistic Ministers:

Don Clark - Cup Tim Framke - Cup Tim McCabe - Cup Debbie Olejarz - Cup Fran Clark - Bread Cindi Patula - Bread Sue Stanton - Bread Eileen Weglarz - Bread **Bob Wyatt** 

Lector:

#### Sunday, May 5 - 7:30 AM

Celebrant:	Father Paul
Deacon:	Jerry Souta
Eucharistic	Karen Lyons - Cup
Ministers:	Julie Newtoff - Cup Lynda O'Brien - Cup
	David Whitaker - Cup
	Teri Rycyzyn - Bread
	Jim Walker - Bread
Lector:	Naomi O'Malley

Sunday, May 5 - 9:30 AM

Celebrant:	Father Paul
Deacon:	Tom Schutzius
Eucharistic Ministers:	Catherine Adelakun - Cup Nicole Olson - Cup Ventura Quatrini - Cup Pina Quatrini - Cup Susan Amann - Bread Ann Floyd - Bread Thomas Kavanaugh - Bread Joanne O'Brien - Bread
Lector:	Family Mass

#### Tuesday May 5 - 11.30 AM

Tuesuay, Ma	y 5 - 11.50 AM
Celebrant:	Father John
Deacon:	Greg Bartos
Eucharistic	Tim Doyle - Cup
Ministers:	Fran Fancsali - Cup
	Jean Gaytan - Cup
	Jeanine Patrick - Cup
	Frances Bouchard - Bread
	Eric Susnis - Bread
Lector:	Bill Beckman















On April 21, 2024, Saint George and Saint Julie Billiart teamed up to help three families from Tinley Park who have suffered catastrophic medical events - the Donohue Family, the Mercardo Family and the Dettmann Family.

















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Here I Am Lord Send Me.

## VICARIATE V MINISTRY COMMISSION

#### **Ministers of Care Training**

A Minister of Care visits the homebound in the parish to bring Eucharist to those who are unable to attend Mass. We offer to our homebound a way to remain connected to the parish, and as Pope Francis said "to be an instrument of God's mercy."

#### Saint George Parish in Tinley Park in the Cahill Center.

May 6, 7 & 8, 2024

## Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30 PM to 9:30 PM.

#### Presenter is Jeanne Lassandrello

Participation in these three sessions meets the mandated requirements of the Office for Divine Worship of the Archdiocese of Chicago. Preparation as a Minister of Care includes such topics as spirituality of ministry, ministry to the aged and homebound, the experience of suffering, dying and death, pastoral listening skills, prayer and Eucharist, as well as the theological and practical dimensions of ministry. Participants must be approved by a member of their Pastoral Team.

The session on Wednesday will offer the theological and practical dimensions of ministry. If there is someone approved by their pastor to bring Communion to a family member, this would be a good evening for them to attend.

Register: https://ministrycommissionv5.com/ event-registration

Contact instructor for more information: Jeanne Lassandrello —jlassandrello@stgeorge60477.org or 708-532-8211.

## 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.



On Friday and/or Saturday, June 21 or 22, join with Saint George parishioners along with the Multi-Parish Home Build Team from Saint Stephen, Saint Julie, Saint Elizabeth Seton, Saint Michael, Saint Francis of Assisi, and Incarnation Saint Terence Parishes. Individuals, families, teens and adults are welcome to help. Children under 18 will need adult supervision. Check the registration tri-fold on page 11 for more details. For information or questions, please call: Angie Brady, 708-341-3644 or Naomi O'Malley 708-305-0529.

#### Let us build a house where Love can Dwell

Registration for a variety of jobs is taking place at Saint George Church this weekend in the Narthex of church after all of the Masses. Registration forms will also be available to pick up in the rectory. Get excited. Get ready. Go register for a memorable day of making new friends, sharing your talents, and building the walls that will become a house for a family to call home.

All work equipment needed will be at the work site at Incarnation Saint Terence, 4300 W. 119th Street, Alsip, II, on the day of the build.

And the king answering shall say to them: Amen I say to you, as long as you did it to one of these my least brethren, you did it to me. Matthew 25:40

#### **5th Annual Multi-Parish** MISSION PROJECT



"Let Us Build A House Where Love can Dwell"

June 21-22, 2024 On the campus of Incarnation St. Terrence Hosted By Parishes of Vicariate V St. Elizabeth Seton St. Francis of Assisi St. George St. Julie Billiart St. Michael St. Stephen, Deacon & Martyr Incarnation St. Terrence



#### 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
- 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 guestions or need additional information, please contact: Matt Vieck (vicariate5homebuild@gmail.com).

Scan the OR 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.

#### **SATURDAY, JUNE 22**

- 8:00 AM Registration
- 8:30 AM Opening Prayer

If you are participating as a family, please list additional names / ages below. (All ages are welcome! Participants under 18 must have a parent/quardian supervision.)

□ Wall Loaders

Name	Age
Name	Age
Name	Age
Name	Age

#### SIGN UP

Drop this form off at your home parish office.

Yes! I / We would like to participate.

Name
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Best Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Parish \_\_\_\_\_

#### Check all areas of interest

- □ Preparers □ Registration
- □ Crew Leaders □ Cleaners/Safety
- □ Hospitality

# □ Builders





## Here Is What You Can Do:

Talk with your children about child sexual abuse. Let them know they can talk to you about anything.

- Teach children the proper names for body parts.
- Tell your child that no one should touch them in a way that makes them feel scared or uncomfortable. If someone does, they should tell you or another trusted adult right away.
- Teach children not to keep secrets. If anyone tells them to keep a secret, they should tell you immediately.
- Know where your children are and who they are with.
- Monitor your child's internet use including their laptap, tablet, phone and gaming system. Tell them to never meet anyone in person that they met online.
- Raise awareness. Ask your child's school, youth group or faith organization if they have a sexual abuse prevention policy.
- If a child tells you about abuse, believe them. Tell them they did the right thing by telling you. Report it.

## It is an adult's responsibility to keep children safe!

To learn more about child sexual abuse visit: www.D21.org www.stopitnow.org www.rainn.org

Find more at www.preventchildabuseillinois.org/csap

Saint George Domestic Violence Outreach



## Saint George Pro Life

#### Prayer Vigil in Orland Park

Please plan to join a prayer vigil to be held at Orland Park Planned Parenthood. We will gather along the public sidewalk extending from 14470 LaGrange Road in Orland Park. This vigil will take place from 3pm to 4pm on Monday, May 6, 2024. Parking is available in the Orland Chateau lot (14500 S. LaGrange Road), but please park in the back.

#### Impact of 40 Days for Life

The 40 Days for Life vigil at abortion facilities ran from February 14 through March 24 at over 650 locations in over 30 nations. Based on reports received from all vigil locations so far, 505 babies and their mothers are known to be saved during this vigil. You can be certain that many more mothers had a change of heart that was not made known to vigil participants. This 40-day vigil also motivated a number of abortion workers to quit their jobs, and these vigils also have a history of seeing abortion facilities close permanently. Since 2007, 154 abortion facilities have closed, 260 abortion workers have left their jobs, and 24,768 babies have been saved from abortion (that are known of).

One of these vigils took place at Planned Parenthood in Flossmoor. A number of cases of changed minds and hearts occurred there. Many of these women were offered help at Aid for Women right next door to Planned Parenthood. Jim is one of the counselors often present at the Flossmoor Planned Parenthood (PP). On March 20, a woman stopped to talk to Jim. She came to PP hoping to tell Jim of her visit there to have an abortion in October 2020. Jim had counseled her at that time to go to Aid for Women for help, that PP was not licensed and not a safe facility. She didn't listen. As it turned out, the abortion went terribly wrong and a 911 call went out. When Flossmoor paramedics arrived, she was unconscious and bleeding profusely. This is documented by a medical response report of an ambulance call to PP by Flossmoor Paramedics in October 2020, making it clear she was severely injured during the abortion. She told Jim that she ended up losing her right leg, the damage was so great. She showed Jim, and he said it was gone nearly to her pelvis. For three and a half years this young woman has grieved what happened that day. Jim told her about a Rachel's Vineyard retreat she should go to. Hopefully she will attend to obtain the healing and counsel she sorely needs. She needs our continued prayers for healing in her heart and for justice to be done for the harm caused her.

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friendly competition. Register now to secure your spot in this prestigious event and help us champion Catholic education in our community!

To register, scan or visit: giving.archchicago.org/golf



## 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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