

# SAINT GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH

# CELEBRATING 90 YEARS OF FAITH, COMMUNITY AND SERVICE

# 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 25, 2024



Jesus then said to the Twelve. "Do you also want to leave?" Simon Peter answered Him, "Master to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God." - JN 6:67-69

#### 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

6707 West 175th Street Tinley Park, Illinois 60477

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www.stgeorge60477.org

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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Tinley Park, IL 60477

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www.stgeorgeschool.org

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# Message from Father Paul



Over the last several weeks, the Gospels have called on us to reflect on the Eucharist. The Eucharist is not the same as Holy Communion, although we

often use the terms interchangeably. They are different. Holy Communion is the results of the Eucharist. The Eucharist is the action of God from which we receive the Body and Blood of Jesus. The action of God that comes to us through the Eucharist is the same action of God that took place on the Cross. In other words, there is a direct line from the Cross on Calvary to the altar at every Catholic church.

The passion, death and resurrection is sometimes referred to as the Paschal Mystery. At Mass, we experience the reality of all three. It isn't that Jesus suffers, dies and rises again at every Mass. Rather every Mass is brought to the foot of the Cross. God's saving action, through the working of the Holy Spirit, is a continuous work that goes on at every moment. That continuous work at Mass we call Eucharist.

God's action always has a result. And the result of His action is our salvation. Salvation is something we experience but it isn't tangible. We can't hold it in our hands. So in the wisdom of God and the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, we have the opportunity to receive Holy Communion. We receive the Body and Blood of Christ, then God's action continues in us. God's hope for us is that we become what we receive. When we become the hands, feet and voice of Jesus Christ we are changed --- and so is the world. The forces of evil are real but they will not overcome the power of God.

Just a smaller note, it is valuable to think about how we receive Holy Communion. We realize this is a precious gift so our hearts and minds need to be ready (or as they used to say, have a proper disposition). We prepare by going to confession when necessary, fasting for one hour prior to reception and dressing for the moment. How we dress speaks to how we regard the event. Every situation has a dress code. For Mass, we dress up, not down.

As we approach the altar of God, we can prepare by saying a simple Act of Contrition. Just before reaching the minister of the Eucharist, do a slight head bow in reverence. This is the proper reverence. Dropping to your knees is discouraged because that is not the normal way to receive and it also poses a danger of tripping to the people around you. After the minister gives the invitation, "The Body of Christ," respond "amen" with devotion --- by that I mean, don't mumble! It is your personal affirmation of belief which should be strong and proud. Then extend your hands, one cradling the other, and receive the host. Do not reach out and snatch it from the minister's fingers. This is a gift we receive. We don't take it. It is also legitimate to receive on the tongue, although it can sometimes be a sanitary issue. (Having just had another bout with COVID, I feel it a little more keenly.) Either way is acceptable. When receiving the Precious Blood, a slight bow again, then after your "amen" response, take the chalice in your own hands, touch the wine to your lips, and hand the chalice back to your minister.

Then comes the hard part --- becoming what we receive.

Finally, we welcome Father Charles from the Archdiocese of Trivandrum in India, as part of Chicago's Missionary outreach. Please be generous.

Is Paul



# SAINT GEORGE CHURCH REQUESTS THE PLEASURE OF YOUR COMPANY AT OUR 90TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER DANCE

A WONDERFUL EVENING OF FELLOWSHIP, CELEBRATION, DINNER, RAFFLES AND DANCING

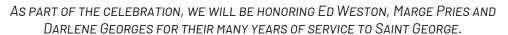


SUNDAY, THE TWENTY SECOND OF SEPTEMBER, TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-FOUR HALF PAST TWO O'CLOCK

ORLAND CHATEAU, 14500 LAGRANGE ROAD, ORLAND PARK, ILLINOIS



TICKETS \$60 PER PERSON -SOUP, SALAD, FAMILY STYLE DINNER, DESSERT - CASH BAR





SAINT GEORGE CHURCH 90TH ANNIVERSARY DIN	NER DANC	E
Name		
Address		
City, State, Zip		
Phone		
Email		
Enclosed is payment for reservations @ \$60.00	=	\$
Enclosed is payment for Grand Split the Pot Raffle Tickets @ \$100.00	=	\$
I wish to donate to the ticket price of Saint George Priests and Deacons (current and former)	=	\$
Parishioners 90 years and older are free.		
I / We wish to be seated with (tables of eight available):		
Name and phone		
Please make all checks payable to Saint George Church. We are sorry, reservations w September 8, 2024. All paid reservations will be at the door the day of the event. Res		
For additional information, please call the parish office at 708-532-2243.		
Reservations can be sent to Saint George Church, 6707 West 175th Street, Tinley Park	, IL 60477	

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# THIS WEEK AT SAINT GEORGE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25

Dragon Drop Balls Sale

Mission Appeal

9:30 AM Bread & Word (MR 4)

1:00 PM Scorekeeper / Con. Orientation (MR 1)

MONDAY, AUGUST 26

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

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 27** 

6:00 PM Adoration (Church)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28

 $90 th \ Anniversary \ Committee \ Mtg.$ 

(MR 1)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29

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

10:30 AM A&E Meeting (Church)

5:00 PM SGS Ice Cream Social (G Yard)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30

7:00 PM Bingo (0'CH, GR, K)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31

90th Anniversary Ticket Sales

Fair Trade Sales

3:00 PM Reconciliation (Church)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

90th Anniversary Ticket Sales

Fair Trade Sales

9:30 AM Bread & Word (MR 4)

1:00 PM Baptism

# Fair Trade Sale

August 31 -September 1 After the weekend Masses



Stop by and pick up some DIVINE CHOCOLATE, Fair Trade coffee, tea, and a tasty bean soup mix.

For information or to volunteer 20 minutes a month: call Angie Brady at 708-341-3644.

### FAMILY SECOND SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 8



Family First Sundays will resume in September with a twist for that one month. Due to the holiday weekend, we will celebrate the return of the tradition on the SECOND Sunday of September, September 8 rather than on September 1.

You are invited to join us after any of the Sunday morning Masses for a few minutes (or longer) of refreshments and fellowship. September marks the return to school and the harvest of apples, so find some nice shiny ones and turn them into your favorite apple dish to share. As is always the case, the Parish Life Center will open at 7:15 AM for those wishing to drop off items for the buffet on their way to Mass, and there will be a free will jar for those wishing to help defray the costs of purchased items. We hope you will stop by to help kick off the start of a new season.

Family First Sunday will return to the first Sunday of the month in October.

#### SAINT GEORGE MUSIC MINISTRY



**Adult Choir** 

Saint George's music ministry will be starting the adult choir again, after a restful summer break! You are very much invited to join, serving God and your parish through singing.

The choir meets to rehearse on Thursday evenings (most, but not all Thursdays) and sings at the 9:30 AM Sunday Mass, with a few exceptions, and a couple of holy days.

If you would like more information, please speak to a current choir member, or talk to Tim in the music area after a weekend mass. Tim can also be reached at 708-532-2243 x510 or TQuistorff@stgeorge60477.org.

Please consider this important and fun ministry. No experience is necessary... all levels are welcome. You just need an interest in learning and working as a team! Please feel welcome!

EAT TO SUPPORT SAINT GEORGE SCHOOL



Tuesday, August 27 11:00 AM to 11:00 PM

Lou Malnati's

9501 W. 171st Street, Tinley Park



## **ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS**

#### Beginning the Journey

For many people interested in becoming Catholic or entering into full communion with the Catholic Church, the process can be somewhat confusing or intimidating. After all, this is a major decision in one's life. The decision to join the Church is exciting and will lead to a deepening of personal faith and relationship to God, others, and self. No matter what has brought you here, the fact that you are interested in taking the next step shows your openness to God and God's call in your life.

Many people have come through the process and are living lives of service, faith, and love. Perhaps you are asking where to begin the journey. Welcome to your faith journey! The next step would be to email me at ilassandrello@stgeorge60477.org or call me at 708-532-8211 - Ext. 514 or I will be happy to help you move ahead in your discernment process. We currently have some registered participants. We work closely with Saint Elizabeth Seton and Saint Stephen Parishes to offer a more diverse experience. We will have various speakers from each parish as well as shared prayer and conversation.

Jeanne Lassandrello, Director of Life Long Formation

SAINT GEORGE PARISH CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION IS...

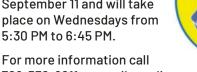
## SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

Help our parish's children grow in faith!

We are seeking:

- Catechists for Kindergarten & Special Needs
- Catechist Aids
- Hall Monitors
- Office Aids
- Traffic Controllers

Classes begin on September 11 and will take 5:30 PM to 6:45 PM.



708-532-8211 or email our director, Jeanne Lassandrello at jlassandrello@stgeorge60477.org.



# BREAKFASTI

# TMIY BEGINS ON SATURDAY, SEPEMBER 14

Are you looking to deepen your relationship with God? Be a better husband? Become a more loving father? Build friendships with other like-minded men? Then plan to join us for breakfast on Saturday mornings!

That Man Is You! (TMIY) is a program that addresses the pressures and temptations that Catholic men face in our modern culture, especially those related to our roles as husbands and fathers. The title for this fall's program is "Thy Kingdom Come" and will focus on how we must overthrow the power of sin in our lives, and become the leaders that our families, our Church and our world need us to be!

TMIY meets weekly on Saturday mornings for breakfast in O'Connell Hall at Saint George School. Hot coffee, fresh pastries, egg casseroles, pancakes, bacon, muffins, fruit and other breakfast items are available beginning at 6:30 AM, along with smiling faces and good conversation. Our program begins promptly at 7:00 AM, followed by small group discussions related to that week's topic. We always adjourn at 8:00 AM because we understand that everyone has busy weekend schedules and commitments that need our attention.

Program brochures with full details about this year's TMIY topics and objectives are now available at all church entrances. There is no "course fee" for TMIY. We only ask that those attending make a free-will donation towards defraying the cost of the breakfast items provided.

Here's a chance to make some new friends! All adult men, 18 and older, are invited and encouraged to join us. There are no dues, no longterm commitments, no evening committee meetings, and no requirement to be there every week. Just come whenever you can!

We look forward to seeing YOU there! To learn more about TMIY, please contact Gary at 708-614-1734 or ghendzell@msn.com.

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## **REGISTER FOR**

SAINT GEORGE PARISH'S

# Children's Faith Formation 2024-2025

Wednesdays, 5:30 PM - 6:45 PM beginning September 11.

#### Accepting students for grades Kindergarten - High School

New Student Registration Forms, 2024-2025 CFF Calendar, and Enrollment Rate information are available at https://stgeorge60477.org/religious-education-downloads/.

Not baptized at Saint George Parish? We must have a copy of their baptismal certificate or a formal notification from their church of baptism on file. Please let us know if you have difficulty obtaining these items.

#### **Returning Families -**

Please contact us for your individualized forms if you don't have them.

For more information, please contact the Children's Faith Formation Office: cff@stgeorge60477.org or 708-532-8211, or visit us during office hours, Monday through Thursday, 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM, or by appointment only after 1:00 PM. Please call ahead to confirm our presence in the office. Our office is located upstairs in the Parish Life Center.





Children's Liturgy of the Word

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word will resume on Sunday, September 1 at the 9:30 AM Mass.

Each week, during the 9:30 AM Mass, a volunteer catechist offers a lesson based on the scripture readings for that Sunday with special preference given to the Gospel. The children are dismissed from Mass prior to the Liturgy of the Word with a blessing, and return to share in the celebration of the Eucharist with their families.

Children's Liturgy of the Word was designed to help children from kindergarten through fifth grade get a better understanding of the Gospel message and how it relates to their lives. It is a wonderful program that brings kids together and allows them an opportunity to explore their faith and ask questions in an open discussion format. We have had a wonderful response to the Children's Liturgy from the children, their families, and many of the Saint George parishioners as well, so please bring your children to join us at the 9:30 AM Mass on Sundays.

As always, we are looking for new volunteers to share their faith with the children by becoming a part of our catechist team. If you feel called to this ministry, please contact Dawn Bartos at dawnbartos18@gmail.com.

# SAINT GEORGE ATHLETICS

INVITES YOU TO JOIN THE

SAINT GEORGE RUNNING CLUB



The Running Club prepares participants for the following events:

The Marian Sparty Dash (Grades 5th to 8th) Friday, September 27

The Saint George Spooky Sprint (All Ages) Saturday, September 28

K- 4th Grade - \$20 (includes event entry and one t-shirt)

5th - 8th Grade - \$40 (includes two event entries and two t-shirts)

Practices will be after school and weekends -2-3 practices per week starting the week of August 26

Contact Kelly Murray to sign up - stgeorgead@outlook.com





YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO THE...
7TH ANNUAL
SAINT GEORGE DRAGON GOLF CLASSIC

Friday, September 6, 2024 11:30 AM - Registration 12:00 PM - Lunch Available 1:00 PM - Shot Gun Start

George Dunne Golf Course 16310 Central Ave. Oak Forest, Illinois 60452

Register, Sponsor, or Donate Online at www.stgeorgedragongolf.com Contact Kelly Murray with questions stgeorgoeoad@outlook.com or 630-815-3738



# **RAFFLE BASKETS**

Donations of raffle baskets or items for raffle baskets for the 90th Anniversary Dinner Dance would be most appreciated. All donations can be dropped off at the parish office.



On Monday, September 2 at 9:00 AM, Saint George will celebrate a special Mass to ask God's favor upon all workers. Please join us as we thank God for human labor and celebrate the dignity of the worker.

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## **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

4:00 PM Stanley & Mary Mikos+

Leo & Jane Davis+ Joseph Labuda+

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25

7:30 AM Anthony Liachy+

Mass for Parishioners

Healing for Addie
Alan Hould+

9:30 AM Alan Hould+

William Beemsterboer+ Carol Kovacevich+

Carol Kovacevich

11:30 AM Virginia Woolet+

Walter "Bud" Cokeley+ Theresa Hernon+

MONDAY, AUGUST 26

8:15 AM Margaret Quitter

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 27** 

8:15 AM Healing for Paula Dettman

Roger Seaman\*

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28

8:15 AM Richard Coleman+

Martin Scanlon+

9:00 AM Carol Kovacevich+

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29

8:15 AM Healing for Eugene Georges

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30

8:15 AM Special Intention – Joanne

Bodnar

David Edmon DeLoach+

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31

4:00 PM Joseph & Jean Perlikiewicz+

Nancy K. Gatto+

Tony Olivieri+

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

7:30 AM Zygmont & Marjorie Stanton+

Glenn Schumaker+

Special Intention — Eden

Donegan

9:30 AM Mass for Fathers

Carol Kovacevich+

Dolores Campos+

11:30 AM Mike Jula+

Father Ed Cronin+

Raymond, Rose Marie &

Deceased Members of the

Lamberty Family+

+ Deceased

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR...

#### OUR SICK...

Patrick Amtman, Robert Baader, David J. Baczewski, Paul Baio, Terrence Baker, Jay Baly, Angie Brady, Dominick Byrne, Laurie Cassidy, David Charleston, Margaret Concannon, Diane Cosgrave, Mary Deskovich, Paula Dettmann, Julie Donohoe, George Esposito, Phil Estrada, Darlene Everson, Abigail Fanscali, Joe Ficaro, Eugene Georges, Marirose Grosschadl, Holly Hesselschwardt, Carole Holding, Sandra Jakala, Robyn (Kristinat) Jankosky, James Kiner, Sr., Evelyn Knight, Dean Kosek, Janet Kosmatine, Donald Lavey, Carol Manow, Noreen Mariani, Baby Ripp Mayer, Kelsey Mercado, Kathleen Mohan, Judy J. Nelson, Baby Thomas Nelson, Gwen Norvilas, Kathy Oboikovitz, Brian O'Connor, Deacon Joe Panek, Lottie Pano, Hailey Polk, John Polley, Betty Prusaitis, Jack Ramey, Brendan Reidy, Eugene Robey, Kim Rule, Dolores Stewart, Mary Ann Stewart, Richard Stewart, Tony Streeter, Matt Taylor, Sara Taylor, Tammy Thomas, Joyce Tikalsky, Dennis Torii, Marlene Torii, Leslie Vaicik, Kathy VanderJack, Tom VanderSanden, Judy Vock, Shirley Wydra

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...**

Trustee Pat Rea, Maria Malagon, Edward J. Barta, Courtney Lee Miller, Phyllis Walsh, Rosemary Beran

#### OUR MILITARY...

Please remember in your prayers the following people who are serving our country: PO3 Mary Balkas (Coast Guard), Sqt. Jacob Berry (Army), SSqt. Mark Bradley (Marines), Staff 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 (Air Sybiland John Force), L.Cpl. Bryan Johnston (Marines), L.Cpl. Ashton Kahne (Marines), A1C Dylan Knispel (Air Force), AOAA Zachary Kovalcik (Navy) Spc. Martin McCarthy (Army), Lt. Cmdr. Sean Miner (Navy), Spc. Joshua S. Mitchell (Army), Alexandra Novak, Lt. Charles W. Novak (Marines), HM3 Elizabeth O'Neill (E6 Navy Corpsman), Sqt. Jacob Pusateri (Marines), Sean Rio, Sqt. 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.

#### PLANNED GIVING

Please consider making a gift from your individual retirement plan (IRA) that benefits you and our parish. A qualified charitable distribution (QCD) allows individuals age  $70\frac{1}{2}$  or older to authorize their IRA administrator to make a direct transfer of funds from their IRA to qualified charities, tax-free.

There are three main benefits of giving with a QCD:

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

If you would like more information on how to make a QCD gift to Saint George please contact Renee Beemsterboer at 708-532-2243 or rbeemsterboer@stgeorge60477.org or contact, Deacon Greg Vogt, Philanthropy Officer, Archdiocese of Chicago at 312-995-0686 or gvogt@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.

# SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

#### 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks "Do you also want to leave?" We must ask ourselves if we really want to hear the good news of his love for us and for others. Is the word of God able to break into our consciousness, change us and call us to hear the cries of the poor?

The Saint Vincent de Paul poor boxes are located inside the inner doors at all exits.

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

# STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

#### AUGUST 10-11, 2024

Weekly Offering / Holy Days	\$ 16,023.79
Weekly Offering / Holy Days - Budgeted	\$ 16,275.00
Difference	\$ (251.21)
School Fund	\$ 273.00
Sharing Parish: Lord of Mercy	\$ 88.00
Fund for Retired Priests	\$ 5.00
Saint Vincent de Paul	\$ 20.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 5.00
Assistance to Poland	\$ 38.00
Missionary Co-Op Appeal	\$ 20.00

#### FISCAL YEAR 2025 YEAR-TO-DATE

YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days	\$	109,614.06
YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days -	\$	113,925.00
Budgeted		
VTD Difference	Ċ	(/, 310 0/.)

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 on the right.

Donations can be made by credit card, debit card and electronic payments. For more information, please contact Renee Beemsterboer at 708-532-2243 or rbeemsterboer@stgeorge60477.org.



Thank you for your generosity!

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# MEMORIES FROM THE SAINT GEORGE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

First and second graders enjoyed taking the Metra to the Tinley Park Public Library for a story, information, and a tour. They had lunch at the library before getting back on the train. What an entertaining and educational experience that was!





WHAT MAKES CATHOLIC SCHOOLS SPECIAL

# SAINT GEORGE SCHOOL

Saint George Catholic School, educating today's children for tomorrow's world.

SPIRIT— GRACE—SUCCESS

We offer a safe, full-time, learning experience for students in PreK-3 through 8th grade.

We are very proud of our rich traditions and our Catholic values, which are infused into our school culture and academic curriculum.

- Students experience a 21st Century education with a one to one educational approach.
- Weekly Masses and a faith based curriculum
- Smaller class sizes
- Excellent committed faculty
- AM / PM extended day programs
- Athletic programs
- Extra curricular activities

To learn more about our school and why Saint George would be the best fit for your family, visit us at www.stgeorgeschool.org or follow us on Facebook@stgeorgeschool. Call for a tour at 708-532-2626.



#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 25

#### SUNDAY:

Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2 -3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 (9a)/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

#### MONDAY:

2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 4-5/Mt 23:13-22

#### TUESDAY:

2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mt 23:23-26

#### WEDNESDAY:

2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5/Mt 23:27-32

#### THURSDAY:

1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/ Mk 6:17-29

#### FRIDAY:

1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-13

#### **SATURDAY:**

1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 25:14-30

#### **NEXT SUNDAY:**

Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 1a/Jas 2:1-5/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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### URGENT SCHOLARSHIP HELP NEEDED

for Catholic Schools



The Invest in Kids Act Tax Credit Scholarship previously raised \$19,480 supporting three students at Saint George School, Tinley Park.

We need your help now more than ever so that we may retain these students.

With the sunset of the Invest in Kids Tax Credit Scholarship program, thousands of Catholic school families cannot keep their children in school. Your gift to the Catholic Schools Scholarship Program offers vital financial assistance to families who are committed to a Catholic school education but need help with tuition. Our schools continue to provide students with the academic and spiritual development necessary to live faithful and successful lives.

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#### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

#### SATURDAY, AUGUST 31 - 4:00 PM

Celebrant: Father John Deacon: Tom Schutzius

Raymond Bibzak - Cup Eucharistic Ministers: Sue Stanton - Cup

> Charlene Yock - Cup Ron Yock - Cup Joyce Bibzak - Bread Tim McCabe - Bread Debbie Olejarz - Bread

Eileen Weglarz - Bread

Lector: Tim Framke

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 - 7:30 AM

Celebrant: Father Ken Deacon: **Greg Bartos** Eucharistic Alice Graff - Cup Ministers: Karen Lyons - Cup

Teri Rycyzyn - Cup Gary Rycyzyn - Cup Pat Kukula - Bread Julie Newtoff - Bread

Lynda O'Brien Lector:

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 - 9:30 AM

Celebrant: Father John Deacon: **Greg Bartos** 

Eucharistic Susan Amann - Cup Ministers: Eva McCulley - Cup

Nancy Opyd - Cup Rebecca Schutzius - Cup Catherine Adelakun - Bread

Ann Floyd - Bread Karen Kiner - Bread Nicole Olson - Bread

Lector: **Bob Schuld** 

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 - 11:30 AM

Celebrant: Father John Deacon: Jerry Souta

Eucharistic Frances Bouchard - Cup Ministers: Mary Cermak-Vis - Cup

Jean Gaytan - Cup Martha Peña - Cup Tim Doyle - Bread Eric Susnis - Bread

Fran Fancsali Lector:

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# S.E.N.D. YOUTH MINISTRY MASS AND MEAL

Sunday, September 29, 4:30 PM

Mass at Saint Elizabeth Seton,9300 W. 167th Street , Orland Hills

Followed by a meal and games in O'Mara Hall

All 8th—12th graders, along with their families are invited.

Saint Elizabeth Seton, Saint George and Saint Stephen Deacon and Martyr parishioners are invited to celebrate too.

Parent or guardian, please register by the QR Code or contact John Sobol, 708-986-2446.



# WEEKLY TUESDAY S.E.N.D. YOUTH MINISTRY GATHERINGS BEGIN SEPTEMBER 17

AT SAINT STEPHEN DEACON AND MARTYR

17500 South 84th Avenue, Tinley Park

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

All 8th—12th Graders are welcome. Bring a friend or two, or a few.

Selected by the Youth, we will be viewing and reflecting on Season One of





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For more information, feel free to contact, John Sobol at isobol@steseton.com or 708-986-2446.



#### SSYMA CO-ED BASKETBALL - 8TH GRADE - HIGH SCHOOL AGE

Starting Thursday, September 12 and all Thursdays through mid-November 2024

Game Time - 7:30 PM at our Lady of the Woods, 10731 West 131st Street, Orland Park, Illinois

If interested, a parent/guardian should contact John Sobol, jsobol@steseton.com or 708-986-2446.

# YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

For upcoming young adult events and meetings, please scan the QR code or connect here: https://linktr.ee/yafrassatifellowship.

#### Young Adult Ministry Mission Statement

Help young adults become disciples of Jesus Christ, cultivate more involvement in His Church, and connect with peers to walk together on the pilgrimage to Sainthood.

#### **Our Vision**

To have an actively visible Catholic young adult group in the community, who shares its spirituality through living out the Gospel and is committed to serving God and their neighbors.

**Questions? Contact:** Kyle Ragdowski, Young Adult Ministry Coordinator yafrassatifellowship@qmail.com



Join local Catholic Young Adults in Fellowship. Scan the QR code for meeting times and more info.

#### OPEN INVITATION TO HOLY FAMILY CHAPEL

Summer is flying by. Take a break from your regular routine. What better time to make a visit to Holy Family Chapel? Holy Family Chapel offers the opportunity to focus on Jesus in the Eucharist. You will receive the grace and love radiating from Jesus present in the Sacred Host. It will not take long before you feel peace and love while in front of Jesus in the Eucharist. Even if you are not certain how to pray, just know that you are before Jesus who knows you inside-out. You might even decide to join fellow parishioners as a frequent visitor, or by taking a regular hour each week. Find an hour where you can get away from the fast pace of life to seek insight from Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

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

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

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: Noon, 1:00 PM, 2:00 PM, 4:00 PM; Tuesday: 2:00 PM; Wednesday: Noon, 1:00 PM; Thursday: 2:00 PM, 3:00 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").

# SAINT MICHAEL MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MINISTRY

Join us on Wednesday, August 28 at 7:00 PM at Saint Michael Parish, 14327 Highland Ave., Orland Park.

All are invited to be part of our ministry. It is dedicated to helping family members and friends of persons with mental health concerns. Ministry events such as Mass, prayer services and speakers will take place fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM.

For our schedule of events, helpful resources and additional information please visit the ministry website at: https://saintmike.com/mental-health-ministry/ or email: Bernadette Pappas at StMichaelmham@gmail.com



Saint Dymphna, Patron Saint for those with mental afflictions, pray for us!

#### 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.

# National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children

Saturday, September 14 will be the 13th annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children. There will be memorial services at three Southland area gravesites of some of the aborted babies whose remains were retrieved from garbage dumpsters outside abortion facilities in downtown Chicago 30+ years ago now, Saint Mary Cemetery in Evergreen Park, Queen of Heaven Cemetery in Hillside, and Resurrection Cemetery in Romeoville. This year's memorial service at Saint Mary Cemetery will be at 10:30 AM. The memorial service at Oueen of Heaven Cemetery will be at 2:00 PM. The memorial service at Resurrection Cemetery begins at 1:00 PM.

#### **Save These Dates**

Mark your calendar to save these dates for coming Pro-Life observances:

- Women's Center 2024 Walk for Life, Saturday, September 21
- 40 Days for Life (Planned Parenthood, Flossmoor) September 25 through November 3
- Life Chain (on 159th Street), Sunday, October 6

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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 INITATION FOR 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.

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

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.

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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