

# SAINT GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH FAITH, COMMUNITY AND SERVICE

#### 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

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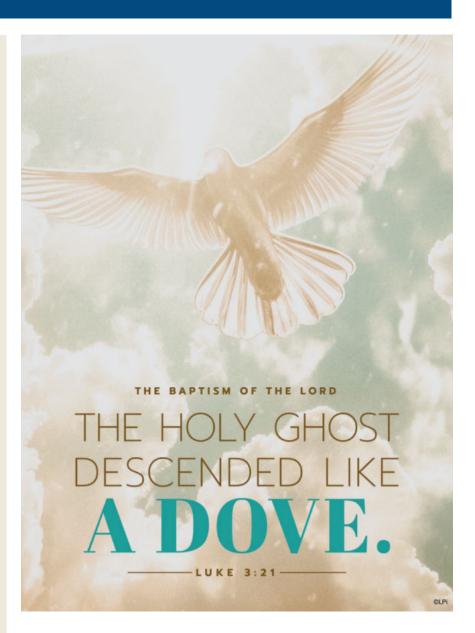
Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 8:45 AM to 3:00 PM Tuesday & Thursday: 8:45 AM to 6:00 PM Office Closed: 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM Monday through Friday

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# THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD JANUARY 12, 2025

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove—Lk 3:21-22a

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#### MESSAGE FROM FATHER PAUL



There is a disease within the Church that has been lurking around for many centuries. It is self-destructive to its host, and produces no good. It eats away at its victim and grows

relentlessly. It is called scrupulosity.

Scrupulosity is the condition in which a good Christian person is bombarded with a constant sense of evil in their every act. They are always questioning their motives, confused about not only the evil but its depth. Sin is around every corner and under every rock.

For some of us, it is easy to see how we got that way. Some teachers, nuns or priests, in order to help us form our conscience and discern good from evil, spent an awful lot of time on the evil part. Too often, and almost flippantly, the term "mortal sin" was bandied about. Murder, robbery, physical abuse, self abuse, missing Mass on Sunday, eating meat on Friday (and more) were all lumped into the mortal sin pile.

More precisely, The Catechism of the Catholic Church states that there are three characteristics that make up a mortal sin: the act must be of grave matter ---we're talking about serious stuff here! The person must be aware of the sinfulness of the act, and they must consent to carry it out deliberately or on purpose. A mortal sin breaks off our relationship with God and His grace, and without repentance could lead to eternal damnation. Looking at the list above, we have to ask which of these are truly sin of that depth.

It seems to me that sins based in hate are the ones we should most seriously examine within ourselves. Sins of racism (telling God He made someone wrong), taking a life, purposely trying to destroy another person's livelihood or reputation are based in hate. Another type would be abuse of an innocent, especially a defenseless child. Rape is always a sin of violence. Finally, torture. After the 9/11 attacks,

it was very disturbing to see our Senators arguing if the United States of America should utilize torture. The fact that it would even be considered was astonishing. Senator John McCain, who had suffered seven years of torture at the hands of the North Vietnamese raised the voice of conscience in the chamber. So sins of hate which are contrary to the very nature of God, abuse and torture seem to be likely sins unworthy of God's grace, unless the sinner begs forgiveness.

In other words, I think it's hard to commit a mortal sin. Of the three characteristics of mortal sin (grave matter, awareness and consent) I think where many people fail is awareness. For example, there are people who seem to be unaware that not coming to Mass purposely is a serious sin. Often this is accompanied by purposeful ignorance which makes it more serious. If you're at a party on a Lenten Friday and you eat meat, has that completely broken your relationship with God? To be frank, I think that makes God look petty.

Scrupulosity magnifies everything to a critical break with God. All sin requires repentance at least at the level of a sincere Act of Contrition (which means you better have it memorized!). As mentioned, there are sins that put us in peril of eternal damnation. But God gave us Original Grace before Original Sin. He longs for us. He wants us to be united to Him, so much so that He gave us purgatory, an opportunity even after death (!) to set things right with God. God's mercy is without end! With Jesus' death, our sins were nailed to the cross.

These words merely scratch the surface and are hardly the final word. I don't pretend to be a moral theologian. But I worry for those who have heard all the perils of sin but have not been told of God's merciful love. He wants you. He wants you in heaven. He wants you to feel His arm around you, protecting you, guiding you, loving you.

Sr. Paul



#### **PARISH REGISTRATION**

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

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

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

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

#### SPECIAL RELIGIOUS DEVELOPMENT



Please join the SPRED teams at the 9:30 AM Mass on Sunday, January 19.

Something Special for Everyone!

# Musical Prayer Service, Friday, January 17

The Music Ministry of Saint George will be presenting a musical prayer service offering music, scripture and inspirational readings, silence for refection and meditation, and fellowship. The service will take place on Friday, January 17 at 7:00 PM in Church. The theme will be Peace and Martin Luther King, Jr., who is remembered on January 20. For more information, talk to Tim in the music area after Mass or email at tquistorff@stgeorge60477.org.

ALL ARE WELCOME! Feel free to bring guests.

#### THIS WEEK AT SAINT GEORGE

#### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 12**

9:30 AM Bread & Word (MR 4)

9:30 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word

**10:30 AM** (RMR)

5:00 PM NCCL Family Café (MR 1-3)

Adult Volleyball (G)

#### MONDAY, JANUARY 13

10:30 AM Art & Environment (Church) 6:30 PM Saint Vincent de Paul Mtg. (BR)

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

#### **TUESDAY, JANUARY 14**

6:00 PM Adoration (Church) 6:00 PM SPRED II (SC, K) 6:30 PM Baptismal Prep. (MR 3)

7:00 PM Order of Christian Initiation (MR 2)

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15

3:30 PM Children's Choir (Church)

**5:30 PM** CFF Gr. 1-8 (SGS, CC, O'CH, GR, G, K,

MR 1-4, BR, QR)

7:00 PM SPREDI(SC)

#### **THURSDAY, JANUARY 16**

9:30 AM CWSF Prayer Shawl Ministry (MR 4)
11:00 AM PreK Prayer Service (Church)
6:30 PM Women of Purpose (MR 4)
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal (Church)
7:30 PM Knights of Columbus (O'CH)

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 17

7:00 PM Bingo

7:00 PM Musical Prayer Service (Church)

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 18

6:30 AM TMIY (O'CH)

Women of Purpose Bunco

1:00 PM (MR 1 & 2)

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

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 19

9:30 AM Bread & Word (MR 4)

9:30 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word

(RMR)

10:30 AM Parish Registration (MR 1)

11:30 AM Baptism (Church) 5:00 PM Adult Volleyball (G) PAGE 4 JANUARY 12, 2025



# ALL ARE WELCOME!

Do you know all the parts of the Mass?

Would you be able to put them in the order we celebrate them? Would you like to learn more and share your experience of the Mass? Do you want to understand the answers to these questions and more? We are very excited to offer you this interactive opportunity to share your experience of the Mass and to listen to presenters give you details on parts of the Mass. As disciples for Christ, we are to pray for one another. At our session in December, we talked about and wrote our own Prayers of Petition. Each classroom did the same, and we shared them together in church.

In the January session, Father Dan Korenchan did a wonderful job sharing his insights on the Nicene Creed.

The February 5 session will focus on the Eucharist. Deacon Greg Bartos will be the presenter.

Our meetings start at 5:45 PM in the Parish Center MR 1 and 2. At 6:30 PM, we will go to church to experience that part of the Mass. Please feel free to join us at any of these sessions and bring a friend. If you have questions or would like more information, please call the office at 708-532-8211 or email Jeanne Lassandrello at ilassandrello@stgeorge60477.org.

#### TINLEY PARK FOOD PANTRY



Donations of non-perishable food for the Tinley Park Food Pantry can be brought to Saint George Church on the third weekend of each month.

The next collection will take place next weekend (January 18-19).

Thank you for your generosity!

Some suggested items that might be included are: canned soups, canned fruit, canned vegetables, canned pasta, canned tuna, canned chicken, packaged side dishes (rice and noodles), cereal, oatmeal, coffee/tea, cake and brownie mix, boxed potatoes, peanut butter, jelly, toilet paper, boxed pasta, macaroni and cheese, ketchup and dish soap.

Please note: We cannot accept food items that are past the expiration date or partially opened.



## SATURDAY AFTERNOON BARE BONES BUNCO!

Sponsored by Women of Purpose

Come for an AFTERNOON of fun and fellowship!
Nothing fancy!

Saturday, January 18, 2025 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM (time to attend 4:00 PM Mass after Bunco if you wish)

Since seating is limited - RSVP and pre-pay by Tuesday, January 14.

Adult friends and family welcome. Feel free to bring your own fun beverages and/or a dessert to share.

Any questions, please contact Joan at 708-227-0028.



Special THANKS go out to all the musicians who worked so hard to make the Advent and especially the CHRISTMAS season so special!

The children's choir sang well at an Advent mass and the Christmas

Family Mass! Thanks! The adult choir rehearsed around a strange schedule (thanks to the director) and sang at two Christmas Masses! Thanks! We had instruments: Ray with his bassoon and Matt with his viola, as well as Elizabeth and her cello at the Advent musical prayer. Thanks! Cantors had to work to learn extra music. Thanks! And Brian, who filled in for me when I took a quick break, as well as Cheryl, who also subbed for me. Thanks!

And since I'm taking the time to thank musicians, let's remember our Resurrection Choir. Maybe they didn't do Christmas Masses, but they work hard, so... Thanks! I certainly hope I'm not forgetting anyone! If I am, I apologize. Thanks to you all from your Music Director and the Saint George staff!

#### **COAT DRIVE**

Thank you for the amazing response to this year's coat drive. Working with Saint Damian parish, over 800 coats and other winter clothing items were collected for Pro Labore Dei and the Mission of Our Lady of the Angels.

Sister Stephanie from the Mission in her thank you note said that we provide them with their largest donation of coats

Thank you for your kindness and generosity.



#### **KNIGHTLY KNEWS**

We hope that all of you had a Blessed and Merry Christmas and that 2025 will be a year of health, happiness and peace for everyone.

We will be hosting a blood drive on Wednesday, January 15 from 2:00 PM to

7:00 PM at Saint Stephen Church. If you are able to donate, please consider participating. You can make an appointment online at tinyurl.com/8st5s226. Please contact Tim at: timsy68@gmail.com or 708-567-2605 with any questions. Walk-Ins are welcome.

Our Comedy Night Show will take place at Saint George in O'Connell Hall on Saturday, February 8. Ticket includes dinner and drinks. Tickets are \$55 per person. Please visit our website for more information or to purchase tickets at: https://www.knights4698.org

Thank you to everyone who came to "Breakfast with Santa". We hope everyone had an enjoyable time. It was our sincere pleasure to have you there.

For more information on all our council activities and upcoming events or for information on joining the Knights of Columbus, please visit our website at: https://www.knights4698.org.



#### SON OF MAN, DO YOU SEE!

Saturday, January 18 6:30 AM to 8:00 AM

Do we have spiritual eyes to see the signs of the times?

We are honored to welcome a new presenter to the TMIY stage this week - Dr. Ralph Martin.

Ralph has been preaching around the globe for over 50 years and continues to author best-selling classics. He brings the power, wisdom and clarity of the Holy Spirit wherever he goes. This week, he will bring a unique message to TMIY - a prophecy from Father Michael Scanlan, former President of Franciscan University of Steubenville. Many of us may not be accustomed to hearing prophetic words outside of the Old Testament but be assured that the outpouring of the Spirit is alive and moving among us today!

Our small groups will have much to discuss! This is a session you don't want to miss! God has a plan!

Build the Kingdom! Bring a Friend! A smile, a tap on the shoulder, and a friendly invitation.

That Man Is You! meets on Saturday mornings in O'Connell Hall at Saint George School. All men, 18 and over, are invited and encouraged to attend. Breakfast is available beginning at 6:30 AM and our program starts at 7:00 AM. To learn more about TMIY, please contact Gary at 708-614-1734 or pghendzell@qmail.com.



#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COMEDY SHOW

The annual Knights of Columbus Comedy Show is back for this year and will be held on Saturday, February 8 at Saint George in O'Connell Hall. Doors open 6:30 PM. Dinner will start at 7:00 PM, and the show will start at 8:00 PM.

The comedians are Jake Hovis, Matt Somerfield from Zanies, and Mike Maxwell who appeared on Laughfest. They are professionals and will keep to an upscale show throughout the evening. The show normally lasts about two hours.

Tickets are \$55 per person. Ticket price includes the show, dinner and drinks (beer, wine, soda and water). Please note that we cannot allow alcohol to be brought in. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation. You may bring in snacks.

For tickets and information, please use the Knights of Columbus website: www.knights4698.org. We will be utilizing an electronic ticketing system this year. If you have ticketing questions or need additional information, please call Rob Mertens at 708-247-6387, or email Rob at knightsofcolumbus4698@gmail.com.

We anticipate tickets to go fast so start planning for reservations now. We will have open seating this year. To reserve a table of eight, please contact Rob Mertens.

We look forward to seeing you again for a fun filled evening.



"I'd like to thank the congregation for the snooze alarm you gave me for Christmas."

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#### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 18 - 4:00 PM

Celebrant:Father PaulDeacon:Tim KeatingEucharisticKaren Kiner - CupMinisters:Cindi Patula - Cup

Sue Stanton - Cup Ruth Strugala - Cup Joyce Bibzak - Bread Raymond Bibzak - Bread Carey Murray - Bread Jack Yock - Bread

Lector: Chris Schroeder

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 19 - 7:30 AM

Celebrant: Father Paul

Deacon: Tom Schutzius

Eucharistic Alice Graff - Cup

Ministers: Donna Kavanaugh - Cup

Betsy Windish - Cup Paul Windish - Cup Julie Newtoff - Bread Jim Walker - Bread

Lector: Rita Walker

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 19 - 9:30 AM

Celebrant: Father John
Deacon: Greg Bartos

**Eucharistic** Catherine Adelakun - Cup **Ministers:** Thomas Kavanaugh - Cup

> Eva McCulley - Cup Rebecca Schutzius - Cup Dawn Bartos - Bread Nicole Olson - Bread Nancy Opyd - Bread Ventura Quatrini - Bread

Lector: Susan Amann

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 19 - 11:30 AM

Celebrant: Father John
Deacon: Greg Bartos

**Eucharistic** Frances Bouchard - Cup

Ministers: Tim Doyle - Cup

Fran Fancsali - Cup Jean Gaytan - Cup Bill Beckman - Bread Jim Novotney - Bread

Lector: Jeanine Patrick

#### Saint Vincent de Paul

#### The Baptism of the Lord

After Jesus was baptized, he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and a voice was heard "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." As we give to the poor, we also can hear these same words.

As you help those who are suffering, know in your heart the truth of the words "you are my beloved in whom I am well pleased".

As you give your gift to the poor through the Society of

Saint Vincent de Paul, in your heart you also will find the good news of God's love. The Saint Vincent de Paul poor boxes are located inside the inner church doors at all exits.

If your family or someone close to you is in need, please contact us at 708-532-2243 Ext. 515. A representative will return your call as soon as possible to arrange a confidential conversation. Confidentiality and compassion are the cornerstones of our ministry.

#### **SAINT GEORGE PRO-LIFE**

#### Pro-Life Holy Hour

You are invited to a Pro-Life Holy Hour on Tuesday, January 14 at 6:00 PM in church. We will pray before the Blessed Sacrament for true respect for all human life from conception to natural death. Please come to pray that our nation will be converted to a culture of life. Begin 2025 in prayer for increased respect for life.

#### Vigil at Planned Parenthood in Flossmoor

Please plan to join the monthly vigil to be held at the Flossmoor Planned Parenthood abortion facility. We will gather along the public right-of-way extending from 19831 S. Governor's Hwy. in Flossmoor. This vigil will take place from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM on Thursday, January 16, 2025.

Public parking is available 1/2 block north of the Planned Parenthood site on 198th St. which goes west from Governors Hwy., or along the alley that runs east from Governor's Hwy. behind the Vollmer Road strip mall (parking spots facing Planned Parenthood). Express your prayers and concerns about an abortion facility located in our own neighborhood.

#### Save These Dates

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

- Rally and March for Life, National Mall in Washington, D.C. January 24. (See on EWTN live TV.)
- 40 Days for Life (Planned Parenthood, Flossmoor) March 5 through April 13
- Illinois Pro-Life March is scheduled for Springfield, Illinois on Tuesday, March 25.

More details will be coming soon.

#### PLANNED GIVING

#### Please Remember Our Priests

Priests have dedicated their lives to the ministry of God's children, serving our needs as Catholics without asking for anything in return. Now, it is our turn to show our love and care for their ever-faithful support. Please consider including a legacy gift for Priests' Health and Retirement to support the healthcare needs of our active priests, as well as the medical and housing needs of our retired priests.

For more information, please call Priests' Health and Retirement at 708-449-8026. If you would like to make a gift today, please visit prmaa.org.

#### **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.

Did you know that you can give your Christmas Offering to Saint George electronically with Give Central? Just go to the Parish Website - www.stgeorge60477.org or scan 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!



#### **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.

#### LIVE THE LITURGY

"The people were filled with expectation," writes Luke. And so we find ourselves, two thousand years later, filled with expectation, with longing. Who can give us what we seek? Only the one upon whom the dove descended. Follow him.

#### **STEWARDSHIP UPDATE**

#### **DECEMBER 28 & 29, 2024**

Weekly Offering / Holy Days	\$ 13,172.02
Weekly Offering / Holy Days-Budgeted	\$ 16,275.00
Difference	\$ (3,102.98)
Christmas Offering	\$ 51,843.80
School Fund	\$ 73.00
Sharing Parish: Lord of Mercy	\$ 105.00
Retirement Fund for Religious	\$ 185.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 67.00
Initial Offering	\$ 80.00
Church in Latin America	\$ 1.00
Saint Vincent de Paul	\$ 5.00
Seminarian	\$ 5.00
Assistance to Poland	\$ 5.00
Campaign for Human Development	\$ 5.00
Propagation of the Faith	\$ 5.00
Fund for Retired Priests	\$ 10.00

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

YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days	\$	440,763.21
YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days - Budgeted	\$	439,425.00
YTD Difference	Ś	1.338.21

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.

Please visit the Saint George Website for additional information about Saint George - www.stgeorge60477.org.

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#### MASS INTENTIONS

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 11

4:00 PM Flora Schultz+

John Jones+ Raymond Marchi+

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 12

Mass for Mothers 7:30 AM

Mary Feyerer+

Intentions of Helen Menos

Angeline Magiera+ 9:30 AM

Frank Climack+ Janet Kosmatine+

11:30 AM Raymond, Rose Marie &

Deceased Members of the

Lamberty Family+ Mass for Parishioners

#### Monday, January 13

8:15 AM Elizabeth Pretkelis-Heaton+

Rita Masek+

#### **TUESDAY, JANUARY 14**

8:15 AM Robert J. Rokos+

Paul German+

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15

8:15 AM Lawrence G. White+

Ann Rangel+

9:00 AM

Gregory Boltz+

School Mass

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 16

Susan Norris+ 8:15 AM

Intentions of Therese Mannes

Pat & Jack McGeehan+

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 17

Tomas Torres, Jr.+ 8:15 AM

Jerome A. Cak+ Emalita Baustista+

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 18

4:00 PM Joseph Gembala+

**Bud Cokeley+** 

Mass for Parishioners

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 19

7:30 AM Janet Murphy+

Robert Donegan+

Intentions for Kathy Wiencek

9:30 AM Melvin H. Bonner+

SPRED II Catechists & Friends

Mary Guerrero+

11:30 AM Lori Corgan+

> Annamarie Whitson+ Anthony Hydzik+

Deceased

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR...

#### OUR SICK...

Patrick Amtman, Robert Baader, David J. Baczewski, Paul Baio, Terrence Baker, Walter Boreman, Angie Brady, Dominick Byrne, Laurie Cassidy, David Charleston, Baby Eden Grace Clausius, Margaret Concannon, Diane Cosgrave, Mary Deskovich, Paula Dettmann, Julie Donohoe, Cecelia Dusek, Ted Dybas, Darlene Everson, Abigail Fanscali, Joe Ficaro, Emer Flannagan, Eugene Georges, Jennifer Godzer Grimm, Marirose Grosschadl, Holly Hesselschwardt, Carole Holding, Sandra Jakala, Robyn (Kristinat) Jankosky, Robert Klein, Dean Kosek, Donald Lavey, Carol Manow, Noreen Mariani, Baby Ripp Mayer, Kelsey Mercado, Kathleen Mohan, Deborah Mraz, Patricia Murphy, Judy Nelson, Gwen Norvilas, Brian O'Connor, Deacon Joe Panek, Pat Paul, John Polley, Charlotte Pratl, Betty Prusaitis, Jack Ramey, Eunice Robey, Kanchana Saetang, Jay Scott, Dennis Shub, Mary Ann Stewart, Richard Stewart, V. Patricia Sullivan, Matt Taylor, Sara Taylor, Marge Thomas, Tammy Thomas, Dennis Torii, Marlene Torii, Leslie Vaicik, Stella Vaicik, Kathy VanderJack, Tom Vander Sanden, Edward Worner, 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...

Gayle Selke, Helen Laurin

#### **OUR MILITARY...**

Please remember in your prayers the following people who are serving our country: PO3 Mary Balkas (Coast Guard), Sqt. Jacob Berry (Army), SSgt. Mark Bradley (Marines), Staff Sgt. 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 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), Sgt. 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), Sqt. FC Powell Yates (Army), A1C Andrew Yock (Air Force)

If there are parishioners currently serving in the United States military, we would like to know. Please call the parish office and tell us the name of your dear one and he/she will be remembered in the prayers of our community and the name posted in the bulletin. Please indicate branch of service and rank.

#### **NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION: VISIT HOLY FAMILY CHAPEL**

Happy New Year 2025! How about making a New Year's resolution to take a break from your regular routine and visit Holy Family Chapel? Your visit 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. If you do not have electronic access, please call Bill Beckman at 708-429-2762 to register your hour.

NOTE: Tuesday 3:00 PM and Thursday 3:00 PM need new regular adorers. 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, 7:00 PM, Thursday - 2:00 PM, 3:00 PM; Friday-11:00 AM, 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").

#### **WEEKLY READINGS**

#### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 12**

Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 (1)/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

#### MONDAY, JANUARY 13

Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9/Mk 1:14-20

#### **TUESDAY, JANUARY 14**

Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 1:21-28

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15

Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 1:29-39

#### **THURSDAY, JANUARY 16**

Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11/Mk 1:40-45

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 17

Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8/Mk 2:1-12

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 18

Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mk 2:13-17

#### **NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 19**

Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 (3)/1 Cor 12:4-11/ Jn 2:1-11

#### SAINT GEORGE MEN'S CLUB

#### WATCH "THE BIG GAME" ON YOUR OWN 80" TV!



Saint George's Men's Club is sponsoring "The Big Game Raffle" 2025. In addition to an 80" television, prizes include a \$50 Gas Card, a \$50 Pizza Gift Card and a \$50.00 Beverage Gift Card.

Tickets are \$20, and will be sold at all Masses from January 12 through January 26 in the front and rear lobby of the church.

The drawing will be held at the Family First Sunday on February 2. No need to be present at the drawing to win. Just keep your stub.

All men of the parish are invited to join the Saint George Men's club for an evening of faith and fellowship on Tuesday, January 21 at 6:00 PM in Room 1 of the Cahill Center. Pizza will be served after the meeting. Please plan to join us as we discuss ways the men of Saint George can contribute to the Saint George parish family.

#### 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. PAGE 10 JANUARY 12, 2025

#### MARIAN SHRINE COMMEMORATIVE BRICKS

We hope you have found some time to see the completed Marian Shrine. Some people have asked if they could order a brick so we are offering another opportunity for those who are interested. The paver can be a legacy to honor a deceased member of the family, your family name, wedding anniversary or recognition of your parish life, to name a few.

Orders will be taken until February 28 so the bricks can be installed in the spring. Order forms are also available in the back of church or online on the parish website.



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#### YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS 8TH GRADE - HIGH SCHOOL AGE

#### **TUESDAY GATHERINGS**

Tuesday Gatherings resumed on January 7 from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. During the month of January, all weekly Tuesday gatherings will be at the Saint Stephen Deacon and Martyr Youth Room, 17500 S. 84th Avenue, Tinley Park.



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CO-ED YOUTH, 8TH GRADE - HIGH SCHOOL AGE

#### Starting January 16 until the End of March

Games are played on Thursdays, starting at 7:30 PM at Our Lady of the Woods, 10731 West 131st Street, Orland Park.

A parent/guardian consent form is required to play. Scan the QR Code to access the form and turn into John Sobol.



Questions? Contact John Sobol, isjobol@steseton.com or 708-986-2446.

For additional information on GodSEND Youth Ministry, please contact John Sobol at jsobal@steaseton.com or 708-986-2446 or visit the GodSEND website — https://sendyouthministry.org.

#### YOUNG ADULT FRASSATI FELLOWSHIP

#### GAME NIGHT

January 23 - 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM Saint George Parish Life Center 6707 175th Street, Tinley Park

Connect with other young adults. Bring your favorite board or card games! Scan the QR code for more information.





# VALENTINE'S DAY CANDY FUNDRAISER



Benefitting the GodSEND Youth Ministry Program that serves Saint Elizabeth Seton (Orland Hills), Saint George (Tinley Park) and Saint Stephen Deacon and Martyr (Tinley Park).

Treat your Valentine to some delicious handmade chocolate turtles - made with high quality chocolate, caramel and pecans!

Order Deadline: Orders will be accepted until Sunday, January 26. Place your completed form and payment in an envelope marked "TURTLES". If you are paying by check, please make the check out to the parish you are ordering from. Envelopes can be dropped off at the parish office or in the weekend collection basket.

Order Pickup: After all Masses on Saturday, February 8 and Sunday, February 9.

If you have any questions, please contact John at 708-986-2446.

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# SAINT GEORGE CATHOLIC SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE



Sunday, January 26
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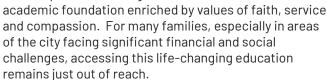
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Please consider supporting schools where the need is greatest. Every dollar you give helps ensure that Catholic education's values and teachings reach those who will benefit from them most.

Join Us in Making a Difference: archchicago.org/scholarships.

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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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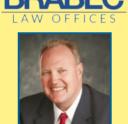


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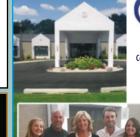
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