

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 through Friday

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT APRIL 6. 2025



Celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation

We welcome the
Most Reverend Jose Maria Garcia
Maldonado to Saint George Church
for Confirmation of these students
on April 11, 2025.

Inioluwa Adelakun Rosalee Cannonito Vanessa Castillo Matthew Costalunga

John Galica Thomas Garrity

Anna Haas Jackson Harris

Damian Huerta Abigail Hummitsch

Ruby Jager

Ceandra Johnson

Andrew Juarez

Aaron Jung Trent Kreis Laura Lopez Kaleb McNamara

Nevan O'Connor

Fabian Paz

Autumn Pickering

Sophie Rodil James Roman Katherine Sexton

Patrick Spilde Camryn Staley

Ryan Staley Abril Suarez Nora Sullivan Aiden Toledo

Adrian Xique

We pray that the gifts of the Holy Spirit will bless these Confirmandi, their family and sponsors. May God work through them as they follow His call throughout their lives. May this Sacrament continue to bring them closer to the Lord, that they may always participate in the life of the Church and be fervent

witnesses of their faith.

Congratulations!

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MESSAGE FROM FATHER PAUL



Today's Gospel is one of my favorites. The story of the woman caught in adultery shows the tender mercy of God. The woman has been

caught --- where the man is seems to be a different question. In any case, she is brought before the mob, and they smell blood. They are ready to pounce. After all, Moses told us what to do with people (women!) like that.

So Jesus is in a corner. If He says, Moses was wrong!" then He would be the next up to be stoned. If He says, "Moses was right!" then the woman's fate is sealed. There's a lot of conjecture as to what the business of Jesus tracing (doodling?) in the sand means. I think He was just thinking, trying to figure out how to answer. And of course He doesn't answer the question. Instead, like any good rabbi, He offers a challenge: Let the one without sin cast the first stone.

It is important to note that Jesus does not condone her sin. He doesn't just let her slide. He tells her to sin no more. In other words, Jesus judges the action. It is a sin. But He will not judge her soul --- her standing before God.

This is an important distinction. Sometimes people think that we aren't supposed to judge anything another person does. That is not true. We have to be able to

discern right from wrong. When someone is acting in a way contrary to God's loving law, it is our Christian responsibility to lovingly remind them of their true calling. We must judge actions.

What we don't have the right to do is to judge the person or their standing before God. Saying "You're a bad person," is different from saying "What you did is wrong." We can and must judge actions for the good of others and ourselves. But we cannot judge the value of a person's soul.

Jesus saves the woman's life, and He saves her soul. He calls her to a change of heart. That is called conversion. It is the same call we hear each day: Go and sin no more.

As Lent winds down, I want to urge you to use the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowls to support this beautiful ministry that cares for the poorest people of the world. With the recent budgetary cuts to USAID, CRS lost one half of their budget. USAID was one of the first agencies to be slashed, even though it accounts for a mere .04% of the nation's budget. If these cuts stand and government funds are withheld, it will be even more urgent for us to support CRS and other worthy causes.

I look forward to sharing some stories from our pilgrimage to Spain and France. I bring all of you with me!





These forty holy days are intended for us to focus on prayer, fasting and almsgiving, Please come and begin your Lent well – pray with us!

LENTEN REGULATIONS

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on all the Fridays of Lent. Fasting is to be observed on Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those who are bound by this may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. The special Paschal fast, as well as abstinence, are prescribed for Good Friday and encouraged for Holy Saturday.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Please join us for Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM on Friday evenings during Lent. On Friday, April 18, the teens will present the Living Stations.

Let us walk together in the footsteps of Christ.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Private reconciliation is scheduled on Saturday, April 12 from 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM. Confessions will not be heard on Holy Saturday.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration takes place on Tuesdays from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM in Church, and Monday through Friday from 11:00 AM to Midnight in Holy Family Chapel. In observance of Good Friday, Holy Family Chapel will be closed from 6:00 PM on Holy Thursday (April 17) until its standard opening at 11:00 AM on Monday, April 21.

Please visit the Saint George Website for additional information about Saint George www.stgeorge60477.org - Like us on Facebook.



SOUP AND THEOLOGY, 2025: BISHOP BARRON'S "THE SACRAMENTS"

Tuesday Evenings in the Parish Life Center 6:30 Soup and Fellowship 7:00 Video and Discussion

The great sacraments of the Church—Baptism, Confirmation, the Eucharist, Reconciliation, the Anointing of the Sick, Matrimony, and Holy Orders—have endured for thousands of years and structured countless lives. Everything in the Church's life comes from and returns to them. But there is far more to these ancient rites than meets the eye. Bishop Barron looks at the great sacraments of the Church in all their theological depth, spiritual effects, and pastoral promise. The Sacraments will help you understand these signs and channels of grace and discover the secret behind their persistence down the ages: the presence and power of the Savior himself. We hope you will be able to join us!

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

Fifth Sunday of Lent

In today's Gospel, Jesus is the model of compassion and kindness. He shows us how to be merciful and nonjudgmental.

When we give to the poor, God indeed pours his love, peace and mercy into our hearts and into the hearts of those suffering in poverty.

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.



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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, APRIL 12 - 4:00 PM

Celebrant: Father Paul
Deacon: Tom Schutzius

Eucharistic Mary Lou Leseicki - Cup **Ministers:** Linda Sobeck - Cup

> Charlene Yock - Cup Ron Yock - Cup

Pamela Kavanaugh - Bread Carey Murray - Bread

Cindi Patula - Bread Joanne Saidikowski - Bread

Lector: Joe Schulte

Bob Wyatt

SUNDAY, APRIL 13 - 7:30 AM

Celebrant: Father John Deacon: Tim Keating

Eucharistic Kelly Conrad - Cup Ministers: Pat Kukula - Cup

> Karen Lyons - Cup Susan Sharp - Cup Kathy Harrison - Bread Kay Keating - Bread

Lector: Sandra Novotney

Rita Walker

SUNDAY, APRIL 13 - 9:30 AM

Celebrant:Father KenDeacon:Jerry Souta

Eucharistic Catherine Adelakun - Cup **Ministers:** Susan Amann - Cup

> Thomas Kavanaugh - Cup Ventura Quatrini - Cup Ini Adelakun - Bread Kevin Byczrek - Bread Nicole Olson - Bread Kathy Wilson - Bread

Lector: Bob lggins

Tim McCabe

SUNDAY, APRIL 13 - 11:30 AM

Celebrant: Father John Deacon: Greg Bartos

Eucharistic Mary Cermak-Vis - Cup

Ministers: Tim Doyle - Cup

Jean Gaytan - Cup Linda Milazzo - Cup Eric Susnis - Bread Wally Wawzenek - Bread

Lector: Bob Page

Diane Wawzenek



THAT MAN IS YOU A ROYAL PEOPLE

Saturday, April 12 - 6:30 AM to 8:00 AM

Fr. Dave Pivonka will conclude our TMIY program year with one last powerful session.

God brings us together through TMIY to strengthen us and to build us up - but then to send us out! Week 26 is not a conclusion, not a wrap up, but instead a commissioning to go forth as priest, prophet and king. You have been anointed and are part of the kingdom that God has ushered in. You are anointed! We need to live it, proclaim it and share it!

Brothers, we have been chosen to advance the kingdom!

Please join us for this final session before we begin our "Summer Break". TMIY is scheduled to begin an all-new 26-week program year in September.

EASTER IS A GOOD TIME TO VISIT HOLY FAMILY CHAPEL

In observance of the Easter Season, 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 insideout. 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.

Thursday at 9:00 PM needs a new adorer. 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, 2:00 PM; Tuesday - 2:00 PM; Wednesday - Noon, 1:00 PM; Thursday - 2:00 PM, 9:00 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").

In observance of Good Friday, Holy Family Chapel will be closed from 6:00 PM on Holy Thursday (April 17) until its standard opening at 11:00 AM on Monday, April 21.





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, April 13, 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!



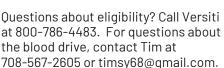
SAINT GEORGE CHURCH BLOOD DRIVE SPONSORED BY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 4698

SATURDAY, APRIL 12 - 8:00 AM TO 1:00 PM

Saint George Church, 6707 W. 175th St., Tinley Park

Appointments appreciated, Walk-ins welcome!

Please make your appointment on line @https://tinyurl.com/yrzehj79 or scan the QR Code —->





Every donor will save up to 3 lives! Donate blood to support 62% of area patients who require blood products at 85 Chicago-area and NW Indiana hospitals.

Helpful tip: Make sure to eat a healthy meal and drink plenty of water before donation. Photo ID is required.

Call 800-786-4483 with any eligibility questions.





THIS WEEK AT SAINT GEORGE

SUNDAY, APRIL 6

Fair Trade Before & After Masses 7:00 AM Family First Sunday (MR 1-3, K)

9:30 AM Bread & Word (MR 4)

9:30 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word

(RMR)

9:30 AM Family Mass (Church) 1:00 PM Baptism (Church) 5:00 PM Adult Volleyball (G)

MONDAY, APRIL 7

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 8

6:00 PM Adoration (Church) 6:00 PM SPRED II (SC, K) 6:30 PM Baptismal Prep (MR 3) 6:30 PM Soup & Theology (MR 1 & 2)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9

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)

6:30 PM Confirmation Practice (Church)

7:00 PM SPRED 1(SC)

THURSDAY, APRIL 10

9:30 AM CWSF Prayer Shawl Ministry (MR 4)

11:30 AM A&E Decorating (Church)
6:00 PM Lay Carmelites (MR 3)
6:30 PM Grief Support Group (MR 4)
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal (Church)

FRIDAY, APRIL 11

7:00 PM Bingo (GR, K)

7:00 PM Confirmation (Church)

SATURDAY, APRIL 12

Easter Flower Collection PORT Ministries Collection

6:30 AM TMIY (O'CH)

8:00 AM KC Blood Drive (0'Ch) 8:30 AM Lay Carmelites (MR 4)

8:30 AM Missionary & Prayer Group (MR 1)

2:30 PM Reconciliation (Church)

7:00 PM Adult Volleyball

SUNDAY, APRIL 13

Easter Flower Collection PORT Ministries Collection

9:30 AM Bread & Word (MR 4)
10:30 AM Parish Registration

5:00 PM Adult Volleyball (G)

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SAINT GEORGE SUPPORT GROUPS



We offer a Grieving Support Group at Saint George Parish. This is a faith-based group that provides an opportunity for those who have lost a loved one to help process their grief. You will find this to be a place of love, compassion, comfort, support, and understanding. We will provide a gathering where the bereaved may express their grief freely without judgment.

Each session will meet from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM in Meeting Room 4 in the Parish Life Center on the following Thursdays:

November 13, 2025 April 10, 2025 December 11 2025 May 8, 2025 January 8, 2026 June 12, 2025 February 12, 2026 July 10, 2025 March 12, 2026 Off for the month of April 9, 2026 August September 11, 2025 May 14, 2026 October 9, 2025 June 11, 2026



We offer a Caregiver Support Group at Saint George Parish where caregivers can come together to provide each other with understanding, love, and invaluable support. We understand that caring for a loved one can be a rewarding yet demanding journey, often leaving caregivers feeling overwhelmed and exhausted.

That's why our support group is designed to offer you the help you need. Our support group will provide a nurturing environment where you can freely express yourself, without judgement, knowing that you are surrounded by empathetic individuals who truly comprehend the joys and tribulations of caregiving.

Each session will meet from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM in Meeting Room 4 in the Parish Life Center on the following Tuesdays :

November 18, 2025 April 15, 2025 December 16, 2025 May 20, 2025 June 17, 2025 January 20, 2026 February 17, 2026 July 15, 2025 March 17, 2026 Off for the month of August April 21, 2026 September 16, 2025 May 19, 2026 October 21, 2025 June 16, 2026

Any questions, please contact our Pastoral Associate, Theresa Gonzalez, at tgonzalez@stgeorge60477.org or 708-532-2243 ext. 502.

SAVE THE DATES!!



THURSDAY EVENING -APRIL 24

BARE BONES BUNCO!

Sponsored by Women of Purpose

Come for an EVENING of fun & fellowship!

More info to follow!



Saturday - May 17

We will be celebrating Father Paul's 40th and Father John's 21st Anniversary of their Priesthood.

More details to follow.



"These are vegetables, mother. You wouldn't want me to eat something I've given up for Lent, would you?"





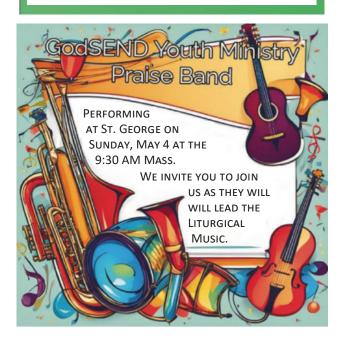
Chicagoland Youth Ministry

YOUTH MINISTRY PARTY!

Where: Scene 75 in Romeoville (460 Weber Rd.) When: May 1 - 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM Cost: \$25 per Student

Go Karts - Mini Golf - Laser Tag Batting Cages - Air Dodgeball Air Basketball - Slide Zone

\$45 game card for arcade games 2 slices of pizza and unlimited fountain drink You are responsible for your own transportation!



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



THE EUCHARIST AND HUNGER

On the southern fringe of the Sahara Desert, the Sahel region spans Senegal, Mauritania, Mali, Burkina Faso, Niger, Nigeria, Chad, Sudan and Eritrea. In the Sahel, temperatures are high and rain is uncommon. In 1976, during a long drought, crops failed, livestock was lost and a lack of food threatened the lives of millions of our sisters and brothers.



In Nigeria, Hauwa Usman feeds her 9-month-old son a puree filled with nutrients for children. Photo by Randy Radeno Haniel for CRS

It was in that same year that Catholics from around the world participated in the 41st International Eucharistic Congress held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The theme of the Congress,

"The Eucharist is a mystery of love. It makes all of us who eat the same bread into a single body, living by means of one spirit. It makes us one family—brothers and sisters united in solidarity with one another."

-Saint Paul VI

The Eucharist makes visible our communion with our sisters and brothers and our shared responsibility as one human family. As Catholics, we believe no person should go hungry; however, our world is currently facing levels of hunger that experts believe could be the new normal. That's why it is

more important than ever for us to recommit each Lent—and throughout the year—to supporting our global family experiencing these challenges.

As we near the end of these 40 days, let us reflect on what our Lenten journey has meant for us and how the pillars of prayer, fasting and almsgiving impact not only our lives but also the lives of our sisters and brothers in our local community and around the world. As we strive to live in true global solidarity and are nourished by the Bread of Life, let us share bread for life to ensure everyone has enough to eat amid this global food crisis. When we come together to tackle hunger, there is no limit to what we can achieve.



Lilian Tzún and her son, Marcos Chanchavac, pose to recreate a photo taken when we met them through CRS Rice Bowl in 2022, when Marcos was 16 months old. Photo by Oscar Leiva Silverlight for CRS

Prayer for Lent: Jesus, Bread of Life, as we encounter you in the Eucharist this Lent, nourish us with your love, unite us in communion with our sisters and brothers, showing us how we are connected. Transform our hearts, that we may be moved to share bread for life with our global family and work for a world where all can thrive. Amen.

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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, APRIL 5

4:00 PM Claudia Hunter+

Eleanor Hunter+ Edward Hunter+

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SUNDAY, APRIL 6

7:30 AM Jacanto Marban Gayton+

Michael Martin+ Matthew Berry+

9:30 AM Margaret Ouitter+

Czesław & Jadwiga Kolb+

John McCulley+

11:30 AM Mass for Parishioners

Mary Jean McLaughlin+

Dennis A. Payonk+

MONDAY, APRIL 7

8:15 AM John Mayer+

Delores Shuksta+

TUESDAY, APRIL 8

8:15 AM Elsie Dura+

Romeo Nido+

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9

8:15 AM Rich Whalen+

Helen Klaczek+

THURSDAY, APRIL 10

8:15 AM Matthew Berry+

Richard Burton+

MaryAnn Dwornik+

FRIDAY, APRIL 11

8:15 AM

Joseph & Geraldine

Fugger+ Philip Dwornik+

SATURDAY, APRIL 12

4:00 PM

Mary McClure+

Susan Baske+

Arlene Bulow+

SUNDAY, APRIL 13

7:30 AM Mass for Parishioners

Czesław Hanusiak+

Tadgh ("Tagg") O'Sullivan+

9:30 AM SPRED II Catechists &

Friends

Tomas Torres, Jr.+ Marion Helen Jacobsen+

11:30 AM Mass for Fathers

Ray Lipinski+

Evelyn M. Fernandez+

+ Deceased

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

OUR SICK...

Patrick Amtman, Arlene Astrowski, Robert Baader, David J. Baczewski, Charles Baez, Paul Baio, Terrence Baker, Walter Boreman, Angie Brady, Dominick Byrne, Laurie Cassidy, David Charleston, Brittany Clausius, Margaret Concannon, Pat Conroy, Loretta Corcoran, Diane Cosgrave, Mary Deskovich, Paula Dettmann, Julie Donohoe, Cecelia Dusek, Peter Ellement, Darlene Everson, Abigail Fanscali, Joe Ficaro, Elmer Flannagan, Eugene Georges, Jennifer Godzer Grimm, Marirose Grosschadl, Martha Hayes, Tom Heenan, Carole Holding, Paul Hosso, Sandra Jakala, Robyn (Kristinat) Jankosky, Dean Kosek, Donald Lavey, Carol Manow, Noreen Mariani, Baby Ripp Mayer, Kelsey Mercado, Kathleen Mohan, Deborah Mraz, Patricia Murphy, David Murray, Judy Nelson, Gwen Norvilas, Brian O'Connor, Kathy O'Malley, Bri and Baby Omatto, Deacon Joe Panek, Pat Paul, John Polley, Charlotte Pratl, Betty Prusaitis, Jack Ramey, Eunice Robey, Theresa Schultz, Jay Scott, Mary Ann Stewart, Richard Stewart, Matt Taylor, Sara Taylor, Marge Thomas, Tammy Thomas, Dennis Torii, Marlene Torii, Frank Urbanski, Leslie Vaicik, Stella Vaicik, Kathy VanderJack, Colette Verdun, JoAnne Wojcik, 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...

Anne M. Whited, Susan Bulfin, Frederick Murphy, John Dorgan, V. Patricia Sullivan, Lynne Love, Carolyn Bolam

OUR MILITARY...

Please remember in your prayers the following people who are serving our country: PO3 Mary Balkas (Coast Guard), Sgt. Jacob Berry (Army), SSgt. Mark Bradley (Marines), Staff Sgt. Amanda Brennan (Army), First Sgt. Robert Brennan (Army), Bradley Brunod (Navy), Capt. Michael Caddigan (Army), SSgt. Brad Clemmer (Air Force), SSgt. Heidi Currie (Air Force), Lt.Col. Kevin Currie (Air Force), Mai. Patrick Currie (Air Force), SSG Matthew Daliege (Army). Sgt. James Dewey (Army), Maj. Christopher Doering (Army), Sgt. Jonathon M. Filca (Marines), PO2 James J. Guerino (Navy), 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, 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.



HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

PALM SUNDAY - APRIL 12 - APRIL 13

Saturday Anticipated Mass at 4:00 PM Sunday Masses at 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM.

Blessing of palms will take place at all Masses

HOLY THURSDAY - APRIL 17

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

GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 18

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

HOLY SATURDAY - APRIL 19

Blessing of Baskets at Noon in O'Connell Hall. Easter Vigil at 7:00 PM

EASTER SUNDAY - APRIL 20

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

THANK YOU!!!

Thank you, thank you, and thank you again to our wonderful parishioners who so generously contributed to the raffles for Super Bingo. Your donations were greatly appreciated. May God bless you for your continued support of our school children.





ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Our candidates have been meeting weekly since the Fall to prepare to receive the sacraments at the Easter Vigil, and become fully initiated members of the Catholic Church. On March 9, they experienced the Rite of Sending at the 9:30 AM Mass. During the rite, the candidates signed the Book of the Elect. They then went to Holy Name Cathedral to be recognized as the Elect by Cardinal Cupich and affirmed their faith journey to receive the Sacraments.

Their pictures and short biographies will be run for the next few weeks in the bulletin. This will give you a chance to recognize and continue to pray for them during our Lenten Season. During the last three weeks of Lent, they will experience the Scrutinies at the 9:30 AM Mass.

My name is Jimmy March, I'm 23, and I'm the oldest of five siblings. My family moved around a lot but I was born in Palos Heights, IL in 2001, and moved back to the Midwest in 2021. I'm a utility worker for Peoples Gas on the south side of Chicago, and I love reading and listening to classical music. Growing up, we never attended church but when I



started high school my father enrolled me into confirmation classes with the Lutheran church. While I respected and agreed with much of what the Lutheran church taught, I always felt something was missing, a connection, a reverence with God that I just couldn't quite get in the church I attended. Once I began to read into Martin Luther's reasoning, and what the early church fathers taught, I realized that there was only one Church that had what I needed, and it was the Holy Catholic Church. Not founded by Martin Luther, or John Calvin, or Henry VIII, but by Jesus Christ. I can't wait to be confirmed in the Church and partake in Communion by receiving the Eucharist. I look forward to growing deeper in my faith and theological understanding of the Church, and developing a closer relationship with our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Thank you to my girlfriend Tess, Jeanne, Father Paul, Father Kevin, Father Dan, Matt Jung, and everyone else who has helped me along the way.

Sincerely,

Jimmy March

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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 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM on Monday, April 7. Parking is available in the Orland Chateau lot (14500 S. LaGrange Road), but please park in the back. Even if you can only stop by for a short time, please join us. Show your concern to protect our teenagers from Planned Parenthood. Pray for the conversion of Planned Parenthood's staff.

Flossmoor 40 Days for Life Vigil

Join the 40 Days for Life vigil at Planned Parenthood in Flossmoor on any day now through April 13. Thursday is a known abortion day, so that would be a good day for onsite prayer for the victims of abortion. Join other Saint George parishioners from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM on any Thursday from March 27 through April 10, or choose any hour from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM (ending at 5:00 PM) for prayer on site at the Planned Parenthood abortion facility in Flossmoor at 19831 S. Governors Highway. Public parking is available 1/2 block north of the Planned Parenthood site on 198th St. which goes west from Governors Highway, or along the alley that runs east from Governor's Highway behind the Vollmer Road strip mall (parking spots facing Planned Parenthood). You can schedule your vigil time at 40daysforlife.com/en/ flossmoor/.

This vigil is part of the national call for 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion running from March 5 through April 13, and is one of over 650 in 30 nations. During these 40 days, please make an extra effort to pray and fast for the end of abortion in our nation (e.g. make extra visits to Holy Family Chapel and/or attend weekday Mass).

Stations of the Cross at Planned Parenthood in Flossmoor

What better day to observe the tragedy of abortion than Good Friday? We will pray the Stations of the Cross at 10:00 AM on April 18, continued optionally with a brief vigil displaying signs until 11:00 AM. You are invited to attend this prayerful vigil at Flossmoor Planned Parenthood (19831 S. Governor's Highway, Flossmoor). Given the increasing volume of abortions committed in Flossmoor, please join us in solidarity with the babies lost to abortion and their injured mothers. Public parking is available 1/2 block north of the Planned Parenthood site on 198th St. which goes west from Governors Highway, or along the alley that runs east from Governor's Highway behind the Vollmer Road strip mall (parking spots facing Planned Parenthood).



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WEEKLY READINGS

SUNDAY, APRIL 6:

Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11 Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

MONDAY, APRIL 7:

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/ Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:12-20

TUESDAY, APRIL 8:

Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/ Jn 8:21-30

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9:

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42

THURSDAY, APRIL 10:

Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59

FRIDAY, APRIL 11:

Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/ Jn 10:31-42

SATURDAY, APRIL 12:

Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 Jn 11:45-56

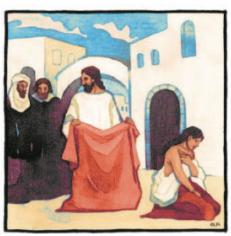
NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 13:

Lk 19:28-40/ls 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14-23:56 or 23:1-4

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ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



March 24, 2026

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

As we begin our Lenten journey marked with prayer, fasting and almsgiving, I am writing to let you know that on Ash Wednesday a Senate committee passed a bill, Senate Bill 9, that would legalize assisted suicide in Illinois. This would make it legal for a physician to prescribe an array of lethal drugs to a person diagnosed with a terminal disease who requests to end his or her life. In addition to asking you to offer your Lenten sacrifices to protect life, I ask that you take action by writing, calling or emailing your state elected official to vote "NO" on this legislation. There is also legislation pending in the House, House Bill 1328 as you will see at www.ilcatholic.org or by calling 217–528–9200.

The involvement of insurance companies is alarming. In fact, in states with legalized suicide, there are documented cases of people being denied life-saving medical treatment by insurance companies in lieu of the much cheaper option of life-ending drugs. The poor and those with disabilities are particularly in jeopardy as they are the most vulnerable to such abuses. Every major national organization that represents people with disabilities is opposed to assisted suicide. There is no way to prevent the vulnerable from being coerced or intimidated to end their lives once this assisted suicide is legal. There are simply too many documented cases of the vulnerable being coerced or intimidated into ending their life.

Proponents argue that this legislation will end suffering at the end of life. We all agree that no one should needlessly suffer or have to watch a loved on experience unnecessary pain and suffering. Fortunately, there are now effective ways to make a person more comfortable at the end of life through palliative care, which utilizes physician-led teams to care for the whole person - physically, emotionally, socially and spiritually - to relieve the symptoms and the stress related to serious illness and side effects of treatment.

The American Medical Association (AMA) has summed up the case against assisted suicide well. "Physician assisted suicide is fundamentally incompatible with the physician's role as healer, would be difficult or impossible to control, and would provide serious societal risks."

Assisted suicide is not the compassionate solution for those who are suffering. Through palliative care, expanded access to mental health care, and stronger family and community support, providers and families are finding better ways to accompany these people compassionately that shows love and respect for the dignity of each human life.

Please go to www.ilcatholic.org/take-action or call 217-628-9200 to rind how to contact your local elected official to tell them to vote NO on SB 9 and HBN 1328.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Chicago

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PLANNED GIVING

A QCD gift (a.k.a. IRA charitable rollover) allows individuals age 70½ or older to authorize their IRA administrator to make a direct transfer of funds from their IRA to qualified charities, tax-free. This way of giving does not generate taxable income, which may lower your annual income level. If you are age 72 or older, the amount you transfer may count towards your required minimum distribution.

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

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.



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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.

BULLETINS - EARLY DEADLINE

Deadlines: Please note... generally speaking, material for the bulletin is due in the parish office on Friday, nine days before it reaches the parishioner's hands. Please send articles to bulletin@stgeorge60477.org.

Thank you.

Due to the Easter Holiday, articles for the April 20 (Easter) bulletin will be due on Wednesday, April 10.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

March 22 & 23

WARCH 22 & 25	
Weekly Offering / Holy Days	\$ 15,261.05
Weekly Offering / Holy Days-Budgeted	\$ 16,275.00
Difference	\$ (1,013.95)
School Fund	\$ 210.00
Sharing Parish: Lord of Mercy	\$ 95.00
Central & Eastern Europe	\$ 85.00
Easter Offering	\$ 10.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 195.00
Good Friday - Holy Land	\$ 5.00
Holy Thursday - Missionary Group	\$ 5.00
Initial Offering	\$ 15.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 75.00
FISCAL YEAR 2025 YEAR-TO-DATE	
YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days	\$ 643,155.76
YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days - Budgeted	\$ 634,725.00
YTD Difference	\$ 8,430.76

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.



Children's Liturgy of the Word

The Children's Liturgy of the Word will not be in session on Palm Sunday, April 13, or Easter Sunday, April 20. We will resume on April 27 at the 9:30 AM Mass.

Thank you and I hope you have a blessed Easter.

Sincerely,

Dawn Bartos

SAINT GEORGE SCHOOL

SUPER BINGO - SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 2025

























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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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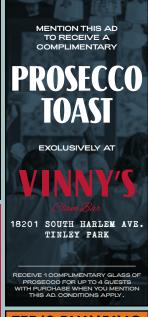
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