



# 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

### PARISH SCHOOL

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6670 West 176th St.  
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## 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 5, 2025



The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith." The Lord replied, "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea.' and it would obey you."

- Lk 17:5-6

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**MESSAGE FROM FATHER PAUL**

The month of October honors two different but related cornerstones of Catholicism. This is Respect Life Month and it is the month of the Rosary.

The Rosary came to us from Saint Dominic, who popularized and spread the devotion. Prayer beads had been used for centuries for different purposes, including praying the 150 psalms. It now consists of Our Fathers, Hail Marys, Glory Be's, as well as the Apostles' Creed and Hail Holy Queen. The repetition of the prayers become a sort of mantra for our reflection on the particular mystery for that decade. The four groupings of the Rosary are the Sorrowful, Joyful, Glorious and Luminous Mysteries.

In praying the Rosary, we honor Our Blessed Mother, asking her intercession for the good of the world and our own particular needs. Pope Leo XIV has asked all Catholics to pray the Rosary during the month of October for the intention of world peace. He especially asked that prayers be offered for peace in Gaza and Ukraine.

The goal of peace is a primary Right to Life issue. Clearly, the mass killing of other human beings is an offense against God and humanity. Related to that is the right to life of the unborn. I recently had a conversation with two young women who expressed the opinion

that if women made the laws, abortion would be widely accepted. I responded that while it may be true that mainly men are our elected representatives, that is a secondary issue. The primary issue is what happens in an abortion. There is no doubt that in an abortion a life ends just as surely as it does in gun violence in our streets. The difference is that the unborn person is unknown and unseen. The born person is one known and seen, therefore more readily recognized for their humanity. Either way, a life ends. We must do what we can to make abortion better understood for what it is, and at the same time, decrease the causes of them.

Similarly related life issues are how we treat each other. Violence in the streets or in the home cannot be tolerated. Proper health care cannot be limited to the wealthy. Physician-assisted suicide may sound compassionate --- until it's not. Regulating borders is a right but how we do it should be governed by our understanding of what we have to share and how we got here in the first place. Homelessness is, in some way, a symbol of our system's failure.

Let us pray that through the intercession of the gentle Virgin Mary, Mother of God and mother of us all, we can work by God's grace for the right to life in all its stages, from conception to natural death.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR...

### OUR SICK...

Patrick Amtman, Arlene Astrowski, Paul Baio, Terrence Baker, Angie Brady, Dominick Byrne, Laurie Cassidy, David Charleston, Brittany Clausius, Debbie Clausius, Sharon Clifford, Terri Cobban, Margaret Concannon, Pat Conroy, Diane Cosgrave, Paula Dettmann, Julie Donohoe, Peter Ellement, Abigail Fanscali, Elmer Flannagan, Eugene Georges, Jennifer Godzer Grimm, Rafael Gomez, Marirose Grosschadl, Tom Heenan, Michael Hogan, Paul Hosso, Virginia Hullinger, John & Sandra Jakala, Beverly Klosowski, Paul Larsen, Donald Lavey, Frank Lesinski, Francisco Marcos, Amy Mason, Kelsey Mercado, Cynthia Metzger, Donna Mikolajczak, Kathleen Mohan, Deborah Mraz, Patricia Murphy, David Murray, Judy Nelson, Brian O'Connor, Giana Oldenstedt, Kathy O'Malley, Bria and Baby Omatto, Baby Vincent Nicholas Pacheco, Jack Ramey, John Rangel, Bernadine Raymond, Linda Richter, Eunice Robey, Ronald Rose, Loretta Schultz, Jay Scott, Cynthia Sinko, Paul Smiley, Mary Ann Stewart, Richard Stewart, Gary Szafranski, Matt Taylor, Sara Taylor, Marge Thomas, Tammy Thomas, Leslie Vaicik, Stella Vaicik, Kathy VanderJack, Colette Verdun, Kathy Vrablic, Ed Weston, Barbara Rose Whalen, JoAnne Wojcik, Edward Worner, Bob Wyatt, 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...

Loretta Corcoran, Beatrice Piper, Bernard Bock

## 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), Maj. 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), Cmdr. Spc.4 Nathan Hesse (Army), Pvt. Cody Hogan (Marines), 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.*

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4

4:00 PM Margaret Faller+  
Louise Arlen+  
Stephen Rusnak+

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5

7:30 AM Mass for Parishioners  
Charlotte Borrmann+  
Czeslaw Hanusiak+

9:30 AM Intentions of Mike &  
Sophie Davis  
James P. Gallagher+  
John Morrissey+

11:30 AM Helen Doherty+  
Dorothy (Barczak) Michal+  
Virginia Schaffer+

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 6

8:15 AM Alan Kelly+  
Carl Servin+  
Good Health, Wealth &  
Prosperity for Patrickson &  
Obe Durand (Psalm 23)

### TUESDAY, OCT. OBER 7

8:15 AM Nancy K. Gatto+  
Mary Buczkiewicz+  
Mark & Anna McLain  
(25th Wedding Anniversary)

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8

8:15 AM Marie F. Yoksas+  
Sheryl Estrella Reinhart+

9:00 AM School Mass - Marilyn Sypole+

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9

8:15 AM Anthony & Luna Bielenis+  
Janine & Tom McGrath  
(50th Wedding Anniversary)  
Cristina Quatrini+

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10

8:15 AM Joseph & Irene Spytek+  
Richard Schroeder+  
James & Adeline Brady+

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11

4:00 PM Edward & Eleanor Hunter+  
Kyle Korosa+  
Sean & Bernadette McGowan+

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12

7:30 AM Gwen Norvilas+  
Charlotte Trama+  
Mass for Parishioners

9:30 AM Michael Deltgen+  
Thomas & Harriet Matella+  
Danka & Wiesław Kolb

11:30 AM Peggy Rogers+  
Tess Claxton+  
Mary Heslin+

+ Deceased





### ANOINTING OF THE SICK



Saint George will be offering the Sacrament of the Sick after the 11:30 AM Mass on Sunday, October 12. Please join us for fellowship in the Parish

Life Center immediately following the sacrament. The fellowship will be hosted by the Women of Purpose.

If you have any questions, please contact our Pastoral Associate, Theresa Gonzalez at 708-532-2243, Ext. 502 or [tgonzalez@stgeorge60477.org](mailto:tgonzalez@stgeorge60477.org).



### MUSICAL PRAYER SERVICE

SAINT CECILIA  
PATRON SAINT OF MUSIC

Friday, November 1 - 7:00 PM  
Saint George Church

### SAVE THE DATES! THURSDAY EVENING BUNCO!

October 30, 2025  
January 22, 2026  
March 26, 2026  
May 28, 2026

More information to follow...  
Sponsored by  
Women of Purpose



### CALLING ALL KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS! WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The Prayer Shawl Ministry branch of Catholic Women Sharing Faith is receiving increasing requests for shawls while our active membership is decreasing due to advanced age; and several of our "shawl sisters" have been called home to be with the Lord. The remaining few of us still producing shawls are finding it quite a challenge to keep up.

We have plenty of yarn, (as well as hooks or needles and patterns if you need them). All you need to supply is a little of your time and talent. It's a great way to keep your hands busy and avoid snacking while watching TV in the evenings. And the blessings stored up in heaven are immeasurable, not to mention the gratitude of our shawl recipients and their families.

We meet Thursday mornings from 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM in the Parish Center, but you can also work from home at your convenience if you are unable to attend. Please come join us!!

For further information, please contact Darlene at 708-532-3923, or Linda at 708-429-0111.

With Gratitude and many Blessings!



### BINGO EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT AT SAINT GEORGE SCHOOL

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

Come for fun and fellowship!

Bring your own snacks! For more information, call the school office at 708-532-2626.





### Holy Ghost Bingo: God, Goblins and Games

is coming to Saint George Church  
6707 W. 175th St, Tinley Park, Cahill Center Gym

ONE NIGHT ONLY - Saturday, October 11

Doors open at 6:00 PM - Performance at 7:00 PM

BYOB and snacks. Pizza will be provided.

\$25.00 per person. Tickets available at the parish office.

Who is the patron saint of werewolves? Which saint died and went to hell, then came back to life? Which two saints practiced black magic before switching to Catholicism? You'll learn the answers to these and more in Vicki Quade's Halloween comedy, Holy Ghost Bingo: God, Goblins, and Games. The premise is that Mrs. Mary Margaret O'Brien, a former nun, is here to raise money while playing bingo and talking about Halloween traditions, scary movies, condemned board games, haunted churches, the best candy, and the worst costumes. It's a crazy night of Halloween trivia, audience interaction, and the funniest costume contest you've ever seen.

Add to that a box of wacky prizes, some Halloween candy, fun bingo cards, and a lot of Catholic humor for a night of entertainment you'll never forget. And in this interactive bingo show, you'll actually play bingo. What could be more fun?! You'll be laughing so hard, you'll have to be careful watching your bingo cards!

You don't have to be Catholic to enjoy this show. But it pays to love bingo! Go ahead.... resurrect your social life in this guaranteed night of divine entertainment!  
More fun than Sodom and Gomorrah!!  
So much fun, you'll have to confess it!!!

## THIS WEEK AT SAINT GEORGE

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5

	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	Baptisms (Church)
2:00 PM	Pro-Life Life Chain
5:00 PM	Adult Volleyball League (G)

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 6

6:00 PM	Bible Study (MR 4)
7:30 PM	Al-Anon (O'CH)

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7

10:00 AM	Bible Study (MR3)
6:00 PM	Adoration (Church)
6:00 PM	SPRED II (SC, K)
7:00 PM	OCIA (MR 1)

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8

9:00 AM	Southwest DRE Cluster (MR 1-2)
3:30 PM	Children's Choir (Church)
5:30 PM	CFF Gr. 1-9 (SGS, CC, O'CH, GR, G, K, MR 1-4, BR, QR)
7:00 PM	SPRED 1 (SC)

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9

9:00 AM	CWSF Prayer Shawl Ministry (MR 1)
3:00 PM	Band (MR 1)
6:30 PM	Grief Support (MR 4)
7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal (Church)
7:30 PM	Knights of Columbus (O'CH)

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10

7:00 PM	Bingo (O'CH, GR, K)
7:00 PM	Musical Prayer Service (Church)

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11

6:30 AM	This Man is You (O'CH)
8:30 AM	Lay Carmelites (MR 3)
8:30 AM	Missionary & Prayer Group (MR 1)
3:00 PM	Reconciliation
6:00 PM	Holy Ghost Bingo (Gym)

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12

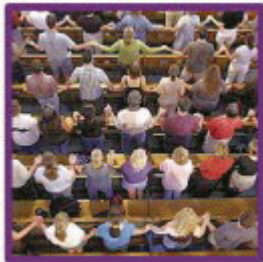
7:00 AM	Bread & Word (MR 4)
9:30 AM	Children's Liturgy of the Word (RMR)
11:30 AM	Anointing of the Sick Mass (Church)
	Hospitality After PLC
5:00 PM	Adult Volleyball League (G)





## OCTOBER 2025 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MONTH

### PRAYER TO END UNHEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS



We pray for victims' healing and safety and perpetrators' restoration, turning to the One who has the power to make all things new.

Loving God be with women and men who are in doubt about the health of their relationships. Give those who suffer abuse a clear mind and peaceful hearts so that they can make good decisions to care for their safety, guided by Your grace.

Teaching God open our ears, our eyes, and our hearts to be more aware, compassionate and supportive to people in abusive situations, so that they don't feel alone and know that someone cares. Give us wisdom to plant seeds that encourage people to think and take urgent action to end unhealthy relationships.

Compassionate God protect the innocent children who witness violence and abuse at the hands of the ones they love. Help them to know that domestic violence is not their fault.

Merciful God touch the hearts of those who abuse others. Heal their thinking, so that they can acknowledge that they are harming the other, learn to change their own behavior in true repentance and begin a path to peaceful relationships.

God of Peace, we pray. Amen

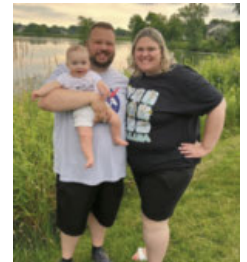
[www.domesticviolenceoutreach.org](http://www.domesticviolenceoutreach.org)



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH  
AWARENESS - SERVICES - PREVENTION

### Dear St. George Parish Family,

It is with mixed emotions that I write to share some personal news: I have accepted a new position at St. Barnabas Parish. While I am excited for this next chapter, saying goodbye to this wonderful community is not easy.



From the moment I arrived at St. George, you welcomed me and my family with open arms. Your kindness, generosity, and deep faith have made this a truly special place to serve. I have been incredibly blessed to walk with so many of you on your faith journeys, to pray together, and to work alongside an amazing pastoral team and staff.

This decision was not made lightly. After much prayer and discernment, I believe this transition is what's best for me and my family at this time. Please know that it does not diminish the love and gratitude I have for all of you.

Thank you for allowing me the honor of serving here. You will remain in my prayers, and I hope our paths will cross again in the future.

With love and gratitude,  
Theresa Gonzalez  
Pastoral Associate

Please visit the Saint George Website for additional information about Saint George - [www.stgeorge60477.org](http://www.stgeorge60477.org).  
Like us on Facebook.



Dear Saint George  
Parish Families

We are excited to provide a fun, safe night out for our children, families, and local community. To make that happen, we need your help!

## TRUNK HOSTS



We are looking for Saint George families and parish ministry groups who are willing to host their vehicle for the night and hand out candy to hundreds of happy, adorable trick or treaters. Decorate your trunk as much or little as you'd like! We will provide candy to you through the SGS candy donations. We are hoping to get a LOT of trunks!

## CANDY DONATIONS



What's a Trunk or Treat without candy?! We are anticipating over 500 children this year, so we will need lots of it!! Candies must be individually wrapped. Bins will be available for your candy donations in the church entrances now through October 20th.

## LOCAL BUSINESS SPONSORS



We also have great Sponsorship opportunities for local businesses and organizations! Please reach out to us if you know of a local business owner or organization who would like to join us for a fun event, host a trunk, and market their business at the same time! Businesses will need to provide their own treats to hand out and are welcome to hand out any promotional or marketing materials, as well.

For more details or to host a trunk, please e-mail Saint George PTL: [ptlstgeorge@gmail.com](mailto:ptlstgeorge@gmail.com)

**ST. GEORGE SCHOOL**

**TRUNK OR TREAT**

**OCTOBER 23**  
**6:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

**6700 W. 176TH ST.**

\*\*\* Due to construction on 175th St.  
ONLY enter parking lot from 176th St. \*\*\*  
Our trunk line up will be configured differently this year.

Please bring one non-perishable food item for our local food pantry.

Further info - email [PTLstgeorge@gmail.com](mailto:PTLstgeorge@gmail.com)



## PLANNED GIVING

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](http://prmaa.org).

## ELECTRONIC GIVING

Give Central is an option more people are choosing. You can go to our website - [www.stgeorge60477.org](http://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](http://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](mailto: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.



## STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

### SEPTEMBER 21-22 2025

Weekly Offering / Holy Days	\$ 13,718.54
Weekly Offering / Holy Days-Budgeted	\$ 16,730.00
Difference	\$ (3,011.46)
2nd Collection: Seminary Education	\$ 1,727.00
School Fund	\$ 155.00
Sharing Parish: Lord of Mercy	\$ 195.00
Special Collection: CRS - Gaza	\$ 30.00
Propagation of the Faith	\$ 20.00
Saint Vincent de Paul	\$ 30.00

### FISCAL YEAR 2026 YEAR-TO-DATE

YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days	\$ 189,328.01
YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days-Budgeted	\$ 200,760.00
YTD Difference	\$ (11,431.99)

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.

## EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Need help? Food, shelter, housing, employment, job training, counseling, addictions, utilities, physical or mental health services, legal and financial, immigration, naturalization and refugee and senior services are provided by Catholic Charities. Call 312-655-7700 or [catholiccharities.net](http://catholiccharities.net).

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

## SAINT GEORGE PRO-LIFE

**Life Chain - Sunday, October 5,  
from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM**

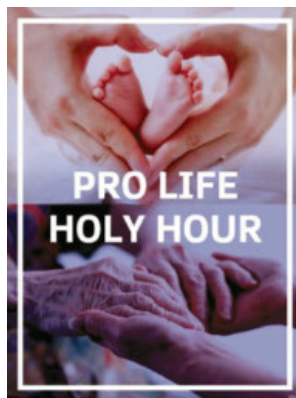
CHAIN IS HERE. Please remember to stand up for LIFE on Sunday, October 5 from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM. The location assigned to Saint George is the north side of 159th Street in front of Harbor Freight (7520 W. 159th St.). Parking is available near 159th Street in Harbor Freight's parking lot. Gather there to obtain signs. To allow time for distribution of signs, we recommend that you arrive by 2:00 PM. Join your fellow parishioners in this peaceful, prayerful, and truly life-saving response to abortion.

### 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, October 6, 2025. 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

Please join the 40 Days for Life vigil at Planned Parenthood in Flossmoor on any Thursday from October 9 through October 30. These are known abortion days so Saint George Pro-Life is encouraging on-site prayer on these days for the victims of abortion. Saint George will focus on 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM, but choose any hour from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM to pray on site at the Planned Parenthood abortion facility at 19831 S. Governors Highway in Flossmoor. This vigil is part of the national call for 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion running from September 24 through November 2 and is one of over 600 locations 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). You can schedule your vigil time at [40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/flossmoor/](http://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/flossmoor/). Public parking is available 1/2 block north of the Planned Parenthood site on 198<sup>th</sup> Street 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). For more information, call Bill Beckman at 708-429-2762.



## PRO LIFE HOLY HOUR - OCTOBER 14

Please join us for a Pro-Life Holy Hour on Tuesday, October 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.

## PRAYER TO RESPECT LIFE

Dear God,

Help us to hear Your voice, especially when You speak on behalf of the voiceless, the overlooked, and the forgotten. Keep our ears attuned, and work through us in a way that loves, blesses, assures, supports, and strengthens LIFE. Amen.

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## SEEKING INSIGHT? VISIT HOLY FAMILY CHAPEL

We are into the school year routine. Maybe you are looking for new insights about the challenges of everyday life. Take time to visit Holy Family Chapel. Your visit offers the opportunity to seek insight from 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. 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 finish registering. If you do not have electronic access, please call Bill Beckman at 708-429-2762 to register your hour.

Wednesday at 11:00 AM and 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, 1:00 PM, 2:00 PM; Wednesday: 11:00 AM, Noon, 1:00 PM; Thursday: 2:00 PM, 9:00 PM; Friday: Noon, 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").

## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11 - 4:00 PM

**Celebrant:** Father Ken  
**Deacon:** Jerry Souta  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Karen Kiner - Cup  
 Drew Roskos - Cup  
 Shirley Roskos - Cup  
 Ruth Strugala - Cup  
 Sue Stanton - Bread  
 Charlene Yock - Bread  
 Jack Yock - Bread  
 Ron Yock - Bread  
**Lector:** Bob Schuld

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12 - 7:30 AM

**Celebrant:** Father Ken  
**Deacon:** Greg Bartos  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Julie Newtoff - Cup  
 Ray Schulze - Cup  
 Rita Walker - Cup  
 Paul Windish - Cup  
 Tim Kavanaugh - Bread  
 Teri Radtke - Bread  
**Lector:** Betsy Windish

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12 - 9:30 AM

**Celebrant:** Father Paul  
**Deacon:** Tom Schutzius  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Gail Copley - Cup  
 Jennifer Galvin - Cup  
 Lisa Hummitsch - Cup  
 Ventura Quatrini - Cup  
 Catherine Adelakun - Bread  
 Tim McCabe - Bread  
 Nancy Opyd - Bread  
 Teri Richmond - Bread  
**Lector:** Ini Adelakun

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12 - 11:30 AM

**Celebrant:** Father Paul  
**Deacon:** Tim Keating  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Fran Fancsali - Cup  
 Marge Gertos - Cup  
 Kay Keating - Cup  
 Karen Kiner - Cup  
 Frances Bouchard - Bread  
 Linda Milazzo - Bread  
**Lector:** Cynthia Tongsy

## WEEKLY READINGS

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5

Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9(8)/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/Lk 17:5-10

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 6

Jon 1:1-2:2, 11/Jon 2:3, 4, 5, 8/Lk 10:25-37

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7

Jon 3:1-10/Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8/Lk 10:38-42

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8

Jon 4:1-11/Ps 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10/Lk 11:1-4

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9

Mal 3:13-20b/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 11:5-13

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10

Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Ps 9:2-3, 6 and 16, 8-9/Lk 11:15-26

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11

Jl 4:12-21/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Lk 11:27-28

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12

2 Kgs 5:14-17/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19



## TMiy - THE LIGHT OF MEN!

## WRATH - AND HIS SIX DAUGHTERS

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11 - 6:30 AM TO 8:00 AM

Our TMiy examination of the "Seven Deadly Sins" continues this weekend with the return of John Sablan as our guest speaker. We will continue to walk with the light of the saints as we illuminate the darkness of the deadly sin of wrath. John will show us how this vice can slowly take root in our lives by highlighting six different variations of wrath (it's six daughters). As a light of hope, he concludes with an example of a saint who is a heroic example of wrath's counteracting virtue, meekness.

Please join us on this journey as we walk with a lamp unto our feet and a light to our path! Don't forget to invite a friend!

Hot coffee and a hearty breakfast are available beginning at 6:30 AM. Our video program begins at 7:00 AM, followed by group discussions, and we adjourn at 8:00 AM.

That Man Is You! meets on Saturday mornings in O'Connell Hall at Saint George School. To learn more about TMiy, contact Gary at 708-614-1734 or pghendzell@gmail.com.

## LIVE THE LITURGY

The Apostles beg Jesus for increased faith, but they don't really want faith. They want a magical feeling of certainty that requires no effort. Real faith must grow and sprout roots in fertile soil. Real faith requires attention and work. Are we willing to work?





## YOUTH MINISTRY EIGHTH GRADE - HIGH SCHOOL AGE

### OCTOBER, A MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY



GodSEND Youth are encouraged to lead the Rosary Devotional Prayer and/or pumpkin decorate with the residents at Brookdale Assisted Living, Orland Park on Monday, October 13 at 1:00 PM and/or at Bickford House, Tinley Park on Thursday, October 23 at 6:00 PM.



Participation service hours can be earned for school, NHS, etc.

October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary and the liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary.

To participate in this community service opportunity, a parent/guardian should scan the QR code to register their son/daughter or contact John Sobol at [jsobol@steseton.com](mailto:jsobol@steseton.com) or 708-986-2446.

### Tuesday Gatherings

Weekly GodSEND Youth Ministry Tuesday Gatherings take place on Tuesdays in Saint Elizabeth Seton's Youth Room (9300 West 167th Street, Orland Hills). Meeting time is 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM.

Selected by our youth, we will be watching Season 3 of "The Chosen." We will have discussion groups after each episode. We will also have social time that includes open gym. Snacks and soft drinks will be provided.

Follow the SES and SSDM Youth Ministry on the [ses\\_ssdm\\_youth\\_ministry](#) Instagram account for youth ministry events postings and Catholic Faith tidbits.

ALL ARE WELCOME, SO INVITE A FRIEND OR TWO, OR A FEW!

### YOUTH MINISTRY SERVICE EVENT



Saturday, November 1,  
Libertyville, IL Campus

Fee: \$20 covers transportation and meals.  
Checks made out to Saint Elizabeth Seton.

#### Timeline:

9:00 AM, All Saints Day Mass at  
Saint Elizabeth Seton,  
9300 West 167th Street, Orland Hills

10:00 AM, Depart for Feed My Starving  
Children

Continental Breakfast During Travels  
(2.5 Service Hours for School, NHS, etc. will  
be awarded.)

2:45 PM, Arrive back at SES for Lunch,  
Activities, Games.

Contact John Sobol, [jsobol@steseton.com](mailto:jsobol@steseton.com)  
or 708-986-2446 for more details and  
required consent form.

For more information regarding GodSEND Youth Ministry or the listed offerings, please contact Deacon John Sobol by email, [jsobol@steseton.com](mailto:jsobol@steseton.com) or by phone/text, 708-986-2446 or visit the website at <https://sendyouthministry.org>.

### SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

#### Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel Jesus tells his disciples, "When you have done all you have been commanded, say: We are unprofitable servants; we have only done what we were obliged to do."

This week, please help the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul to bring the love and mercy of Jesus to those who feel left out and abandoned, for indeed we are only doing "what we are obliged to do". As you place your gift in the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Poor Box, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who are suffering.

Know that the members of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul bring your gift directly to the poor and suffering in our parish. 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.



Each school in the Archdiocese of Chicago conducts a yearly Religion Assessment. Saint George School is in a program with Sadlier (a Religion Publisher) to take this assessment three times a year. This is a way for all of us to focus on our Catholic faith and to prepare all our students for a life filled with the seven virtues. Two of Saint George School teachers were recently interviewed for the Archdiocese Catholic Schools newsletter regarding the Religion Assessment Program at Saint George.

Both Kelly and Julie grew up in the southwest suburbs of Chicago. Kelly attended Elmhurst College where she double-majored in Elementary Education and Music Education. Julie studied elementary education at Saint Xavier University and earned a Master's degree from Governors State University in special education. Kelly has taught in the classroom and has served as a principal and assistant principal. In addition to teaching at Saint George School, Julie also serves the parish in a variety of liturgical ministry roles and as a religious education teacher.



#### What value does the annual religion assessment bring to you as a teacher?

**Kelly:** The annual religion assessment provides a clear picture of my students' understanding of our Catholic faith and where they need deeper formation. While the data is valuable, the greater purpose is to connect that knowledge to the truth that God is present with us always. Students need to see that our faith is not just something we study—it's a relationship with God that is lived daily. The assessment serves as one tool to help me guide students toward giving their struggles, joys, and uncertainties to God, trusting that when we seek Him, our lives become more fulfilled.

**Julie:** The annual religion assessment is valuable because it gives me concrete data about my students' understanding of their faith. It helps me see the concepts they have mastered as well as areas where they may need additional support. That information guides my instruction and allows me to be more intentional in reinforcing key teachings. It also helps me ensure that I am closely aligned with the curriculum standards. Beyond the data, I appreciate that the assessment highlights students' growth from year to year, which is very affirming both for them and for me as their teacher.

#### How does your classroom data inform your planning and instruction of religion throughout the year?

**Kelly:** The data helps me identify topics that require more time, discussion, and hands-on exploration. If I see gaps, I incorporate more open dialogue where students can ask questions—sometimes difficult ones—and we explore together. When answers require deeper insight, we reach out to our pastor, showing that the Church is a living resource. Data also reminds me to weave faith practice into all parts of the day, not just religion class.

**Julie:** The data helps me plan lessons that meet students right where they are. For example, if I notice students are still developing their understanding of the Sign of the Cross, I can build in extra practice through songs or visuals. I also always encourage students to ask questions and then have a class discussion where everyone can answer.

#### What did you appreciate about Sadlier's "We Believe: Full Access" assessment that supports your students' growth in religious knowledge?

**Kelly:** I appreciate that Sadlier's We Believe: Full Access aligns well with our religion standards and provides a clear, structured way to see student progress. Its format helps pinpoint strengths and areas for growth so we can reinforce those truths in a way that connects to life. It's not just about memorizing facts—it's about knowing God is with us and learning how to respond to His presence with love, prayer, and service in every situation.

**Julie:** As a first-grade teacher, I appreciate that We Believe: Full Access offers assessments that are age-appropriate, clear, and accessible for young learners. I can see what my students understand and better support their growth in faith and knowledge. I especially value how the questions connect directly to the religion standards and to what we are already practicing in class. The digital format also gives me quick feedback, which helps guide my instruction and support each child's growth in religious knowledge.



## TEACHER FEATURE

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**What are some other ways that you engage your students in practices of their faith and as scholars in religion?**

**Kelly:** We integrate faith into every corner of our day—beginning with prayer, reflecting on Scripture, practicing virtues, and looking for moments to “give it to God,” whether we are struggling or celebrating. We do hands-on activities like touring the church to see and understand sacred spaces. Faith becomes second nature when it’s not confined to class or Mass but flows into every conversation, subject, and moment of our school day.

**Julie:** I make faith part of our daily routine with prayer, songs, and simple reflections that first graders can really connect with. I also encourage them to think like young scholars by asking ‘wonder questions,’ having them explain what they remember, and giving them chances to express their understanding through art or writing. My goal is to help them live their faith joyfully while also learning to think and reflect about it.

**What advice would you give to Catholic school teachers as they work with our religion curriculum standards and prepare for assessment this year?**

**Kelly:** Remember that our ultimate goal is not only to prepare students for an assessment, but to prepare them for a life of faith. Sharing the love of God with others openly is crucial—it helps students identify who they are as followers of Christ and inspires them to live out their faith daily. Our students today are building habits that will serve them both now and in the future.

**Julie:** Approach the religion standards with the goal of making them meaningful and lived experiences for my students. As we prepare for the computer based assessment, help students to feel confident and comfortable with the format so that the technology does not become a barrier to showing what they know. We should also remember that the assessment is only one measure of growth. The most important evidence of student learning is how they express, understand, and live out their faith each day. When we hold all these together, we give students the best opportunity to grow as both disciples and scholars.



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**Orders will be delivered the second or third Thursday of November by the main office of the school in the lot off of 176th Street.**

**Will be announced in the bulletin.**

**If you are unsure of pickup time, please mark it on your order form.**

**Remaining orders will be available for pickup at the parish office the following week.**

**Questions? Email: [ptlstgeorge@gmail.com](mailto:ptlstgeorge@gmail.com)  
Nicole Olson—708-341-5937**



## POPE LEO XIV @ PONTIFEX

The Church dedicates the coming month of October to the #HolyRosary. I invite everyone to pray the Rosary for #Peace each day of the month—individually, in the family, in community. On Saturday, October 11, at 6:00 PM, we will pray the Rosary together in Saint Peter’s Square, during the vigil of the Jubilee of Marian Spirituality, also recalling the anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council.



## PARISH INFORMATION

**BAPTISMS** will take place at 1:00 PM on the first Sunday of the month and at the 11:30 AM Sunday Mass on the third Sunday of the month. The family must be registered. A baptismal preparation program is obligatory in advance; please call the parish office to register and for more [information](#).

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION 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.

**ANOIDING 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.

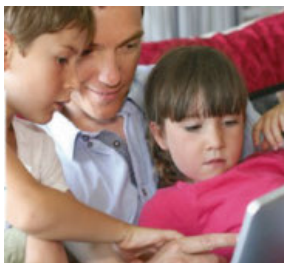
The Saturday 4:00 PM Anticipated Mass is live streamed on Facebook, then posted to the parish webpage and YouTube.

**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](mailto: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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