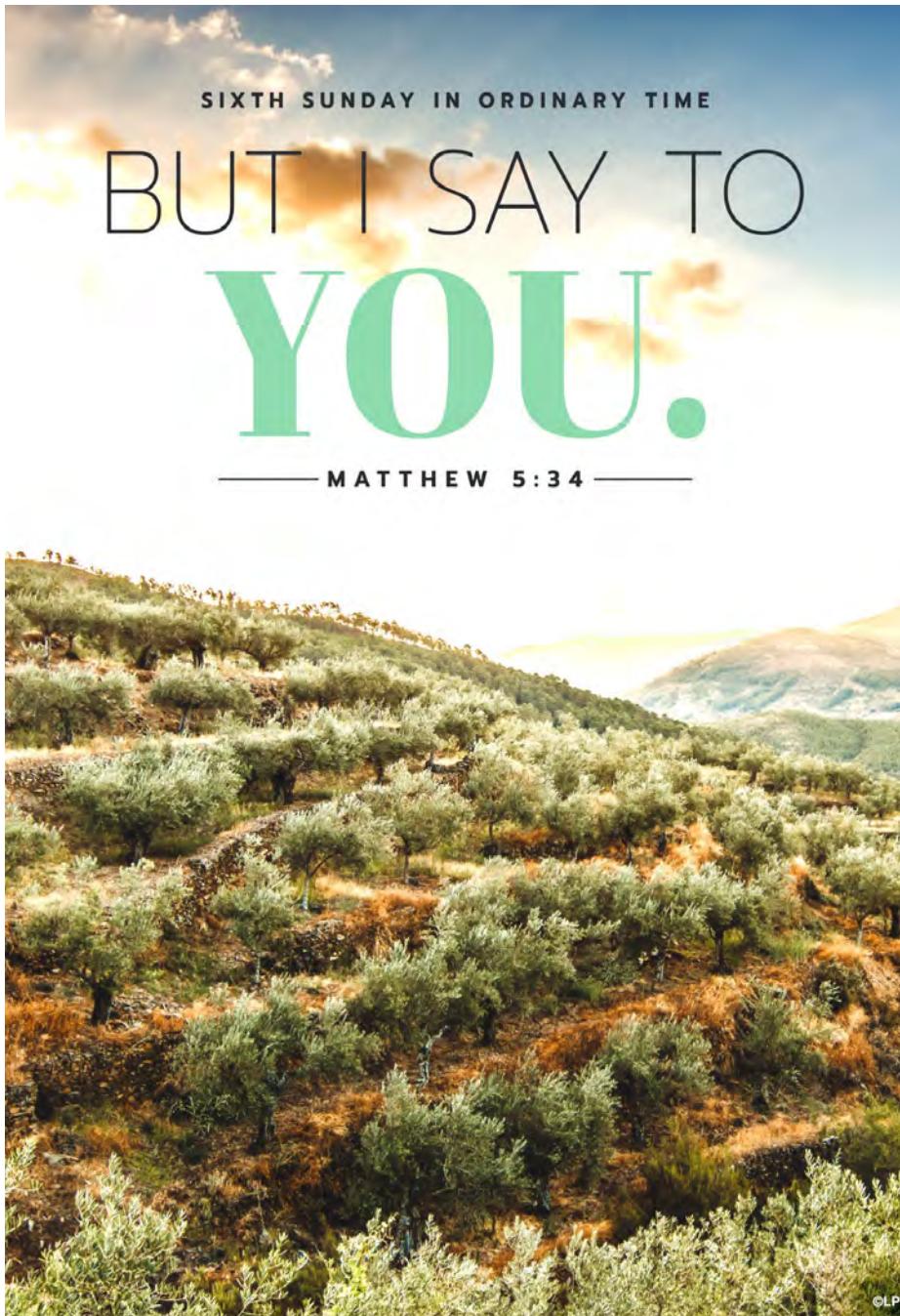




# SAINT GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH

## FAITH, COMMUNITY AND SERVICE

SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME  
FEBRUARY 15, 2026



### 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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**FROM THE PASTOR**

Soon we begin the season of Lent on Ash Wednesday. That is this week already! Lent is a time of prayer, fasting and

almsgiving. Please join us for the many prayer opportunities during this holy time. And mark your calendar for our Tri-Parish Mission at Saint Elizabeth Seton on the evenings of March 15, 16 and 17. Father Jerry Kaywell of Punta Gorda, Florida will guide us. Not to be missed!

Three years ago, Saint George participated in a parish survey conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute, called the Disciple Maker Index. It was an interesting time in our history because between the time you made your responses and the time we received the results, we had made many changes in the parish! We are doing the survey again this Lent. Having new data and using the old survey as a baseline, will give us a good indication as to the direction of the parish.

But the survey will only work if you take it! It will take only 10 to 15 minutes. It can be accessed at [www.catholicleaders.org/chicagodmi](http://www.catholicleaders.org/chicagodmi) starting Ash Wednesday. All responses are confidential and the parish will receive only information about the community as a whole. We will have paper copies available in church and at the parish office. To submit the completed paper survey, please drop it off at the parish office. We will also have people with computers available on upcoming weekends who can help you with the online survey.

Last time, we had a very good response. This year it will be even more helpful to have strong participation. This information will be invaluable to me and the whole staff and parish leadership as we plan our future ministry. Thank you for helping us with this important project!

A couple weeks ago, I preached about a movie called "Truth or Treason" the true story of Helmut Hubener, a teenager in Nazi Germany who dared to speak out against Adolf Hitler. It is a stirring film. Some people asked where it could be found. As I write this, it is currently available on Amazon Prime Video. I highly recommend this movie that tells an important true story of courage, conviction and sacrifice.

As you read this, I am in Mexico City, visiting some friends and spending some time at the beautiful Shrine of our Lady of Guadalupe. If you don't know the story of Our Lady of Guadalupe, I urge you to google it! That may whet your appetite to learn more of this beautiful story. Our Lady of Guadalupe is the patroness of the Americas. She watches over all of us in the Western Hemisphere from the North Pole to the South. And there are a lot of people all in between! I will be praying for all of you before the beautiful image of her that has been preserved for 500 years.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us! And to all you lovers out there, Happy Valentine's Day!

## HEAVENLY FATHER, WE PRAY FOR...

### OUR SICK...

Patrick Amtman, Arlene Astrowski, Paul Baio, Terrence Baker, Barbara Black, Dominick Byrne, Laurie Cassidy, David Charleston, Brittany Clausius, Debbie Clausius, Sharon Clifford, Terri Cobban, Margaret Concannon, Pat Conroy, Diane Cosgrave, Bert Dado, Paula Dettmann, Julia Donohoe, Peter Ellement, Abigail Fanscali, Elmer Flannagan, Jennifer Godzer Grimm, Rafael Gomez, Marirose Grosschadl, Harleigh H., Tom Heenan, Diane Herse, Jace Hettinger, Michael Hogan, Paul Hosso, Sandra Jakala, Beverly Klosowski, Paul Larsen, Donald Lavey, Frank Lesinski, Carol Manow, Francisco Marcos, Jackie Mason, Kelsey Mercado, Cynthia Metzger, Kathleen Mohan, Danielle Bella Mampre, Deborah Mraz, Patricia Murphy, David Murray, Fred Neidermeyer, Judy Nelson, Brian O'Connor, Bria and Baby Omatto, Baby Vincent Nicholas Pacheco, Deacon Joe Panek, Pat Paul, Ronald Perlikiewicz, Charlotte Pratl, Janice Pumfery, Joan Rachowicz, Jack Ramey, Renee Randell, John Rangel, Bernadine Raymond, Eunice Robey, Ronald Rose, Loretta Schultz, Jay Scott, Marilyn Seaman, Ellen Silski, Cynthia Sinko, Paul Smiley, Mary Ann Stewart, Richard Stewart, Brian Streeter, Tony Streeter, Gary Szafranski, Matt Taylor, Sara Taylor, Marge Thomas, Tammy Thomas, Dennis Torii, Marlene Torii, Noreen Torii, 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...

Giana Oldenstedt

### OUR MILITARY...

*We are in the process of updating the list of parishioners who are serving in the United States military. 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 will be posted in the bulletin. Please indicate branch of service and rank.*

## WEEKLY READINGS

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Jas 1:1-11/Ps 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76/Mk 8:11-13

### TUESDAY FEBRUARY 17

Jas 1:12-18/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19/Mk 8:14-21

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-1

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14

4:00 PM Helen & Joseph Gembala+  
Peter & Catherine Kiec+  
Virginia Schaffer+

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15

7:30 AM Sam & Helen Baumann+  
Audrey Zurek+  
Lorraine Roethle+  
9:30 AM Mass for Fathers  
Mary Buczkiewicz+  
Nancy K. Gatto+  
11:30 AM Mass for Parishioners  
Peggy Rogers+  
Tomas P. Torres, Jr.+

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16

8:15 AM Carl Servin+  
Tom VanderSanden+  
Florence Budz+

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

8:15 AM Mary Lou Kavanaugh+  
Alice Stapel+  
Ann Rangel+

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

8:15 AM Kathy VanderJack+  
Sharon Clifford (Healing)  
Andrea Glynn+  
3:30 PM Ash Wednesday Prayer Service  
5:45 PM CFF Mass  
7:00 PM Mass for Parishioners

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19

8:15 AM Hildegard Vogelsang+  
Eugene Georges+  
Andrea Glynn+

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20

8:15 AM Jane Uecker+  
Josephine Vrotney+  
Stella Gerl+

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21

4:00 PM Stephen Smith+  
Frank Jurek+  
Eleanor Hunter+

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

7:30 AM Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus+  
Deborah Schmitt+  
Marilyn La Sala+  
9:30 AM Mass for Parishioners  
Nick Marino+  
Audrey Zurek+  
11:30 AM Mary & Harold Morgan+  
Lottie & Frank Wojtkowski, Jr.+  
Kenneth Porter+

+ Deceased

## THIS WEEK AT SAINT GEORGE

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15

	Annual Catholic Appeal
9:30 AM	Paczki Pick-Up After Masses (PLC)
9:30 AM	Bread & Word (MR 4)
10:30 AM	Children's Liturgy of the Word (RMR)
10:30 AM	Parish Registration (MR 1)
11:30 AM	Baptisms (Church)
5:00 PM	Adult Volleyball League (Gym)

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16

	No School
6:30 PM	Parish Office Closed
7:00 PM	Bible Study (MR 4)
7:00 PM	Finance Mtg. (MR 1)
7:30 PM	Al-Anon (O'CH)

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

10:00 AM	Bible Study (MR 3)
6:00 PM	Adoration (Church)
6:00 PM	SPRED II (SC, K)
6:00 PM	Youth Ministry (Gym)
6:30 PM	Caregiver Support Group (MR 4)
6:30 PM	Men's Club Mtg. (MR 3)
7:45 PM	GodSEND Reconciliation (Church)

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

	Aid for Church in Central & Eastern Europe Collection
8:15 AM	Ash Wednesday Mass (Church)
3:30 PM	Ash Wednesday Prayer Service w/ Ashes (Church)
5:30 PM	CFF GR. 1-8 (SGS, CC, O'CH, GR, G, K MR 1-4, BR, QR)
5:45 PM	CFF Ash Wednesday Mass
7:00 PM	Ash Wednesday Mass (Church)

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19

9:30 AM	CWSF Prayer Shawl Ministry (MR 4)
3:00 PM	Band (MR 1)
5:00 PM	Girls BB Pack the House (MR 1)
7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal (Church)
7:30 PM	Knights of Columbus (O'CH)

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20

7:00 PM	Bingo (O'CH, GR, K)
7:00 PM	Stations of the Cross (Church)

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21

	Annual Catholic Appeal
6:30 AM	TMIY (O'CH)
10:00 AM	Marriage Prep (Deacon's Rm.)
3:00 PM	Reconciliation (Church)
7:00 PM	Adult Volleyball (Gym)

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

	Annual Catholic Appeal
8:00 AM	Scouts Pancake Breakfast (O'CH)
9:30 AM	Bread & Word (MR 4)
9:30 AM	Children's Liturgy of the Word (RMR)
5:00 PM	Adult Volleyball League (Gym)



Saint George is on a journey to know, love, and serve Christ in our parish community. Together we must embrace Christ's vision for missionary discipleship so our parish can thrive and be a place for others to grow together in faith.

The very first step in this process involves assessing our greatest strengths and opportunities, and that is where the Disciple Maker Index (DMI) comes in! The DMI is an important survey tool that invites you to reflect on your discipleship journey here at Saint George. The Disciple Maker Index is designed to:

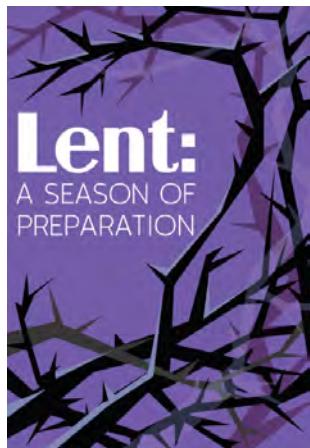
- Invite parishioners to reflect on their journey of discipleship.
- Enable parish leadership to make data-driven decisions.
- Help parishioners grow in their faith.

The 10–15-minute survey can be accessed through an online link from February 18 through March 29, and will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide your perspective on our parish's efforts to help you grow in relationship with Christ. All responses will be confidential, and the parish will only receive information about the community as a whole. The survey can be accessed through (<https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/p509c8>) or the QR Code below. The link will be active on Wednesday, February 18. Paper surveys will also be available for those who do not have the ability to complete the survey online.

Together we must embrace Christ's vision for missionary discipleship so our parish can thrive and be a place for others to grow together in faith.

Please continue to pray for this intention and for the growth and protection of our parish.





On Wednesday, February 18, we begin the holy season of Lent. Ash Wednesday provides an opportunity for everyone to come to pray and receive ashes. These forty holy days are intended for us to focus on prayer, fasting and almsgiving, as the readings on Ash Wednesday teach us. That day, the collection will go to Aid for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe per archdiocese instructions. Please come and begin your Lent well – pray with us!

## ASH WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 18

Masses with ash distribution will take place at 8:15 AM and 7:00 PM. A prayer service with ash distribution is scheduled at 3:30 PM.



## LENTEN REGULATIONS

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of Lent. Fasting is to be observed on Ash

Wednesday 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. The Men's Club will be sponsoring the evening on February 20.

Let us walk together in the footsteps of Christ.



## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The Parish Reconciliation Service will take place on Monday, March 23 at 7:00 PM.

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

## EUCARISTIC 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



Are you looking to grow in your faith? Are you settled in your faith-life? What are you seeking this Lent? Here at Saint George we are

offering a five week presentation and discussion called The Search. It is hosted by Chris Stefanick, with the support of theologians, scientists, physicians, artists and skeptics. The Search is an innovative video series and guide that will give us some tools to have meaningful discussions followed by necessary discernment in your faith journey. All are invited; those looking to challenge their faith journey, those who haven't yet found the path on their faith-journey, and those who are certain they are on the right path. The link below gives you a preview. <https://watch.formed.org/the-search/videos/the-search-trailer>.

Please join us on Monday evenings for a hot bowl of soup and valuable conversation. We will begin on February 23, and continue on March 2, 9, 23 and 30 at 6:30 PM.



"My whole family's giving up something for Lent. Mom's giving up cookies, Dad's giving up cake, and I'm giving up squash."



## LIVING AS A DISCIPLE CALLED, RENEWED, SENT

Step away from the busyness of life and into a day of reflection, renewal, and connection.

Saint George women and their friends are invited to explore what it means to live as disciples: grounded in faith, nourished by prayer, and inspired to carry God's love into the everyday moments of our lives.

**Saturday, February 28 – 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM**  
**Saint George Parish Life Center, Rooms 1, 2, and 3**

**Facilitated by Deacon Greg Bartos**

\$30 per person, pre-paid (Includes continental breakfast, lunch, coffee, tea, water and retreat materials)

All monies must be received by 1:00 PM on Monday, February 23. To prepay, place your money with your name (and the name of your friends) in an envelope with Women of Purpose and Women's Retreat on the envelope. Drop the envelope off at the parish office or put it in the collection basket.

Free will donations will be accepted for the Saint Vincent DePaul Society at the Retreat.

Any questions, please contact Kay Keating at 708-651-0089 or [mrsdcntim@yahoo.com](mailto:mrsdcntim@yahoo.com)

### PRE-ORDER SANDWICH LUNCH MENU

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Bread: Wheat  Marble  Rye  Wrap

Spread: Mayo  Yellow Mustard  Horseradish

Meat: Beef  Turkey  Tuna Salad  Chicken Salad

Cheese: American  Swiss  Cheddar

Side: Potato Salad  Italian Pasta Salad  Broccoli Salad

We will label each box with the person's name and selection.

## MEN'S RETREAT COMING MARCH 14

Hey everyone! We're excited to let you know that our men's retreat is just around the corner. It's a great chance to recharge your spirits for reflecting on our relationship with God, and enjoy some good times with friends of your church community. Last year's retreat was spiritually uplifting. Please save the date, March 14. Registration will start February 21 and 22 after the Masses, and continue the following weekend, February 28 and March 1. Registration forms will be available in the parish office starting February 16. Cost for the retreat is \$30.00.

*"Come away by yourselves to a secluded place and rest a while." – Mark 6:31*



### WE WELCOME INTO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH & THE SAINT GEORGE PARISH COMMUNITY



Madelynn Rose Triller

Daughter of Todd & Christine (Melant) Triller



Juliet Clare Allen

Daughter of Jared & Lindsay (O'Keefe) Allen

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE PARENTS & GODPARENTS!**

## WOMEN OF PURPOSE



A quick note of thanks to all the wonderful ladies that attended Bunco on Tuesday evening, January 27. Your enthusiasm, friendliness and energy made this event truly special. And extra thanks for all those incredible desserts and for your help in straightening up after. Hope to see you all Thursday, March 26!

Joan & Nancy from Women of Purpose

## 2026 TRI-PARISH LENTEN MISSION

### SAINT ELIZABETH SETON + SAINT JULIE BILLIART + SAINT GEORGE

### FEATURING FATHER JERRY KAYWELL

### WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A MISSIONARY DISCIPLE?

Pope Francis urged all Catholics to go out to be proclaimers of the Good News of Jesus Christ. To do that, we need to get out of our pews, and go out to the margins. We are called to meet people where they are and walk with them. How can we best show that Jesus is real and alive in our world today?



Father Jerry Kaywell is a Roman Catholic priest, currently serving as Pastor of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Punta Gorda, Florida. He is also an award-winning composer, producer, singer/songwriter and recording artist. In 1985 he recorded a Grammy-winning album, *Let My People Go*, with the gospel group the Winans. He was ordained in 1991 and has released two more albums since then.

Father Jerry's infectious joy is the result of a faith journey that took him from his native Florida, to studying with the Franciscan Fathers to Hollywood and back. Even in the face of a cancer diagnosis, Father Jerry has held firmly to his prayerful faith.

Father Jerry Kaywell will move you, challenge you and fill you with a renewed sense of God's true presence. You won't want to miss our 2026 Tri-Parish Lenten Mission with Father Jerry Kaywell!

**JOIN US!**

**MARCH 15, 16 AND 17 AT 7:00 PM**

**SAINT ELIZABETH SETON CHURCH, 9700 167TH STREET, ORLAND HILLS**  
**COME FOR THE JOY!**

### FIRST RECONCILIATION

The second graders from Children's Faith Formation and Saint George School made their First Reconciliation on Saturday, February 7. Thank you to all the parents and Catechists who helped them prepare for this special day.



## 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!



**PLEASE MAKE  
YOUR GIFT TO THE  
2026 ANNUAL  
CATHOLIC APPEAL**

### Together we bring light

Many families in our parish should have received the Annual Catholic Appeal mailing from Cardinal Cupich. On behalf of those served by the ministries of the parishes and schools that receive funding from the Appeal, we thank you for your gifts. Please return your response as soon as possible. The Annual Catholic Appeal offers us an opportunity to join with others and affirm that “together we bring light.” In addition to providing for ministries and services throughout the archdiocese, the Appeal also funds services that are of great help here in our parish. As we consider God’s many gifts to us, we should also reflect our gratitude by using and sharing those gifts. Your financial support for the work of our parish, our archdiocese, and the Church throughout the world is one way to express that gratitude. Please make a donation as you are able to the 2026 Annual Catholic Appeal.

## PLANNED GIVING

In today's Gospel, Jesus calls us to a deeper, more intentional way of living our faith (Matthew 5:17–37). A Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) from your IRA allows those age 70½ or older to make a tax-free gift directly to our parish. This gift may satisfy required minimum distributions while supporting the many vital ministries of our parish. Please contact the parish to learn more.

## STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

### JANUARY 31 - FEBRUARY 1

Weekly Offering / Holy Days	\$ 15,854.30
Weekly Offering / Holy Days-Budgeted	\$ 16,730.00
Difference	\$ (875.00)
School Fund	\$ 681.00
Sharing Parish: Lord of Mercy	\$ 384.00
Christmas Offering	\$ 250.00
Initial Offering	\$ 144.00
Church in Central & Eastern Europe	\$ 40.00
Saint Vincent de Paul	\$ 20.00
Church in Latin America	\$ 139.00
Fund for Retired Priests	\$ 10.00

### FISCAL YEAR 2026 YEAR-TO-DATE

YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days	\$ 531,998.80
YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days - Budgeted	\$ 518,630.00
YTD Difference	\$ 13,368.80

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.

## 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.

## SAVE THE DATE

Father Ken Fleck will be celebrating his 50th Anniversary on June 7.

More details to follow.



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

## THE LITTLE BLACK BOOK - LENT 2026



Books will be available at all Masses this weekend.

### How to use the "Little Black Book"

Imagine the tiny mustard seed that matures into a massive plant providing a home for the birds of the sky. That is what the Lord wants to do with our faith. Whatever effort we put in to growing our relationship with Him this Lent—big or small—God always puts in more.

This Little Black Book will help you dedicate six minutes each day (more if you like) to spend some quiet time with the Lord. It may not sound like much, but just picture the mustard seed. There is no telling how much God will enrich your faith by Easter.

The centerpiece of each day (except Sundays) is the Passion according to Mark, which is on the right-hand page. We will

walk through the whole Passion a little bit at a time and other reflections and prompts to help you become more familiar with hearing the Lord's voice in your life.

On the left-hand pages you will read stories of holy women and men, as well as interesting information about our Faith, and traditions.

We will not start reading the Passion until Ash Wednesday, but we will start being intentional about deepening our relationship with the Lord on Sunday, February 15 (the Sunday before Ash Wednesday). That gives us three days to prepare for a fruitful Lent.

Remember, whatever amount of time you give the Lord each day, he will never be outdone in generosity. Find a time that works for you and stick to it. There is no telling what transformation God may do in us over these next six weeks.

## THE CHALICE PROJECT - PRAY FOR VOCATIONS



Saint George started the Chalice Project on Sunday, November 30. Each week at Mass, a family can volunteer to take the gifts to the altar during the Offertory.

At the end of Mass, the family will be invited by the priest to come forward to receive the chalice and a blessing.

The family will then take the chalice home to display it in a prominent place in their home.

Each day for five days, during the family's prayer time, they will pray for an increase in vocations. Optional prayers will be provided. On the following Friday, the family will return the chalice so another family can take it home.

Please consider this as an opportunity for you to pray for an increase in vocations. Registration for this event is available on the website or by scanning the QR code on the right. Sign-up boards are also available in the narthex.



CHANGE LIVES THIS LENT

You are invited to participate in CRS Rice Bowl this Lent. CRS Rice Bowl is a Lenten program through Catholic Relief Services. It's an opportunity for us to recommit to coming together as a community to put our faith-in-action for our sisters and brothers in need around the world. At this very moment, millions of people are facing life-threatening levels of hunger, food insecurity and malnutrition. At the root of this crisis is a perfect storm of poverty, climate change, conflict and inequality. There is no one solution to breaking the cycle of hunger for every community around the world—but we can do our part through CRS Rice Bowl by answering Jesus' invitation to share bread for life with our sisters and brothers during Lent—so all may live with dignity. Throughout these 40 days, we will encounter families in Ghana, Guatemala and Timor-Leste families who are overcoming hunger through CRS Rice Bowl.

We'll learn about the principles of Catholic social teaching and ways we can put them into action. Furthermore, participating in the program will help us engage daily with the spiritual pillars of Lent: prayer, fasting and almsgiving. We invite you to pick up your rice bowl, take it home and use it to collect your family's alms. You'll also receive a calendar that offers short reflections for each day. You can visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) for stories, meatless recipes, prayers and more to enrich your Lenten journey. We are excited to take this journey with our community, and to connect our prayer and reflections to our global community of faith. Please pick up your Rice Bowl today at the entrances of church for your family.

Lent, time of... Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving





**DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 PM**  
**QUESTION ROUNDS START AT 7:00 PM**

**START FORMING YOUR TEAMS!**

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Cash Prizes and Split the Pot Raffle.

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[cfaricelli@stgeorgeschool.org](mailto:cfaricelli@stgeorgeschool.org)

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**DRAWING MARCH 21**

At roughly 1:30 PM

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Tickets are available at the School office and the Saint George Parish Office.

**TRIVIA NIGHT REGISTRATION FORM**

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Please make checks out to Saint George Athletics.

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## SAINT GEORGE SCHOOL

Congratulations to seven students who were inducted into the Junior Honor Society at Saint George School. This honor recognizes students who exemplify academic excellence, leadership, strong character, and a commitment to serving others—values that are lived out every day in our school.



## YOUTH MINISTRY - EIGHTH GRADE - HIGH SCHOOL AGE



### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Youth-led, Lenten Stations of the Cross Devotional Prayer Service: at Brookdale Assisted Living on Thursday, February 26, at Saint Elizabeth Seton on Friday, February 27 at Saint George on Friday, March 6 at Bickford Assisted Living on Wednesday, March 11, and at Saint Stephen Deacon & Martyr on Friday, March 27. We will lead these "Through the Eyes of a Teen." There are speaking and non-speaking parts. School or organization service hours will be signed off on. Please register via the GodSEND Website.



### TUESDAY NIGHT GATHERINGS

The next Tuesday Gathering will take place on February 17 from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM at Saint George. We will also have social time that includes open gym. Snacks and soft drinks will be provided.

For information regarding GodSEND Youth Ministry, follow the SES and SSDM Youth Ministry on the [ses\\_ssdm\\_youth\\_ministry](https://www.instagram.com/ses_ssdm_youth_ministry/) Instagram account for youth ministry events postings and Catholic Faith tidbits.

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

## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21 - 4:00 PM

Celebrant:	Father John
Deacon:	Tom Schlutzius
Eucharistic Ministers:	Raymond Bibzak - Cup Don Clark - Cup Mary Lou Lesiecki - Cup Sue Stanton - Cup Joyce Bibzak - Bread Cindi Patula - Bread Drew Roskos - Bread Mary Spengler - Bread
Lector:	Bob Wyatt

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22 - 7:30 AM

Celebrant:	Father John
Deacon:	Jerry Souta
Eucharistic Ministers:	Alice Graff - Cup Jim Newtoff - Cup Julie Newtoff - Cup Sandi Rogina - Cup Betsy Windish - Bread Paul Windish - Bread
Lector:	Rita Walker

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22 - 9:30 AM

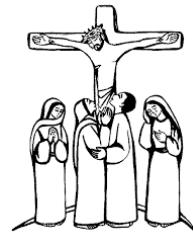
Celebrant:	Father Paul
Deacon:	Tim Keating
Eucharistic Ministers:	Catherine Adelakun - Cup Kevin Byczek - Cup Jennifer Galvin - Cup Kate Mitchell - Cup Nicole Olson - Cup Rosa Jimenez - Bread Thomas Kavanaugh - Bread Kay Keating - Bread Eva McCulley - Bread
Lector:	Ini Adelakun

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22 - 11:30 AM

Celebrant:	Father Paul
Deacon:	Greg Bartos
Eucharistic Ministers:	Frances Bouchard - Cup Jean Gaytan - Cup Diane Wawzenek - Cup Wally Wawzenek - Cup Tim Doyle - Bread Marge Gertos - Bread
Lector:	Bill Beckman

## CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL AND MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

On Good Friday evening, our teens will present the Living Stations of the Cross at Saint George Church. These will feature reflections with contemporary music between stations. We need Jesus, Mary, Simon, Veronica, Pilate, Roman and crowds both for and against Jesus as He makes His way to Calvary. There will be an organizational meeting in the Church on Wednesday, February 25 at 7:00 PM. All practices will be held in Saint George Church. (Enter at the East side door by the organ.) You are welcome to join us even if you cannot make every practice. Please help us by taking part. No lines to memorize. For more information, call Fran Fancsali at 708-828-1837, email ffatpts@ameritech.net, or leave your name in the CFF office.



Saint George First year Confirmandi - please note: This can be used as a service experience for your parish in your Confirmation Service Journal.

Wednesday, February 25 - 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Wednesday, March 4 - 7:00 PM to 8:00 pm

Wednesday, March 18 - 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Wednesday, March 25 - 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Wednesday, April 1 - 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Friday, April 3 - Possible Dress Rehearsal at 10:30 AM

## MAKE A LENTEN RESOLUTION TO VISIT HOLY FAMILY CHAPEL

With Lent almost here, consider making a Lenten resolution to visit Holy Family Chapel. 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.

Monday 8:00 PM, Thursday 9:00 PM and Friday 3:00 PM need 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, 8:00 PM; Tuesday: 2:00 PM; Wednesday: Noon, 1:00 PM; Thursday: 2:00 PM, 9:00 PM; Friday: Noon, 1:00 PM, 2:00 PM, 3:00 PM. If making a regular hour is difficult because your schedule changes, please consider becoming a substitute adorer by pressing "Become a Sub" (under "Weekly Commitment").

## SAINT GEORGE RESPECT LIFE

### PREGNANT, NEED HELP?

If you learn of a pregnant woman who is considering abortion, suggest that she call The Women's Center at 708-425-0707 (Evergreen Park), Aid for Women at 312-621-1100 (Flossmoor and downtown Chicago), PASS Pregnancy Care Center at 708-614-9777 (Tinley Park and South Holland), or Southside Women's Services at 708-229-0092 (Evergreen Park), depending on the location that would be more convenient. If there is a change of heart after taking the abortion pill, call 877-558-0333 or go to [AbortionPillReversal.com](http://AbortionPillReversal.com). There may still be time to save your pregnancy.

If you (or a person you know) needs to talk to someone to seek reconciliation and healing from an abortion, people are available who are ready to help you. Please call Project Rachel at 888-456-HOPE (4673), Post-Abortion Hotline at 800-5-WE-CARE, or Rachel's Vineyard at 877-467-3463.

### FLOSSMOOR 40 DAYS FOR LIFE VIGIL

Join the 40 Days for Life vigil at Planned Parenthood in Flossmoor on any day from February 18 through March 29. Thursday is a known abortion day, so that would be a good day for on-site prayer for the victims of abortion. Join other Saint George parishioners from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM on any Thursday from February 19 through March 26, or choose any hour from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM (ending

at 7:00 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 Hwy., or along the alley that runs east from Governor's Hwy. behind the Vollmer Road strip mall (parking spots facing Planned Parenthood).

This vigil is part of the national call for 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion running from February 18 through March 29 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). You can schedule your vigil time at [40daysforlife.com/en/flossmoor/](http://40daysforlife.com/en/flossmoor/)

### SAVE THESE DATES

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

February 18 through March 29 - 40 Days for Life (Planned Parenthood, Flossmoor)

Thursday, Marcy 19 - Illinois Pro-Life March scheduled in Springfield, Illinois

Saturday, April 18 - Women's Center Life Luncheon at Chevy Chase Country Club, Wheeling, Illinois

More details will be coming soon.



### THAT MAN IS YOU THE AGONY IN THE GARDEN

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21—6:30 AM TO 8:00 AM

This week our TMIY Lenten Journey officially begins with an examination of the Mysteries of the Rosary. Last week, Mark Hartfiel showed us the power and importance of prayer in the life of any Christian. This week, we reflect on the first Sorrowful Mystery, the Agony in the Garden, with a video presentation filmed on location in the Holy Land.

Jesus begins His passion in the garden knowing who He is fighting against, and who He is fighting for. As almighty God, Jesus allows Himself to suffer for the sake of our sins and for our salvation. Jesus calls each of us to fight against sin in the same way, through our sufferings.

Please join us on this journey as we walk with a lamp unto our feet! Don't forget, you are the light of the world. Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven!!

That Man Is You! invites ALL men to join us in O'Connell Hall at Saint. George School. Hot coffee and a hearty breakfast are available beginning at 6:30 AM, and our video program starts at 7:00 AM. To learn more about TMIY, please contact Gary at 708-614-1734 or [pghendzell@gmail.com](mailto:pghendzell@gmail.com).

### SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



In the Gospel Jesus says: "Whoever fulfills and teaches these commands shall be great in the kingdom of God."

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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.

## 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.

**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](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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