



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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to 1:00 PM Monday
through Friday

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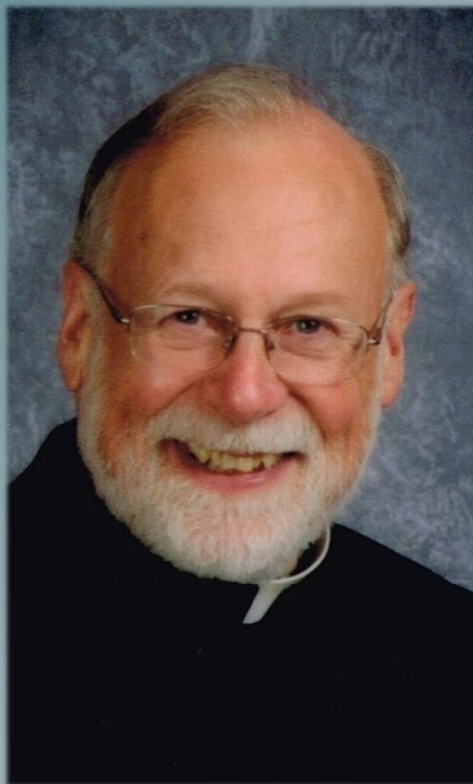
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THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
JUNE 7, 2026

CONGRATULATIONS FATHER KEN
ON 50 YEARS OF PRIESTHOOD



REVEREND KEN FLECK
ORDAINED - MAY 12, 1976

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FROM THE PASTOR



Fifty years ago, a young, fresh-faced Kenneth Fleck was ordained a priest. Over the next fifty years, Father Ken has touched countless lives through his kindness, concern and hard work. While his hobbies of gardening and baking can give the impression of a placid heart, and he certainly has that, Father Ken has often spoken out clearly about social justice issues which affect our country and our

lives. I am very grateful to Father Ken for his generous help at Saint George. Retirement certainly has not been entirely restful for him! May God continue to bless him with good health, meaningful ministry and a strong spirit.

In light of Father Ken's celebration, it is entirely appropriate that we celebrate the great Feast of Corpus Christi --- the Body and Blood of Christ. This is the great gift of Jesus, given at the Last Supper to the Apostles (and therefore the Church ever after), as a "new and everlasting covenant." It is difficult to capture the magnificence of what we experience at every Mass. Perhaps we have become all too comfortable with the miracle that occurs before our very eyes. Bread and wine become flesh and blood, a continual sacrifice offered for us on the cross and handed down to us today and for all generations. This is the Eucharistic action of the Mass. The gift, then, is Holy Communion, when we receive this mingling of our humanity with Jesus' divinity. We are then called to become what we receive. I wish I had the words to convey the majesty of what we experience.

On a much more pedestrian level, I'd like to mention a few points about receiving Holy Communion, just as a brush-up. First, we prepare. We do this by making sure there is room in our soul for Our Lord, and a good way of doing that is by throwing out the garbage. That happens when we go to confession and get rid of anything that takes up space meant for Jesus. The Church asks that we fast for one hour before receiving Communion. Practically speaking that amounts to about 20 minutes before Mass begins. It is a minor sacrifice but intended to gently remind us that the food we are about to receive is different from any other. And dress the part. The church is comfortably air conditioned, so appropriate attire is not too much to ask. I've been to a restaurant that has a sign that says, "No hats. No tank tops. No ringing phones." Not too much to ask for Mass, is it?

Secondly, our prayerful heart makes a difference. Did you ever notice that even on those rare occasions when Communion is offered outside of Mass, some portion of Scripture is read? I like to think of the Liturgy of the Word as The Promise and the Liturgy of the Eucharist as The Fulfillment. The Word reminds us what we are receiving. Our minds are set on Jesus in the Eucharist.

FROM THE PASTOR (CONTINUED)

Thirdly, we approach with reverence. The typical way is for the people to walk up in line. As you approach the minister, you make a simple bow (a nod of the head), put out both hands to receive (not take!) Holy Communion. When the minister says, "The Body of Christ" you respond with "Amen." That's it. Not "thank you" or other nice but incorrect words. Communion may also be taken on the tongue. In the United States, we receive Holy Communion standing. No genuflection or kneeling. On a very practical level, it saves us from the possibility of someone tripping over your feet. This may be different in other countries but this is the proper way to receive as delineated by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Sometimes, a person will receive Communion, then genuflect before the tabernacle. Habits die hard but keep in mind what is going on. You have just received Communion. To genuflect to the tabernacle is at best redundant --- it's the same thing. And sometimes the tabernacle is empty, so then it really doesn't make sense.

Fourth, you don't have to receive Communion. Some churches allow people to approach the altar as they see fit. Ushers do not signal them to line up. This may sound very disorganized but it also takes away the sense of being forced to go up. "If I don't go up with everyone else, then people will think...." Who cares? It isn't for anyone else to guess or judge why a person goes or does not go to Communion. That decision is made between that person and God alone. A special note in this area: our Eucharistic ministers are instructed to never ever refuse to give someone Communion, regardless of what they think they may know about a person's background, thinking or life. Those judgments are not for us to make. The presumption is always that a person approaches the altar in good faith.

Fifth, we remain to get our marching orders. After receiving the Body and Blood of Christ, we are filled with spiritual power to invigorate our work in God's vineyard which is not in His house. It is outside the walls of the church. There are several choices to be used to dismiss us from Mass. One is quite stark. "Go! The Mass is ended." GO! You've heard the Word, you've been fed, now work off some of those spiritual calories. Get to work. And if we haven't received Communion, we need to go about the interior work of reconciliation so we can go about the work of transforming the world. THAT is what the Body and Blood of Christ is all about!



THIS WEEK AT SAINT GEORGE

SUNDAY, JUNE 7

- 9:30 AM Bread & Word (MR 4)
- 11:30 AM Father Ken's Anniversary Mass (Church)
- 12:30 PM Father Ken's Anniversary Party (Gym)
- 1:00 PM Baptisms (Church)

MONDAY, JUNE 8

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

TUESDAY, JUNE 9

- Daybreak Shelter
- 10:00 AM Bible Study (MR 3)
- 6:00 PM Adoration (Church)
- 6:30 PM Baptismal Prep. (MR 1)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10

- 6:00 PM Summer Band

THURSDAY, JUNE 11

- 9:30 AM CWSF Prayer Shawl Ministry (MR 1)
- 6:30 PM Grief Support (MR 4)
- 7:30 PM Knights of Columbus (BR)

FRIDAY, JUNE 12

- Home Build (Saint Michael)
- 7:00 PM Bingo (Gym)
- 7:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal (Church)

SATURDAY, JUNE 13

- Fair Trade Before & After Masses
- Priests Health & Retirement Collection
- Home Build (Saint Michael)
- 8:30 AM Lay Carmelites (MR 3)
- 2:00 PM Wedding (Church)
- 3:00 PM Reconciliation (Church)
- 7:00 PM Adult Volleyball (Gym)

SUNDAY, JUNE 14

- Fair Trade Before & After Masses
- Priest Health & Retirement Collection
- 9:30 AM Bread & Word (MR 4)
- 9:30 AM Grief Support Blessing (Church)
- 11:30 AM Flag Day Mass (Church)
- 5:00 PM Followed by Reception
- Adult Volleyball (Gym)



WEDDING BANNS

Kevin Barrera & Mayela Ruiz
June 13, 2026

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JUNE 6

4:00 PM Helen Gemballa+
Charlotte Trama+
Joseph Maluck+

SUNDAY, JUNE 7

7:30 AM Richard Borrmann+
Tony Ray Smiley+
Mass for Parishioners

9:30 AM William M. Nolan+
Roy & Rose Stambaugh+
Joseph & Irene Spyttek+

11:30 AM Mass for Mothers
Russ Carroll+
Fred Murphy+

MONDAY, JUNE 8

8:15 AM Theresa & Stanley Cetera+
Tom Ballard+
Judy Bruning+

TUESDAY, JUNE 9

8:15 AM Pasquale & Lucia Disabato+
Dennis Drozd+
Max Floyd+

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10

8:15 AM Peter Pantarotto+
Sol Guiang+
Joan Rachowicz+

THURSDAY, JUNE 11

8:15 AM Rose Stambough+
Joe & Audrey Panek (66th
Wedding Anniversary)
Justin Miller+

FRIDAY, JUNE 12

8:15 AM Donald King+
Donna Houlihan+
Mary Kay Jennrich+

SATURDAY, JUNE 13

4:00 PM Mass for Parishioners
Sandra Cassidy+
Eugene Georges+

SUNDAY, JUNE 14

7:30 AM Judy Culver+
Evelyn Hearne+
Sam Baumann+

9:30 AM Matthew Nicholas Berry+
John Jakala+
Cristina Quatrini+

11:30 AM Mass for All Souls
Enrique Gonzalez Cruz+
Dr. Elseworth Philip+

+ Deceased

HEAVENLY FATHER, WE PRAY FOR...

OUR SICK...

Patrick Amtman, Arlene Astrowski, Paul Baio, Terrence Baker, Claudette Bialka, Don Borus, Dominick Byrne, Grace Caffee, Brent Caruso, Laurie Cassidy, David Charleston, Brittany Clausius, Debbie Clausius, Sharon Clifford, Terri Cobban, Margaret Concannon, Pat Conroy, Diane Cosgrave, Paula Dettmann, Dorothy Dolan, Julia Donohoe, Abigail Fanscali, Elmer Flannagan, Jennifer Godzer Grimm, Rafael Gomez, Marirose Grosschadl, Harleigh H., Tom Heenan, Gil Herrera, Diane Herse, Jace Hettinger, Michael Hogan, Paul Hosso, Sandra Jakala, John Jacobsen, Mary Kelly, Beverly Klosowski, Paul Larsen, Donald Lavey, Frank Lesinski, Carol Manow, Francisco Marcos, Kelsey Mercado, Cynthia Metzger, Robert Metzger, Kathleen Mohan, Katie Moran, Deborah Mraz, Cath Murphy, Patricia Murphy, David Murray, Fred Neidermeyer, Judy Nelson, Brian O'Connor, Bria and Baby Omatto, Mario Ortigara, Baby Vincent Nicholas Pacheco, Deacon Joe Panek, Pat Paul, Hailey Polk, Janice Pumfery, Wendy Radtke, Jack Ramey, Renee Randell, John Rangel, Bernadine Raymond, Eunice Robey, Ronald Rose, Loretta Schultz, Theresa Schultz, Jay Scott, Marilyn Seaman, Rita Shanklin, 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, Colette Verdun, James Walker, Ed Weston, Barbara Rose Whalen, Julie Wigboldy, JoAnne Wojcik, Edward Worner, Bob Wyatt

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...

Father William O'Mara, Patricia O'Brien, Shirley Wydra

OUR MILITARY...

Please pray for those serving in the military, and for a peaceful and just solution to conflict and violence.

SSG Matthew Daliege (Army)

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.

DAILY ROSARY

Please join us to pray the rosary before the morning Mass Monday through Friday starting at 7:45 AM.



JUNE FAIR TRADE SALE WILL BE ONE WEEK LATER JUNE 13-14 AFTER THE WEEKEND MASSES

Let's do some Fair Trade shopping and help our world neighbors.

Items always ready to put into your cart are: Organic Divine Chocolate from Ghana, and assorted organic teas and coffees from around the world. Try a new flavor of tea. It's iced tea season!! The Colorado Women's Bean Project Soup mixes taste great summer or winter. Dried Mangos from Burkina also make great nutritious snacks. Palestinian Madjool Dates are simply delicious.

Stop by and do some Fair Trade shopping. By buying Fair Trade products, you make a difference in the lives of farmers and their families around the world.

We are always looking for a little more help. For information or to volunteer after a mass on the first Sunday of the month, please call Angie Brady 708-341-3644.



Building Partnerships • Building Relationships • Building Community

7TH ANNUAL MULTI-PARISH MISSION PROJECT

"Let Us Build A House
Where Love Can Dwell"

June 12-13, 2026

Hosted By Parishes of Vicariate V:
Saint Francis of Assisi, Saint Elizabeth Seaton,
Saint George, Saint Julie Billiart, Saint Michael,
Saint Stephen Deacon and Martyr, Saint Damian

Build Site – Saint Michael

Registration is open to all who want to help.
Children will have to register with an adult.

For information call Angie Brady at 708-341-3644.



ATTENTION ALL VETERANS AND ACTIVE-DUTY MILITARY

Sunday, June 14 is Flag Day in the USA. As our country's flag signifies purity, valor and justice, so too have our veterans served with honor and

sacrifice. To honor our Veterans and Active-Duty Military, Saint George will celebrate Flag Day and our military at the 11:30 AM Mass on June 14.

All Veterans, Active Duty, military families and parishioners are invited to attend and support each other. A special tribute will be paid to John Scaglione, a World War II Veteran who is over 100 years old. All attending veterans past and active will receive a commemorative coin as a thank you gift from Saint George Parish in recognition of their service.

Light refreshments will be offered afterward in the Cahill Center. Please plan to join us, share your stories and service as together we celebrate God and Country.



Sponsored by the Saint George Men's Club

WINDY CITY THUNDERBOLTS VS. GATEWAY GRIZZLIES SATURDAY, JUNE 27 - 6:05 PM

At Ozinga Field in Crestwood

Cost - \$25 Per Ticket

Includes all you can eat hot dogs, hamburgers,
chips and soda.

Tickets will be available in the Parish Office. Payment should be in cash or check made payable to the Windy City Thunderbolts.

Elvis Night with Postgame Fireworks -
Live Pregame Entertainment Featuring
"John Elvis Lyons" (4:15 PM - 5:30 PM)

All kids can run the bases after the game.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

MAY 23-24, 2026

Weekly Offering / Holy Days	\$	13,039.00
Weekly Offering / HolyDays -Budgeted	\$	16,730.00
Difference	\$	(3,691.00)
School Fund	\$	225.00
Sharing Parish: Lord of Mercy	\$	109.00
Catholic Charities	\$	241.00
Easter Offering	\$	135.00
Fund for Retired Priests	\$	10.00
Peter's Pence	\$	5.00
Saint Vincent de Paul	\$	25.00

FISCAL YEAR 2026 YEAR-TO-DATE

YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days	\$	791,747.45
YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days - Budgeted	\$	786,310.00
YTD Difference	\$	5,437.45

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.



SECOND COLLECTION - JUNE 12-13 OUR PROMISE TO OUR PRIESTS



The annual collection benefitting HEALTHCARE, WELLNESS AND RETIREMENT for the priests of the Archdiocese of Chicago will take place next weekend.

Priests have dedicated their lives to ministry, serving our needs as Catholics from the moment we are baptized until we receive last rites before entering eternal life. Priests' Health and Retirement/PRMAA provides for the health and well-being of 365 active and 251 retired archdiocesan priests.

Thank you for your generosity!

Donations can also be made at prmaa.org.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Saint George Church does not "pass the basket" during the offertory. Instead, please drop your contributions in the collection boxes located near the pews in church.

Next week we have a second collection. Please be sure to use the envelope provided in the packet sent home. If you don't have it, please use the envelopes in church and mark accordingly.

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 rbeemsterboer@stgeorge60477.org or 708-532-2243.



Thank you for your generosity!

PLANNED GIVING

Gospel: John 6:51-58

Reflection: Jesus stated, "Whoever eats this bread will live forever." A charitable gift annuity becomes a way for believers to share in Christ's mission of providing life giving bread and be generous while providing nourishment to our parish. **Takeaway of the Week:** Let us continue to eat this bread and live forever.

What can I render to the Lord for all he has done for me? (Psalm 116:12-13) As stewards of our faith, you can express your gratitude for God's gifts and help ensure that God's work on earth continues by considering a charitable gift annuity. When you establish a charitable gift annuity with the archdiocese, not only will you receive fixed payments for life, but you can designate your parish as the remainder beneficiary.

For More Information Contact: Renee Beemsterboer at 708-532-2243 or rbeemsterboer@stgeorge60477.org with any additional questions or Deacon Greg Vogt, Philanthropy Officer, Archdiocese of Chicago at 312-995-0686 or gvogt@archchicago.org.

WEEKLY READINGS

SUNDAY, JUNE 7

Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58

MONDAY, JUNE 8

1 Kgs 17:1-6/ Ps 121:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Mt 5:1-12

TUESDAY, JUNE 9

1 Kgs 17:7-16/ Ps 4:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8/Mt 5:13-16

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10

1 Kgs 18:20-39/ Ps 16:1b-2ab, 4, 5ab and 8, 11/Mt 5:17-19

THURSDAY, JUNE 11

Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3 (580)/Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13/Mt 5:20-26

FRIDAY, JUNE 12

Dt 7:6-11/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 10/1 Jn 4:7-16/Mt 11:25-30

SATURDAY, JUNE 13

1 Kgs 19:19-21/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10/Mt 5:33-37

SUNDAY, JUNE 14

Ex 19:2-6a/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5/Rom 5:6-11/Mt 9:36-10:

MAKE SUMMER VISITS TO HOLY FAMILY CHAPEL

Summer is almost here. Plan some time this summer for visits to Holy Family Chapel. Seek meaning and new insights about the challenges of everyday life by visiting Jesus for guidance. 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 monsternace 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 and Wednesday 11:00 AM 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, 8:00 PM; Tuesday: 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, JUNE 13 - 4:00 PM

Celebrant: Father Ken Fleck
Deacon: Greg Bartos
Eucharistic Ministers: Raymond Bibzak - Cup
Mary Lou Lesiecki - Cup
Charlene Yock - Cup
Ron Yock - Cup
Joyce Bibzak - Bread
Carey Murray - Bread
Linda Sobeck - Bread
Jack Yock - Bread
Lector: Linda Jones

SUNDAY, JUNE 14 - 7:30 AM

Celebrant: Father Paul
Deacon: Jerry Souta
Eucharistic Ministers: Lynda O'Brien
Gail Copley - Cup
Julie Newtoff - Cup
Teri Radtke - Cup
Mary Spengler - Cup
Phyllis Hendzell - Bread
Ray Schulze - Bread
Lector: Gary Hendzell

SUNDAY, JUNE 14 - 9:30 AM

Celebrant: Father Ken
Deacon: Tom Schutzius
Eucharistic Ministers: Catherine Adalakun - Cup
Ini Adalakun - Cup
Kevin Byczek - Cup
Tim McCabe - Cup
Kate Mitchell - Cup
Tim Doyle - Bread
Dennis Hogan - Bread
Nicole Olson - Bread
Teri Richmond - Bread
Lector: Chris Schroeder

SUNDAY, JUNE 14 - 11:30 AM

Celebrant: Father Paul
Deacon: Tim Keating
Eucharistic Ministers: Fran Fancsali - Cup
Kay Keating - Cup
Diane Wawzenek - Cup
Wally Wawzenek - Cup
Eric Susnis - Bread
Shirley Wiesenthal Grivakis - Bread
Lector: Cynthia Tongsy

SAINT GEORGE SCHOOL

Our eighth graders made unforgettable memories on their Chicago trip! They took creative pictures at “The Bean” and experienced fabulous views from the Skydeck Chicago. They explored amazing wildlife at Lincoln Park Zoo, enjoyed laughs and great food at Ed Debevic’s, and wrapped up the day making memories along the waterfront at Navy Pier. It was a day filled with fun, friendship, and many memorable moments for the Saint George Class of 2026!



WHAT MAKES CATHOLIC SCHOOLS SPECIAL

SAINT GEORGE SCHOOL

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

SPIRIT— GRACE—SUCCESS

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

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

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


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



**SAINT GEORGE
BLOCK PARTY**


**SAVE THE DATE
SUNDAY
AUGUST 23
12:00 PM - 6:00 PM**

Save the date for a lively block party filled with community spirit, laughter and positive energy. It will be a great opportunity to connect with parishioners, make new friends and celebrate our parish's unique unity.
(More details to follow)

**SAINT GEORGE
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

Guardians of Virtue:
God's Superheroes




Boot Camp for Teen Leaders
July 6-10 - 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Actual Vacation Bible School
for children entering first through sixth grade
July 20-24 - 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Skits Crafts Games Snacks Prayer
Bible Stories Saints

Come learn about the Cardinal and Theological Virtues, and the Bible Figures and Saints who embodied them! For more information, contact the Religious Ed office or Fran Fancsali at ffatpts@ameritech.net.

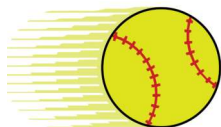
To access the registration forms, please visit <https://stgeorge60477.org/vacation-bible-school-2/> or click on the QR code on the right.





YOUTH MINISTRY EIGHTH GRADE - HIGH SCHOOL AGE

2026 Co-ED 8TH GRADE—HIGH SCHOOL AGE YOUTH 16" SOFTBALL



MONDAYS,
JUNE 8 — AUGUST 10
6:30 PM START.
ARRIVE 6:00 PM - 6:15 PM

All games played at Saint Christina Fields,
3271 West 111th Street, Chicago.
Transportation on youth's own.

Bats and softballs provided.

A completed parent/guardian registration
form, located on the GodSEND Website
(sendyouthministry.org must be turned into
John Sobol before a player can compete.

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, or visit the
website at <https://sendyouthministry.org>.

POPE LEO XIV ON PONTIFEX



It is precisely when faced with adverse
circumstances that the human
person is called to reconsider the
fundamental questions that have
gently prodded the heart of countless
generations to more serious reflection:

"Where are we going? Toward what
goal do we wish to orient ourselves? What direction
should we choose as a people and as a human
community?"

LIVE THE LITURGY

The starving Israelites found their physical
salvation in manna, "a food unknown to your
fathers." We find our spiritual salvation in the
Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, a food unknown
to too many souls. Blessed are we to partake of
the Bread of Life.

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CREATION CARE CORNER



*"The pace of consumption, waste and
environmental change. . . can only
precipitate catastrophes..." " Truly much
can be done!" – Pope Francis*

ELECTRIC VEHICLES: A CREATION CARE BENEFIT?

Transportation emissions in the United States are a
large source of both air pollution and climate-
warming greenhouse gas emissions (GHGs). The
Iran war's oil price shock, which has pushed the US
national average above \$4 per gallon has reignited
consumer interest in EVs. But are there creation care
and economic benefits to making the switch?

When comparing EVs to gas powered vehicles, EVs
typically are a creation care benefit. According to
the US Dept. of Energy, electric vehicles today
produce 46% fewer GHGs than comparable gasoline
powered vehicles on a life cycle basis. Whether it is
an economic benefit depends on numerous factors,
including whether you have a garage to charge the
vehicle, the current price of gas, the number of miles
you drive, and state electricity rates. The equivalent
"cost per gallon" for average EV charging costs is
less than \$1.65 per gallon for most states. A vibrant
EV used car market could accelerate the payback
calculation. Don't forget other emission reducing
alternatives like reducing # of vehicles/family,
driving less, and using public transportation. For
more information: <https://tinyurl.com/CCCEVinfo>

FATHERS' DAY MASSES



Each Father's Day, it is a custom
to have a Novena enrollment of
Masses for living and deceased
Fathers. The Novena consists of
twenty Masses celebrated

throughout the year beginning on Father's Day.
Envelopes and cards to enroll your Father are
available at the exists of the church. Please fill out the
enrollment envelope and place it in the collection
basket between now and Fathers' Day.

Please visit the **Saint George Website**
for additional information about Saint George
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DAYBREAK SHELTER

Well, it's June so it must be getting close! And with June, it's time for another Daybreak visit.

This Tuesday, June 9, we will meet at 3:30 PM in back of Saint George by the Parish Life Center to carpool over to Daybreak. If you are interested in coming, please let us

know so we can you down on the list of those attending. Parking is sparse so carpooling is the way to go if possible, and we don't want to leave anyone behind. If you need to drive yourself, just let us know so that we don't wait for you.

As always, if you are able to provide something, or if you are not able to attend but would still like to take part by preparing or providing something for us to take, we welcome your help. Just ask and we will fill you in on what we need.

Please contact Fran Fancsali at ffatpts@ameritech.net for further information.



REMEMBER ME

We have a communication vehicle called "Remember Me".

We will email notification of funerals at Saint George to anyone who requests this service. If you wish to be included in this email group, please send your email address to Barbara Black in the parish office at bblack@stgeorge60477. You will be responsible for notifying us of any change in an email address.

If you have any questions, contact Barbara Black at bblack@stgeorge60477.org



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UPCOMING EVENT

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This is a free event. A light meal will be included.

THURSDAY, JUNE 11 - 6:00 PM
I'M THE POWER OF ATTORNEY - NOW WHAT?

Being named as agent under the Power of Attorney (POA) is an important role. The documents giving the authority are black and white. But, the situations a POA must resolve often deal in the grays and those answers are not always easily found. This presentation explores real-life, decision-making scenarios and from-the-trenches solutions that will help POAs and professionals who need them to learn ways of supporting the vulnerable adult.

Registration Info: Raychel Techman, 708-401-8622, rtechman@franciscancommunities.org.

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- Receive helpful resources for reporting senior financial exploitation.

Wednesday, June 17 at 2:00 PM

Hosted at the Oak Lawn Public Library
9427 S. Raymond Avenue in Oak Lawn

Palos Heights Recreation Center
6601 W. 127th Street, Palos Heights, Illinois

To register or receive more information, please call 708-422-4990



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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.

SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Today as we celebrate the gift of the Body and Blood of Christ let us pray for those who are hungry, malnourished and starving.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul so that together we can help those who are hungry.

By your gift to the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul you will reveal the love of the "Good Shepherd" to your suffering brothers and sisters. 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.



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.



SAINT GEORGE MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY



Our initial meeting on May 19 for our parish's mental health ministry was great! After watching the video "How to Start a Mental Health Ministry", we had an enthusiastic discussion. At our next meeting, we will discuss what our parish can do to address the stigma of mental illness and how we can be a safe and welcoming community for persons who live with a mental illness.

To inform our discussion on these topics, we will review resources from these websites: catholicmhm.org/resources-topic and catholicmhm/chicago. We also hope to form a Mental Health Ministry Team. Please pray for our parish's mental health ministry!

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, June 17 at 6:30 PM in the church narthex. We hope to see you there!

MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY

FEATURED ON THE POPE'S PRAYER NETWORK

We pray that mental health ministry becomes an integral ministry in the Church that is available in every Catholic parish and community.

We pray for the elimination of the stigma and discrimination that people living with a mental illness encounter. Visit clicktopray.org or download the app in your preferred App Store.

Visit the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network at www.popesprayer.va

THE POPE'S PRAYER NETWORK MONTHLY PRAYER FOR MENTAL HEALTH - JUNE 2026

Pope's Prayer Intention for June: For the Values of Sport

This month the Pope's prayer intention is for the values of sports.

Sports celebrate excellence and achievement, and they can be good for our mental health, spirit and body and help build community. But the "win-at-all-cost" attitude all too often found in sports can negatively impact our mental health. We are more than our worst game, best performance, or most anxious day. Pope Leo XIV has said sports are healthiest when they do "not idolize performance but recognizes the dignity of those who play." Let us pray that sports support mental health and promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

The International Association of Catholic Mental Health Ministers (<https://www.catholicmhm.org/click-to-pray>)



SAINT GEORGE RESPECT LIFE

SPARE CHANGE RETURN DATE

Thank you for your great interest in the Spare Change Saves Babies project. If you are saving your spare change to save babies at the Women's Center, please mark your calendar for the weekend of June 20-21. That is the weekend to return your baby bottle to church. Even if you forgot and your bottle is empty, please return it so it can be reused. Thanks so much for your generous support to help save unborn children and assist their mothers

VIGIL AT PLANNED PARENTHOOD IN FLOSSMOOR

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

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

HOLY HOUR OF PRAYER

You are invited to a Holy Hour of Prayer on Wednesday, June 17 from 6:00 AM to 7:00 PM in the chapel at Saint Stephen's, 17500 S 84th Ave, Tinley Park Illinois. Let us come before the Lord in Eucharistic Adoration to defend life, bring healing, and ask for His mercy on our world. Our focus will be celebrating our fathers in recognition of Father's Day. We honor and pray for all fathers that they may be strengthened in faith, love, and guidance.

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.

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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