



SAINT GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH

FAITH, COMMUNITY AND SERVICE

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - AUGUST 9, 2026



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8:45 AM to 3:00 PM

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through Friday

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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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FROM THE PASTOR

OK, old joke --- two young boys get in trouble in school, so the good sister sends them both to the parish priest. He separates the boys, and angrily asks the first, "Where is God?" The boy is confused and frightened. "WHERE IS GOD?" the priest asks again. "I don't know, Father!" the boy responds. "Well, you better find out, if you know what's good for you!" The boy is sent out, and told to send the other boy in. The second boy asks, "What's it all about? What does he want?" And the first boy says, "God is missing and they think we've got Him!"

That joke is so old it's got whiskers, but the priest's question is a good one. In fact, it is the fundamental question of our lives: Where is God? Seeking God and understanding God's action in our lives is part of us finding ourselves --- our purpose, our reason for existing. Knowing where God is, and the role God plays in our lives helps us to become that full human being God created us to be.

In today's first reading, Elijah is waiting for God to pass by. He looks for God in all the mightiness of nature --- the wind, an earthquake, a fire. But God does not make Himself evident in any of those. No. God is revealed in a tiny, whispering sound. Perhaps there is a lesson in all that. Too often when we see people talking about God, they are full of bombast and phony promises. And always --- always --- God is on their side. Claiming to have God in our back pocket is the ultimate hubris. Standing in arrogance before God is a very dicey position, and one that only a fool would assume. God's voice is often quiet and still. In order to hear it, we also must be quiet and still, with a large dose of humility included.

As you know, August 15 is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is the day we recall that Mary was taken up to heaven, so that no bit of the corruption of death would touch her. Her holiness and her unique place in God's plan as the Mother of Our Savior forbids it.

Ordinarily, this holy day required Mass attendance. Since this year it falls on a Saturday, the obligation to attend Mass is lifted. However, if you wish to come, we will be offering a special Mass on Saturday, August 15 at 8:15 AM. (And no, it doesn't count for the weekend!) All are welcome to join us. We offer our prayers and ask that Our Blessed Mother would intercede on our behalf.

There are a number of projects at the parish. The school flooring on the lower level is being replaced. We are sealing the school foundation to prevent future floods. We are also having more electricity brought to the building so we can supply new air conditioning for the classrooms. While that is going on, we are investing the most cost-effective method of cooling the rooms. The school is working hand-in-hand with the parish as we plan for raising funds. This is a big project but an important one. Stay tuned.

HEAVENLY FATHER, WE PRAY FOR...

OUR SICK...

Patrick Amtman, Arlene Astrowski, Paul Baio, Terrence Baker, Claudette Bialka, Don Borus, Dominick Byrne, Grace Caffee, Helen E. Carroll-O'Brien, 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, Rosemarie Gunnell, Harleigh H., Tom Heenan, Geraldine Hernandez, Gil Herrera, Diane Herse, Jace Hettinger, Michael Hogan, Paul Hosso, John Jacobsen, Sandra Jakala, Mary Kelly, Beverly Klosowski, Paul Larsen, Donald Lavey, Frank Lesinski, Carol Manow, Francisco Marcos, Jack McGrury, Kelsey Mercado, Cynthia Metzger, Gunner Metzger, Robert Metzger, Kathleen Mohan, Katie Moran, Deborah Mraz, Cath Murphy, Patricia Murphy, David Murray, Fred Neidermeyer, Judy Nelson, Brian O'Connor, Robin O'Connor, Bria and Baby Omatto, Mario Ortigara, Baby Vincent Nicholas Pacheco, Deacon Joe Panek, Dennis Parsons, Pat Paul, Janice Pumfery, Wendy Radtke, Jack Ramey, Renee Randell, John Rangel, Bernadine Raymond, Eunice Robey, Ronald & Linda Rose, Jon Schlange, 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, Matt Taylor, Sara Taylor, Marge Thomas, Dennis Torii, Marlene Torii, Noreen Torii, Leslie Vaicik, Stella Vaicik, Colette Verdun, Diana Vish, James Walker, Sharon Waltrich, Ed Weston, Barbara Rose Whalen, Roy Wick, Julie Wigboldy, JoAnne Wojcik, Edward Worner, Robert 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...

Kevin Quain, Lawrence Hitzman, Sabina Zymantas, Charles Holup, Rafael Hernandez, Patricia Bruno, Dennis Egan, Joyce Hart

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), Anthony Savary (Air Force)

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

4:00 PM David Smith+
Nick Marino+
Eugene Georges+

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

7:30 AM Mass for Parishioners
Mary Lou Kavanaugh+
Judy Culver+
9:30 AM Cristina Quatrini+
Tomas P. Torres, Jr.+
Frank Wostkowski, Sr.+
11:30 AM Mass for Fathers
Joseph M. Tholl, Sr.
Paul J. Shallcross+

MONDAY, AUGUST 10

8:15 AM Diana Malesevich+
Francesco Palombi+
Tammy Thomas+

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11

8:15 AM Tari Goldstein+
Special Intentions for Dolores Schury
Michael J. Janicek+

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12

8:15 AM Pauline Goodman+
Clarita Guiang+
Frank Podbielniak+

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

8:15 AM Eugene Georges+
Alan Ray Littleton Sr.+
Elizabeth Cunningham+

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

8:15 AM Lois Sullivan+
Mary Koliman+
Christine Sawyer+

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

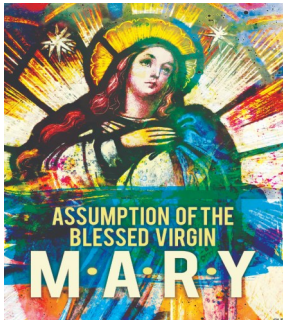
4:00 PM Ray Lipinski+
Mass for Parishioners+
Sandra Cassidy+

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

7:30 AM Reverend Donald Cahill+
Noreen Taglioli+
Robert Baader+
9:30 AM Mass for All Souls
Cristina Quatrini+
Ron Jablonski+
11:30 AM Deceased Members of the Knights of
Columbus+
Joseph Sues+
Elizabeth Bennett+

+ Deceased

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION



Saturday, August 15, is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Since the feast falls on a Saturday in 2026, it is not considered a Holy Day of Obligation and Mass attendance is not required. However, as brothers and sisters of Jesus Christ, please consider honoring our Blessed Mother Mary on her special day by attending Mass in her honor.

Mass will be celebrated at Saint George on Saturday, August 15 at 8:15 AM.



PARISH REGISTRATION

If you are new to our church or just visiting, please introduce yourself. We are happy to share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you do not have a church home, we invite you to become a part of our parish.

The Saint George Parish Registration Team is happy to announce that registration for new parishioners will take place next Sunday, August 16, AFTER the 9:30 AM Mass in the Parish Life Center, Meeting Room 1.

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

TINLEY PARK FOOD PANTRY

Donations of non-perishable food for the Tinley Park Food Pantry can be brought to Saint George Church on the third weekend of each month. The next collection will take place next weekend (August 15-16). Thank you for your generosity!



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

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

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - 2026



Nineteen teens led twenty-nine campers in a weeklong exploration of the Cardinal and Theological Virtues at this year's Vacation Bible School: "Guardians of Virtue: God's Superheroes." Throughout the week, through puppet lessons, Bible stories, dance, crafts and games, our campers learned about the seven virtues and saints who have served as models for us. They studied Blessed Justo Takayama (fortitude), Saint Agnes of Montepulciano, (prudence), Saint Josephine Bakhita (justice), Saint Mark Ji Tianzing (temperance) and Saint Maximilian Kolbe (faith, hope and love).

Over the course of the week, they prayed a walking rosary, visited the Adoration chapel to recite the Divine Praises, prayed the Litany of Mary at our Marian shrine, and took part in a prayer service to ask Jesus to wash away all signs of injustice in our world. Our week ended with a Mass for all the families followed by a pizza party and some water fun in the sun. Many thanks to Abby Fancsali for designing the program and writing all the material, to Sheila Swillum for donating all the superhero capes the campers decorated and helped out on site, to Shirley Grivakis for helping to feed all our hungry teens and helped out onsite, to Kelly Rojas and Jeanne Lassandrello for all their support, to adult helpers on hand Karen Ortigara and Kris Hattendorf, to Deacon Tom for his daily presence and support, and to our wonderful maintenance staff who cleaned up after our messes each day! Hope to see everyone back next year!



ST. GEORGE BLOCK PARTY

- All Are Welcome! -

 Sunday, August 23 **12:00 PM - 6:00 PM**

 176th Street & Church Grounds

 **JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF
FUN, FOOD & FELLOWSHIP!**

 **DJ Van**  **Pie-Eating
Contest**  **Games
for Kids**  **Split-the
Pot**  **Chat-Tastic
Balloons** 

FOOD TRUCKS
Nicky V and The Scoop
Tasty Local Favorites!

CHARITY DONATION
Supporting My Joyful Heart
We are collecting the following items:

- Boys & Girls: Underwear (sizes 6-16 - briefs, boxers, high waisted)
- Warm PJ's: Sizes 6-16
- White Socks: Youth 10 to Adult 9

Your generosity makes a difference.

EVERYONE IS INVITED!
Volunteers Needed – Contact Sandy at snowcat827@hotmail.com



My Joyful Heart

Sharing the love of Christ with
Chicagoland's children in need

We will be collecting items for My Joyful Heart at the Block Party. Joyful Heart is a unique children's charity that provides both life's basic essentials and letters of encouragement to Chicagoland area children in need. The items they need are boys' and girls' underwear (sizes 6-16, briefs, boxers, high waisted), warm pajamas (sizes 6-16), and white socks (size youth 10 to adult size 9).

Also if people would like to donate \$5 gift cards (but no more than \$5) for the birthday bags that are put together for each child (Dunkin, McDonalds, etc.).



WOMEN OF PURPOSE

On Wednesday September 2, the kiddos will be back in school and we will still have a week until Labor Day, so take some time for yourself by attending our Women of Purpose meeting at 7:00 PM on September 2.

We will be planning for our Cookie Exchange on October 14, our fall Advent By Candlelight and our Turkey Raffle.

Saint Paul told us that there are many gifts and that none needs to be the same as that of someone else: your giftedness will be a blessing as we strive to fulfill our mission of service, spiritual and social activities to the parish and each other.



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

Liam Arthur Wittenborn
Son of Martin Wittenborn & Tricia Love

Elleri Xolani Lopez
Daughter of Gustavo Lopez & Ximena Guarneros

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE
PARENTS & GODPARENTS!**



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.



On behalf of the Tinley Park Food Pantry, we would like to offer our deepest gratitude to the parishioners of Saint George!

You have supported the pantry with food, clothing, donations and prayers!

We happily add school supplies to that list! The 100+ kids picking up a backpack will be so excited to have what they need to start the new school year!

Thank you for your generous hearts and most importantly for your prayers. Knowing there are caring folks in the world makes all the difference to those who are struggling.

God bless you.

ALL INVITED

Get ready for an exciting new school year!

BACK TO SCHOOL

BOOK BAG BLESSING MASS 9:30 AM
FOLLOWED BY OUR SCHOOL
OPEN HOUSE

RAINBOW CONE TO PURCHASE!

CATHOLIC BOOK FAIR!

MEET THE TEACHERS, ORGANIZE YOUR DESK,
& MUCH, MUCH MORE!!

AUGUST 16, 2026
ST. GEORGE SCHOOL
We are waiting for you!

708-532-2626 www.stgeorgeschool.org
6700 W. 176 Street Tinley Park, Illinois

ALL ARE WELCOME

Catholic Book Fair

Where Stories Come Alive

August 16, 2026
10:30 TO 12:30

Enjoy shopping for Catholic books for all ages and occasions.
Where: St. George Parish
"Cahill Center"

6700 W. 176 Street
Tinley Park, Illinois
www.stgeorgeschool.org



ENJOY A SWEET TREAT AFTER THE
9:30 AM AND 11:30 AM MASSES!

RAINBOW CONE ICE CREAM TRUCK

RAINBOW CONE WILL BE SELLING SWEET TREATS FROM 10:30 AM TO
12:30 PM IN THE PARISH PARKING LOT.



ENJOY | AUGUST 16, 2026

SAINT GEORGE DRAGON GOLF CLASSIC

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

George W. Dunne
National Golf Course
16310 Central Avenue,
Oak Forest, Illinois



PRIZES FOR:

- Longest Drive
- Beat the Priest
- Hole in One
- Closest to the Pin

AVAILABLE PRIZES FOR AN ADDITIONAL DONATION:

- Split the Pot
- Liquor Cooler Raffle
- Golf Ball Drop Contest

TICKET PRICES

Individual Players - \$160
Before August 19
Group of 4 - \$560
After August 19
Group of 4 - \$600
Lunch & Drinks
Included

For registration or more information,
visit www.stgeorgedragonsgolf.com or
contact Cathy Faricelli at
cfaricelli@stgeorgeschool.org
or text: 708-607-5859



WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15 - 4:00 PM

Celebrant: Father John
 Deacon: Greg Bartos
 Eucharistic: Raymond Bibzak - Cup
 Ministers: Joanne Saidikowski - Cup
 Sue Stanton - Cup
 Michael Woolf - Cup
 Joyce Bibzak - Bread
 Sharon Prokop - Bread
 Drew Roskos - Bread
 Shirley Roskos - Bread
 Lector: Mary Spengler

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16- 7:30 AM

Celebrant: Father Paul
 Deacon: Tom Schutzius
 Eucharistic: Kay Keating - Cup
 Ministers: Pat Kukula - Cup
 Betsy Windish - Cup
 Paul Windish - Cup
 Cathy Munoz - Bread
 Teri Radtke - Bread
 Lector: David Whitaker

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16 - 9:30 AM

Celebrant: Father Paul
 Deacon: Jerry Souta
 Eucharistic: School Teachers
 Ministers:
 Lector: Tim McCabe

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16 - 11:30 AM

Celebrant: Father John
 Deacon: Tim Keating
 Eucharistic: Frances Bouchard - Cup
 Ministers: Tim Doyle - Cup
 Jean Gaytan - Cup
 Karen Kiner - Cup
 Mary Cermak-Vis - Bread
 Shirley Wiesenthal Grivakis - Bread
 Lector: Tom German

WEEKLY READINGS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Rom 9:1-5/
 Mt 14:22-33

MONDAY, AUGUST 10

2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/
 Jn 12:24-26

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11

Ez 2:8-3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103,
 111, 131/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12

Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4,
 5-6/Mt 18:15-20

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

Ez 12:1-12/Ps 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62/Mt 18:21-19:1

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Mt 19:3-12

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/
 Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

MAKE SUMMER VISITS TO HOLY FAMILY CHAPEL

Summer is going fast. 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 thirteen 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.

New adorers are needed on Monday 7:00 PM and Tuesday 3:00 PM. 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, 7:00 PM; Tuesday: 1:00 PM, 3:00 PM; Wednesday: Noon, 1:00 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 adoror by pressing "Become a Sub" (under "Weekly Commitment").



WEDDING BANNS

Brian Priestly & Byranna Decicco
 August 29, 2026



OCIA—ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

**BEGINNING THE JOURNEY,
COME AND SEE**

Joining the Catholic Church is a major decision—one that is both exciting and life-changing. It offers an opportunity to deepen your personal faith and strengthen your relationship with God, others, and yourself. If you are searching for something more, have questions about the faith, or want to grow closer to God, I encourage you to consider OCIA. You will find more than information—you will find a welcoming community and a journey that may change your life forever. Perhaps you, or someone you know is wondering where to begin this journey. If so, welcome! We are honored to accompany all inquirers of the Catholic faith.

One of our recent candidates Tim Bolin who came into the Catholic Church from another Christian religion in 2023 offered a bit about his background and his thoughts on the experience.

I attended RCIA several years ago after a discussion with my wife Krystyna Bolin who had been attending Saint George Church. My daughter Isabelle Bolin also attended classes at Saint George Church, and was Baptized and Confirmed when she was in middle school. I would just like to say that I am very proud to be a part of St. George Church and attend whenever my schedule allows and would like to thank Jeanne and Father Paul and few others for helping me during this process.

If you or someone from your family like Tim have expressed an interest in this process, the OCIA next step is simple. Please contact Jeanne Lassandrello at jlassandrello@stgeorge60477.org or 708-532-8211.

I would be happy to answer your questions and help you move forward in your discernment process.

We are currently accepting participants for OCIA. In collaboration with Saint Elizabeth Seton Parish, Saint Julie Billiart and Saint Stephen Parish, we offer a rich and diverse experience that fosters learning, prayer, fellowship, and spiritual growth. We look forward to welcoming you on this journey of faith.

Jeanne Lassandrello
Director of Faith Formation

**Called to
Make a Difference!**

St. George Parish

**WE NEED
CATECHISTS
&
CATECHIST ASSISTANTS (AIDES)
& SUBS**

We are looking for
energetic, faith-filled
individuals to help form
our young disciples
as they grow in their
relationship with **Jesus**.

Share your Faith. Change a Life.



INTERESTED? CONTACT:

Kelly Rojas

**DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S
FAITH FOUNDATION**

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or call 708-532-8211

POPE LEO XIV ON PONTIFEX



Let us pray together that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.



STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

JULY 25 & 26, 2026

Weekly Offering / Holy Days	\$ 15,404.10
Weekly Offering / HolyDays-Budgeted	\$ 17,500.00
Difference	\$ (2,095.90)
School Fund	\$ 122.00
Sharing Parish: Lord of Mercy	\$ 148.00
Missionary Co-Op	\$ 55.00
Church in Poland	\$ 10.00
Easter Offering	\$ 75.00

FISCAL YEAR 2027 YEAR-TO-DATE

YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days	\$ 59,217.43
YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days - Budgeted	\$ 70,000.00
YTD Difference	\$ (10,782.57)

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.

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!



THIS WEEK AT SAINT GEORGE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

9:30 AM	Bread & Word (MR 4)
5:00 PM	Adult Volleyball League (Gym)

MONDAY, AUGUST 10

6:30 PM	Finance Meeting (MR 1)
7:30 PM	AI-Anon (O'Ch)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11

	Daybreak Shelter
	White Sox Bus Trip
6:00 PM	Adoration (Church)
6:30 PM	Baptismal Prep. (MR 1)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12

5:30 PM	CFF Catechists Dinner (MR 1)
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THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

9:30 AM	Prayer Shawl Ministry (BR)
7:30 PM	Knights of Columbus (MR 1, 2, 3)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

	Christian Book Fair (MR 1) - All Day
7:00 PM	Bingo (O'CH, GR, K)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

	Christian Book Fair (MR 1) - All Day
3:00 PM	Reconciliation (Church)
7:00 PM	Adult Volleyball (Gym)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

	Christian Book Fair (MR 1) - All Day
9:30 AM	Bread & Word (MR 4)
9:30 AM	Family Mass - Book Bag Blessing (Church)
10:30 AM	Parish Registration (MR 1)
10:30 AM	SGS Open House - School
11:30 AM	Baptisms (Church)
5:00 PM	Adult Volleyball League (Gym)



Bulletins

Never Miss Our Bulletin: Have it emailed to you automatically every week. Go to ParishesOnline.com and enter Saint George in the search area. Click the Subscribe button on our parish page.

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

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In this Gospel, Jesus immediately stretched out His hand and caught Peter, and said to Him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?"

Please help the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul bring respite and hope to the elderly who cannot find relief from the summer heat, and you will bring them faith and hope!"

This week, please say a special prayer each day for the poor and forgotten in our parish. 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. Confidentiality and compassion are the cornerstones of our ministry.

The generosity of our parish community continues to make a meaningful difference. Because of your support, the Saint Vincent de Paul Society has been able to assist seventeen neighbors in need just this month, providing more than \$7,000 toward food, rent, auto repairs, and essential utilities such as water, gas, and electricity.

At this time, we are experiencing a significant increase in requests for assistance, and our available funds are being depleted quickly. Without placing a burden on anyone, we humbly ask that, if you are able, please consider a donation to the SVDP poor boxes located at the exits of church. Your gift will help us continue serving families in urgent need.

We are truly grateful for your ongoing compassion and generosity, and we keep you in our prayers.

CREATION CARE CORNER



"...IT IS ESSENTIAL TO 'SENSE' THAT THE EARTH IS 'OUR COMMON HOME.' POPE BENEDICT XVI

AVOIDING THE "OSTRICH EFFECT"

Pope Francis challenged us to be on guard against the psychological tendency to minimize the climate crisis.

"As often occurs in periods of deep crisis which require bold decisions, we are tempted to think that what is happening is not entirely clear. Superficially, apart from a few obvious signs of pollution and deterioration, things do not look that serious, and the planet could continue as it is for some time. Such evasiveness serves as a license to carrying on with our present lifestyles and models of production and consumption. This is the way human beings contrive to feed their self-destructive vices: trying not to see them, trying not to acknowledge them, delaying the important decisions and pretending that nothing will happen." (LS 59)

Against the alarming situation with our common planetary home, Pope Francis asked, "What kind of world do we want to leave for those who come after us...?"



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. These days have strengthened my hope. Not only because of what we shared, but because of the way we did so. In a time marked by polarization, even the way in which the Church listens and engages in dialogue becomes part of her proclamation. If we are able to continue seeking the will of the Lord together, allowing ourselves to be guided by the Holy Spirit, I am certain that our communion will become ever more fruitful for the mission of the Church and for service to the entire human family. 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 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 773-283-1400, 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. 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.

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, August 13.

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



YOUTH MINISTRY EIGHTH GRADE - HIGH SCHOOL

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>.

SAVE THE DATE; GODSEND YOUTH MINISTRY MASS AND BARBEQUE KICKOFF

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2026
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All 8th–12 th Grade youth and their families are invited to build on their relationship with God and each other at the 5:00 PM Mass; followed by a fellowship meal and family fun.



Stay tuned for more details and registration.

THE POPE'S PRAYER NETWORK

MONTHLY PRAYER FOR MENTAL HEALTH - AUGUST: FOR EVANGELIZATION IN THE CITY.

This month the Pope's prayer intention is for evangelization in the city.

Large cities can be vibrant places full of life and diversity, but they are also often marked by anonymity and loneliness.

Many people in our cities quietly carry mental health challenges and mental illnesses such as anxiety, depression, or addiction; living anonymously behind apartment doors, on crowded streets, or in homelessness. Pope Leo XIV said, "So many people who suffer from different experiences of depression and sadness—they can discover that the love of God is truly healing."

Let us pray we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel in our cities, discovering creative paths to build community and be a source of mercy and hope.

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





An event focused on healthy, positive aging in our community.

We walk through aging with our loved ones, be they family or friends, so let's celebrate aging with them too! We're adding more and more bonuses to our Pathlights AgeWell Walk Celebration, perfect for people of any age. Come join the party, whether you walk or not. Walk, wheel, or stroll on a 1/2 mile paved trail around the park.

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REGISTRATION COST:

\$25 - Pay by September 7
 \$30 - Pay after September 7

Registration can also be
 completed in
 the church office.



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.

ANOIDTING 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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