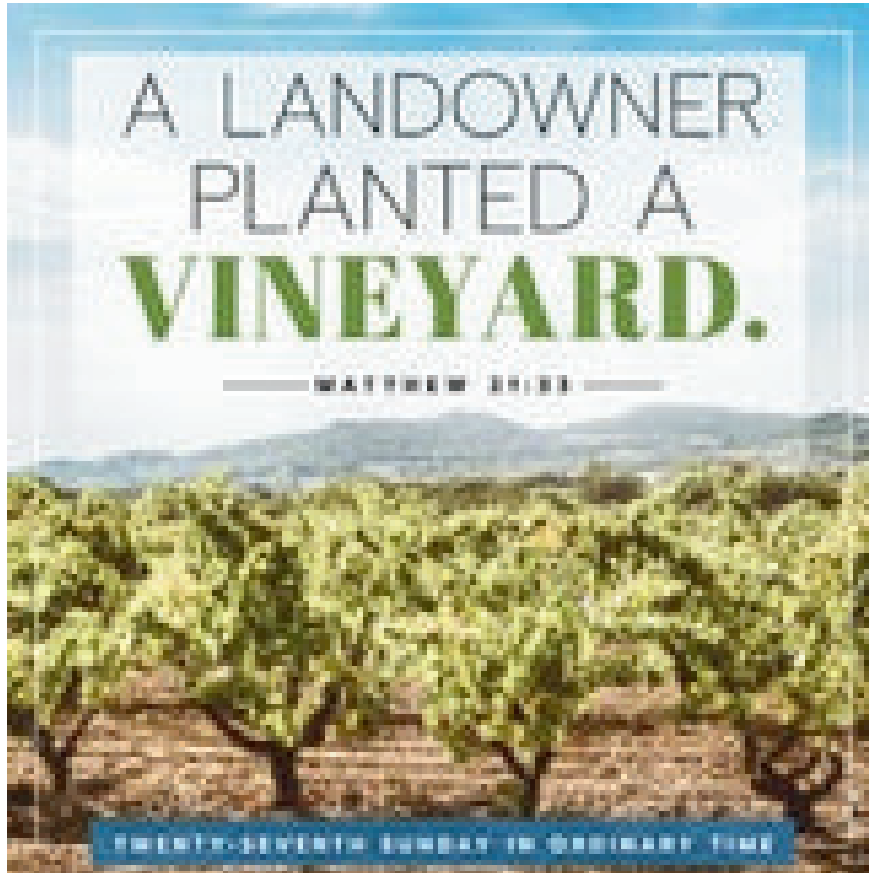




# SAINT GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH

## FAITH, COMMUNITY AND SERVICE

**Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time – October 4, 2026**



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Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM  
Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM and 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  
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## A Message from the Pastor



This Sunday, at the end of the 11:30 AM Mass, we will be offering the Sacrament of the Sick. This sacrament is among the most misunderstood. For many years, and even now, I sometimes hear people refer to "Last Rites." That gives the impression

that the sacrament is only for those at death's door, a final gasp of faith. Not at all! The Sacrament of the Sick is a prayer to ask for healing – in whatever way the person most needs it, whether that be in body, mind or spirit. In other words, we pray that the person will receive the healing most beneficial for their salvation. Does that mean the person will be physically healed? Could be. But as a people of faith, we know that is not the most important healing we seek. It is the healing of our spirit we most desire

A couple weeks ago, we heard Saint Paul, in his Letter to the Philippians. In his letter, he seems to be thinking out loud about his fate, his ministry and his life when he writes: Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me life is Christ, and death is gain. If I go on living in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. And I do not know which I shall choose. I am caught between the two. I long to depart this life and be with Christ, for that is far better. Yet that I remain in the flesh is more necessary for your benefit.

Paul longs to be with Jesus, as we all do, but he also realizes his responsibility in carrying out his mission. Each of us has a role in the mission of Jesus Christ. For some that is in active living, as married people, parents or active in good works and ministry. For some, it is in quiet, mediation and prayer. For others, it is in suffering, a suffering that is intimately connected with that of the suffering of Jesus on the Cross. No one wants to suffer. And we don't want to see our loved ones suffer. Fortunately, in the vast majority of cases, physical pain can be controlled. That makes Illinois' recent law allowing physician assisted suicide all the more reprehensible. But when we join our suffering --- physical, mental or spiritual --- with that of Jesus, it becomes redemptive. Offering our pain and suffering for our soul and the good of the world is a virtue and a holy gift.

The Sacrament of the Sick offers us the opportunity to turn over our suffering to Our Lord. And it is available any time. If you're hurting, in pain, going through extended therapy or going into the hospital, please ask a priest for the Anointing of the Sick. Do not wait until "the last minute." Give yourself the comfort of God's healing grace.

As you know, I recently led a pilgrimage to France. That trip will be repeated this coming April. Brochures are available at the exits. An information meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 21 at 7:00 PM in the Parish Life Center. If you've always wanted to see the Eiffel Tower, pray at Notre Dame Cathedral or at the convent of Saint Terese of Lisieux, or walk the beaches of Normandy in honor of our World War II vets, join us on October 21 for more information.

## 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, Orazio Castelli, 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, James Kapocius, Mary Kelly, Beverly Klosowski, Arthur Kozlowski, 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, Ronald & Linda Rose, Dorothy Saunders, 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, 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

Julia Perez, Margaret Hamilton, Timothy Fou, Joseph Mellots, Joseph Patrick Kodl, Cynthia Ann Costalunba, Carmela Maloney

### Our Military

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

Anthony Savary (Air Force)

Nicholas Forgione-Naval Officer

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, October 3

4:00 PM Helen Doherty+  
Carl Servin+  
Nick Marino+

### Sunday, October 4

7:30 AM Charlotte Borrmann+  
Lydia Mayer+  
J. Robert Mayer+

9:30 AM Mass for Parishioners  
John Jakala+  
Richard Keating+

11:30 AM Fred Murphy+  
Eugene Georges+  
Kathy Vrablic+

### Monday, October 5

8:15 AM Audrey Zurek+  
Lupe & Pedro Sevallos+  
Charles Hollup+

### Tuesday, October 6

8:15 AM Barbara Mason-Sullers+  
Eugene Georges+  
Roseann Viktora+

### Wednesday, October 7

8:15 AM Nancy K. Gatto+  
Edward Rokos+  
Eugene Georges+

### Thursday, October 8

8:15 AM Frank Narcisi+  
Michael & Kathleen Coccaro+  
Lois Deely+

### Friday, October 9

8:15 AM Reverend Mark Beard+  
Barbara Mason-Sullers+  
Sharon Waltrich+

### Saturday, October 10

4:00 PM Stephen Rucnak+  
Eleanor Hunter+  
Deceased Members of the  
Brady Family+

### Sunday, October 11

7:30 AM Mass for Parishioners  
Florence T. Budz+  
Mary Lou Kavanaugh+

9:30 AM Mass for Mothers  
Joseph & Irene Spytek+  
Pat & Jim Laasch  
60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

11:30 AM Robert Woollet+  
Intentions for Janine &  
Tom McGrath  
Robert & Bernice Schmidt+  
Tom & Mary Hernon+

## Weekend Mass Schedule

### Saturday, October 10 - 4:00 PM

Celebrant Father Paul  
 Deacon Tom Schutzius  
 Eucharistic Ministers Mary Lou Lesiecki - Cup  
 Cindi Patula - Cup  
 Drew Roskos - Cup  
 Joanne Saidikowski - Cup  
 Raymond Bibzak - Bread  
 Sue Stanton - Bread  
 Michael Woolf - Bread  
 Jack Yock - Bread  
 Lector Bob Wyatt

### Sunday, October 11 - 7:30 PM

Celebrant Father Paul  
 Deacon Tim Keating  
 Eucharistic Ministers Kay Keating - Cup  
 Gary Ryczyn - Cup  
 David Whitaker - Cup  
 Paul Windish - Cup  
 Teri Radtke - Bread  
 Teri Ryczyn - Bread  
 Lector Betsy Windish

### Sunday, October 11 - 9:30 PM

Celebrant Father John  
 Deacon Greg Bartos  
 Eucharistic Ministers Catherine Adelakun - Cup  
 Thomas Kavanaugh - Cup  
 Nicole Olson - Cup  
 Nancy Opyd - Cup  
 Ini Adelakun - Bread  
 Dawn Bartos - Bread  
 Ann Floyd - Bread  
 Lisa Hummitsch - Bread  
 Lector Bob Iggin

### Sunday, October 11 - 11:30 PM

Celebrant Father John  
 Deacon Jerry Souta  
 Eucharistic Ministers Frances Bouchard - Cup  
 Tim Doyle - Cup  
 Fran Fancsali - Cup  
 Jean Gaytan - Cup  
 Marge Gertos - Bread  
 Eric Susnis - Bread  
 Lector Tom German

## Weekly Readings

### Sunday, October 4

Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9 and 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

### Monday, October 5

Gal 1:6-12/Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 and 10c/Lk 10:25-37

### Tuesday, October 6

Gal 1:13-24/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/Lk 10:38-42

### Wednesday, October 7

Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Lk 11:1-4

### Thursday, October 8, 2026

JGal 3:1-5/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Lk 11:5-13

### Friday, October 9

Gal 3:7-14/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 11:15-26

### Saturday, October 10

Gal 3:22-29/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 11:27-28

### Sunday, October 11

Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-1

## Holy Family Chapel

School is in session. Stop in for a visit 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 adorer by pressing "Become a Sub" (under "Weekly Commitment").



## Saint George Altar Server Ministry Training

This fall, we will be offering Altar Server Training for students in 4th grade and up. This is a fantastic opportunity for our children to serve their parish community. It is also a great way to learn more about the Mass and participate in a unique way. We become disciples of Christ when we follow His request "feed my sheep." That is what service is all about.

Students must be Catholic and able to receive Eucharist to serve in this ministry

Training Dates:

- Tuesday, October 6 and Thursday, October 8 from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM.
- Saturday, October 10 from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM.

This usually takes about an hour and students are expected to attend at least THREE SESSIONS.

We now have online registration for trained altar servers to access and put in their available times and dates each month. When your child has completed the training and feels comfortable, we will have him/her paired up with experienced servers for a time. Servers who feel they would like further training are welcome to join us.

Please return this form to the parish office or place it in the Collection Bins at the entrance of the Church on Sunday addressed to the attention of Deacon Greg Bartos or return this via email to [gbartos@stgeorge60477.org](mailto:gbartos@stgeorge60477.org)

STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_

SAINT GEORGE: (check one) School \_\_\_\_\_ CFF \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name for contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Best Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## This Week at Saint George

### Sunday, October 4

|          |                                      |
|----------|--------------------------------------|
|          | Fair Trade (Church)                  |
| 8:30 AM  | Family First Sunday (Cahill Center)  |
| 9:30 AM  | Fifth Grade Family Mass (Church)     |
| 9:30 AM  | Bread & Word (MR 4)                  |
| 9:30 AM  | Children's Liturgy of the Word (RMR) |
| 11:30 AM | Anointing Mass (Church)              |
| 1:00 PM  | Baptisms (Church)                    |
| 5:00 PM  | Adult Volleyball League (Gym)        |

### Monday, October 5

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

### Tuesday, October 6

|          |                                  |
|----------|----------------------------------|
| 10:00 AM | Bible Study (MR 3)               |
| 12:00 PM | Kick Start                       |
| 4:00 PM  | Altar Server Training (Church)   |
| 6:00 PM  | Adoration (Church)               |
| 6:30 PM  | Mental Health Ministries (MR 3)) |
| 7:00 PM  | OCIA Meeting (MR 1 & 2)          |
| 7:00 PM  | SPRED II (SC, K)                 |

### Wednesday, October 7

|         |                                                     |
|---------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| 3:30 PM | Children's Choir (Church)                           |
| 5:30 PM | CFF GR 1-8 (SGS,CC, O'CH, GR, G, K, MR 104, BR, QR) |
| 7:00 PM | SPRED (Rm. 205)                                     |

### Thursday, October 8

|         |                                   |
|---------|-----------------------------------|
| 9:30 AM | CWSF Prayer Shawl Ministry (MR 1) |
| 3:00 PM | Band (MR 1)                       |
| 4:00 PM | Altar Server Training (Church)    |
| 6:30 PM | Grief Support (MR 4)              |
| 7:00 PM | Choir Rehearsal (Church)          |
| 7:30 PM | Knights of Columbus (MR 1, 2 & 3) |

### Friday, October 9

|         |                         |
|---------|-------------------------|
| 7:00 PM | Bingo (O'CH, GR, K)     |
| 7:00 PM | Musical Rosary (Church) |

### Saturday, October 10

|          |                                  |
|----------|----------------------------------|
| 6:30 AM  | TMIY (O'C)                       |
| 8:30 AM  | Missionary & Prayer Group (MR 2) |
| 9:30 AM  | Lay Carmelites (MR 4)            |
| 12:00 PM | Altar Server Training (Church)   |
| 3:00 PM  | Reconciliation (Church)          |
| 7:00 PM  | Adult Volleyball (Gym)           |

### Sunday, October 11

|         |                                      |
|---------|--------------------------------------|
| 8:30 AM | Bread & Word (MR 4)                  |
| 9:30 AM | Children's Liturgy of the Word (RMR) |
| 1:00 PM | Tail Gate Party (MR 1, 2 & 3)        |
| 5:00 PM | Adult Volleyball (Gym)               |

## Stewardship

September 19-20, 2026

|                                                  |                |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Weekly Offering / Holy Days                      | \$ 13,841.00   |
| Weekly Offering / Holy Days Budgeted             | \$ 17,500.00   |
| Difference                                       | \$ (3,659.00)  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection: Seminarian Education | \$ 1,562.00    |
| School Fund                                      | \$ 185.00      |
| Sharing Parish: Lord of Mercy                    | \$ 140.00      |
| Church in Poland                                 | \$ 10.00       |
| Saint Vincent de Paul                            | \$ 151.00      |
| Propagation of the Faith                         | \$ 30.00       |
| Fiscal Year 2027 Year-To-Date                    |                |
| YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days                  | \$ 183,733.18  |
| YTD Weekly Offering / Holy Days Budgeted         | \$ 210,000.00  |
| YTD Difference                                   | \$ (26,266.82) |

## 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](http://www.stgeorge60477.org) to learn how to make your weekly or monthly donations or use the 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 [rbeemsterboer@stgeorge60477.org](mailto:rbeemsterboer@stgeorge60477.org) or 708-532-2243. Thank you for your generosity!



## Wedding Banns

Robert Millhuff & Alexandria Hollendonor  
October 17, 2026



We welcome into the Catholic Church & the Saint Catherine of Siena-Saint Lucy & Saint Giles Community

### Camille Raphaelle Cappos

Daughter of Zachary & Samantha Cappos

### Mayla Cecelia Panek

Daughter of Michael & Emily Panek

### Violet Celeste Thai

Daughter of Buong Thai & Leah Stoecker

### Rocco David Cavalieri

Son of Mark & Jessica Cavalieri

### Ava Elizabeth Boekeloo

Daughter of Ryan & Molly Boekeloo

Congratulations to the  
Parents & Godparents!



We recently welcomed the following people into our parish community

Norman W. & Susan M. Brown

Steve Cissna & Dagmara Sokol & their son  
Maximus Sokol

Kuba Sokol



## Saint George Respect Life

### Life Chain - Sunday from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM

LIFE CHAIN IS HERE. Please remember to stand up for LIFE on Sunday, October 4 from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM. The location assigned to Saint George is the north side of 159th Street in front of Harbor Freight (7520 W 159th). Parking is available near 159th street in Harbor Freight's lot. Gather there to obtain signs. To allow time for distribution of signs, we recommend that you arrive by 2:00 PM. Join your fellow parishioners in this peaceful, prayerful, and truly life-saving response to abortion.

### Prayer Vigil in Orland Park

Please plan to join a prayer vigil to be held at Orland Park Planned Parenthood. We will gather along the public sidewalk extending from 14470 LaGrange Road in Orland Park. This vigil will take place from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM on Monday, October 5, 2026. Parking is available in the Orland Chateau lot (14500 S. LaGrange Road), but please park in the back. Even if you can only stop by for a short time, please join us. Show your concern to protect our teenagers from Planned Parenthood. Pray for the conversion of Planned Parenthood's staff.

### Pro-Life Holy Hour

You are invited to a Pro-Life Holy Hour on Tuesday, October 13 at 6:00 PM in church. We will pray before the Blessed Sacrament for true respect for all human life from conception to natural death. Please come to pray that our nation will be converted to a culture of life.

### Flossmoor Planned Parenthood Vigil

Please join us during 40 Days for Life for a vigil at Planned Parenthood in Flossmoor from 10:00 PM to 11:00 AM on Thursdays from October 8 through October 29. These are known abortion days so Saint George Pro-Life is encouraging on-site prayer on these days for the victims of abortion. Saint George will focus on 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM to pray 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). For more information, call Bill Beckman at 708-429-2762.



## Saint Vincent de Paul Society

### Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

The good news of this Gospel is that all we need to do is let God tend us and bring us to produce good fruit. All we need do is be faithful; God will take care of the rest.

Please help the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul to bring the love and mercy of Jesus to those who feel left out and abandoned.

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 to arrange a confidential conversation. Confidentiality and compassion are the cornerstones of our ministry.

## Creation Care Corner



"Praise be to you my Lord, through our Sister, Mother Earth, who sustains and governs us...."  
— St. Francis of Assisi

### Protect and Respect God's Gift of Nature

The Season of Creation ends October 4 on the Feast of Saint Francis. Pope Leo XIV declared this The Year of Saint Francis and Pope John Paul II declared Francis the Patron Saint of Ecology. Love opened Saint Francis to the divine mystery at the heart of everything. He realized that the God of his life was the God of every life and he called all creatures "brother and sister." Everything in creation spoke to Francis of God. Each and every thing, no matter how small or seemingly insignificant, had infinite value because it reflected God in its own unique being.

Francis attended to every creature with grace and respect. He lived in solidarity with all creation because his life was part of every other life—all were bound together in the compassionate love of God. His life shows that when we live in the gift of God's merciful love, we live with a new reality of belonging together, bound in the heart of God's mercy.

—Ilia Delio, OSF Earth Community and Mercy Consciousness excerpts



**31st Annual  
Great Lakes Catholic  
Men's Conference  
Saturday, November 21**



Recently, we heard it again straight from Christ's lips: it doesn't matter at what hour you show up. The landowner calls workers at dawn, at noon, and at the eleventh hour, and pays them all the same.

That's not a business model, Deacon Jerry. **That's grace.**

The Great Lakes Catholic Men's Conference is your call into the vineyard. One day. Powerful speakers, Confession, Adoration, and Mass. And hundreds of men showing up. Some for the first time, some returning, all answering the same call.

**The landowner is still calling.  
Don't stand there idle.**

**Register at [THETALK.ORG](http://THETALK.ORG)**

## Pope Leo XIV on Pontifex



Deepening and strengthening the life of faith within families is key to resolving many of the crises facing the Church and society. It is within families that we

learn how to live together, respect others, accept diversity, support one another, be generous, give of our ourselves freely, and embrace the spirit of sacrifice. Perhaps this is our main challenge: that Jesus may live fully in families and illumine them with His presence.

## The Listening Post

The Listening Post is a gathering of everyday people like you. We have good days and we have bad days. Now we have a group to share our ups and downs. We are like the theme song from the TV show Cheers:

"Where everyone knows your name!"

We all face challenges big and small, everybody's Hard is HARD. Now you don't have to face them alone. Join us, "Take a break from your worries". If you feel unheard, unseen, marginalized, this is the group for you.

Be heard, be seen with people who will not judge you in any way. Come join us! Let us learn your name and leave the gathering with new friends who listened to you, who saw you, who did not judge you. If you do, we are confident that everyone will be "Glad You Came."

Our gatherings are the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM in the Cahill Center. We hope to see you at the Listening Post!

## Mental Illness Awareness Week

### A Catholic Call to Compassion and Hope

Mental Illness Awareness Week, October 4 to 10, is an important time for our parishes and wider Catholic community to remember that mental health challenges affect individuals, families, friends, neighbors, and fellow parishioners. It is also a time to renew our commitment to seeing every person with the dignity given them by God, offering welcome rather than judgment, and creating spaces where people can find support, prayer, and hope.

For Catholics, mental illness awareness is not only about sharing information; it is also about accompaniment. Many people who live with mental illness, and many who care for them, experience isolation or stigma. Our faith calls us to respond with compassion, holy listening, prayer, practical support, and respect for professional mental health care. A parish can be a place where people are reminded that they are not alone and that they belong.

The Chicago Archdiocese Commission on Mental Illness offers resources for parishes and individuals, including support and education materials, prayer resources, parish bulletin articles, guidance for starting a mental health ministry, and information about local ministries and events. These resources can help parish communities welcome, support, and accompany people living with mental illness and their families.

## Hope is on the Way – Buckets of Hope

On September 19, several of our day school, youth ministry and faith formation students gathered with their families and other Saint George volunteers to pack buckets for Hope Is On The Way – Buckets of Hope. Through the generosity of Saint George parishioners, 200 buckets were filled with your donated cleaning supplies for families in need after a natural disaster. Additionally, \$2,580.00 was donated by Saint George parishioners to assist these same families in need.



### Don Stachnik Memorial WINTER COAT DRIVE

This season, please help families in need by participating in our Winter Coat Drive event. Donate your gently used or new coats and help someone stay warm during the cold winter.

**Donation Dates:**  
**Saturday and Sunday**

**October 17-18**

**October 24-25**

**October 31 – November 1**

Questions? Contact Lance Bertolli @  
708-334-1713



**Anointing of the Sick  
Today, October 4,  
at 12:30 PM  
at Saint George Church**

All are invited – to receive The Anointing Sacrament of the Sick TODAY, Sunday, October 4, at 12:30 PM following the 11:30 AM Mass. Bring your children who are not strong; bring someone who is suffering mental or emotional disease; come if you are dealing with a debilitating disease or can't walk or if you are having difficulty due to old age..

The Anointing takes only moments, and if you can't walk, the priest will come to you. You will receive the grace Jesus has to give to you. No reservations needed, just come to church.

Immediately following the Anointing, cake, juice, coffee and fellowship will take place in the Parish Life Center.



**Saint George School's 13<sup>th</sup>  
Annual Trunk or Treat is  
Thursday, October 22  
from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM**

Dear Saint George Parish Families,

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

### Trunk Hosts



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

### Candy Donations

What's a Trunk or Treat without candy?! We are anticipating over 500 children this year, so we will need lots of it!! Candies must be individually wrapped. Bins will be available for your candy donations in the church entrances now through October 18.



### Local Business Sponsors

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

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

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**Oct 22nd, 2026**

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**6 to 8 pm**

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## Saint George School

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on a beautiful day!**





## Youth Ministry

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>.

### GodSEND Youth Ministry Spiritual Service and Social Tuesday Gatherings 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Starting at Saint Elizabeth Seton Youth Room  
6300 West 167<sup>th</sup> Street, Orland Hills  
Enter in the Saint Elizabeth Seton Gym Doors

GodSEND Teen Group is for students in 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade who belong to Saint Elizabeth Seton, Saint Stephen and Saint George Parishes.

**We are all One in Christ**

**Tuesday Dates:**

**September 29, October 6, 13, 20 and 27,**

**November 3, 10, 17 and 24**

Every second Tuesday of the month, we will collaborate on a service project for our GodSEND Parish Communities or local community.

Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered in the Church from, 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM.

Bring a friend, or two, or a few.

Questions? Contact John Sobol, [jsobol@steseton.com](mailto:jsobol@steseton.com) or 708-986-2446.

On September 20, GodSEND Youth Ministry held their annual back to school year kickoff, Mass and BBQ, at Saint Stephen Deacon and Martyr with our youth and their families. It was both a Spiritual and Social Event and all grew closer to God and a relationship with each other through worship and fellowship..

The event started with the 11:00 AM Mass with participation from some of our youth in the role of Altar Server, Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Music, Offertory Gift-Bearer and Usher. We were blessed by the presence of the Clergy from the three parishes.

Following Mass, there was a barbecue along with family and youth games. The day transitioned to a youth witness talk given by Clare. She shared how to center-ourselves in Christ in the best of times to thank HIm for the Graces, he has bestowed upon us.

The gathering ended with prayerfully centering on Jesus during Adoration and Benediction.





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**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6 – 6:00 PM**

Saint Xavier University and Domestic Violence Outreach (DVO) invite you to join in a candlelight walk and panel discussion for domestic violence awareness.

6:00 PM – Meet outside Saint Gianna Church (103rd Street and Central Park Avenue). The candlelight walk will proceed to the Saint Xavier University campus (3700 W. 103rd Street).

6:30 PM – The panel will be held in the Butler Reception Room with panelists representing Arab, American, African American, Caucasian, Hispanic and Polish communities, who will discuss:

- Culturally competent strategies utilized when identifying, responding to and supporting victims of abuse.
- The range of support services available to victims and family, including shelter, legal and community.

Attendees will have access to resource tables and can talk to agencies and organizations that support victims – court advocates, shelter and housing services, support services and more.

In case of rain, please go directly to Saint Xavier University and park in Lot 12 off of 103<sup>rd</sup> Street.



## **Northern France**

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Visiting: Chartres, Blois, Mont St. Michel, D-Day Beaches, Bayeux, Lisieux, Rouen, Giverny, Paris and more!

**12 Days – April 18–29, 2027**

Father Paul Seaman and Father Kevin McCray will be hosting a pilgrimage to Northern France. You are invited to join them on this pilgrimage. Brochures are available at the church entrances.

An information meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 21 at 7:00 PM in the Parish Life Center.

## 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.

### Order 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.

**Registration:** We welcome new members with open arms. Please call the parish office for additional information.

**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 for additional information.

**Funeral, 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:** Each Every Saturday from 3:00 PM to 3:30 PM.

**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.

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

**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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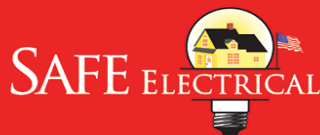


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