

St. George

Roman Catholic Parish

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First Sunday of Lent

February 18, 2018

Your ways, O LORD, make known to me; teach me your paths.

— *Psalm 25:4*



COMMUNION TO THE SICK

If you or someone you know is sick or homebound, please call for the assistance of a Minister of Care. Ministers of Care bring communion to those who cannot come to Mass. Please call Mary Ellen Akin at 480-983-7026 or the parish office to arrange a scheduled Minister of Care visit.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR EMERGENCY

If you or someone you know is in critical condition or near death call 480-982-2929 weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. After hours and on weekends call 480-303-1253. Please do not use this service for any other reason.

INFANT BAPTISM

Parents requesting baptism for their children under 7 years old must attend a mandatory preparation class offered every other month. Please call the Parish Office in advance for scheduling or other information. Infant baptisms are the last Sunday of each month.

MARRIAGES/MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Couples seeking the sacrament of marriage must be registered parishioners who are actively participating in the life of St. George Roman Catholic Parish. Notification of intent to marry must be provided six months in advance. For more information on the marriage preparation process, please call the Parish Office.

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Masses

Saturday: 11:30 a.m., 1:15, 3:00, and 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 6:30, 8:15, 10:00, 11:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. (Life Teen Mass)

Weekdays: 8:00 a.m.

Confessions: Sat. 10:30 a.m.

Holy Days: 8:00 & 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

PASTORAL STAFF

Father Domenico Pinti, Pastor	
Father Stanley Nadolny, Parochial Vicar	Ext. 104
Caroline Hodges, Bookkeeper	Ext. 103
Grace Vozel, Parish Secretary	Ext. 101
Christine Ollive, Coordinator of Religious Ed	Ext. 102
Debbie Wohlforth, Receptionist	Ext. 100
Denis McDonald, Maintenance	

WINTER PRIESTS

Fr. Howie McGraw	Fr. Vince Lieser
Fr. Rodney Farke	

PARISH DEACONS

Deacon Bill Jones

Ministries

Youth Altar Server Training, Fr. Stan
Eucharistic Ministers, Fr. Pinti
Lectors, Cindy Nuttall 602-312-6667
RCIA, Fr. Pinti
Ushers, Fr. Pinti
Divine Mercy, Joetta Carlos—735-8471
Grief Support Group, Susan Insalaco—250-3522
Natural Family Planning, Darrin & Pems Tebon—671-9040
Adult Choir—Sheryl Johnson—480-354-5985

Organizations

Knights of Columbus, Tom Wolf 982-4441
Our Lady of the Desert Guild, Barbara Reddington—671-0719
Respect Life Ministry, Fr. Pinti

Finance Council

Susan Insalaco	Caroline Hodges	Will Bublitz
Arlene Showers	Ray Kimble	

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MONDAY, February 19

- 9:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Makers (Room 6)
3:30 p.m. Divine Mercy Ministry—Movie Series (Room 3)
4:00 p.m. Legion of Mary (Room 2)

TUESDAY, February 20

- 1:00 p.m. Bridge (Social Hall)
1:30 p.m. Welcome Home Catholics (Rm 3)
3:00 p.m. DMC (Chapel)
6:30 p.m. R.C.I.A. (Room 3)

WEDNESDAY, February 21

- 9:00 a.m. Rosary Makers (Social Hall)
1:30 p.m. Ladies Guild Game Day

THURSDAY, February 22

- 8:30 a.m. Quilters (Social Hall)
9:30 a.m. Grief Support (Room 6)
1:30 p.m. Rosary for the Unborn (Chapel)

FRIDAY, February 23

- Fr. Stan's 50th Anniversary Breakfast
3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet (Chapel)
4:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
Soup & Bread follows

SATURDAY, February 24

- 9:00 a.m. Children's Choir (Atrium)
Fr. Stan's 50th Anniversary (after each mass)

SUNDAY, February 25

- Fr. Stan's 50th Anniversary (after each mass)
9:30 a.m. Children's Choir (Atrium)
Baptism's (after the 11:30 a.m. Mass)
2:00 p.m. Franciscans (Rm 3)

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 25—Baptisms

February 26-28—Rev. Wehrley Retreat/Mission

February 28—Marian Healing Mass

March 3 & 4—GBFH tickets being sold

March 7—Our Lady of the Desert Guild Meeting/lunch

March 12—Chordial-Aires concert

March 18—Golf Tournament

March 19—St. Joseph Mass/St. Joseph Table

March 21—Ladies Guild Game Day

For the full monthly calendar of Parish Events please visit our website at: www.stgeorgeaj.com.

PEOPLE OF THE COVENANT

If there is one word that stands out in today's readings, it is "covenant." God's faithfulness and goodness serve as examples to us of how to live. Genesis tells the story of Noah and of God's covenant not only with all people, but with all of nature. Never will the cleansing waters of the flood bring their destructive power to all the earth again. The sign, the reminder to both God and nature, is the rainbow in the heavens.

The psalm reminds us of this compassion of God, and begs God to remember us, not because of our goodness, but because of God's goodness and fidelity to the promise. God shows us how to be good, not by decree, but by example.



Golden Jubilee

2018 marks the 50th anniversary of the priestly ordination of Fr. Stanley Nadolny.

We invite you to join us to help honor Fr. Stan and his 50 years of faithful service to the Lord at the following celebrations:

Wednesday, February 21, 2018—6:45—7:15 p.m.
Cake and punch in the east hall

Friday, February 23, 2018 following 8:00 a.m. Mass
Breakfast in the social Hall

Saturday and Sunday, February 24 & 25 2018,
following all Masses
Refreshments in courtyard

Fr. Stan's Anniversary Mass will take place on
Sunday, February 25, 2018 at 11:30 a.m.

Fr. Stan's dedicated service has been a source of comfort, inspiration and strength for the people of God. He has truly been a joyful witness to all. We look forward to sharing in his continue work for Christ's mission.

MASS INTENTIONS

2018

- Mon. February 19**
8:00 a.m. Parents of Jerome & Ellen Cyrus
Gretchen Jacobs
+Eugene Kramer
- Tues. February 20**
8:00 a.m. +Carmela Patricia Matlak
+Joan Quinn
+JoAnne Ulrich
- Wed. February 21**
8:00 a.m. Souls in Purgatory
+Robert Dorpinghaus
+Ceil & Greg Flynn
- Thurs. February 22**
8:00 a.m. Joan Stadler
+Rita Duffey
+Marian Esser
- Fri. February 23**
8:00 a.m. +Tony Brown
+Carl Martin
+Kathleen Shannon
- Sat. February 24**
11:30 a.m. The Wagner Family
+Jack Bradshaw
+Don Wesolowicz
1:15 p.m. All Members of the Wegrzyn Family
+Bernie Gareis
+Clara Lockwood
3:00 p.m. Doug & Colleen Hughes
59th Wedding Anniversary
+Ceasar Nitorreda
+Don O'Toole
4:30 p.m. +Brian Weiss
- Sun. February 25**
6:30 a.m. People of the Parish
8:15 a.m. +Dolores Aniol
+Suzanna Cassel
10:00 a.m. Rose Green & Family
+Susan R. Bingold
+Jack Michael Fabiano
11:30 a.m. +Norman Evind
+Patricia McElmeel
6:00 p.m. Fr. Stan 50th Anniversary
Celebration

GIFT SHOP IS OPEN

Saturday before all Masses and
Sunday 7:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

MINISTRIES

- Altar Flowers**—Betty Bublitz 480-671-1028
(home), 602-300-8439 (cell), or
Mary Dikes 480-983-0897
- Prayer Shawl Makers**—Mon. 9:00 a.m. room 6
Carol 480-380-2634
- Legion of Mary**—Mon. 4:00 p.m. room 2
Josie 480-202-6783/Martha 480-544-1683
- Knights of Columbus**—7:00 p.m. room 3
Grand Knight: Tom Wolf 982-4441
Council: 1st Mon.
Assembly: 2nd Mon. of month
- Divine Mercy Chaplet**—
Tues. & Fri. 3 p.m. in the Chapel
Daily after 8 a.m. Mass in the Cry Room
- Bridge Players**—Tues. 1:00 p.m.
Margie 602-316-4174
- Rosary Makers**—Wed. 9:00 a.m. social hall
- O. L. of the Desert Guild**—1st Wed. Month 9:30
Barbara Reddington—480-671-0719
- Quilters**—Thurs. 8:30 a.m. social hall
Jacque Florez-Ball 480-310-0126
- Grief Support**—Thurs. 9:30 a.m. room 6
Susan 480-250-3522
- Secular Franciscans**—4th Sunday of each month
2:00 p.m. room 3
Mary Domke OFS—920-366-2438 or
Carolyn Peterson—920-246-1038
Email: franciscanjoyinaj@gmail.com
- Catholic Discussion Group** (Patricians)
Open to anyone wishing to come.
3rd Sat. 9 a.m. room 2
Josie 480-202-6783
**Topic: Why St. Valentine is the meaning
of love**

DEVOTIONS

- Daily Rosary:** 7:30 a.m. Monday through Friday
- Adoration daily:** Until 9:30 a.m.
- First Friday:** 8:00 a.m. Mass, Anointing of the
Sick, Adoration until 9:30 a.m.
- First Saturday:** 8 a.m. Mass/Adoration until 9:30
a.m., 8:30 a.m. Rosary for the Unborn (Cry Room)
by the Knights of Columbus
- Divine Mercy Chaplet:** Daily 8:30 a.m. in Cry
Room Tues. & Fri. 3:00 p.m. in the Adoration
Chapel

ST. GEORGE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH
Financial Report: Income & Expense
Mid-Year (July through December, 2017)

INCOME

Offertory/Contributions/Grants/Bequests	\$566,830
Restricted Contributions	19,884
Building, Maintenance, Special Projects	25,908
Capital Campaign Rebate (Restricted)	1,893
Liturgy	1,366
RE Program	3,190
Help For the Needy	71,127
Interest Income	6,616
Total Income	\$696,774

EXPENSE

Administration	\$341,822
Liturgy	120,949
Religious Education	46,984
Help For the Needy	78,666
Diocesan Assessments (Chancery Tax, Priest Retirement Fund, Priest Salary Subsidy Fund)	92,012
Total Expense	\$680,433

NET INCOME MINUS EXPENSE

\$16,341

The past six months were good. We upgraded the Air Condition in the Social Hall, the sound system also had new upgrades. Our Parish made the 2017 Annual Catholic Appeal. The Parish keeps up with a good maintenance schedule.

Thank you for your generosity. May God continue to Bless You.
 Fr. Domenico C. Pinti, Pastor

BEST LENT EVER

DON'T GIVE UP

CHOCOLATE

FOR LENT

Lent comes every year. It's meant to be a time when we invite God to help us become the-best-version-of-ourselves. But for many of us, Lent isn't a transformative experience. It's just a time when we give up chocolate or something else we enjoy, then go back to it at Easter.

This Lent, do something different. Join our parish for BEST LENT EVER, a free email program from Dynamic Catholic that is designed to help you have a life-changing Lent. Each day, you'll receive an email with...Inspirational Videos, Practical Tips, or Encouraging stories.

ARE YOU READY TO HAVE YOUR BEST LENT EVER???

Sign up at:

DynamicCatholic.com/40Days

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
- Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
- Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
- Thursday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
- Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
- Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
- Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10,

CHORDIAL-AIRES

Mark your calendars!

Four-Part A Cappella Women's Show Chorus

Monday, March 12, 2018 -5:00 p.m.

St. George Roman Catholic Church

Cost: Love Offering

Lent



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays 4:00 p.m.
(Followed by soup & bread)

PENANCE SERVICE

Thursday, March 22
8:30 a.m., 4:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.

LENTEN REGULATIONS

ABSTINENCE: Binds all those 14 years and older to **ABSTAIN FROM MEAT** on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and **ALL Fridays of Lent.**

FASTING: Binds those between the ages of 18 and 59 to **ONE** full daily meal plus breakfast and a collation (light meal) on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Nothing to be eaten between meals.

DIVINE MERCY MINISTRY “MOVIE SERIES”

Divine Mercy in the Second Greatest Story Ever Told

Is a breathtaking journey combining History, Scripture, Prophecy, and lives of the Saints to show God’s merciful love for you.

We will present captivating video episodes featuring acclaimed author and popular speaker Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC. Each episode shows how amazing historical events of the past 500 years connect to reveal the deeply personal spiritual reality of God’s merciful love—culminating now, in our lifetime.

Mondays at 3:30 p.m. in Room 3 Program Schedule

Monday, February 19, 2018

The Suffering Servant & Faustina and the Spread of Divine Mercy

Monday, February 26, 2018

Proclaim This Message & Fatima

Monday, March 5, 2018

The Secret of Divine Mercy & God’s Master Plan

Monday, March 12, 2018

Mary’s Knight & The Final Question

***A calendar of practices to prepare for Divine
Mercy Sunday is available by the Divine Mercy
Image.***

LENTEN FOLDERS & CANS

The San Solano Missions/Parish covers over 4,450 square miles in the Sonoran Desert of Southern Arizona. There are over 40 villages and Chapels that the Franciscans of the St. Barbara Province of Oakland, Ca. serve.

The Lenten Folder/Can Program is the main fundraiser for the year that supports a variety of ministries among the Tohono O’odham Nation in Arizona.

The Lenten Coin Folders and Cans are available throughout the Church. Please return them before Easter. Instead of taping the coins into the folders, please put them in a baggie.

“Jiosh si s-em-ho’ige’el”

God Bless you for your generosity

SPRING FOOD DRIVE

It is that time of the year for Help for the Needy to hold our Spring Food Drive. A list of those non-perishable items that we need will be at the exits.

We will also be collecting candy, toys, and baskets to make up Easter Baskets for those children in our community that need help. Please feel free to purchase any or all of the items on the list.



Thank you in advance for your support.

FEED YOUR FAITH

FEAR Ends Where FAITH in Christ Begins!

February 26-28, 2018

St. George Roman Catholic Church

Rev. Charlie Wehrley C.S.S.R.

Retreat Director

If your fears are greater than your faith, this parish retreat/mission is created for you.

There will be one talk offered twice each day. You can attend right after morning Mass, or at 4:00 p.m.

GOD'S POWER

We are not in our power, but in the power of God.—St. Perpetua



Sunday, February 18, 2018

The Wedding Feast/The Mass as A Wedding
This week at Life Teen we will discuss the Mass as a wedding feast. The image of a wedding is a favorite of Jesus Christ, because it demonstrates the love that He has for his bride, the Church. In the Book of Revelation, St. John has a vision of heavenly worship and realizes that what he is seeing is a wedding feast—the wedding feast of the Lamb, Jesus Christ, and His bride, the Church.

For more information: Christine Ollive
480-982-2929 ext. 102



Tuesday, February 20, 2018
Respecting Sexuality

We continue our semester on Morality and Justice with Respecting Sexuality. Our session will explore the message from our culture about sexuality and sex. Students will learn that the Sixth Commandment protects God's true purposes for sex.

For more information: Christine Ollive

COMING HOME TO ALL CATHOLICS

Years of non-participation have made many Catholics feel like strangers in their own church. To help you familiarize yourself with the Church, the following 5-part series titled "Coming Home to All Catholics" will be presented here at St. George every Tuesday from February 20 through March 20 from 1:30-2:30 p.m. The series will address what Catholics believe, reconciliation, marriage and annulments, Mass and community.

Any questions please call Deacon Bill Jones at 480-671-4511.



Many thanks to our students who set out early Saturday morning (Feb. 10th) to pick oranges. When they were finished they had picked over 2 1/2 TONS (over 5000 lbs.!) of oranges!!

These oranges will be sent to United Food Bank where they will be distributed to those in need.

Thank you to Mark Adams and Vicki Rodriguez for chaperoning this event.



"Come to Me"

A big thank you goes out to all the women who came to the retreat and brought the wonderful salads and desserts. Also to Gert who made the sandwiches and Deacon Bill, Swede, Jim and Hubert who served the food. Women who helped set up, Susan, Linda, Sue and Denise. Presenter, Justith Dunlap: jazdunlap@aol.com

2018

St. George Roman Catholic Parish Scholarship Applications

Available from website or parish office

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Graduate in the class of 2018.
- Confirmed in the Catholic Church.
- Demonstrate leadership in church, school or community related activities.
- A practicing Catholic in St. George Roman Catholic Parish.

Applications must be submitted by 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday, March 20, 2018

THANK YOU

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for advertising in our bulletin.