

St. George

Roman Catholic Parish

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Office Hours: M-F 8 a.m.-12 noon & 1-5:00 p.m.

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 11, 2018

God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

— John 3:17



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.

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

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

PASTORAL STAFF

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| 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

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| 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

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| Susan Insalaco | Caroline Hodges | Will Bublitz |
| Arlene Showers | Ray Kimble | |

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MONDAY, March 12

- 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)
- 5:00 p.m. Chordial-Aires Concert (church)
- 7:00 p.m. K of C Assembly (Room 3)

TUESDAY, March 13

- 1:00 p.m. Bridge (Social Hall)
- 1:30 p.m. Welcome Home Catholics (Rm 3)
(Tour of the Church)
- 3:00 p.m. DMC (Chapel)

WEDNESDAY, March 14

- 9:00 a.m. Rosary Makers (Hall)
- 5:00 p.m. Adult Choir (Atrium)
- 5:30 p.m. Baptism Class

THURSDAY, March 15

- 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, March 16

- 3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet (Chapel)
- 4:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
Soup & Bread follows

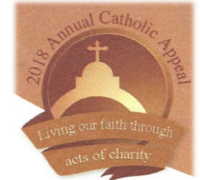
SATURDAY, March 17

- 9:00 a.m. Discussion Group (Rm 2)

SUNDAY, March 18

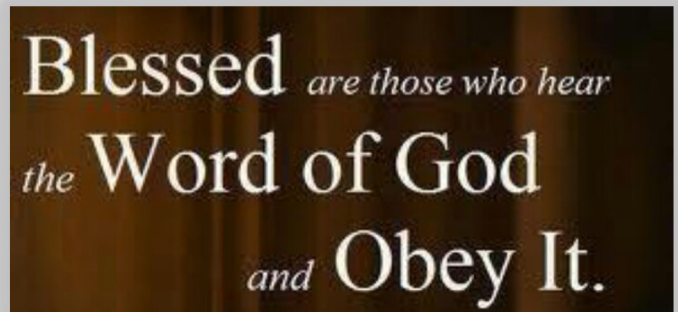
Golf Tournament

2018 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL



Each year the Annual Catholic Appeal blesses us with the opportunity to live our faith and to practice the virtue of charity. When resources are shared to assist people in need, we are living our faith. Each gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal supports numerous ministries, charities and services throughout our Diocese.

OUR GOAL THIS YEAR IS \$183,000
We are now at 33%



COMMUNAL RESPONSIBILITY

The people of God forgot the covenant and flouted God's laws. They did not listen to the prophets among them, who spoke for God in warning them. Prophets are sent from God to remind us why we are here, but they are often, even in our own time, mocked, disregarded, and mistreated rather than thanked and listened to.

The book of Chronicles tells the results of these sins: the destruction of the temple and all of Jerusalem, murder, mayhem, and finally exile to a foreign land. Why are these stories in the Bible? Just to inform us of what happened to our ancient forebears? What good would that be unless there were a message and a warning for us as well? Are we people who follow the teachings of God, who obey the words of Christ in the second covenant in his blood? Or do we continue to wreak works of darkness and violence? We are reminded by these readings that we will be judged as a people, not just as individuals.

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 19—St. Joseph Mass/Pot Luck to follow

March 21—Ladies Guild Game Day

March 22—Penance Services

March 24 & 25 K of C Raffle Ticket Sales

March 25—Baptisms

March 28—Marion Healing Mass

March 30—Good Friday (Office closed)

April 1—Easter

April 7 & 8—Angel Series Book 6 Sales

April 8—Divine Mercy Sunday

April 15—Knights of Columbus Breakfast

April 22 & 29—First Holy Communion

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

MASS INTENTIONS

2018

- Mon. March 12**
8:00 a.m. +Gerry Mussa
+Herbert Sexton
+Michael John Wesley
- Tues. March 13**
8:00 a.m. Steve & Kathy Nelson Family
+Merlyn Collette
+Lonzo Copenhauer
- Wed. March 14**
8:00 a.m. +Beverly Ann Brennan
+Beatrice Kirkpatrick
+Gerry Mussa
- Thurs. March 15**
8:00 a.m. +Damascio Moreno
+Gerry Mussa
+Cletus Pistulka
- Fri. March 16**
8:00 a.m. +Michael Joseph Hayes
+Gerry Mussa
+Robert John Wesley III
- Sat. March 17**
11:30 a.m. +Emory Patterson
+Ray Stetz
+Don Wesolowicz
1:15 p.m. All Members of the Wegrzyn Family
+Georgia Frankus
+Brian Kubik
3:00 p.m. +Brian Weiss
4:30 p.m. Ryan Lien's father
- Sun. March 18**
6:30 a.m. +Ron Thaut
8:15 a.m. +Ray Ballweg
+Bob Coffman
+Joseph Moore
10:00 a.m. +Susan R. Bingold
+Jack Michael Fabiano
+Shirley Wagner
11:30 a.m. People of the Parish
6:00 p.m. William Kunz Family
Souls in Purgatory

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: Learn more about St. Patrick and
St. Joseph**

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


In Loving Memory Christopher Balsz

MEDJUGORJE 2018

June 16th-30th

Work Camp week 1-Pilgrimage week 2

During the first week, we will be participating in the Restoration Project of St. Michael Parish Church located in the village of Drinovci, Bosnia-Herzegovina. During the second week, pilgrims will be participating in a spiritual pilgrimage directed by a professional tour guide who grew up in Medjugorje with the visionaries. The second week will coincide with the 37th Anniversary of the apparitions (June 25, 2018). Pilgrims can choose to participate in the anniversary celebrations. The estimated cost of the two week trip is \$2,699 per person, which includes round-trip airfare (New York), ground transportation, room (double occupancy), board (two meals daily) and the cost of professional tour guide.

For further information about this trip:

Ben Fellows (612-799-2699) or

Bob Mohle (480-66-1489)

or email to:

bfellows40@aol.com or rmohle@aol.com

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30
Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47
Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53
Sunday: Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:3-4, 12-15; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33
Alternate readings (Year A):
Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

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 nonperishable 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.

DIVINE MERCY MINISTRY "MOVIE SERIES"

*Divine Mercy in the Second Greatest
Story Ever Told*

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

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 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



ST. GEORGE'S QUILTING GROUP

The Patchwork for the Poor took time to make this beautiful quilt and presented it to Fr. Stan for his 50th Anniversary. Great job ladies.

Many thanks from Fr. Stan!

St. Joseph's Table



Many years ago in Italy they had years of famine. The people prayed to St. Joseph to give them a good harvest and promised to share the bounty with everyone. They had a good harvest that year and made food from what the fields produced and invited everyone into their home to share. Therefore a meatless meal was shared by all. St. Joseph's Table is celebrated to honor and give thanks to St. Joseph for that wonderful harvest.

MASS & POTLUCK DINNER

Monday, March 19 there is a special Mass at 5:00 p.m. followed by a Potluck Dinner to celebrate St. Joseph.

Everyone is invited.

Families whose name starts with:

A-J—bring salads, bread or fruit

K-R—bring dessert

S-Z—bring meatless main dish

Bring enough for 15-20 people

CHRISM MASS

Monday, March 26, 2018

During Holy Week, the Bishop blesses three oils. The oil of catechumens, the oil of the infirm, and the holy chrism, which is used in the administration of the sacraments throughout the diocese for the year.

We have reserved a bus for those who wish to attend the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral in Tucson. The bus will leave St. George at 11:00 a.m., the Mass is at 2:00 p.m. We will stop for dinner (you pay for your dinner) on the way back. Returning about 8:30 p.m.

To reserve your spot on the bus at no cost, please call the parish office. Space is limited. No animals allowed on the bus.

Penance Service—Thursday, March 22—8:30 a.m., 4:00 & 6:30 p.m.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

HOLY THURSDAY — March 29

8:00 a.m.

7:00 p.m.

Morning Prayer

Mass of the Lord's Supper

Adoration until 9:00 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY—March 30

8:00 a.m.

12:00 Noon

3:00 & 7:00 p.m.

Morning Prayer

Stations of the Cross

The Lord's Passion-Liturgy of the Word,

Veneration of the Cross, and Holy Communion

HOLY SATURDAY—March 31

8:00 a.m.

9:00 & 10:00 a.m.

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

7:00 p.m.

Morning Prayer

Blessing of Food

Easter Vigil

Easter Vigil & Rite of Initiation into the Church

EASTER SUNDAY—April 1

Mass times: 6:30, 8:15, 10:00, 11:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

NO CONFESSIONS ON HOLY SATURDAY



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

St. George Roman Catholic Parish

Spring Break!

NO religious Education Classes:

Sunday, March 11-K-3 & Life Teen Class

Tuesday, March 13-EDGE, SPC 6-12

Wednesday, March 14-K-3, SPC 3-5
& God's Angels

Sunday, March 18-K-3 & Life Teen Class

Enjoy your Spring Break!



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays 4:00 p.m.

(Followed by soup & bread)

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, April 8, 2018

On the Sunday after Easter the entire Church is called to gather throughout the world to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. From St. Maria Faustina's Diary it is clear that this Octave Day of Easter is a day chosen by Christ as a day of extraordinary graces—a complete outpouring of His mercy upon all who approach Him with great trust and expectant faith. To properly celebrate this great day, we need to prepare well. Pope John Paul II canonized Sr. Faustina on Divine Mercy Sunday in 2000. He also established Divine Mercy Sunday as a feast day for the entire Church.

- Novena begins Good Friday, March 30 and ends Saturday, April 7
- Pamphlet, Prayer Cards, Novena to The Divine Mercy available at the Image of The Divine Mercy
- Celebration, Sunday, April 8—Mass at 2:00 p.m. (Children's Choir will be singing) followed by:
- Blessing & Veneration of the Image
- Chaplet of the Divine Mercy (sung)
- Adoration
- Closing: 4:00 p.m.



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

GIFT SHOP NEWS

Easter is on April 1st this year and the gift shop will be CLOSED March 31 & April 1 for the Easter Holiday. So, come and see our Lent & Easter gift items BEFORE then, especially our children's coloring/activity books and special Easter eggs. Also, new items have arrived for Sacraments of Initiation-Rosaries, crosses, picture frames, and more. Thank you for supporting your local parish.

Golf Balls From Heaven

Tickets are still available in the parish office during office hours. Ball Drop takes place on Sunday, March 18, 2018. Need not be present to win.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Do you love to sing?

Are you in grades 1st-8th?

Practice is on Saturday mornings. The Mass we sing at is on Sunday 11:30 a.m.(Family Mass)

Further Information Call: Sharon 480-570-5134

THANK YOU

Hansen Mortuaries

for advertising in our bulletin.