

St. George

Roman Catholic Church

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Office Hours: M-F 8 a.m.-12 noon & 1-4:30 p.m.

Adoration Chapel closed at 4:15 p.m.



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.

Polish Mass: 6:00 p.m. (First Saturday of the Month)

Confessions: Saturday 10:30 a.m.

Holy Days: Special Schedule

Second Sunday of Lent

March 17, 2019

The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom should I fear?

— *Psalm 27:1*

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 Gina Brown 602-999-5067.

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 4:30 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.

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 & ASSISTING PRIESTS

Fr. Vince Lieser	Fr. Jerry Stack
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
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	

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

- MONDAY, March 18**
9:00 a.m. Prayer Shawls (Room 6)
3:30 p.m. Legion of Mary (Room 2)
3:30 p.m. Divine Mercy Movie (Room 3)
5:00 p.m. **St. Joseph Mass**
(followed by **Pot Luck Dinner**)
6:30 p.m. Come Home Catholics (Room 6)
- TUESDAY, March 19**
1:30 p.m. Bridge (Social Hall)
3:00 p.m. DMC (Chapel)
- WEDNESDAY, March 20**
9:00 a.m. Rosary Makers (Hall)
5:00 p.m. Choir (Atrium)
- THURSDAY, March 21**
8:30 a.m. Quilters (Social Hall)
9:30 a.m. Grief Support (Room 3)
1:30 p.m. Rosary for the Unborn (Chapel)
- FRIDAY, March 22**
3:00 p.m. DMC (Chapel)
4:00 p.m. Stations of The Cross
Followed by Soup & Bread
- SATURDAY, March 23**
- SUNDAY, March 24**
After 11:30 a.m. Mass—Baptisms

ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE

Reminder: Monday, March 18—Mass 5:00 p.m.
Followed by Pot Luck Dinner

A-J—Bring salads, bread or fruit

K-R—Bring desert (cake, cookies, etc.)

S-Z—Bring MEATLESS main dish

Please bring enough to feed 15-20 people

UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 25-26-27—Mission*
March 29—Soup & Bread—Grief Support & R.C.I.A.
March 31—Confirmation
April 3—Our Lady of the Desert Guild Meeting
April 5—Soup & Bread (Knights of Columbus)
April 6 & 7—K of C Charity Raffle Sales
April 11—Penance Service
April 12—Soup & Bread (Help for the Needy)
April 14—Palm Sunday
April 19—Good Friday (Parish office CLOSED)
April 20—Discussion Group (Room 2)

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

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL OUR GOAL THIS YEAR IS

\$183,000

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. We are now at 50%.

Donate online at: www.cathfnd.org



STAND FIRM IN THE LORD

It is not hard to imagine, in this age of wars, evil groups bent on the destruction of humanity, and political follies, that the words of Saint Paul were so accurate, even for his time. It seems that the world never changes. Paul says, "Many . . . conduct themselves as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is their destruction . . . Their minds are occupied with earthly things" (Philippians 3:18, 19). The result is the destruction of innocent people and of the Earth itself. But Paul says to the Philippians, "our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ" (3:20). He will "change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body" (3:21). Note that he says "body" rather than "bodies." He is talking about the whole community of believers, who, following the example of Jesus and of Paul, will come into the glory of God. So "stand firm in the Lord" (4:1).

HELP FOR THE NEEDY

Our Help for the Needy is currently in need of canned vegetables, soup, tomato sauce, dry beans, jelly and either canned or powder milk. Thank you in advance for your generosity. We could not do what we do without you.



MINISTRIES

Altar Flowers—Betty Bublitz 480-671-1028 or
Mary Dikes 480-983-0897

Prayer Shawl Makers—Mon. 9:00 a.m. room 6
Carol 480-380-2634

Legion of Mary—Mon. 3:30-5:00 p.m. room 2
Christine Smith 480-354-4310
Martha Rodriguez 480-544-1683

Knights of Columbus—7:00 p.m. room 3
Grand Knight: Tom Wolf 982-4441

Council: 1st Mon. of month

Assembly: 2nd Mon. of month

Divine Mercy Chaplet—

Joetta Carlos-480-735-8471

Tues. & Fri. 3 p.m. in the Chapel

Daily after 8 a.m. Mass in the Cry Room

Bridge Players—Tuesday 1:00 p.m.

Margie 602-316-4174

Rosary Makers—Wed. 9:00 a.m. social hall

O. L. of the Desert Guild

1st Wednesday of each month

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

Edna Yugel OFS—480-983-5560

Catholic Discussion Group

3rd Saturday of the month

9:30 a.m. Room 2

Topic for March 16: “His Last Words”

Bishop Sheen

OUR LADY OF THE DESERT GUILD

Thank you to the following members for our
March lunch: Gloria D., Diane H., Phyllis J.,
Leona P. and Marian H.

Reminder: Those who signed up for St. Joseph
Table, it is this Monday, March 18.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, April 3
at 9:30 a.m. in the Social Hall.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon. March 18

8:00 a.m. +Denise Lafontaine
+Douglas Lozier
+Shirley Wagner

Tues. March 19

8:00 a.m. Fr. Howie McGraw
Sister Patricia A. O’Connell
Souls in Purgatory

Wed. March 20

8:00 a.m. Louise Meyer
+Rhonda Brodeur
+Randy Ojeda

Thurs. March 21

8:00 a.m. Maria Celestina Abdegano
+Mary Hamilton
+Ken Hodges

Fri. March 22

8:00 a.m. John Lang
+Dorothy Garman
+Geraldine Johnson

Sat. March 23

11:30 a.m. +Todd Ashker
+John Grodzicki
+Monica Kujawa
1:15 p.m. All Members of the
Wegrzyn Family
+Robert Christenson
+Alvin Roach
3:00 p.m. +Edward Gourde
+Joseph Gourde
+Victor & Jeanette Gourde

4:30 p.m. Irene Castles
Yolanda Smart
Souls in Purgatory

Sun. March 24

6:30 a.m. People of the Parish
8:15 a.m. Chris Honrath
10:00 a.m. Shawn & Angela Bryan
Naomi Kast
Theron Kast
11:30 a.m. +Anthony Lioce
6:00 p.m. Christopher Caminiti



Manuel Logan
Cora Rozinska
Rudy Schmidt
Fred Crespín

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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

PENANCE SERVICE

Thursday, April 11, 2019 @ 8:30 a.m., 4:00 & 6:00 p.m.

HOLY THURSDAY-April 18

8:00 a.m.

7:00 p.m.

Morning Prayer

Mass of the Lord's Supper

Adoration until 10:00 p.m.



GOOD FRIDAY-April 19

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, & Holy Communion

HOLY SATURDAY-April 20

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 21

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

LENTEN REGULATIONS

ABSTINENCE (meat) Binds all those 14 years and older all Fridays of Lent. (It is not strictly required for Holy Saturday, although it is strongly recommended wherever possible).

FASTING (Limiting oneself to ONE full meal for the day) Binds those between the ages of 18 and 59 for Good Friday and recommended where possible on Holy Saturday.

Lenten Parish Mission

Please join your fellow-parishioners and Fr. Greg Adolf, our Lenten Parish Missioner, on a special Lenten Pilgrimage, taking place here at St. George's. Fr. Greg invites you to "Walk with our Blessed Mother" in a series of reflections and invitations to prayer, during this *Lenten Parish Mission*.

Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday
March 25, 26, & 27th

The Mission will take place after the 8:00 a.m. morning Mass and again in the afternoon at 4:00 p.m.

These guided reflections from Holy Scripture will help you to experience more deeply our Blessed Mother's unique role in God's plan of salvation, and, the invitation to imitate her discipleship!

Please join us for this special *Marian Lenten Mission!*

Gift Shop

Lent continues and we have Stations of the Cross pamphlets; Last Supper holy cards, framed prints & plaques; Good deed bracelets; and Cross lapel pins made with nails. As always, we have a nice selection of Rosaries, statues, & Crucifixes. Have a Holy Lent.

Bishop Weisenberger will be here this year for Confirmation on Sunday, March 31st at 2:00 p.m. On this day only the Gift Shop will be open for one extra hour—2:00 p.m. to purchase your last minute cards & gifts.

COMING HOME TO ALL CATHOLICS

The following is a list of the topic that will be covered in each remaining session:

- Monday, March 18—Reconciliation (Room 6)
 - Monday, March 25—Ministries/Mass (Room 3)
 - Monday, April 1—Annulments (Room 6)
 - Monday, April 8—Tour of Church (Room 6)
- Sessions begin at 6:30 p.m.

You do not need to sign up to attend

Questions? Call the parish office: 480-982-2929.

NOTE: Please see the Coming Home to All Catholics flyers at the brochure racks and give them to someone who says "I haven't been to Mass in years" or "I used to be Catholic"

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Annual State Charity Raffle!

Tickets are still available at the church office during regular business hours. They will also be sold after the weekend masses on **March 16th/17th**, and **April 6th/7th**.

Ticket prices are \$5 each or \$20 for a booklet of 5 (1 free ticket). The winning tickets will be drawn at the Knights of Columbus State Convention on May 18, 2019. You need not be present to win and you will be notified of your winning prize.



Monday, April 15, 2019

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 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 are allowed on the bus.

MESSAGE FROM BISHOP EDWARD J. WEISENBURGER

The Bishop will be releasing a brief reflection on the Scripture Readings for each Sunday in Lent. It is a 7 part series that offer very short lessons & inspirations for Lent.

To view the video, go to www.diocesetucson.org

Divine Mercy Ministry

Monday Movie Series/Talk

March 18—"Faustina, the Apostle of Divine Mercy"

April 1—"The Face of Mercy"

April 8—To be announced

LENTEN 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 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 Cans are available throughout the Church. Please return them BEFORE Easter.

"Jiosh si s-em-ho'ige'el"

God Bless you for your generosity

SPRING FOOD DRIVE

It is that time of year for the 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 for those children in our community that otherwise would not get an Easter Basket. Please feel free to purchase any or all of the items on the list.

Thank you in advance for your support.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38
- Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29;
Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
- Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
- Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31
- Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
- Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
- Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9
Alternate readings (Year A): Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

THANK YOU

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**FOR ADVERTISING IN OUR
BULLETIN**

**St. George Student Scholarship Fund
GRAND RAFFLE**

New this year is the St. George Grand Raffle!
This raffle replaces our Golf Balls from Heaven.
All proceeds go directly to our Scholarship Fund.

Grand Raffle Prizes.

- 55" 4K Television
- \$300 Massage Envy Gift Card
- Fr. Pinti's Authentic Italian Dinner for 10
- Set of 2 Joy Mongano Hard Sided Carry-On Luggage with Leather Tote.
- Large Remote Control Truck
- Electric Mini Bike
- Apple iPad—WiFi 32 GB
- Guided Helicopter Ride for 4 (over the Superstitions)
- Gold Canyon Golf Resort Stay & Play
- Laughlin Weekend for Two
- Hotel 3 days & 2 nights plus Dinner and \$200 Spending Cash
- (Two prize packages available)
- Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20
- Prizes have no cash value
- Winners selected Friday, March 29th.
- Need not be present to win.
- Tickets also available through the parish office.

A Traditional Polish *Swieconka* Basket

Maslo/Butter: This dairy product is often shaped into a lamb (*Baranek Wielkanocny*), reminding us of the goodness of Christ that we should have toward all things.

Chleb/Easter Bread: A round rye loaf topped with a cross, symbolic of Jesus, the Bread of Life.

Chrzan/Horseradish: Symbolic of the Passion of Christ still in our minds, but sweetened with some sugar because of the Resurrection. (May be white or pink w/grated red beets.)

Jajka/Eggs and *Pisanki*: Indicate new life and Christ's Resurrection from the Tomb.

Kielbasa/Sausage: A spicy sausage of pork products, indicative of God's favor and generosity.

Szynka/Ham: Symbolic of great joy and abundance. (In addition to the large ham cooked for the Easter Meal, often a special small ham, called the *Szynka Wielkanocny*) is purchased specially for *Swieconka* basket.)

Slonia/Smoked Bacon: A symbol of the over abundance of God's mercy and generosity.



St. George Roman Catholic Parish

Spring Break!

No Religious Education Classes:

Sunday, March 10 & 17 & 24, 2019 - 1-3

Tuesday, March 5, 12 & 19, 2019 - EDGE, SPC 6-12

Wednesday, March 13 & 20, 2019 - K-3, SPC 3-5 & God's Angels

*Enjoy your
Spring Break!*



**2019 St. George Roman Catholic Parish
Scholarship Applications
Available from website or parish office**

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Graduate in the Class of 2019
- 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. on
Tuesday, March 26, 2019

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. **Discontinues in May.**

Divine Mercy Chaplet: Daily 8:30 a.m. in Cry Room Tues. & Fri. 3:00 p.m. in the Adoration Chapel.