



ST. GEORGE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

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Parish Office open Monday through Thursday:

8:00 a.m. to 12:00 and 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Friday: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon ONLY

Adoration Chapel

(across from the office)

Monday through Thursday:

8:00 a.m. to 11:45 & 1:00 to 2:45 p.m.

Friday: 8:00 to 11:45 a.m. only

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Current Mass Schedule (for the Summer)

Saturday: Masses: 2:00 & 4:00 p.m. Confessions: 2:45 p.m. (AFTER the 2:00 p.m. Mass)

Sunday: Masses: 6:30, 8:15, and 10:00 a.m. & 4:00 p.m.

Daily Mass: 8:00 a.m. Rosary before Mass

Adoration after Daily Mass for 10 minutes. Followed by Divine Mercy

Holy Days: Special Schedule

Video Masses available online for Sundays and Holy Days for the Homebound

www.stgeorgeaj.com

September 15, 2024
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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 the office at 480-982-2929 for more information.

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 along with the Godparents. Please call the Parish Office for current requirements and to register for the class and the baptism. Class and baptisms are in English only.

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 nine months in advance. For more information on the marriage preparation process, please call the Parish Office.

PASTORAL STAFF

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800-348-2886

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2024

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THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

(subject to change)

Monday	September 16, 2024
9:00 a.m.	Prayer Shawl Makers (Room 2)
5:30 p.m.	Knights of Columbus Council (Room 2)
Tuesday	September 17, 2024
7:30 a.m.	Morning Mass
Wednesday	September 18, 2024
7:30 a.m.	Morning Mass
9:00 a.m.	Rosary Makers (Social Hall)
Thursday	September 19, 2024
7:30 a.m.	Morning Mass
9:30 a.m.	Grief Support (Room 2)
Friday	September 20, 2024
7:30 a.m.	Morning Mass
Saturday	September 21, 2024
Sunday	September 22, 2024

(NOTE: Morning Mass time change for Tuesday through Friday, Sept. 17th-20th ONLY. Times will return to 8:00 a.m. next week)

SPECIAL NOTICE

Mark your calendars for:

**Friday, September 27th &
Monday, September 30th**

There will be NO morning Mass those days
There **Will** be a Communion Service @ 8:00 a.m.

(Any mass intentions that had been requested will be said privately by Msgr. Pinti and also put at another mass close to the date requested.)

Special Note from Bishop Weisenberger

Bishop Ed Weisenberger has two articles in the Catholic Outlook. Proposition 139 on abortion and Proposition 314 on immigration. To see this information, go to Diocese of Tucson, Catholic Outlook and see the video. diocesetucson.org

Catechetical Sunday

Loving Father,
we pray today for our catechists.
We thank you for their gift
of ministry in your Church.
Grant them your wisdom
that they may grow
in the understanding
and teaching of your Word.
Grant them also your love
that they may be fruitful heralds
of your Word
and lead others to love you.
AMEN

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting. (Is 50:6)

Psalm:

I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living. (Ps 116) Or: Alleluia.

Second Reading:

So also faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead. (Jas 2:17)

Gospel:

"But who do you say that I am?" Peter said to him in reply, "You are the Christ." (Mk 8:29)

Help for the Needy Volunteer Meeting
Monday, September 23rd
9:00 a.m.
Social Hall

Sign up for October, November & December office & pantry will be at this meeting.

No new volunteers at this time.

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 23—Help for Needy meeting
September 27—Parish Office CLOSED
October 2—Our Lady of the Desert Guild
October 5—Blessing of Pets
October 5—Program Relics of St. Faustyna
October 14—Parish office CLOSED
October 19—Show Your Ride Car Show

**NOVENA TO
SAINT FAUSTINA**



**NOVENA
To
St. Faustina Kowalska**

October 5th is the Feast Day for St. Faustina. The Novena begins Thursday, September 26th and concludes on Friday, October 4th. Novena cards will be at the Image of the Divine Mercy. Novena is recited after the daily 8:00 a.m. Mass prior to the chaplet.

Readings for the week

Monday: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/Lk 7:1-10
 Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 7:11-17
 Wednesday: 1 Cor 12:31—13:13/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 and 22/Lk 7:31-35
 Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11/Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28/Lk 7:36-50
 Friday: 1 Cor 15:12-20/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3
 Saturday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Mt 9:9-13

**Do you love to knit or crochet?
 Why not join the Prayer Shawl Makers?
 Mondays @ 9:00 a.m. in room 2
 (If parish office is closed, they don't meet)
 Also, any yarn donations are appreciated..**



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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday September 16, 2024
 8:00 a.m. +Tony McDonald
 +Gloria Palacios
 +Lucille Quadara

Tuesday September 17, 2024
 7:30 a.m. Judy Randall
 +Fr. Howard J. Johnson
 +Lucille Quadara

Wednesday September 18, 2024
 7:30 a.m. +Fr. Howard J. Johnson

Thursday September 19, 2024
 7:30 a.m. +Orlan & Myrtle Jergenson
 +John Perbohner

Friday September 20, 2024
 7:30 a.m. +Fr. Howard J. Johnson

Saturday September 21, 2024
 2:00 p.m. +Dominic Frigo
 +Joy Wells
 +Ronald Wooley
 4:00 p.m. +Orlan & Myrtle Jergenson
 +Fr. Howard J. Johnson
 +John Perbohner

Sunday September 22, 2024
 6:30 a.m. +Maggie Czerwinski
 +Fr. Howard J. Johnson
 8:15 a.m. Nathan Adams Family
 Harold & Nancy Carlson Family
 +Lois Darlene Kurian
 10:00 a.m. +Pietro Balistreri
 +Maria Grasso
 +Bill Rang Jr.
 4:00 p.m. +Gregg Meany

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**“Messages of Divine Mercy”
Saturday, October 5th at 10:00 a.m. (in the Church)
A Program with Relics of St. Faustyna Kowalska**

Messages of Divine Mercy: A Program with Relics of St. Faustyna Kowalska is a one-hour presentation provided by the Apostolate for Holy Relics (AHR).

The program allows the faithful to engage in meditative review of messages provided to St. Faustyna Kowalska as noted in her Diary. The program features the following major elements:

- Christ’s Passion
- The Holy Eucharist
- Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet
- Special music that allows for a meditative atmosphere and engages the faithful
- Veneration for each of the relics (relics of St. Faustyna, the Relic of the True Cross and a 1st Class Relic of Blessed Seelos)
- Exposition of the holy Eucharist as part of the meditative portion of our presentation. Its purpose is to highlight that time-transcending gift that connects us from his Passion to his Presence with us today.
- The delivery format is narrative given by a female voice, representing St. Faustyna integrated with a male voice representing Jesus in their conversations.

A collection of holy relics such as this can rarely be seen together with a full supporting program. When the relics and program are brought together in a singular capacity highlighting St. Faustyna’s interactions with Jesus, the faithful engages in a memorable experience that provides for a new or renewed perspective on the Divine Mercy of Jesus. All are welcome to attend.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Phoenix Arizona Celebration

49th Anniversary in Phoenix

Sunday, October 27, 2024

2:00 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

Phoenix Convention Center, Halls F & G

33 S. 3rd Street

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Most Rev. John P. Dolan

Bishop of Phoenix, Presiding

There will be a bus going from St. George’s to the PHOENIX Arizona Rosary Celebration. It will leave St. George’s parking lot at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 27 and will return approximately around 6:00 p.m. Please call the parish office to have your spot on the bus reserved.



Friday, October 4, 2024

At Mountain View Funeral Home & Cemetery

10:00 a.m.



Saturday, October 5, 2024

At St. George Roman Catholic Parish

(West Side of the Church)

10:00 a.m.

**Our Lady of the Desert
GIFT SHOP**

The gift shop will open on Sunday, September 22nd. The hours will be 7:30 to 11:15 a.m. on Sundays only. In celebration, we are offering 10% off all garden plaques and statues for the month of September. Don’t forget to check for bargains of the fully replenished clearance cart!

**National Society of
the Daughters of the American Revolution
(NSDAR)**

Constitution Week—September 17-23

This year marks the 237th anniversary of the signing of the US Constitution. We ask that everyone says a prayer for our nation and our service men and women during this Constitution week.



LIFE TEEN

Sunday, September 15, 2024

Family Plan

Support is essential to teens in their faith walk. This LIFENIGHT emphasizes how God calls each person to be part of His family and encourages teens to take an active role in supporting each other—specifically through community building..

For more information:
Christine Ollive, Director of Religious Education
collive@stgeorgeaj.com
Or call the parish office: 480-982-2929



Tuesday, September 17, 2024

Healthy, Happy, and Holy An EDGE Issue Night on Safe Environment

The goal of this night is for our middle school youth to come to a greater understanding of their dignity, worth and their call to live healthy, happy and holy lives

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Confirmation 2025



Confirmation will take place in the Spring of 2025. Confirmation Candidates must be in at least 10th grade and have received the Sacrament of First Eucharist. Students wanting to be Confirmed will have had 2 continuous years of religious education. i.e. students must have been registered and attending Life Teen (or Sacrament Prep Class) during the 2023-2024 religious education year.

Confirmation candidates must be attending Life Teen and actively working the *Called to Mercy* on-line Confirmation course (to be explained at our information meeting), and attend retreats. A Confirmation information meeting will take place on August 27, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

Life Teen Registration forms can be located on the parish website: stgeorgeaj.com, in the east and west vestibules of the church or through the parish office.

For more information, please contact Christine in the parish office.



We are excited to announce that the Children's Liturgy of the Word will begin taking place THIS Sunday, September 8th at our 10:00 a.m. Masses. Children will be invited to gather up by the Altar just before the readings begin. They will be taken to the Atrium (classroom near the church restrooms) to read and talk about the day's readings. Children will be returned to the church to rejoin their parents after the readings at the Collection. We hope to have your children join us, allowing them to fully understand the Word of God on their level.

How to Report Abuse

1. Call 911 to make a police report
2. If the abuse happens in any other state, call the Police or Sheriff's Office in the specific area of that state.
3. Call the Victim Assistance Program of the Diocese of Tucson at 1-800-234-0344 and/or the Office of Child Adolescent and Adult Protection at 520-838-2513
4. Go to the Diocese of Tucson link: <https://diocesetucson.org/our-call-to-protect-1>

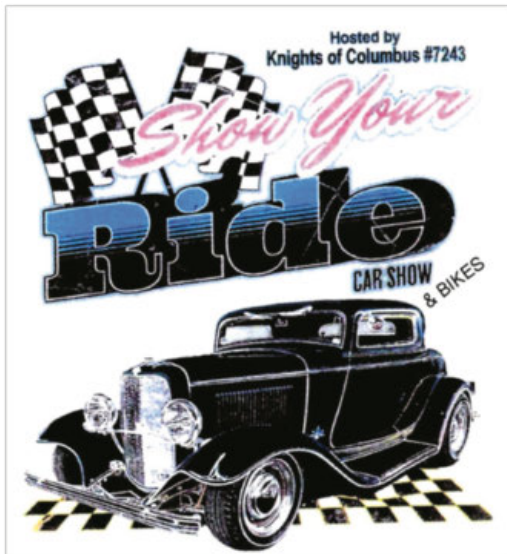
SHOW YOUR RIDE

Car & Bike Show

Hosted by Knights of Columbus #7243

Saturday, October 19th, 2024
From 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
St. George Catholic Church

Application forms are at the brochure racks
At the East I & West Vestibules



Help for the Needy Current Needs

Thank you for supporting the Help for the Needy Pantry. Our current needs are jelly, canned beef ravioli, canned meat (chicken, SPAM, etc.), tuna, pancake mix, canned milk, boxed (instant) potatoes, deodorant and saltine crackers.

If you are in need of food, please bring photo ID and proof of residency in Apache Junction or Gold Canyon.

Help for the Needy is open:
Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday
9:00 to 11:00 a.m.



Matthew 25:35, 36

For I was Hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you visited me.

Observances for the week

Monday: Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

Tuesday: St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church;
Saint Hildegard of Bingen, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Thursday: St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

Friday: Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest, and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang and Companions, Martyrs

Saturday: St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

St. Matthew the Evangelist Feast Day—September 21 Patron of Bankers & Accountants

When he was born around the birth of Christ, Matthew was named Levi by his father, Alpheus. When Levi grew up, he became a tax collector in Capernaum, a city in Galilee. He was working when Jesus asked him to follow him, which Levi did without question. Changing his name to Matthew, he became one of the 12 Apostles and stayed with Jesus until His Crucifixion.

Matthew was among the Apostles when the Resurrected Jesus revealed himself. At that time, Jesus promised Matthew and the others that they would be baptized in the holy Spirit and that they must bear witness for Him. Then they witnessed His miraculous Ascension into heaven, and afterward, the Apostles went to Jerusalem and joined Jesus' mother, Mary, in prayer.

Matthew went on to become one of the foremost of those who bore witness to Christ. He wrote the first of the four Gospels, telling the world of the life and teachings of Jesus. Most Bible scholars believe Matthew wrote the Gospel during the second half of the first century while he lived in Jerusalem.

When Herod Agrippa began to persecute Christians in Jerusalem, theologians believe Matthew fled the city. Most maintain that he preached the Gospel in Judea and then spread the Word in such countries as Ethiopia, Persia, Macedonia, Syria, Egypt and Ireland.

The exact details of Matthew's death remain uncertain. Although he is venerated as a martyr, one tradition holds that he died a natural death. Other traditions say that he died in Ethiopia or Persia. His feast is observed in the East on November 16, but in the West, it is celebrated on September 21.

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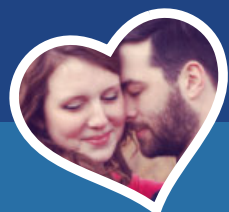
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