

ST. GEORGE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH 300 E. 16th Avenue

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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 22, 2024 25th 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 <u>mandatory</u> 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.



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Debbie Wohlforth, Bookkeeper Ext. 103
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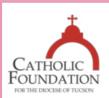
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THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday September 23, 2024

9:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Makers (Room 2)9:00 a.m. Help for Needy Volunteer Meeting

(social hall)

Tuesday September 24, 2024 Wednesday September 25, 2024

9:00 a.m. Rosary Makers (Social Hall)
1:30 p.m. "Sacred Relics of the Saints" DVD

(Classroom 3)

Thursday September 26, 2024
4:00 p.m. Choir (Atrium)
Friday September 27, 2024
8:00 a.m. Communion Service Only

(No morning Mass)

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Saturday September 28, 2024 Sunday September 29, 2024

Ladies of the Parish!!!

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.
- 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

PARISH OFFICED CLOSED FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

There will be NO morning Mass that day There will be a **COMMUNION SERVICE**8:00 a.m. only

Also: Thursday, Sept. 26th, Parish office will CLOSE at 12:00 noon

Mark Your Calendar

There will be NO morning Mass Monday, September 30th

There Will be a Communion Service @ 8:00 a.m.

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

Let us condemn him to a shameful death; for according to his own words, God will take care of him. (Wis 2:20)

Psalm:

The Lord upholds my life. (Ps 54)

Second Reading:

And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace. (Jas 3:18)

Gospel:

"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." (Mk 9:35)

Phoenix Arizona Rosary Celebration Sunday, October 27, 2024 Phoenix Convention Center

St. George will be having a bus going, leaving the parking lot at 11:00 a.m. returning around 6:00 p.m. Call parish office to reserve a spot on the bus.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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 16—Ladies Guild Activity
October 19—Show Your Ride Car Show
October 26-27—K of C selling Charity Chips

COLLECTION ENVELOPES

The Collection Envelopes for 2025 have been put out in the back of the church. They are alphabetically set out. They include BOTH the winter visitors & the year round parishioners.



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.

Do You Have a Service Member Over Seas??? Would you like a Christmas Package sent to them?

Send their name & address over seas to: karendal@centurylink.net

And I will send them a Christmas Package Thanking them for their service





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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	September 23, 2024
8:00 a.m.	Rally Gustafson
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	+Fr. Howard J. Johnson
Tuesday	September 24, 2024
8:00 a.m.	Mary Fran Pietig
	+Fr. Howard J. Johnson
	+Lois Darlene Kurian
Wednesday	September 25, 2024
8:00 a.m.	Rita Marie Beckman
	+Fr. DeSutter
	+Fr. Howard J. Johnson
Thursday	September 26, 2024
8:00 a.m.	Richard Polfiet
	+Fr. Howard J. Johnson
	+Doug Lund
Friday	September 27, 2024
8:00 a.m.	Communion Service/No Intentions
Saturday	September 28, 2024
2:00 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory
	+Fr. Howard J. Johnson
	+Anthony Sirhan
4:00 p.m.	Juan Roberto Cazarez Jr.
	Chelsea Lauren Robberts
	+Al Roach
Sunday	September 29, 2024
6:30 a.m.	+Maggie Czerwinski
	+Charles Garrison
8:15 a.m.	+Fr. Howard J. Johnson
	+Harry Kroll
10:00 a.m.	+Donald Amiot
	+Bob Reinert
	+Bill THielen
4:00 p.m.	+Maria Celestina Abdegano
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Readings for the week

Monday: Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk

8:16-18

Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34,

35, 44/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101,

104, 163/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and

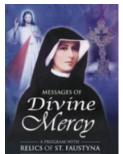
9b/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4/Lk

9:18-22

Saturday: Eccl 11:9—12:8/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13,

14 and 17/Lk 9:43b-45



"Messages of Divine Mercy" Saturday, October 5th at 10:00 a.m. (in the Church) A Program with Relics of St. Faustina 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.

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. We also make specific bags for homeless clients. For those we need pop tarts, granola or protein bars, packets of tuna or chicken, small pop open cans of Vienna Sausage or vegetables, basically anything that can be opened easily, does not need refrigerated and eaten cold.

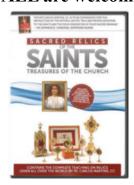
If you are in need of food, please bring photo ID and proof of residency in Apache Junction or Gold Canyon.

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.

"Sacred Relics of the Saints" DVD Treasure of the Church Wednesday, September 25th 1:30 p.m. in classroom 3

ALL are welcome!







Sunday, September 22, 2024

Metadata

Every discerning person questions the existence of God. This thought-provoking Life Night equips our teens to answer (or begin to answer) this question for themselves by encouraging their faith and gently nudging them toward the truth. Teens are shown how belief can be supported by evidence and reason, and that a personal relationship with God can be deepened through prayer and scripture.

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

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.

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

Solemn Mass in Honor of St. Padre Pio **September 23, 2024**



EWTN | Global Catholic 11:00 p.m. (ET) | Catholic Network Through his miracles,

St. Padre Pio brought

many people to Christ. EWTN takes you live to the Shrine of Saint Pio Pietrelcina in San Giovanni Rotondo, Italy for a solemn Mass in his honor.



Tuesday, September 24, 2024

Revelation, Scripture, and Tradition

"God is love" (1 John 4:8), and love is meant to be revealed. God chooses to reveal His very life, love and plan for humanity to us. We call God's sharing Divine Revelation. God has chosen to communicate his Revelation through Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition. These together make up the single sacred Deposit of the Word of God, preserved, protected, and passed down through the Church for the sake of the world.

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



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.

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.

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Observances for the week

Monday: St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest; National Migration Week

Thursday: Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs

Friday: St. Vincent de Paul, Priest

Saturday: St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence

Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs

St. Wenceslaus, Martyr September 28 Patron of Bohemia

The father of St. Wenceslaus, Vratistlas, Duke of Bohemia, was a Christian; but his mother Drahomira, a pagan, was a wicked and cruel woman. Fortunately for St. Wenceslaus, he was educated under the care of his saintly grandmother, St. Ludmilla, with whose efforts he fully corresponded. At Budweis, about sixty miles from Prague, he went to a college where he made great progress in learning. His father died while he was still young, and Drahomira, assuming the title of Regent, gave vent to her hatred of Christianity by a cruel persecution.

At the advice of his grandmother, St. Wenceslaus finally took the government into his own hands; but to prevent disputes between him and his brother, Boleslaus, the people divided the territory between them, giving to Boleslaus a considerable share. The latter, who had been under the influence of his mother, had acquired her hatred of the Christian religion. The pious St. Wenceslaus led the life of a Saint in the midst of his court, distinguishing himself by his devotion to the Blessed Sacrament.

His piety and his severity against the oppressions of the nobility caused some to join the faction of his mother. Being treacherously invited to the court of Boleslaus after the festivities, he went at midnight to pray in the church. The assasissins found him there and the mortal blow was given him by his own brother, Boleslaus. His last words were "Brother, may God forgive you." His death occurred in 929.

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!

FORGIVENESS!!!!

Even as Wenceslas was dying at the hand of his own brother, he was able to forgive him. Jesus teaches that we should not only forgive our enemies but we should also love and pray for them.

Is there someone that you need to forgive?

Does it bother you that you haven't forgiven someone?

Below are some bible quotes about forgiving.

Ephesians 4-31-32:

All bitterness, fury, anger, shouting, and reviling must be removed from you, along with all malice. And be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ.

Colossians 3:12-13:

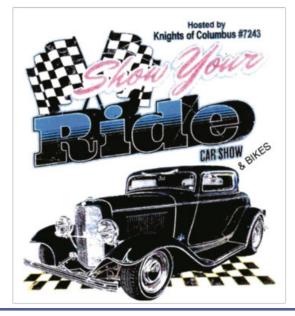
Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another, if one has a grievance against another; as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do.

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

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